

CORVALLIS, PELS SCORE FIRST ROUND TOURNNEY WINS

LA Coach Avoids Overconfidence On Dodger Hopes

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Vero Beach, Fla. —(UPI)—Walter Alston is wondering if all the baseball men who are picking the Los Angeles Dodgers as the club to beat for the National league pennant know more about his team than he does.

"Sure we have a shot at it, a very good shot," Alston said. "But we have a big 'if' here and there. I agree that we have great looking youngsters, but how do I know they will come through for us? And if I don't know, how can the other managers who are saying we are the team to beat?"

If a couple of the youngsters come through, if the Dodgers' strong-armed pitching staff gains control and if the catching holds up well, then, according to Alston, "the Dodgers should go all the way."

"But I'm not going to say we are going to do it at this time. Ask me a month from now and maybe I can give you the answer one way or the other."

The youngsters he is counting on are Willie Davis, the outfielder who led the Pacific Coast league in hitting last year with an average of .348, and Charlie Smith, a third baseman who hit .322 at Spokane. And unless John Roseboro can attain his 1959 form, Alston may have to depend on a third rookie, catcher Doug Camilli.

"Both general manager Buzz Bavasi and I would rather have Camilli catching regularly for one of our minor league clubs than sitting on the bench with us," Alston explained. "He can use another year of seasoning and he is such a great prospect that we don't want to rush him along too quickly."

Camilli is the son of the former National league star, first baseman Dolph Camilli. He hit .281 at Spokane last year.

Roseboro, after a fair season and a brilliant World Series in 1959, slipped last year, hitting only .213. Unless he comes back, Camilli will have to stay with the club to take up the slack.

As for the pitching staff, Alston explains:

"We have a wild bunch of guys. They either strike out the batter, walk him or get behind on the count and then come in over the middle of the plate. They have to better their control and correct such mistakes as giving the batter a fat one to hit when the count is against them."

Must Come Through

If they do that, and the youngsters come through then Alston figures he "will be all set."

"I look at it this way," he said. "If all of our fellows live up to their potential, we should win. They did that in 1959 and we won. They didn't last year and we finished fourth."

"Now each player on the Pittsburgh club played up to his potential last year. That's why the Pirates won the pennant and the World Series. If any one of five clubs in our league has its players attaining their potential this season it could win the pennant."

Alston put the Cardinals, Giants and Braves in that category along with the Dodgers and Pirates.

"I really like the Cardinal prospects," he added.

He said on the basis of the way the club plays against the Dodgers, the Cincinnati Reds should be in that group, too.

"They have given us more trouble than any other club the past few years," said Alston. "If they played against the rest of the league the way

Coquille, Madras Seek A-2 Crown

Coos Bay —(UPI)—Top-ranked Madras and Coquille go to the post here tonight to determine the 1960-61 state A-2 high school basketball champion.

The two squads advanced to the final round by gaining victories over Sherwood and Mt. Angel Tuesday night.

Madras, which grabbed the lead for good in the second quarter, dumped Sherwood 72-61, and Coquille put on a strong scoring spurt early in the second half to down Mt. Angel 69-61.

Henley Victor

In consolation play Seaside eliminated Pleasant Hill with a 58-51 win while Henley topped Reedsport 72-65.

Gary Moe and Joe Piedmont paced the Madras win over Sherwood by tallying 19 and 15 points respectively to offset a 21-point performance by Sherwood's Walt Ratzlaf. Coquille achieved its victory by scoring 11 points at the start of the third period while holding Mt. Angel to a free throw. The spurt erased a 30-27 Mt. Angel halftime lead. Ron Stein tallied 27 points for Coquille and Mt. Angel's Ray Halter pumped in 18. There were a total of 39 fouls called in the game, 21 on Mt. Angel and 18 on Coquille.

Record Rebounds

Larry Rasmussen, Seaside's 6-9 center, scored 19 points and grabbed off a record-breaking 25 rebounds to lead his squad to a 58-51 victory over Pleasant Hill. Charlie Roberts scored 13 for the losers.

Ray Brown and Bert Allbritton scored 24 and 21 points to pace Henley to the first state tournament win in the school's history.

In today's action, Seaside met Henley for the consolation championship at 2 p.m. and Sherwood battles Mt. Angel for third place honors. The Madras-Coquille game will get under way at 8:45 p.m.

Calgary Grabs League Lead

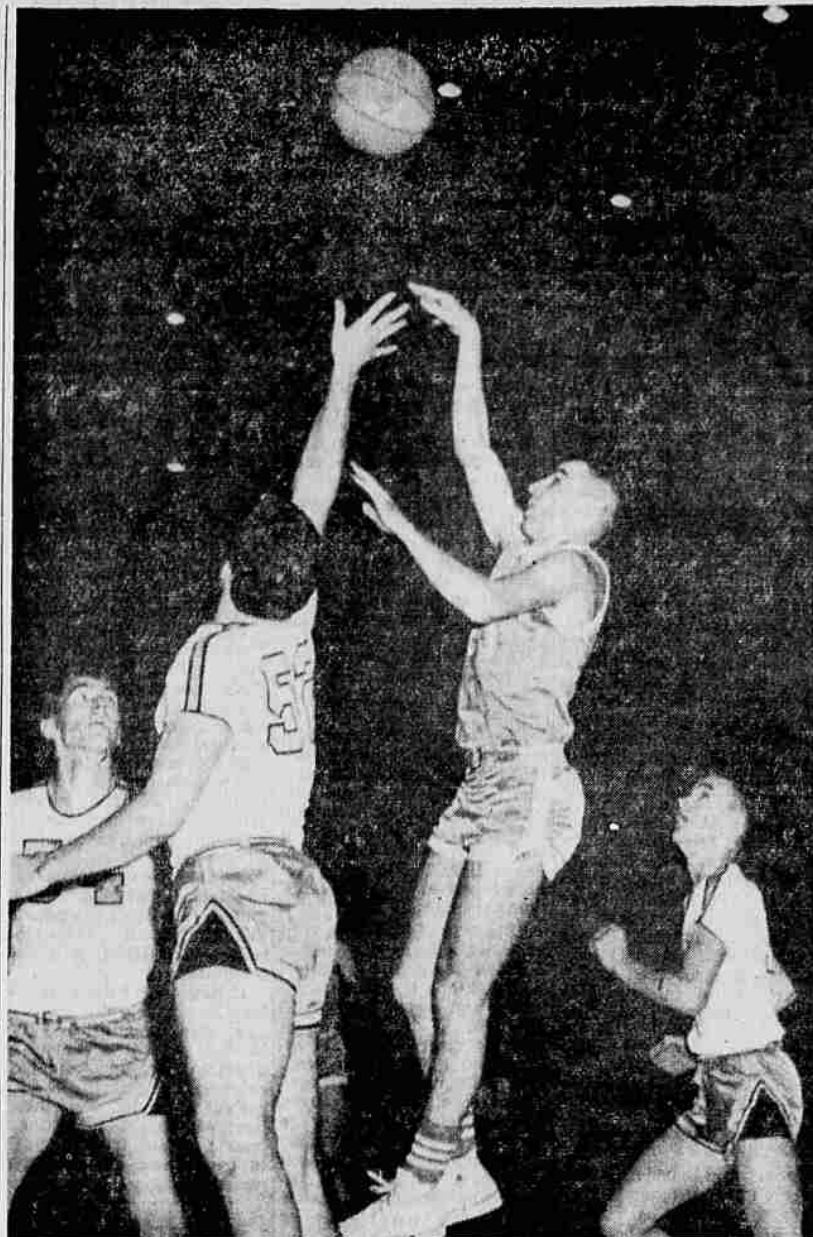
By United Press International

The Calgary Stampede moved into sole possession of first place in Western Hockey league standings Tuesday night by posting a 6-5 victory over the Edmonton Flyers.

The win moved the Stamps two points ahead of second-place Portland.

they do against us, they could win.

"It should be a close fight and I'm not counting the Dodgers out of it at all. But until I see more of the club, I can't go along with those who are picking us as the team to beat."



TOURNNEY ACTION—Corvallis got by La Grande High school in the first round of class A-1 state basketball play last night with a close 50-49 win. Above, Larry Enos hits for two points on a jump shot for the Corvallis five. Medford plays today.

—(UPI Telephoto)

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Chicago Trips LA Angels 9-5

Mesa, Ariz. —(UPI)—Manager Bill Rigney's Los Angeles Angels took the day off from the Cactus league season today, planning a workout nearby, probably at Scottsdale.

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ENDS PLAYING CAREER

Miami —(UPI)—The Baltimore Orioles announced today that outfielder Jim Busby had been signed to a coach's contract, ending a playing career of 10 years in the big leagues.

Bears Take Aim At Taller Hoop

Berkeley, Calif. —(UPI)—California, which didn't exactly land an NCAA tournament berth, gets a chance to make some basketball history today anyway when the Bears varsity meets in an intrasquad game with the hoops raised from the conventional 10 feet to 12.

Coach Rene Herreras had his men drill Tuesday on shooting for the new elevation then announced that the seniors on the squad would tangle with the varsity juniors and sophomores.

The game is a brainchild of Pete Newell, former Bear mentor and now the school's athletic director, who recently said that the 12-foot hoop might keep the game from becoming dominated by bigger players.

Tillamook, Medford Meet Today

Eugene —(UPI)—South Eugene, the number two team in District 5, advanced to the quarterfinals of the state class A-1 high school basketball tournament today with a 39-34 victory over Central Catholic.

Central, the Metro league champion, had gone into the tourney's third game a slight favorite over the Axemen, who had won a second-place playoff from Marshfield to gain the tourney.

South Eugene joined Klamath Falls and Corvallis among early first-round winners.

South Eugene led 26-18 at the half.

Another morning game, starting at 10:15 a.m., sent unbeaten Grant, the Portland kingpin, against Scappoose.

Don DuShane of South Eugene and Dave Bergman of Central had 11 points each.

Klamath Falls and Corvallis scored opening round victories Tuesday night as the tournament got under way before 5,477 fans.

Bruce Brickner scored six points late in the game as Klamath Falls downed St. Helens 46-43 and Marc Hunter hit eight points late in the fourth quarter as Corvallis posted a 50-49 come-from-behind victory over La Grande.

St. Helens' Dale Printz, who scored 19 points in the second half, led a rally that narrowed a 12-point Klamath Falls halftime lead to two points with three minutes remaining.

Brickner then hit two field goals and a pair of free throws to ice the contest for the heavily-favored Pelicans. Wally Palmberg led the Klamath Falls scoring with 13 points. Brickner tallied 12.

Hunter, who scored 10 points for the entire contest, hit three field goals and a pair of free throws to bring Corvallis back from a 48-40 deficit against La Grande.

Larry Enos kept the Spartans in the game by tallying 23 points. La Grande, which led most of the way, held a 26-23 halftime edge.

The losers lost a chance to pull the contest out in the last minute only to see two driving field goal attempts and a pair of free throws fall off the rim. Dave Smith scored 21 in a losing cause for La Grande.

The other games today sent defending champion Medford against Tillamook at 2 p.m.; Bend against South Salem at 3:15; Roseburg against David Douglas at 7:30 and Wilson against Jesuit at 8:45.

Corvallis and Klamath Falls meet Thursday at 3 p.m. while La Grande plays St. Helens in consolation play at 8:30 a.m. Thursday.

Los Angeles, Calif. —(UPI)—Zeke Bratkowski, a five-year veteran of the National Football league, has been acquired by the Los Angeles Rams from the Chicago Bears.

Knights Second In Tournament

St. Mary's Grade school's Knights were runners-up last week end in a Catholic school basketball tourney at the University of Portland. Randy Corliss of SM made the tourney all-star. The Medford school took the sportsmanship award.

St. Rose of Portland nipped the Medford team 22 to 21 in a Sunday finale marked by strong defense.

St. Mary's trimmed St. Phillips of Portland 34 to 30 on Friday and nipped St. Joseph's of Vancouver, Wash., 33 to 32 on Saturday.

Against St. Joseph's, the short Knights ran into a 6-4 player and others 6-2. SM's Steve Cook, 5-11, did a good job of guarding St. Rose's 6-5 center in the title game.

Corliss scored 15 points against St. Joseph's and John Batzer 10. Ron Roberts put in 12 in the title game.

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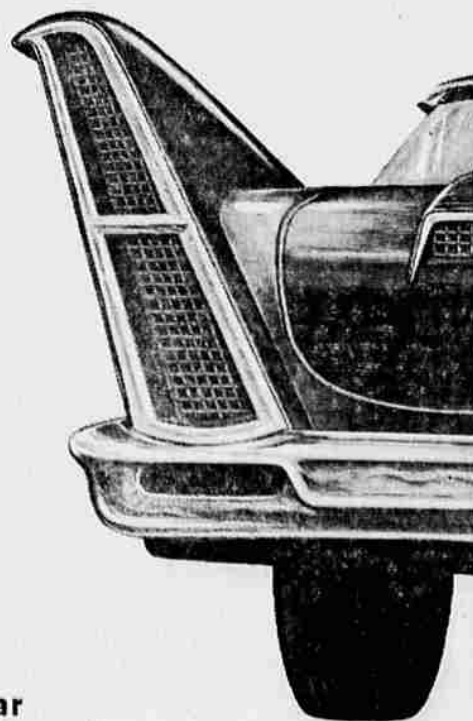
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