

Tornadomen Thump South Salem Saxons 60-33

Bend Loses Consolation Game 53-49

Eugene—UPI—Klamath Falls, Grant, Medford and Wilson moved into the semi-finals of the Oregon high school class A-1 basketball tournament with convincing quarter-final victories Thursday.

Wilson scored a mild upset by beating Roseburg 64-50 and Medford walloped South Salem in the night session. Unbeaten Grant stopped South Eugene 63-43 and Klamath Falls tripped Corvallis 75-53 in afternoon games.

Klamath Falls and Grant tangled at 7:30 p.m. and Medford and Wilson met at 8:45 p.m. tonight. The championship game is set for Saturday night.

Consolation Play

In consolation play Thursday, David Douglas knocked off Jesuit 56-47, Tillamook topped Bend, 53 to 49, Central Catholic downed Scappoose 62-48 and St. Helens edged La Grande 50-43.

St. Helens met Central Catholic at 9:30 a.m., Tillamook played David Douglas at 11 a.m., Corvallis faced South Eugene at 2 p.m. and South Salem and Roseburg collided at 3:15 p.m. today.

Wilson had a surprisingly easy time beating Roseburg.

The Trojans, from Portland, whose only two losses in 24 games this season were to Grant, got a 26-point performance from center Jim Smith and used a tight zone defense.

Roseburg's Jim Jarvis, the state's top scorer during the regular season, tallied 19 points to pace his team.

Wilson ran out a 31-23 half-time lead and was on top at 18-13 at the end of the first period.

Medford's win was one of the easiest of the tournament. Grant Unbeaten.

Grant won its 24th in a row this season by beating South Eugene.

The Generals, the top-ranked team in the final coaches' poll, were behind 13-11 after the first period but they were in command from there out.

Grant held 26-19 halftime and 40-24 third quarter leads.

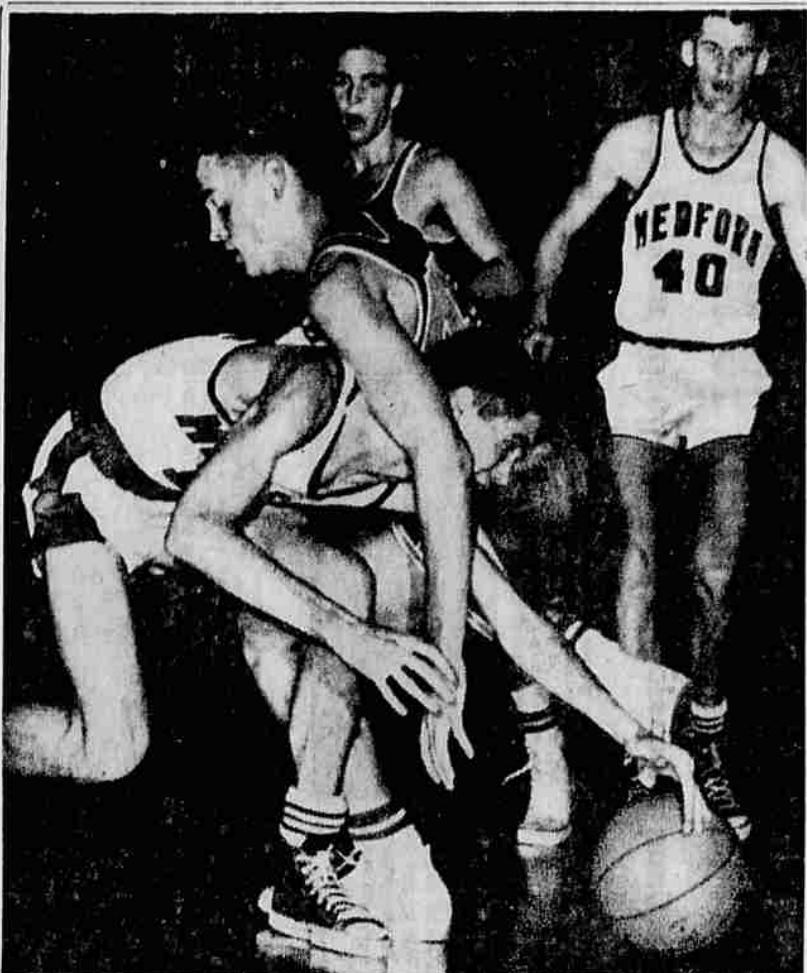
Nine of 10 players used scored for the Portland team with Ed Tollefson and Bob Phillips leading the way with 10 and 9 points, respectively.

South Eugene's Bo Blair topped his squad in scoring with 11.

Klamath Falls shrugged off a tournament high 28-point effort by Corvallis' little Larry Enos.

The Pelicans with Gary Patzke, Wally Palmberg and Bruce Brickner combining for 52 points, rolled up a 22-11 first quarter lead. Patzke and Palmberg each had 18 and Brickner chipped in 16.

Enos made 10 for 10 from



FOULED—Steve Buswick (45) of South Salem fouls Medford's Steve Hoots as Bob Quinney (40) watches. Medford won 60-33. (UPI Telephoto)

Happy Camp All-Stars in Invitational

Happy Camp — The Happy Camp All Stars have been invited to participate in the Redding Industrial League Invitational basketball tournament Saturday at the Shasta college gymnasium.

The Happy Camp club is made up of players from the local recreational league. Four teams will battle for the tournament crown. Games will start at 1 p.m. In addition to Happy Camp, other squads are: U.S. Plywood, of Anderson; Service Pharmacy, of Chico, and Falstaff, of Redding.

Happy Camp players are Carl Hamilton, Robert Kenson, Fred Robberson, Sid Griffin, Joe Ragsdale, Bill Marriot, Bill Cadola and Tom Bice.

the free throw line and 9 of 24 field goal attempts.

Attendance after 16 games was 48,044. Tournament officials said reserve tickets to the championship game already have been all sold out.

Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

McArthur Court, University of Oregon, Eugene—Merits of prep sports rating polls were discussed by a small handful of writers in an after-game get-together here at the Oregon A-1 basketball tournament. It was agreed that the polls certainly stir up interest but doubt was expressed concerning their accuracy, and even veracity. One scribe termed polls "space fillers."

While this writer has tried his best to spend some time each week and make his poll participation as fair and accurate as possible, he feels the futility of trying to qualify as an expert on the comparative strengths of teams and leagues outside of southern Oregon. He realizes, also, that there can be manipulations based on psychological aims and sentimental reasons. Thereby, the balloting does not always reflect a true picture.

One writer mentioned telephone calls made to coaches participating in polls from other mentors asking that their teams be downgraded in the polling. Then, there's the case of one tutor who reportedly rated a rival prep club No. 1 as a psychological measure in anticipation of meeting that club in the state tourney.

WORKING ON SHOESTRING

There's more to covering a state basketball tournament than watching games and pounding a typewriter.

Said one of our colleagues, Bill Thompson of the Bend Bulletin: "Could you do me a favor? It's kind of an odd request. Will you tie my shoes?"

He'd had a disc operation and couldn't bend over to do the job himself. He'd planned to go to a shoe shine parlor and get the job done there. Then, he saw this writer. No, yours truly did not get a tip.

OLD HOME WEEK

There's something to a state tourney like a college reunion or homecoming. You see former schoolmates and other old acquaintances. Some of them have sons actually participating in the tourney or sons and daughters attending schools represented in the tourney.

HOGLAND COACHES

It's actually Doug Hogland in the top role of hoop coach for the Tillamook Cheesemakers, an ulcer having limited the services of Head Coach Tony Doohar. No mention of this was made by Doohar when we sought information from him on the phone earlier in the week before coming to Eugene. Probably thought we already had heard about it.

POOREST RECORD

South Salem high, which Medford met Thursday night in the A-1 cage tourney quarterfinals, entered the meet with the poorest season record of any team among the 16 who qualified. The Saxons were 13-9 for the regular season. We recall many years back when there was just one high school in Salem, when the tournament was held at Willamette university and when Salem was always an entrant as host team, that a Capital city club entered the tourney with more losses than victories. And, it fought its way to the state championship.

PROOF IS HERE

By the foregoing, it can be seen that regular season records don't mean everything once clubs arrive for this Oregon big school maplecourt extravaganza. And, getting back to polls for a moment, it's right here in tournament play where the authenticity of ratings is proved or disproved.

TOURNEY RECORD

Medford high's 77 rebounds Wednesday, in gaining its third cage win of the season over Tillamook, is a state tournament record. The total was earlier indicated as 79 because of poor mimeograph reproduction.

SOLD ON QUINNEY

The scouts looking for college basketball material are numerous at this tournament. One sitting next to us at the Medford-Tillamook game had his eye particularly on the Black Tornado's Bob Quinney. But, he said that he did not really have to watch the game. His school already was sold on the Medford athlete.

PLATOON TEAM

This tournament's exponent of platoon basketball is Grant of Portland which has two units of exceptionally tall men. The Generals have two 6-5 and two 6-4 boys and only one of the 10 players is under six feet. They were just too tall for South Eugene Thursday in winning their 24th straight game of the season. Grant has speed and hot shooting to go with the height. Coach of the Generals is Ed Rooney who once coached at Jacksonville high.

REBOUND MARK

Bruce Brickner cleared the boards 21 times as Klamath Falls took Corvallis in the quarterfinal. He thereby claimed the top single game rebound effort of the tourney, beating the 19 each in the opening round of Bob Quinney, Medford, and Ron Lake, Roseburg. All-star Larry Enos, scored 28 points for Corvallis in the losing cause to better the 27-point total of Quinney, who was single game high for the first round. Enos tied the tourney all-time free toss record of 10 for 10.

STREAKS END

When Bob Blair missed his second free toss in South Eugene's tourney opener against Central Catholic, he ended a string of 34 straight gift tosses without a miss over five or six games. Blair had 18 for 18 in a single game as did Jim Barry, Medford. Barry came to the tourney with 27 in a row and missed his first attempt here.

By DICK JEWETT
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McArthur Court, University of Oregon, Eugene — An "on the ball" Medford High school maplecourt contingent, playing pressure defense through the game and driving offense as often as they could Thursday night blitzed into the semifinals of the Oregon Class A-1 basketball tournament here by drubbing a plucky South Salem aggregation 60 to 33.

The Black Tornado, defending the championship it captured here last year, simply outgunned the Saxons from the state's capital city. South drew opening blood in the hassle and troubled the Big Wind some with its zone defense. But, Medford grabbed the lead for good when the fray was 1 1/4 minutes old, pulled to a comfortable spread in the second quarter and never was troubled from there on.

The Saxons tried to run with the Hurricane as the second half began. Their fast pace worked for a couple of buckets. Then, Medford's defense stemmed the Saxon romp and the Wind whirled out for a rash of baskets of its own.

Two Leagues Contend
Now it's only Portland and southern Oregon in the title running.

Quarterfinal verdict sends Medford tonight against Wilson of Portland in semifinal play. Winner will meet either Klamath Falls or Grant of Portland in Saturday's crown deciding skirmish. The Tornado went against the Trojans in this evening's 8:45 o'clock tangle. KF and the Generals tussled at 7:30 p.m.

Bob Quinney was Medford's biggest scoring and rebounding punch for the second successive night with 18 counters and 17 retrieves. Dick Ragsdale swished for 12 markers and other statistics showed balanced all-around team effort as Medford hit 22 times from the field and 16 from the free stripe and dominated the battle on the boards by 52 to 38.

South Salem, cold as well as harried, hemped only nine goals from the field for 200 average to Medford's 386. Steve Stewart's seven were the most points for the Saxons. Ed Maerz cleared seven rebounds.

Head at Quarters
Tornado cagers headed 14 to 7, 30 to 11 and 44 to 22 at the quarters.

Stewart sank a long jumper for South Salem 40 seconds into the fracas but Quinney knotted the count at 2-all with a jump from the corner. With 6:48 still to go in the opening panel, Stan Dowson meshed a free heave for the Tornado. South never went on top after that or so much as evened the score.

Dowson netted a tipin for Medford. Jerry Madison came back with a pusher for the Saxons and it was 5 to 4. Quinney's long push and Barry's driver upped the difference to 9 to 4. Medford finished the quarter on a field bucket and three free casts while Jim Glott goaled for South.

Keeping the Saxons off balance with their effective man-for-man defense, the Tornadoes held the South club to a one field basket in the second period. That came in the last two minutes of the session on a Jon Brack driver. He got the ball from post man Maerz. The other two points by Salem in the period were gifts by Glott.

Four Fast Breakers
Medford had five buckets in each of the first two quarters. The majority were from fair range.

South, aided by five free markers to Medford's two had a bit the better of it over the first five minutes of the third quarter. Then, the Tornado hit on four fast break baskets to stretch to 44 to 20. Steve Hoots tallied on a feed from Quinney. Barry hit the hoop off a long pass by Quinney. Ragsdale scored off a Hoots interception and Barry tabulated on his own interception and drive.

The Saxons managed only three field goals in the third quarter and two in the last while Medford put in six in each.

Biggest spread for the potent Red and Black was 30 points at 55 to 25. Reserves worked in from that point, seeing service the last 3 1/2 minutes.

Work Cut Out
Defense was the big factor in Medford's triumph and ballhawking scrap played a role. The Tornado was not so sharp, otherwise, as in its opener against Tillamook. Medford's stalwarts encountered cool streaks, on especially as the second half began. But they turned in a generally steady game and came up in possession most often in scrambles when there was an elusive ball. Medford had even scoring with 14, 16, 14, and 16 quarters.

Medford's work is cut out

for it tonight. That was noted, for sure, when Wilson pulled the first upset of the tourney by lacing Roseburg 64 to 50. The Trojans showed the good big men in such as 6-6 Jim Smith, 6-4 Richie Voss and 6-3 Doug McDougal and capable little guys in Jeff Johnson, 5-11, and Stan Johnson, 5-8.

Smith led the Wilsons to victory with 26 points — the highest scoring in a game of his career. McDougal had 12 rebounds and Voss 11. Wilson, fourth rated in the state and runnerup to undefeated Grant in the Portland Interscholastic league, revealed itself as a strong contender for the A-1 banner by going ahead of Roseburg in the first quarter and never relinquishing front position. The Trojans had quarter differences of 18 to 13, 31 to 23 and 47 to 30 on Roseburg, which had led one final prep poll, was second in another and tied for second in a third.

Jarvis Ailing

Roseburg's Jarvis, of course was ailing. He was not feeling well and didn't see full action. Still this skillful player managed 19 points for the Indians, who now join the battle for fourth place.

Saturday's championship game could be all Southern Oregon conference or all-PIL, or a mixture of each. Tonight's losers meet in the Saturday 7:30 p.m. scrape for third place.

Grant was rated No. 1 in the final Oregon Journal poll of coaches. Klamath topped the closing ratings made by scribes for the Portland Oregonian. Medford was fifth in the final polls.

Grant looked strong in crushing in-and-out South Eugene utilizing tall men and two platoons to great advantage. It got balanced effort from its squad and .420 blazing from the field while the Axemen gunned a poorer .264.

Highest Score

Klamath Falls ran up the highest team score of the tour-

ney and fired a sizzling .425 from the field in disposing of Corvallis 75 to 53 in one of the quarterfinals. Gary Patzke and Wally Palmberg each put in 18 points and Bruce Brickner 16 for the victorious Pelicans. Individual high in the game was Larry Enos of Corvallis with 28 but he was the only Spartan in double scoring totals.

Brickner had 21 rebounds and Patzke 13 for KF.

The Pelicans poured through 31 field goals and had quarter advantages of 22 to 11, 37 to 30 and 56 to 41. They jumped on top 6 to 0 at the start and led all the way. Corvallis did once narrow the gap to one point at 10 to 9.

Eugene Tournament Enters Semi-Finals

Eugene —UPI— State Class A-1 tournament at a glance: Thursday's Scores

Consolation

St. Helens 50, La Grande 43 (loser out)

Central Catholic 62, Scappoose 48 (loser out)

Tillamook 53, Bend 49 (loser out)

David Douglas 56, Jesuit 47 (loser out)

Championship

Klamath Falls 75, Corvallis 53

Grants 63, South Eugene 43

Medford 60, South Salem 33

Wilson 64, Roseburg 50

Friday's Schedule

Championship

Klamath Falls vs. Grant

7:30 p.m.

Medford vs. Wilson 8:45 p.m.

BONNIES WIN TROPHY

New York—UPI—The Eastern Collegiate Athletic conference named St. Bonaventure, the nation's third-ranked college basketball team, Thursday as the winner of its annual major college basketball trophy.

FIGHT RESULT

Los Angeles —UPI— Tony Herrera, 123 3/4, Inglewood, Calif., outpointed Henry Nieto, 125, San Francisco (10).

NAIA Teams Enter Semis

Kansas City, Mo. —UPI— Top-seeded Westminster (Pa.) may go into another stalling game tonight in the semifinals of the 23rd annual NAIA basketball tournament.

Westminster cashed in on 57.1 per cent of its shots from the field Thursday night to defeat Winston-Salem (N.C.), 35-33, in the quarter-finals.

Tonight, Westminster faces Grambling (La.) at 7:30 p.m. CST. Grambling advanced with a 62-54 win over Anderson (Ind.) and plays the same type of run-and-shoot basketball as Winston-Salem.

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