



CO-MEDALISTS—Pictured here are three of the six co-medalists in the spring golf handicap tournament at Rogue Valley Country club. From left are Jim Vargo, Tom Teutsch and Jim Sheldon. Not shown are Dr. D. C. Boals, Gordon Reeves and Dr. Dave Engelson. First round matches are to be completed this week.

### Sport Parade

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Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. — (UPI) — Working on the theory that if at first you can't be right, at least be among the first. Fearless Fraley today picks the San Francisco Giants and the Chicago White Sox to win the 1961 baseball pennants.

It wasn't easy, what with being subjugated to all this spring sunshine, bathing beauties, post-mortems of the fight mob over the late and unlamented heavyweight title fight, a bad string of losers at the races, horse, dog and human and more fishing shut-outs than a Saturday shop-keeper.



DAVE D'OLIVO  
Independent League's Most Valuable

### D'Olivo Tops SOIBL All-Star Selection

Wooden Shoe's Dave D'Olivo heads the list of Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league all-stars announced by League President Harry Chipman.

D'Olivo was the top scorer in the circuit and was named as its most valuable player.

Second place Wooden shoe placed three men on the all-league team. Bill Hollingsworth and Keith Johnson were picked along with D'Olivo. Champion Southern Oregon college junior varsity was represented by Larry Hink and Dave Graham.

Given honorable mention were Al McCorquadaie and Bill Irwin. Butte Falls, Dale McCay and Al Yates, Medford National Guard, and Dale Bates, Wooden Shoe.

224-Point Total

D'Olivo totaled 224 points and had the most field goals, 109. Hollingsworth had 212 second high points, and top per game average, 19.9. D'Olivo followed in average with 18.7. Other point leaders were Hink and McCay with 170 each, McCorquadaie with 148, Yates with 130, Johnson with 126 and Steve DeFore, SO Jaycee, with 123.

The 109 field buckets by D'Olivo represented the only individual league record set this year. Team records included 1196 total points, 149 points in a single game, 503 field goals and 92 points per game average by Wooden Shoe; least points scored against, SO Jaycee, 590; least points made, Grants Pass National Guard, 360. (G.P. team forfeited five games); lowest average per game, Grants Pass, 32.7, and lowest game score, Grants Pass, 25.

### Wave of Finger Completes \$1.5 Million Texas Deal

San Diego, Tex. — (UPI) — With the casual wiggle of a bandaged finger, 73-year-old J. O. Walker of Laredo, Tex., bought himself a \$1,575,000 South Texas ranch.

He made the deal at an auction, in a financial battle of nerves that outstrips any frontier game of showdown poker.

His prize was the legendary Dobie ranch — a 55,711 acre kingdom known for mesquite and mayhem, mavericks and mystery.

Friendly men now roam its wide ranges-mending fence, making repairs and getting the rich spread ready for its first herd of cattle in more than a decade.

Few Texans ever heard of Walker before he beat down a handful of the "big rich" for the Dobie prize.

The bidding started at \$1,015,000.

Steadily it climbed. Gus Wortham, Houston insurance millionaire said "\$1,111,000." E. P. Wedder of Victoria pushed it to \$1,280,000.

Each time, Walker was there with a "dab" more.

Henry Grace of Wichita Falls, Tex., bid in at \$1,390,000 and asked auctioneer George Clower what was for lunch, hamburgers or steaks.

"Neither in the terms of the contract," Clower replied.

Steady and serene, Walker made it \$1,550,000. Grace added another \$5,000.

"Who'll go \$1,575,000?" asked Clower.

Walker, his spectacled eyes shaded under a wide-brimmed Texas hat, wiggled his bandaged right forefinger.

"All right," he said, and it was over.

Nerveless J. O. Walker had bought the Dobie ranch. The last owner was South Texas political boss George Parr, who borrowed up to the hilt on the property and lost it when a new political regime foreclosed.

The Dobie ranch was founded in 1900 by J. M. Dobie, uncle of the noted western author, J. Frank Doble. It became in eighth — and by far the largest spread — owned by Walker.

Its 87 sections sprawl through the Duwac's river country of Nueces, Webb and LaSalle counties. One entire section, 640 acres, is enclosed by a 10-foot fence and is reported to be one of Texas' best hunting preserves.

But who is J. O. Walker, the new "top hand" of the Dobie? It's hard to say. The soft-spoken Walker shuns publicity.

"Ever since I bought the ranch people have been calling me at all hours of the day and night wanting me to buy things and give them money," he said, explaining his stand.

"They think that just because I could buy the ranch, I have the money to make fabulous donations," Walker added.

How much money does Walker have? That too is hard to tell. He got in the sudden-death auction with \$100,000 "earnest money." He'll have to pay the rest after the legal procedures are complete. Maybe it's in his pocket, maybe it'll be a loan. Walker isn't saying.

No one in Laredo seems to know how Walker made his money.

One acquaintance said, "He is a director of the Union National Bank . . . and he has found oil on some of his property. He runs a lot of cattle, I hear, owns several thousand acres of Webb county property."

"He's a plain man," said a waitress who often serves him a mid-morning cup of coffee. "He never throws his money away. He hates chiselers."

### Golf Tussle First Round Underway

First round matches in the spring golf handicap at Rogue Valley Country club are to be completed by next Sunday, March 26.

In matches played at last report in the championship flight, Al Maginnis trimmed Dr. Robert Buck on the 19th hole and Wally Robinson beat Bob Morris.

Seven men shared medalist honors in the qualifying play. They are Jim Vargo, Tom Teutsch, Jim Sheldon, Dr. David Boals, Gordon Reeves and Dr. Dave Engelson.

**Butler Defending**

Defending champ is Larry Butler who beats Norm Hillier in the opening round.

Ray Lindquist and Carl Schmidt led ball sweepstakes over last week end with 76 gross scores. Dr. Buck had a 77. Net leaders were Bob Fasel, Dr. N. J. Wilson and Bill Hartman with 78s and Maginnis, Dr. Robert DeLorme and Bob Anderson with 74s.

Rogue Valley is preparing to host two days of the annual spring trip to southern Oregon of Oregon professional golfers. The pro-amateur competition is set for Monday and Tuesday, March 27 and 28, at the Medford links after Sunday play at Roseburg.

### Red Raiders Victors in Dual Test

Ashland — Final event, the relay, decided the issue Saturday when Southern Oregon college nicked Cal Aggies 66 to 65 in a dual meet at Davis California.

A triangular meet was conducted in conjunction with the dual event and scores were 78 for Cal Aggies, 68 for SOC and 10 for Santa Clara.

The Red Raiders of Ashland, with Doyle Branson winning both sprints and the broad jump and with new found distance strength, nevertheless, trailed 61 to 65 before the relay. The SOC crew or Smith, Coffman, Haugen and Bannister won the race.

Branson with his wins in the jump and 100 and 220-yard dashes was high point man in the meet with 15. The Aggies Berthold had 12 and the SOC's Terry Boatman won the mile and two-mile for 10.

Southern Oregon college will be host on Saturday, April 1, for the Ore-Cal relays with both college and high school divisions.

### Registered Trapshoot On Sunday

Medford Gun club will be host on Sunday, March 26, for its ninth annual Southern Oregon shoot.

It will be another Pacific International Trapshooting association-registered event.

The program calls for 250 registered targets plus a 20-target backerup event.

Four gunners compiled 25-straight scores Sunday in action at the club at 16 yards. They were Tom Hodgson, Duane Culbertson, L. K. Byrd, Bert Peck and A. E. Mansfield. Those with 24s were Hugh Wright, Harvey Tonn, Paul Culbertson, Ed Henselman and Charles Bendell.

At skeet Sam Jennings broke 23, Max Weston 22 and Milo Barnes and Dr. Art Anderson 21 each. The skeet tournament which got underway last Sunday will run until June 25. It will be on 500 targets with the exception that juniors will shoot on 200.

### Happy Camp All-Stars 3rd In Tourney

Happy Camp — The Happy Camp All-Stars took third place in the Redding Industrial League Invitational basketball tournament Saturday, beating Falstaff of Redding in the consolation finals. U.S. Plywood of Anderson finished first by beating Chico.

The Happy Camp team lost to U.S. Plywood in the first round 88 to 67.

Happy Camp won the consolation round by tripping Falstaff 69 to 64.

Winning the outstanding tournament player award was Tom Bice of Happy Camp. Last year he received honorable mention in the same tourney.

Carl Hamilton and Robert Hokenson will play in an exhibition game between high school coaches in the county and the Harlem Clowns at Yreka High school March 31. Others named to the team are: Tom Bice, Al McIntyre and Mickey Grensted, all of Yreka; Larry Dotson and Tony Hanna, of Etna.

### Bantam Title Bout Saturday

New York — (UPI) — Little Eder Jofre of Brazil will defend the NBA version of the world bantamweight championship with Piero Rollo of Italy at Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, Saturday as a feature of this week's busy boxing schedule.

Jofre is unbeaten in 39 professional bouts.

Also on Saturday old Archie Moore, coholder of the light heavyweight crown, will engage in a non-title tuncup with Texan Buddy Turman at Manila. Archie is grooming for a defense against Italian Giulio Rinaldi at Madison Square Garden June 10.

Henry Cooper of England was to defend his British Empire heavyweight crown against Joe Erskine of Wales at London tonight in their third and decisive title fight.

An international slugging match between middleweights Florentino Fernandez of Cuba and Marcel Pigou of France will be televised nationally (ABC) from Madison Square Garden Saturday night. The more explosive Fernandez is favored at 12-5.

### Two Viewed as GOP Chairman Prospects

Washington — (UPI) — Rep. William E. Miller of New York and Ray C. Bliss, Ohio Republican chairman, were viewed today as the strongest candidates for the chairmanship of the Republican National committee.

Sen. Thruston B. Morton of Kentucky, chairman since April 11, 1959, announced Monday he had notified the committee he would call a meeting about June 1 to receive his resignation and elect a successor.

Miller is chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign committee, which boasted a net gain of 21 house seats in the 1960 election even though the GOP failed to win the White House.

Bliss, Ohio GOP chairman since 1949, directed a campaign in which his state bucked the trend of other northeastern industrial states and gave its electoral votes to Richard M. Nixon, the Republican presidential nominee.

### Field Geography Offered at College

Ashland — Offered for the first time as a graduate credit course at Southern Oregon college this spring term will be Geog 421, Field Geography (6) for three term hours of credit.

Beginning April 1, the class will be conducted 3-4:00 p.m. each Saturday, and will consist of field trips for the majority of its sessions. Prerequisites, as announced by Dr. Roy W. McNeal, SOC professor of geography who will instruct the course, are Geo. 105, 106, and 107 and permission of the instructor.

Spring term will open with registration March 26. Classes will begin on the following day for the majority of students.

### Eisenhower Back On Golf Course

Palm Springs, Calif. — (UPI) — Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower is back golfing again.

The former chief executive played a round of golf Monday at El Dorado Country Club. He had been away for eight days fishing and dove shooting in Mexico until Sunday.

An aid said he was confronted with a "room full of mail" when he returned to the \$100,000 rented cottage he and his wife, Mamie, are occupying on their extended vacation along the El Dorado course fairway.

### New York Mayor Undergoes Surgery

New York — (UPI) — Mayor Robert Wagner underwent surgery Monday for removal of a benign tumor below his right ear.

The mayor, who is 50, entered Memorial hospital Sunday to undergo tests prior to the operation directed by Dr. Daniel Catlin, a friend of Wagner.

### Celtics and Hawks Defending Titles

The Boston Celtics and the St. Louis Hawks — perennial kinglyms in their respective divisions of the National Basketball association — resume defense of their titles tonight.

Boston looks to take a 2-0 advantage over the Syracuse Nationals at Syracuse in the Eastern division final playoffs while the Hawks and the Los Angeles Lakers begin their Western division playoff battle. Both series are best-of-seven, with the two winners meeting for the NBA championship, also a best-of-seven series.

### Eugene Wins YMCA District Championship

The Eugene YMCA basketball team will represent the fifth district in the championship playoffs during the YMCA sport festival April 7 and 8 at Tacoma, Wash.

Eugene won the district title by whipping Medford 75 to 33 over the week end. Cal Dean, former Medford high star, scored 26 points for the Eugene club. Lynn Link had 10 for Medford.

Forty fouls were called in the rough contest. Eugene was guilty of 23 infractions.

### Debbie Reynolds' Kin Near Death

Fort Worth, Tex. — (UPI) — Mrs. Nadine Reynolds, 57, step-grandmother of actress Debbie Reynolds, hovered near death today with a bullet in her brain.

Authorities said she shot herself and a suicide note indicated she did it because she couldn't bear the loneliness of widowhood.

Doctors at John Peter Smith Hospital, where she worked as a nurse's aide, said she remained in critical condition and unconscious, but they would not perform an immediate operation to get the tiny bullet out.

She left three suicide notes. Mrs. J. D. Davis, a sister, said one of the notes said: "Forgive me, but I just can't stay alone here any longer."

W. G. Reynolds, Debbie's grandfather, died a year ago, and friends said Mrs. Reynolds had been depressed ever since.

### Odds-Makers Pick Yankees And Pirates

Reno, Nev. — (UPI) — Reno odds-makers today established the New York Yankees and Pittsburgh Pirates as favorites to win the 1961 American and National league pennants.

The Yankees were listed as "odds-on" picks at 2-3 with odds of 5-1 quoted on both the Chicago White Sox and Baltimore Orioles.

The Pirates were made a "lukewarm" 2-1 pick, with the Milwaukee Braves pegged at 5-2 and the Los Angeles Dodgers at 3-1.

### Agriulture Budget Cut Order Denied

Salem — (UPI) — Sen. Francis Ziegler (R-Corvallis) denied Monday that his ways and means subcommittee ordered a \$500,000 cut in the \$7 million State Agriculture Department budget. He said it was a suggestion.

He said the action was not a firm order but a request that the department bring in a revised budget.

The action brought complaints from Gov. Mark Hatfield and others that the slash had not been justified.

"We want it checked," Ziegler said, "but if it is going to hurt the agriculture industry, we wouldn't order the cut."

The subcommittee Monday afternoon launched an item by item study of the budget as proposed by Hatfield, including justifications for an increase of \$524,000 over the current budget.

### Detective Probing Fix In Critical Condition

New York — (UPI) — A detective investigating fixed basketball games was found shot through the chest early today, apparently by his own hand, police reported. He was in critical condition.

Det. William S. Leahy, 41, rang the door bell of the district attorney's office, to which he was attached, and was discovered lying in the street by the patrolman who answered. A gun was lying near him.

### Seeking Coach

Beaverton — (UPI) — Sunset High school was reported in the market for a new basketball coach today. Hal Lapp, head mentor during the recent season, said he had been told he would not be rehired.

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