

# Griffith Favored To Retain Title In Bout Tonight

By JOE ST. AMANT  
Las Vegas, Nev. —(AP)—Welterweight boxing champion Emile Griffith, who has to live with the ghost of the late Benny (Kid) Paret on his ring record, is favored to retain his title tonight in a 15-rounder against Ralph Dupas, New Orleans veteran of 115 fights.

Griffith, favored at 5-12 in Las Vegas betting odds, is making his first start since his fight fatally injured Paret in a New York bout March 24.

The Nevada athletic commission declined to waive the mandatory eight-count on the knockdowns, and also retained the limit of three knockdowns per round.

Champion Griffith, 23-year-old native of the Virgin Islands, gets a guarantee of \$45,000 or 40 per cent of the gate. Challenger Dupas, 26, gets a flat \$10,000.

Dupas, who began fighting as a professional when he was only 14, has a record of 94-15-6. Griffith's mark is 29-3.

Griffith and his manager Gil Clancy insist he is not laboring under any emotional stress because of Paret's death.

Griffith, a broad-shouldered young fellow who has designed ladies' millinery in his spare time, speaks reluctantly of Paret's death.

"That was an accident," he said in an interview, "and I would have stepped back if I'd known he was so bad. You try to forget, but people won't let you forget. Every time I pick up a paper I read about it. I just want to show the public I'm a good fighter."

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# Girl's Finals Tonight in Junior Olympic Swimming Here; Boys Contend Saturday

## 415 Entries In Oregon AAU Event

Oregon AAU Junior Olympic Short Course Swimming Championships got underway this morning with girls' racing preliminaries at Medford's Jackson pool.

Boys' and girls' diving preliminaries were set for 3 p.m. today at Hawthorne pool and girls' swim finals will get underway at 7 o'clock this evening at the Jackson tank.

Swimming championships for boys will be decided on Saturday with 10 a.m. prelims and 7 p.m. finals at Jackson pool. Diving finals are set for 5 p.m. on Saturday at Hawthorne.

A report yesterday afternoon from Ken Lyons, city recreation supervisor, listed an entry of 415 boys and girls from 18 swimming teams.

Teams added to the list were Ashland and McMinnville. The AAU-sponsored meet is being hosted by the city park and recreation department.

Divisions are midget, junior, intermediate and senior with the respective age groupings of 10 and under, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-16.

Competition is in freestyle, backstroke, butterfly-stroke, breaststroke and medley races ranging from 50 to 400 yards. The 400-yard competition is in the senior divisions and is freestyle. Both freestyle and medley relays are on the slate.

The full program for girls, and duplicated for boys, is 34 races and seven diving events. Eight events are in the midget division, 10 in the junior, 11 in the intermediate and 12 in the senior.

Lyons reported that this meet will be more balanced than the one held here last year. Every event is full, he said. Only in very few events will prelims not be needed.

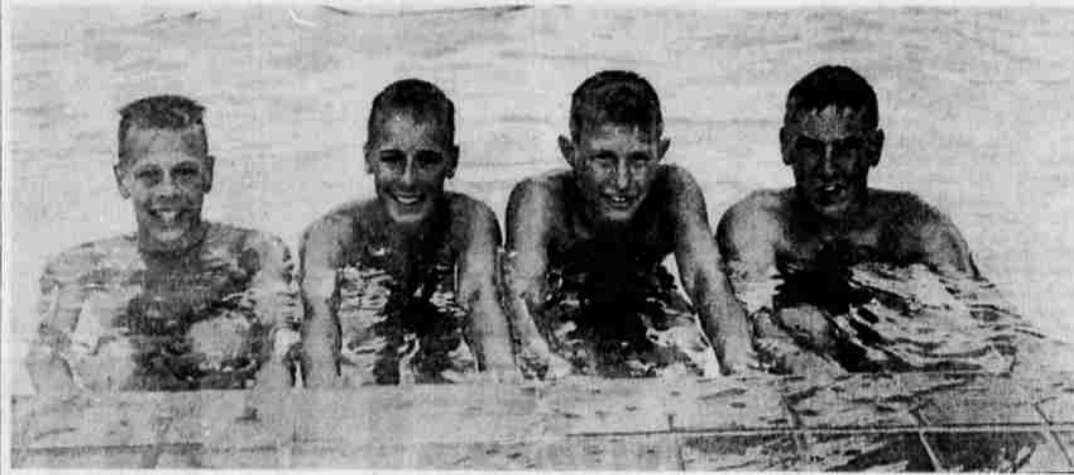
In other races three to 10 advance heats will be required.

Medford Enters 77  
Medford and Grants Pass have the largest entries. Lyons said that 77 boys and girls were entered from Medford and 76 from Grants Pass.

Reedsport lists 41, Ashland 37, Portland's Aero club 32, North Bend 31, Multnomah Athletic club of Portland 28 and Roseburg 23.

Swimmers are permitted to take part in only three individual events each but may participate in two relays in their respective classes. This makes it possible for one swimmer to vie in five events.

The meet is open to the public and bleachers have been set up at Jackson pool. There will be no charge for admission but programs will be sold.



IN JUNIOR OLYMPICS—Four of Medford entries in the Oregon Junior Olympic Short Course Swimming meet being held at Medford's Jackson pool are Dale Carson, Kelly McHugh, Ben Taylor and Tim Brown, all 15-years old.

Regular play in American Legion junior baseball's southern division of Area 4 comes to conclusion this week end.

Central Point Cheney Studs and Klamath Falls Hawks have their league roundup action this evening. The game will be at Memorial field, White City, at 7:30 p.m.

Klamath Falls Falcons go to Grants Pass for a Sunday afternoon twinheader with the first game counting in the standings.

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The Hawks have already relegated to the cellar with a 1-6 record.

Despite their unspectacular league mark, the Hawks are capable of giving the Studs a go. They hold a 6 to 5 non-loop nod over the Central Point crew which won a counter from the Klamathites 9 to 1.

Only league win by the Hawks was by 13 to 12 over Medford.

If the KF Falcons (5-2) beat the Grants Pass Mock Ford club (4-3) on Sunday in the opener, they'll successfully defend their division diadem and enter play for the Area 4 mantle. If Grants Pass wins, it, the Falcons and Medford Cokes, (5-3) will be knotted and in final standings a playoff will be needed.

Jerry McCormack for GP and Marv Edwards or Gary Benson for the Falcons could be the mound foes.

Meanwhile, Medford will keep in tune Sunday with a 1 p.m. doublebill at White City against Roseburg.

# SPORTS

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## Three Little Guys In Publinks Semis

Town of Tonawanda, N.Y. —(AP)—Three little guys and a rangy Arizonian tee off today in the 36-hole semi-finals of the National Amateur Public Links golf championship.

The little guys are the 1961 titleholder, Dick Sikes of Springfield, Ark., Warren Strout of Speedway, Ind., and Hung Soo Ahn of Honolulu, Hawaii. The man from Arizona is blond Wayne Breck, a 25-year-old construction worker from Scottsdale.

The first semi-final match sent putter against putter, Sikes against Strout. The long-hitting Breck will test the

equally distance-stroking Ahn.

Sikes, a 6-foot, 140-pound University of Arkansas senior aiming for his second consecutive Public Links crown, scrambled past erratic-putting John Joseph, Hayward, Calif., 1-up, to gain the quarter-finals Thursday. Then he demolished 37-year-old Hubert Farmer, Toledo, Ohio, 7 and 6, in his most impressive showing of the tournament.

The stocky, 5-foot, 8-inch Strout, a 38-year-old electrical engineer, defeated University of Wichita junior Lamont Kaser, 1-up, and 31-year-old Herb Howe, Minneapolis, Minn., 2-up in his two matches.

The 32-year-old Ahn, a 5-foot, 6-inch, 133-pound larruper who is employed as a draftsman, reached the semi-finals by downing former boxer Laul Sabotin, Warren, Ohio, 3 and 1, and college boy Alan Heedt, Peoria, Ill., 1-up in a sudden-death playoff.

The 6-foot 3-inch, 195-pound Breck, a former Arizona State student born in Minnesota, worked his way into the semi-finals in his first Public Links appearance. He latched on Thursday's play with a 4 and 3 victory over Masa Kaya, Honolulu, Hawaii, and then outthought John Schlee, Memphis, Tenn., 2 and 1.

Giants Subdue Jacksonville  
Medford Giants defeated Jacksonville 11 to 4 in Southern Oregon Intermediate league baseball yesterday while Jacksonville had the margin in the hitting 11 to six.

Seven runs in the first inning made the difference. The markers were on two walks, three hits, two fielders' options, an error and a sacrifice fly.

Tom Gilman had three hits, one a double, and Junior Snow and Stephen Lemire each two safeties for Jacksonville. Tom Wootton hit safely twice for Jacksonville.

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### Set Tourney Pace

Milwaukee—(AP)—Two attractive blondes, lanky Mickey Wright and pert Barbara Romack, took par medalist honors and a two-stroke lead into the second round of the \$10,000 Milwaukee Jaycee Open golf tournament today.

Miss Wright, San Diego, Calif., leading money winner of the LPGA tour, and Miss Romack, Grossinger, N.Y., looking for her first tournament victory in two years, both shot 70's in Thursday's opening round.

Bunched two strokes back with 72's were Mary Lena Faulk, Thomasville, Ga., winner of the Spartanburg, S.C. tournament this year; Joann Prentice, Birmingham, Ala., and Judy Kimball, Sioux City, Iowa.

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## Bill Cowan Rampages

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Bill Cowan went on the rampage again Thursday night to spark Wenatchee to an 11-2 victory over Eugene in Northwest league baseball action.

Cowan drove in three runs and Bill Ballou picked up his fifth win in 10 decisions.

Tri-City clipped Yakima 6-4 in a game at Kennewick. Chico Telleria with a pair of triples was the big gun in the Braves' nine-hit attack. Bob Sprout was the winner although he needed relief help.

Lewiston topped Salem 11-8 with a 13-hit barrage that included a sixth-inning homer by Bob Perez. Ken Yaryan picked up his fifth win against no losses and Larry Staab was the loser.

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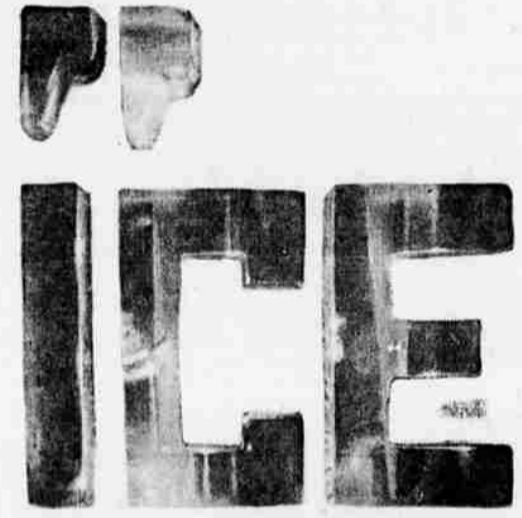
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