

GP Cavemen Defend in District Mat Meet Here Friday, Saturday

One state second placer of 1962, another youth who was a district champ and three others who were runners-up in southern Oregon eliminations are slated to be among participants on Friday and Saturday in the District 6 A-1 wrestling tourney.

The meet will be held at Hedrick Junior high gym here with the preliminary tussles opening at 1 p.m. on Friday. Senior high schools entered are Ashland, Crater, Klamath Falls, Grants Pass and Medford. GP is defending district and state champion. It again is favored.

The state runner-up of last year is Medford's Rod Smith, also a district second placer. He contended at 98 pounds in the 1961-1962 season and has wrestled at 106 this year. Grant Humphrey, Klamath Falls, took the 115-pound crown in the 1962 district meet. He has been going at 123 pounds this season.

Boys back with their teams this season after taking seconds in district in 1962 are Ron Head and Bob Dalton, Klamath Falls, and Jerry Cole Grants Pass. They gained their honors at the respective weights of 130, 168 and 141.

Cole weighs 157 now and may enter at that weight or above it. He has even faced 191-pound class foes this season. Head has appeared at 141 and Dalton at 168 again.

The tourney will be single elimination but with a consolation bracket. First and second placers will gain the opportunity to represent their schools in the state A-1 tourney on March 1 and 2 at Corvallis.

There are 13 weight divisions and each school will be permitted to enter two boys in each class in district. Quarterfinals will follow the preliminaries on Friday afternoon. Semifinals are set for 7 p.m. on Friday. Consolation bracket matches begin at

1 p.m. on Saturday with consolation finals getting underway at 6 p.m. and championship finals at 7:30 p.m.

The championship bouts will be contested on one mat. Three mats will be used for competition until that time. Records Listed

Adult admission price will be \$1 for Saturday night and 50 cents for each of the other sessions. Students will be admitted for 25 cents to each of the sessions.

Smith with 12 wins and 2 losses for the season paces the Medford Black Tornado. Others with 12 wins are Mike Horton, 123, who has had 3 losses, and Terry Winetrot, 178, who has had 5 setbacks.

Records of other Tornado wrestlers (wins-losses - draws) are: 115-pounder Mike Orr 10-5-1; 136-pounder Tom Owens 8-6-1; 168-pounder Tom Metz, 11-2-1; 191-pounder

Mike Mayfield, 10-4; and unlimited man Jeff Hardrath 9-2-2.

Medford as a team won seven matches, lost four and tied one. It took second in the Reedsport tourney.

Statistical leaders for Medford and Metz and Winetrot, 19 takedowns each; Metz, 12 escapes; Mayfield, 14 reversals; Mike Orr, 6 predicaments; Orr, Owens, Winetrot, Mayfield, 6 near falls each, and Winetrot, 7 falls.

MEDFORD ROSTER:
98—Lin Cascio; 106—Rod Smith and Rick Orr; 115—Mike Orr and Russel Smith; 123—Mike Horton and Mike Miller; 130—

Steve Hall and Larry Simmonds; 136—Tom Owens and Danny Schmal; 141—George McNair and Bernard Szymanski; 148—Fred Graten and Tom Gilman; 157—Ray Lauritzen and John Pierce; 168—Tom Metz and Jim Brown; 178—Terry Winetrot and Brian Peterson; 191—Mike Mayfield and Jim Jones; heavyweight—Jeff Hardrath and Larry McCammon.

CRATER ROSTER:
98—John Engel; 106—Dave Anderson; 115—Dillon Olson; 120—Clint Gibson and Gary Vincent; 126—David LaFever; 141—Joe McCoy and Doug Moore; 148—Don Kirkham and Gordon Bantz; 157—Steve Jorde and Jim Pitts; 168—Ron Bow and Frank Armatrong; 178—Gary Gidney and Dean Purdy; 191—Bob Butcher and Mel Johnson; heavyweight—John Harris.



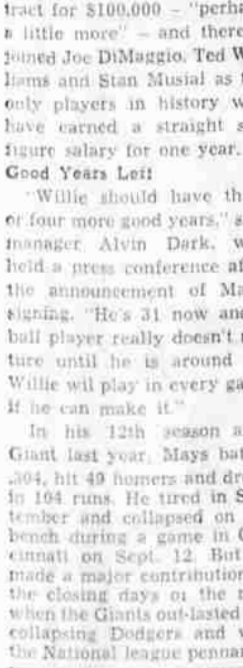
IN DISTRICT MEET—One of the top contenders for Crater high in the district wrestling meet here this week end is Bob Butcher, above. He will vie in the 191-pound division.



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Wittenberg Must Yet Prove Self

New York — (UPI) — Wittenberg, having wound up the regular season with an 18-1 record, led the United Press International small college basketball ratings again today and now must beat some backyard rivals to prove its claim to the national championship.

With two weeks remaining before the final ballot of the season, Wittenberg was comfortably on top for the sixth straight week; Evansville moved up one notch to third, and Fresno State made its way back to the top 10.

Wittenberg defeated Otterbein and Mount Union, two Ohio Conference rivals, last week to close out the regular campaign with a string of 13 straight victories.

Tonight coach Eldon Miller's Tigers meet Otterbein again in the start of the Ohio conference's 16-team post-season tournament. This tournament is played in two sections, with the first two teams in each group qualifying for the finals at Columbus, Ohio, March 1 and 2.

Wittenberg's toughest threat in this tournament appears to be Akron, which moved up one place in the UPI ratings this week to the No. 6 spot.

New York — (UPI) — The United Press International small college basketball ratings (with first-place votes and won-lost records through Feb. 16 in parentheses):

Team	Points
1. Wittenberg 26 (18-1)	107
2. Evansville 3 (18-3)	283
3. Fresno State 2 (16-1)	248
4. S. E. Missouri 2 (16-1)	234
5. Tenn. State 1 (21-4)	194
6. Akron 10 (21-2)	170
7. Pacific View (16-6)	153
8. Southern Illinois (13-7)	66
9. Fresno State 1 (17-5)	52
10. Westminster (19-1)	37

Second 10 teams—11. University of California at Santa Barbara 35; 12. Indiana 32; 13. Southeastern Oklahoma 28; 14. Augsburg (11-22); 15. South Dakota State (11-18); 16. Iowa State (Ind.) 17; 17. Lamar Tech. 16; 18. Regis 12; 19. Northwestern 9; 20. Arkansas (State, S.

Rizzuto Recupercating From Hand Surgery

Elizabeth, N.J. — (UPI) — The word from Phil Rizzuto's hospital bed is, "Don't worry fellas, I'll be in shape for the next old timers' game."

The former New York Yankee shortstop's right hand was still swathed in bandages following Tuesday night's three-hour operation to save three fingers from amputation but the little "Scooter" was in good spirits. He got out of bed briefly Wednesday and was described by nurses as "smiling and wanting to know when he will go home."

Doctors said the 44-year-old one-time most valuable player of the American League will remain in the hospital for "several days."

Rizzuto's right hand was badly mangled Tuesday in an accident which occurred while he was running a snow blower outside his Hillside, N.J., home.

Wheeler's, GP Victors In SOIBL

John Wheeler Logging took over lone leadership in the Southern Oregon Independent Basketball league here last night by downing Drew's Mansore 84 to 71.

The two clubs had been tied for first. Wheeler's is now 8-1 and Drew's 7-2.

In the other game Grants Pass won 71 to 52 over Sambo's restaurant at GP.

Bob Hokanson had 18 points and Dave Hughes 14 for Wheeler's and Craig Gardner 1 for Drew's.

The GP Merchants (5-4) rallied after Sambo's (2-8) led 29 to 27 at the half.

Larry Stevens had 19 and Jim Davis 14 for Grants Pass and Dick Griffin 14 for Sambo's.

LINEUPS:
Sambo's 32—Weddle 4, McCoy 11, Clearwater 10, Szek 4, Griffin 14, Battistone 5, Weller 4, Wootton, Grants Pass 71—Stevens 19, D. Reese 4, Lavasseur 3, Davis 14, J. Allen 8, Blevins 8, B. Allen 4, McIntire 4.

Wheeler's 84—D'Olivo 4, Coppel 10, Hughes 14, Twellch 3, Dickerson 9, Dunson 3, Munson 2, Bates 4, Frank 2, Johnson 8, Hokanson 18, Vannice 1.

Drew's 71—Payne 11, Altenhoben 11, Hennen 4, Munyon 1, Graham 3, Louk 5, Gardner 15, Olson 3, Hood 9, McKinley, Murray 3.

Girls Participating In Volleyball Play

Lone Pine — Fifth and sixth grade girls of Jacksonville, Oak Grove, Griffin Creek, Westside, Lincoln, Washington and Lone Pine schools are participating in volleyball games.

This gives girls an opportunity to participate in sports and visit other schools. Mrs. Jeannette Thompson is supervising the girls at Lone Pine.

The first play is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 26, when Howard is at Oak Grove, Griffin Creek at Westside, Jacksonville at Lone Pine and Washington at Lincoln. On Feb. 28 Lone Pine will be at Griffin Creek, Westside at Howard, Lincoln at Jacksonville and Oak Grove at Washington.

Tomlinson Leader in Score Race

Crater high's Howard Tomlinson is back on top in the Southern Oregon conference basketball scoring race.

Tomlinson collected a bulging 46 points in two games for the Comets last week end. That makes his total 265 for 17 games.

Jack Forde, the immediate past leader, put in 12 points in Medford's single court appearance last week and is second with 254 for 17 engagements.

Lou Alvarez, Crater, is third with 241 and Mike Gilnes, Crater, fourth with 236. Jim Pippin, Grants Pass, is the other over-200 man with 220.

Tomlinson bolstered his free shot leadership with 18 of 23 in his last two games and has a 105-point total on gifters. Gilnes has taken the field goal lead with 101. Forde and Alvarez are close behind with 9 each.

Tomlinson's per game scoring mark of 15.6 points is best.

Statistics are compiled by Jerry Acklen, Grants Pass Courier sports editor.

CONFERENCE STANDINGS	W	L	Pct	PP	PA
Crater	7	4	.636	678	666
Grants Pass	7	4	.636	641	627
Medford	5	6	.455	660	693
Klam. Falls	6	5	.550	640	627
Ashland	2	9	.182	538	657

SEASON STANDINGS	W	L	Pct	PP	PA
Crater	33	9	.785	1108	949
Klam. Falls	12	6	.667	961	892
Grants Pass	11	6	.647	1033	903
Ashland	8	9	.471	834	888

TOP 20 SCORES	FG	FT-A	TP	AV.
Tomlinson, C.	60	105-127	265	15.6
Forde, J.	59	99-124	254	14.9
Alvarez, L.	59	43-59	241	14.1
Gilnes, M.	51	34-42	236	13.9
Pippin, J.	77	68-108	220	12.9
Chambard, K.	72	47-72	181	10.6
Kelley, K.	69	37-52	175	9.7
Hutehig, G.	67	39-62	173	13.3
Lamb, A.	52	83-103	169	9.9
Miles, M.	52	33-42	166	8.7
Hill, M.	67	29-64	163	10.1
Scott, K.	59	37-59	155	9.3
Penner, C.	59	31-51	154	9.4
Holman, K.	46	52-72	144	8.4
Tepper, A.	46	36-62	128	7.5
Spauldin, G.	42	30-36	127	7.4
Shepard, G.	42	40-59	124	7.3
Hess, A.	39	44-70	122	7.2
Dahn, K.	42	37-61	121	6.7
Pierce, A.	41	33-59	115	6.7

Pioneer Plays C of I Tonight

Lewis and Clark's powerful Pioneers, who are three wins away from clinching their second straight Northwest Conference basketball championship, entertain College of Idaho at Portland tonight.

Second-place Pacific plays host to Whitman at Forest Grove. Lewis and Clark, which defeated the Badgers in a key game last week end, has a 10-1 record in the conference. Pacific is 9-3.

Lewis and Clark plays host to Whitman and Pacific entertains College of Idaho Friday and Saturday nights. Linfield meets Willamette Friday night at Salem and Saturday night at McMinnville.

The Pioneers, who have rolled up nine straight wins, face Linfield at McMinnville next Tuesday night in the final conference game.

Jungle Jim Trimble Coach of Alouettes

Montreal — (UPI) — Rough and ready Jungle Jim Trimble, the newly signed coach of the Montreal Alouettes, said today he and the Canadian Football league team have a "very bright future ahead of us."

The onetime boy wonder of the National Football league with the Philadelphia Eagles (1952-55) and seven-year veteran of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, signed a long-term contract with the Alouettes Tuesday.

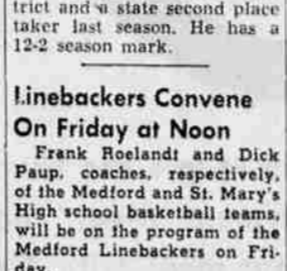
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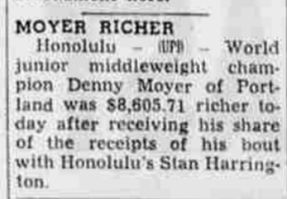
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EYES DISTRICT HONORS — Rod Smith, above, Medford high wrestler in the 106-pound class, will aim for another state tourney trip in the District 6 A-1 tournament this week end at Hedrick gym here. Smith was both a district and v state second place taker last season. He has a 12-2 season mark.



CAVEMAN GRAPPLER — Jerry Cole, 157-pounds, above, is slated to aid Grants Pass high in its District 6 A-1 wrestling title defense on Friday and Saturday at Hedrick gym here. He has a 7-0 season record and has contested in a number of matches in weight classes higher than his own.



MOYER RICHER — Honolulu — (UPI) — World junior middleweight champion Denny Moyer of Portland was \$8,605.71 richer today after receiving his share of the receipts of his bout with Honolulu's Stan Harrington.

Haytcher Paces In All-Events

Buffalo, N.Y. — (UPI) — Atlantic Seaboard quintets join midwestern fives and a few area representatives for another assault on the pins today in the 60th annual American Bowling congress tournament.

They'll center their sights on the 2,947, leading score in the regular team division achieved by Byrn's Sporting Goods of Auburn, N.Y., on Tuesday.

Only one leader was toppled in Wednesday's bowling. Dick Ward of Carey, Ohio, was forced into third place in the all events as Bernie Haytcher of Ashtabula, Ohio, took the lead with 1,885 and John Ignizio of Rochester, N.Y., moved into second place with 1,874. Ward, now third, had 1,860.

Haytcher scored two highs for the tournament in advancing to first place in the 9-game count — a 280 first game in team play and a 706 series.

Steelheading Good In Galice Area

Portland — (UPI) — The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the State Game commission:

Southwest: Angling should be fair to good in upper Umpqua from Yellow creek to forks; lower river will be slow; Coos river improving steelhead; Rogue has been good in Galice area; Elk and Sixes in good condition.

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Chips Down for 2nd In Rogue Cage Loop

Chips are down for second place this week end in the Rogue league basketball campaign with Eagle Point, Illinois Valley and Lakeview in the running.

And, whether the chase will be over this week end or will be prolonged with a playoff could hinge on a single game on Friday night.

In that battle Eagle Point (9-3) opposes Illinois Valley (7-4) at Cave Junction. The matter will be settled if the Eagles down the Cougars.

An IV win would place Saturday conflicts in focus. Eagle Point is slated against Sacred Heart at Klamath Falls and the Cougars meet St. Mary's in Medford.

Lakeview (8-5) which still has opportunity to tie for second is at Sacred Heart on Friday.

Other league games Friday are Rogue River at Phoenix and Henley at St. Mary's. Rogue River entertains Sutherland in a non-league game on Saturday. The week end tussles will end the regular slate for the Rogue schools except for an IV-Sacred Heart game which may have to be made up.

Henley has already won the Rogue league championship. Why is second place significant? It is important because the No. 1 and 2 teams from the league gain berths in the District 6 A-2 championship playoffs on March 8 and 9.

IV and Eagle Point have split in tussles played this season. Eagle Point, Lakeview and IV all have defeated Sacred Heart with little trouble. Illinois Valley previously beat St. Mary's by a wide margin but the Crusaders are

considered capable of spilling the Cougar hopes.

St. Mary's hopes of extending its season past league play are gone but the Crusaders will be after a measure of prestige on Friday night when Henley comes to town. For the Hornets are No. 1 rated in all three of the state's A-2 prep hoop polls. And, the Buzzers have yet to taste defeat this year.

Washington Faces WSC

United Press International Washington, which takes a break from the Big Six basketball wars this week end, takes on Washington State tonight in the only major contest.

Although the Cougars are tentatively in the Big Six, their games do not count in the standings. Washington is 6-4 in the conference but must play its last two on the road.

Wednesday night's only battle saw Whittier move into a half-game lead in the SCIAA with a 74-57 defeat of Pomona. Steve Hayes hit 26 for the Poets, now 8-1. Occidental is 7-1.

The Big Six title is still wide open. Stanford (5-3 in the league and 14-6 for the year) hosts UCLA (3-3 and 15-5) Friday. The Bruins are at California Saturday. Washington (6-4 and 9-11) stands by and hopes the Bruins win Friday and lose Saturday.

The West Coast Athletic Conference title is also a three-way fight although USEF (7-0 and 13-6) looks tough to dislodge. St. Mary's (6-1 and 12-8) and Santa Clara (4-2 and 11-8) still have hopes, however.

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