



CAGERS BATTLE FOR BALL - Medford and Grants Pass high schoolers battle for ball on rebound in Friday night Southern Oregon conference game here. In the air are Gibb Mitchell (22) and Jack Forde (40), Medford, and Marty Bauer (51) and Al Hutchins (45), Grants Pass. Looking for chance to go for the ball are Tom Sparlin, left, Grants Pass, and Mike Neathamer (14) and Jim Hill (42), Medford. Medford won 58-52. - (Anders photo).

Black Tornado Nabs Lead By Tripping Cavemen 58-52

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE STANDINGS (As of Friday)

Team	W	L	Pct.
Medford	9	5	.643
Grants Pass	8	5	.615
Crater	7	7	.500
Klamath Falls	7	7	.500
Ashland	2	12	.143

Throwing off the spectre of threatening defeat, the on-rushing Medford high school Black Tornado staged a tempestuous fourth quarter rally here Friday night to keep its basketball winning streak a-running and to project itself at long last into the leadership of the Southern Oregon conference.

The hurricanizing hoopmen overcame the Cavemen of Grants Pass 58 to 52. For the Medfords it was the sixth consecutive triumph in the conference. Victory gave them a 9-5 league record and top rung in the standings for the first time this season.

The loss made Grants Pass 8-5 in the circuit and in a second place knot with Crater. Both GP and Crater, playing respectively against Klamath Falls and Ashland, had opportunity last night, however, to pull up even with the Tornado.

After three close quarters, it looked, as the final canto got under way, as if the Cavemen had broken open the fracas and were on the way to triumph. They had an eight-point margin at 47 to 39 with 7 1/2 minutes left to play. But, the Tornadoes came storming back through the stealing efforts of Jack Forde, Mike Neathamer, Jim Hill, Gibb Mitchell, Dan Miles and Larry Vowell.

Hill put in a pair of free shots, Marty Bauer contributed one for GP and it was 48 to 41. Miles goaled from the circle as Coach Frank Roe-

land's Medfords worked the ball neatly. And, with 5:42 on the clock, Forde hit a slick pivot shot for 48 to 45.

With five minutes left, Al Hutchins of the Climate city momentarily stalled the Twister with a fielder from the side. But, a shot by Forde bounced around on the rim and fell in and Hill scored from under the hoop on a Miles feed. The Cavemen edge was just 50 to 49.

The clock read 3:34 remaining when GP's soft-shooting Hutchins was banished for his fifth foul and Forde put in both tries for 51 to 50. Medford was ahead to stay.

The Tornado secured the ball on a Grants Pass violation, worked it carefully, trying for a sure shot then took time out. Seconds after play resumed, Neathamer scorched the strings with a lightning driver shot. Then, he added injury to the scoring insult by pulling off a swipe.

Hill was fouled with 1:39 to go and made both shots for 55 to 50.

Lyman Kelsecker missed on a free try for the Cavemen of Coach Gordon Prelm. Grants Pass rebounded but Forde got a jump ball and Medford controlled. A charging foul on a Medfordite gave the ball back to GP. With 56 seconds on the clock Jim Pippin put in a long push shot for Grants Pass.

Vowell made good on one of two free chances for Medford and Forde retrieved the ball after the missed second shot. Neathamer added the last two Medford points on gifts.

Then the Hedrick gym was scene of pandemonium. Lead changed hands 11 times in the tremendous game and there were six deadlocks. Grants Pass headed at each of the intermissions 17 to 14, 30 to 29 and 43 to 39. Medford outscored Grants Pass 19 to 9 in the final period to take the verdict.

Forde was high scorer in the tangle with 20 points. Hutchins had 17 for the Climate city club. Hill, for Medford, and Tom Sparlin, deadly with long one-handers for GP, each had 12 counters.

Clay Rows With Ring Champion

Miami Beach - (UPI) - If someone doesn't keep heavyweight champion Sonny Liston and the No. 2 contender apart, there's apt to be blood on the training room floor.

Liston has been grunting for weeks that there's nothing he would like better than to put a big fist in Cassius Clay's big mouth.

And the young, poetry-quoting Clay, one of the most talked-about fighters in a long time, just keeps baiting the champ between predictions of the death knell for opponents.

"I can leave both my legs home and beat you," Liston exploded Friday in reply to Clay's harrassings. The champ held his first workout in a week for his heavyweight title match with former champ Floyd Patterson set here April 10.

Liston, a truck-sized spare for his plump, beachfront hoist of inactivity due to a twisted right knee, shadow-boxed and battered the bags ... and cocked a menacing fist at Clay.

"Get him out of here," snapped the champ.

Clay hit Liston with a barrage of verbal punches in the Fifth Street Gym which the champ has temporarily traded for his plush, beachfront hotel training layout.

"I'm the greatest man. You're the ugliest and I'm the prettiest ... You got to go when we fight."

This may sound like a publicity stunt, but with a mouth like Clay's and a temper like Liston's - something's got to give.

The glowering champ ambled over to the ropes and cocked one of his huge fists. Clay wasn't sure whether Sonny meant it or not, but he took a healthy step out of range - hastily.

Sonny's trainer, Jack Nilon, plainly unsure of the champ's plans, too, grabbed him.

"You never know when this guy's kidding," Nilon said. "I'm not taking any chances."

GP Jayvees Win 45-43 In Prelim

Grants Pass high topped Medford 45 to 43 in junior varsity competition and Medford whipped the Cavemen in sophomore play 56 to 37 in Friday night basketball here.

The Climate City cagers broke a 41-all deadlock to win the junior varsity tangle. Medford scored 21 points in the last quarter to make the sophomore triumph decisive.

Rich Ireland gave the GP JV the lead for good with a free shot with 2:47 left on the clock. He got another gift, about one minute later. Pat Duchien put in two more free points with 23 seconds to go. Seconds later Ron Edmonds hit a long pusher for Medford.

Jerry McCormack had opportunity to pad the GP count in the last two seconds but missed two free tries.

Don Kengla brought the Junior Tornado of Medford up to the 41-all tie from a four point deficit with two field goals. Medford had 13 to 8 and 26 to 18 quarter and half gaps. Grants Pass was ahead 33 to 31 going into the final panel.

Bill Enyart had 13 points for Medford and Edmonds 11. John Maynard had 10 for GP. Medford's sophs had 13 to 9, 21 to 19 and 35 to 27 quarter margins. Jim Cox had 14 points for Medford and Dean Lowe the same for GP.

JV LINEUPS:
Grants Pass 45-Newman 7, Tomlinson, Maynard 10, Duchien, Mahaley, McCormack 5, Ireland 4, Hock 2.
Medford 43-Enyart 13, Kengla 8, Knight 2, Edmonds 11, Allen 4, Shickman, Mullen, Davis, Hunman 2.

Grants Pass 56-Medford 32, Lowe 14, Rice 3, Jameson 2, Forsgren 4, McMahon 2.
Medford 56-Flankers 7, Bickler 10, Brennan 11, Cox 14, Rupp 10, Wootton, Foxbury, Newland, Root, Natch, Watrud.

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COLTS SIGN LEFTY
Houston, Tex. - (UPI) - The Houston Colts have signed John Miller, a 21-year-old New York southpaw, and assigned him to the Moultrie, Ga., club in the Georgia-Florida league.

SPORTS

Smith, Brown Winners Of Holiday Golf Tourney

Justin Smith Jr. and Dick Brown captured the holiday handicap golf championship at Rogue Valley Country club by a 10-point margin over the second place team of Rush Acheson and Bob Phillips.

Smith and Brown had a total of 59 points for 19 matches and Acheson and Phillips had 49 for 18.

Carl Schmidt and E. A. Pearson, who were leaders most of the way, finished



TAKE LINKS TITLE - Justin Smith, left, and Dick Brown, above, were winners in the annual holiday golf handicap tourney which ended Friday at Rogue Valley Country club. They had 59 points for 19 matches, 10 more than the second place team.

Herb Leonnig and Don Hale were fourth with 35 and Leo Vilasino and Dick Knoll fifth with 32 counters.

Smith and Brown expanded their final margin partly at the direct expense of Acheson and Phillips. Only two points separated the two teams before they got together last week. Brown and Smith won this match by four points. So they added four while Acheson and Phillips subtracted the same number.

Schmidt and Pearson were idle for 1 1/2 weeks. The tourney opened on Dec. 1 and concluded on Friday, March 1.

Max Larson and Dick Finnell took the low net best ball laurels with a 57 which is the tourney low. Smith and Brown were second low with a 60.

A total of 1,320 rounds of golf were played in the tourney.

FINAL STANDINGS:

Player	Points	Matches
J. Smith - D. Brown	59	19
Acheson - Phillips	49	18
Schmidt-Pearson	48	18
Leonnig - Hale	35	18
Vilasino - Knoll	32	18
Roman - Thompson	32	18
Wilson - G. Lewis	32	18
Schick - Vargo	32	18
Lubbers - Gunderson	32	18
Bayless - Luther	32	18
Pitts - Lowery	32	18
Baker - Van Duker	32	18
Bodmer - McElvaine	32	18
Williams - McElvaine	32	18
W. Miller - Storton	32	18
Boyd - W. Miller	32	18
Eisenstein - Catey	32	18
Teeter - Getchell	32	18
Hoover - Hoover	32	18
F. Holmes - Gustafson	32	18
Manton - Tichenor	32	18
Landers - Crafts	32	18
Odenour - Isted	32	18
Larson - Finnell	32	18
Casciato - Cox	32	18
Sanner - Stewart	32	18
Selby - Lou McLaughlin	32	18
Cusick - Dick Kline	32	18
Berg - Gill	32	18
Vogelty - Y. Miller	32	18
Judy - Mickelson	32	18
Reeves - R. Smith	32	18
B. Anderson - Scroggin	32	18
Peri - Dougherty	32	18
Handolph - Swenson	32	18
Hause - Travis	32	18
Battistone-Brennerm	32	18
McCoy - J. Brown	32	18
Puffinberger-H. Jewett	32	18
Fael - Schult	32	18
St. Clair - S. S.	32	18
Dumas - Cossette	32	18
Coleman - Gadbois	32	18
Hubbard - R. Johnson	32	18
Hubbard - Brooks	32	18
Lindquist - Dalton	32	18
Hubbard - Proulx	32	18
C. Lewis - Conrad	32	18
Clum - Gramer	32	18
Lambert - Schott	32	18
Hubbard - Schott	32	18
Cotttingham - Creiger	32	18
Henselman - Quinn	32	18
Hubbard - Quinn	32	18
Parsons - C. Knight	32	18
Owens - Shepherd	32	18
Tubbs - Proulx	32	18
Ross - Dunlevy	32	18

South Salem, Pendleton Join Tournament Field

United Press International - South Salem, Pendleton and Tigard joined the field in the Oregon high school Class A-1 basketball tournament Friday night.

South Salem defeated Albany 78-47, Pendleton won over Baker 68-49 and Tigard topped Newberg 54-35 to clinch berths for the tourney.

They joined Marshall, Molalla and Sandy in the field. Lebanon and North Eugene wrapped up ties to go to the tournament. Lebanon edged Corvallis 43-42 and North Eugene got past North Bend 69-50.

Newport joined Central in the field for the A-2 tournament by defeating Toledo 59-51. Coquille gained a tie

Sportsman Club Meets Monday

There will be three guest speakers from the Oregon Fish and Game council at the regular meeting of the Oregon Sportsman club on Monday, March 4.

They will be P. E. Milhorn, state president; Walter Craig, president of the Jackson County chapter, and Robert Pyle, president of the Klamath County chapter.

The meeting will be at 8 p.m. at Girls Community club, 229 North Barrett st.

Killing of doe and fawn deer will be the main topic of the meeting which is open to the public.

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Tornadoes Ousted In A-1 Mat Meet

Corvallis - Medford high wrestlers were out of the state A-1 high school wrestling tourney after Saturday afternoon matches.

Mike Mayfield, 191, and Tom Metz, 168, each dropped two bouts in the afternoon activity.

Mayfield, who had reached the championship semifinals in his weight, lost to Don Kauffman, Lebanon, 4 to 1 in overtime. Then, in a consolation bout Jack Selanders, Madison, pinned him in the third round.

Metz was victor 10 to 5 over John Seniscal, Parkrose, in a consolation bout then was loser by 6 to 3 to Jim Hanlon, Sweet Home.

Mayfield won two matches on Friday. He nudged Delbert Allen, Scappoose, 6 to 5 and beat Mike McKee, Gresham, 5 to 3. In his semifinal Mayfield got a 6 to 2 margin on Kauffman, who then tied up the tussle 6 to 6 by the

end of regular time.

Metz on Friday was victor over Leonard Friesz, Newberg, 4 to 3 on riddling time in his first match but lost to Al Stebinger, Lincoln, 6 to 2 in his second.

Two other Black Tornado matmen dropped first round tussles. Doug Dent, 113, Redmond, defeated Mike Orr, 6-0, and 6-5 Harold Weight, Sunset, a 236-pounder, barely got by Jeff Hardrath. The match was 5 to 5 in points. It went overtime and Weight got a referee's decision.

Orr and Hardrath were eliminated when the men who beat them were ousted from the championship running.

Medford got a total of 4 points in the tourney.

Lebanon high was the A-1 leader going into last night's finals with 22 points. Defending champion Grants Pass had 19 and Klamath Falls had 11.

Dutch Girl Ahead at Skate Meet

Cortina D'Ampezzo, Italy-(UPI)-Holand's Sjouke Dijkstra piled up an almost unbeatable lead at the end of the six compulsory figures Saturday and appeared to be a sure bet to retain the women's world figure skating championships.

Young Donald McPherson of Stratford, Ont., won the first title of the 1963 championships Friday when he took the men's individual competition.

Miss Dijkstra, a 20-year-old student from Akkrum, Holland, had 1,272.8 points and nine originals to move well ahead of her nearest competitor - Austria's Regina Heitzer, who had 1,213.5 points and 22 originals.

Canada's Wendy Griner was third after the compulsory figures with 1,163.9 points and 34 originals and Nicole Hassler of France was fourth with 1,155.0 points and 38 originals. The Czech brother-sister team of Eva Romanova and Pavel Roman early Saturday came from behind with a spectacular ice display to defeat Britain's Linda Shearman and Michael Phillips for the world ice-dancing championship.

Gun Club Holds Spring Shoot

Early Spring shoot of Medford Gun club will be held today starting at 9:30 a.m. at the grounds on Vilas rd. west of Crater Lake highway Four Corners.

The shoot will offer 250 targets per gunner under registration of the Pacific International Trapshooting association. There will be 20 non-registered targets.

Sixteen-yard singles, doubles and handicap events will be fired. Practice traps will be open at all times.

TO HONOR COUSY

New York - (UPI) - Bob Cousy of the Boston Celtics, basketball's greatest play maker, will be honored this afternoon prior to the game against the New York Knickerbockers at Madison Square Garden.

Pro Basketball

United Press International NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (As of Friday)

Team	W	L	Pct.
Boston	31	21	.598
Syracuse	42	28	.592
Cincinnati	37	35	.514
New York	20	50	.286

Western Division

Team	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	30	21	.588
St. Louis	41	29	.586
Detroit	30	42	.417
San Francisco	27	43	.386
Chicago	22	50	.306

Friday's Results
Detroit 115, St. Louis 113
Chicago 114, Los Angeles 109
San Francisco 132, Cincinnati 125

Church Athletic Session Today

Medford Church Athletic association will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday at First Presbyterian church.

Coaches of all church basketball teams and association representatives from all churches are asked to attend. Sportsmanship award vote is planned.

Schedule for junior and senior high league playoffs will be announced. Playoffs open Thursday.

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