

SPORTS

Fanfare

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OPENER ACTION—Bill Virdon of Pittsburgh is safe at first in the fifth inning of Monday's National League opener at Cincinnati. Red Pitcher Jim O'Toole leaps to take hurried throw from second baseman Pete Rose. No error was charged on the play. O'Toole went nine innings to defeat the Pirates 5-2. (UPI)

Orioles, Reds Win Opening Day Games

UPI Sports Writer
You couldn't tell the players without a scorecard today when baseball's other 18 major league teams—featuring a multitude of new faces—attempted to catch up with the Baltimore Orioles and the Cincinnati Reds.

The Orioles and the Reds were first out of the gate Monday. President Kennedy was among 43,022 fans who watched Baltimore turn back the Washington Senators, 3-1, in the nation's capital while the Reds bounced the Pittsburgh Pirates, 5-2, at Cincinnati.

Nine additional openers were on today's schedule, including a pair of night games.

More than 70 players changed uniforms during the off-season as every team except Minnesota completed a trade involving at least one key player.

Home runs figured prominently in Monday's curtain-raiser.

The Orioles rode to their victory over the Senators on second-inning clouts by Jim Gentile and John (Boog) Powell. Steve Barber limited the Nats to seven hits but needed ninth-inning relief help from Stu Miller.

Frank Robinson hit a two-run homer in his first at-bat and Gordie Coleman added a solo blast to get the Reds off winging. Jim O'Toole pitched a six-hitter and got strong support from his infielders, who elicited off double plays in each of the first four innings. Donn Clendenon homered for the Pirates.

The lineups:

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Baltimore—030 000 000—3 8 0
Washington—000 010 000—1 7 0
Barber, S. Miller (6), and Brown, Edolph, Kline (6), Hamilton (6) and Leppert. W in n e—Barber (1-0), Loner—Rudolph (0-1), HR—

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh—000 100 100—2 8 1
Cincinnati—220 001 000—5 8 3
Francis, Maddix (3), Sisk (3), Gibbon (7) and Pagliaroni, O'Toole (1-0) and Edwards, Loner—Francis (0-1), HR—Robinson, Clendenon, Coleman.
Only games scheduled.

PREP SPIKE SQUADS IN HAYWARDS
High school track and field teams of this area are concentrating this week on entry in the annual Hayward relays at Eugene.

St. Mary's, Phoenix, Eagle Point, Rogue River and Illinois Valley will battle on Friday when the B and C division events are held. Medford, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Crater and Ashland go north for Saturday competition in the metropolitan and Class A events.

St. Mary's has won four successive Class C crowns. Rogue River was third in that class last year.

Ninth grade track meets are slated in this area on Thursday when Crater engages Hedrick here and McLoughlin goes to North Grants Pass. Rogue River freshmen go to Eagle Point on Friday. St. Mary's frosh were at Phoenix this afternoon.

FIGHTS
Rottterdam—(UPI)—Wim Smeek, 177, Holland, drew with Joe Byrnes, 188, Jamaica (10).
Sydney, Australia—(UPI)—Gene Ataxon, 110, Philippines, outpointed Billy Miles, 117½, Australia (12).
Hollywood, Calif.—(UPI)—Thad Spencer, 203, Oakland, Calif., knocked out Alvin Carter, 187, Phoenix, Ariz. (5).

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"It was real big for the kids," said Medford High Track Coach Dean Benson in recapping the Black Tornado's victory on Saturday in the Rogue Valley Relays here. "I'm proud of every one of them."

Concerning the record breaking of the Grants Pass high mile relay team, Benson declared, "I was astounded." He also remarked, "That was a great race. Those kids really put out."

The Tornado tutor reported times of around 2:02 for Jim Snodgrass and Steve Toews in their half-mile legs of the two-mile relay and around 2:03 for Dennis Brumback. In the distance medley Brumback had a 4:38 mile, Greg Swanson a 3:21 three-quarter mile and Doug Aiken a 2:11 half.

SYMBOLIC
Medford's fourth place trophy in the 1963 Oregon Class A-1 basketball tournament is symbolic of the sacrifices the players made—the things they gave up in order to play ball. That was pointed up by Head Coach Frank Roelandt Friday at a meeting of the Medford Linebackers club.

Roelandt and members of his Southern Oregon conference co-championship squad were guests at the noon luncheon of the sports boosters group at North's Chuck Wagon.

BETTER THAN EXPECTED
Roelandt discussed Medford's four games in the state tourney. He declared that the Black Tornado had a "typical opening night" in the Lebanon game. The coach commented, "Lebanon was a much better club than we anticipated." He brought out that his charges came back when it counted and he cited Mike Nesthamer and Larry Vowell for a fine defensive job on the Warriors Tim Blanchat.

North Eugene was described as a fine ball club by Roelandt but he stated, "We thought they were better than they really were." He mentioned Jim Hill's fine scoring quarter, pointed to defensive lapse in the early game on the part of the Tornado and brought out that the Tornadoes ran out of gas in the fourth period and that the Highlanders were hitting.

Roelandt reported that, against Pendleton, "we got behind and then pulled out. We played good ball."

GP GAME BEST PLAYED
The coach told of the comment of others to him that the Medford-Grants Pass game was probably the best played game of the whole tournament so far as defense and offense was concerned. He brought out that the two groups of boys had played against each other some 30 times since they were in the seventh grade.

"We think the best club won," said Roelandt.

DAY AHEAD NO HELP
The Tornado tutor reported that, if and when he takes a team to the tourney again, it will not go up a day ahead of time as was done this year. He indicated that the ball club did not profit from sleeping in strange beds and from restaurant meals prior to the opening tussle.

OUTLOOKS TOLD
Shortstop Dan Miles discussed the Medford High baseball outlook and sprinter and broad jumper Jim Hill spoke concerning the track team at the Linebacker session.

HESS RATED HIGH
"Junior Swimmer and Swimming World," a much read magazine, has listed Bruce Hess, Medford High, one of the top prep swimmers in the country, according to his coach, Bob Kawachika. Hess's 2:14.8 time in winning

the state 200-yard medley ranked 18th as of Feb. 20 compilation. Times listed ranged between 2:05.5 and 2:15.7. The Medford relay's 51.9 mark in taking the state 100-yard free style was 15th in the March issue of the magazine. Times reported ran from 49.0 to 52.2.

Kawachika reported that marks will be recomplied after spring season (Oregon state prepsters contend in the fall). There likely will be some other marks better than Bruce's.

The Medford coach pointed out that most of the Oregon swimmers qualifying among the nation's leaders are from localities which have their own community pools and programs. He reported that there are quite a few up and coming swimmers here right now.

EX-TORNADOES HEAD
A note from Dick Patterson, sports editor of the Oregon Daily Emerald, which keeps getting covered up on our desk:

Don Peck, Lowell Dean and Booth Deakins, all ex-Medford High hoopers, formed the core of the Theta Chi basketball team which won the University of Oregon intramural league. Patterson described the Theta Chi club as "one of the best we've ever had." The team was unbeaten and won its final game by 72 to 40 with Dean scoring 19 points and Peck and Deakins each 16.

REPORT ON MCINTYRE
A letter on Bob McIntyre and Dick Ragsdale, sophomores from Medford, has come from John Simmons, Stanford university assistant sports publicity director, promising to keep in touch with us on the progress of the two.

Said Simmons concerning McIntyre:

"Bob has been a real key in Coach Payton Jordan's sprint plans during his track season and ran a very fine 48.3 quarter mile in a recent triangular meet against Fresno State and Oregon State, finishing third. "He has been a member of our 440 relay team which finished second to San Jose in . . . triangular with San Jose and Oklahoma in the time of 41.2, only one-tenth of a second off the school record of 41.1. Bobby ran the second leg in that particular race. The week previous he had run the third leg in the same event against Fresno State and Oregon State and was generally credited by Coach Jordan with having won that event. He pulled away from his man to give our anchor man a five-yard lead going into the final 110 yards. Payton plans to continue using him in all of the dashes, primarily concentrating him in the 440 yard races in dual meets but with the possibility that he could run in the 100 and 220 if needed."

REPORT ON RAGSDALE
About Ragsdale, he reported:

"Dick Ragsdale just finished a successful year with the Stanford rugby team which won the recent Monterey Rugby tournament, defeating Oregon State 14-0. The University club of LA 9-0, USC 13-0 and the Kats club of British Columbia 22-0. This team was considered by Coach Pete Kmetovic as the finest rugby team he has had here. It won 13 matches against only one loss. Dick finished the season as the regular fullback and was tied for the fourth leading scorer with 15 points. His kicking ability earned him the fullback spot, as kicking plays a very important part in this game."

STATISTICS SLATED
Robert Alvarez, Central Point, has arranged to receive statistics each week from Southern Oregon conference baseball coaches and will compile them for newspaper publication. Alvarez, ex-Crater High, is a brother of Louis Alvarez, Comet shortstop.

SCHEDULES ARRIVE
Thanks to Don Miller, athletic director at Crater High school, we already have the following Southern Oregon conference schedules:

Cross-country and varsity, junior varsity, ninth grade and eighth grade football for 1963; varsity and freshman wrestling and freshman basketball for 1963-1964 and varsity basketball for 1964.

They came in the mail on Friday. It's the first time we've received the complete group of master schedules, as well as the earliest we've received any of the schedules.

Thanks Don.
WEATHER
Jerry Acklen, sports editor of the Grants Pass Courier, must have glanced out the

Baker To Play In All-America Game June 29

Buffalo, N.Y.—UPI—Quarterback Terry Baker of Oregon State will lead John McKay's West team against Mill Bruhn's East squad in the third annual All-America football game June 29 in War Memorial Stadium.

The 195-pound southpaw signal-caller, who won college football's Heisman and Maxwell trophies in 1962, heads the list of 30 seniors who will try to bring the West its second victory in the young series. The East defeated the West, 13-8, last June to avenge a 30-20 licking in the 1961 inaugural.

The West squad includes Steve Barnett and Ron Sildow, University of Oregon tacklers.

window just after starting his Friday Ack Aek column.

"All of a sudden it's spring," he began.

Then he asked, "Or, is it?"

MHS 3RD IN SCORING

The tournament booklet, published by the University of Oregon athletic publicity and statistical staff which year after year does such a job for the press at the Class A-1 high school basketball tourney, arrived on our desk last week.

The booklet shows that Medford, fourth place team, was third on offense with a 62.3 points per game average but just 12th in defense in permitting an average of 59.8 points by rivals. Medford led in total field goals and field goal shooting average with 99 on 231 attempts for .428, a real healthy shooting rate.

The Tornado was ninth in free tossing with 51 of 78 for .654.

FORDE MARKS BEST
Jack Forde, Medford, the tournament's leading scorer with 90 points, had the best field goal gunning mark for one game, 11 of 14 for .786, and for the tourney, 28 of 54 for .519.

TIGARD TOPS
Second-place Tigard was the top team in the tourney in point-making with an average of 65.0 and champion North Eugene came next with 62.5. Molalla had the best defensive record, scorewise, allowing 45.3 points per fray in three tussles. Astoria had the best mark for four games with 49.3.

ALL-TIME MARKS
Medford high's all-time record after compiling the 1963 A-1 classic shows 54 victories and 28 losses in 24 tournaments. Tornado teams have reached the quarter-finals 17 times, the book shows. However, there's apparently a slip. Ten semi-final and six final appearances are listed for Medford and two championships. According to our tabulation, the Tornado has won three crowns and been in the finals eight times and in the semis 11.

Fifteen Medford cagers have made the tournament's all-star first team and 16 have been named to the second team.

Rayo Wins Open Stake At RVRC Picnic Trial

The Rogue Valley Retriever club held its fourth picnic trial of the season Sunday at the Kenneth G. Denman Conservation area near White City. A total of 37 dogs competed in the four stakes.

Highlight of the trial was the open, won by Ernie Black's stylish Golden Retriever male Rayo, which placed third in the Amateur stake at the Oregon Retriever Trial Club's AKC licensed trial in Portland last week.

Tom Rickard and Floyd Nelson acted as chairmen. Judges were:

Open: Harley Nelson and Floyd Bubb
Qualifying: Ernie Black, Col. Charles Kirk and student Del Bergman
Derby: Leonard Nelson, Mrs. K. G. Denman and student Dick Kenner
Puppy: Bob Napolitano, Mrs. Lila Bubb, and student Bill Foster

Changeable winds, rather strong, handicapped performances in all but the later afternoon events.

PLACE	DOG	OWNER-HANDLER
OPEN STAKE		
1st Rayo	Golden Male	Ernie Black, Medford
2nd Nik Nak	Lab Male	Mrs. Ken Denman, Medford
3rd Cookie	Lab Female	Handler, Leonard Nelson
4th Hunter	Lab Male	Tom Rickard, Medford
		Leonard Nelson, Medford
QUALIFYING STAKE		
1st Bomber	Chesapeake Male	Floyd Bubb, Brownboro
2nd Pet	Lab Female	Betty Napolitano, Medford
3rd Moon	Lab Male	Handler, Bob Napolitano
4th Jingles	Lab Male	Marjorie Banks, Cave Junction
		Bill Foster, Sunny Valley
		Bob Hissong, Glendale
DERBY STAKE		
1st Gay Knight	Lab Male	Jack Gardner, Phoenix
2nd Bucky	Lab Male	Ruth Kline, Medford
3rd Beau	Lab Male	Handler, Harley Nelson
4th Terry	Lab Male	Carlo Banks, Cave Junction
JAM' Bimbo	Lab Male	Bob Hissong, Glendale
JAM' Happy	Lab Male	Carroll Banks, Cave Junction
		Del Bergman, Medford
PUPPY STAKE		
1st Captain	Lab Male	Walt Carter, Medford
2nd Lady	Lab Female	Lynn Shreeve, Medford
3rd Trudy	Lab Female	Evelyn Kirk, Medford
4th Danny	Lab Male	Gary Whipple, Medford
JAM' Zip	Lab Male	Harley Nelson, Medford
JAM' Happy	Lab Male	

Williams To Take On Terrell

New York—UPI—Cleveland Williams, fourth rated heavyweight contender, guns for higher ranking next Saturday when he squares off against Ernest Terrell in a nationally televised 10-round bout in Philadelphia.

Williams of Houston, Tex., jumped two notches in this month's ring ratings on the basis of his victory over Billy Daniels.

The victor's boxing schedule is skimpy, with only three bouts on the program:

WEDNESDAY: Union City, N.J.—Frank Depaula vs. Sammy Jordan.
THURSDAY: Philadelphia—Jimmy Hairston vs. Bobby Warthen.

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