

Fanfare

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Medford high has been fairly lucky in the past so far as travel for sports playoffs has interfered with school work. But, the full impact of the conflict between school and travel school classes could hit the Black Tornado this week.

The Tornado baseballers left yesterday morning for their game this evening at Pendleton in the state Class A-1 semifinals. If they win tonight, they'll play on Thursday afternoon and evening in the state final at Portland and not return to Medford until Friday. There are 11 seniors on the diamond squad and final exams for seniors begin today.

WORKS A PROBLEM
Originally planned for Saturday, June 1, depending on availability of Multnomah stadium for that date, the Class A-1, A-2 and B baseball title tripleheader was moved to Thursday, Memorial day, because the stadium was not available for Saturday.

Such a jammed up playoff schedule as encountered this spring is no handicap for schools of the metropolitan area but it does work a problem for those who have to travel long distances. We don't know whether the availability of other facilities were looked into so that the games could be on Saturday. But, it seems that other fields could be available, particularly if the games were played singly rather than as a triplebill. And, there isn't any absolute need to keep the championships a tripleheader.

Also the holiday scheduling doesn't necessarily mean a good crowd.

LITTLE FANFARE
The Memorial day plan for the finals, it seems to us, was given little fanfare, although it was down in black and white if you knew where to look and looked. If you didn't look, it sort of sneaked up. Some of the north schools adapted their quarter and semifinals to the change.

GREAT SPRING
This has been a great spring for Medford high in athletics with District honors in all four spring sports, a state doubles championship and Oregon second place team finish in tennis, a third in state in golf, a tie for fifth in track and the baseball team still in the running for state honors.

CONVERSATION SUBJECT
It does no good to fret about what might have been. But, sometimes it remains good subject for conversation. In the wake of the state A-1 track meet, Medford high track fans can discuss what the Tornado's track chances would have been had sprinter Jim Hill been healthy for the district and state meets and had Doug Brown not transferred from Medford to South Salem high. Hill on the basis of season performances certainly would have helped Medford to points in the dashes, broad jump and relay. Brown won the high jump for South.

And here's an additional touch of irony:
Two years ago Jim Hatch was a sophomore hurdler for Medford Coach Dean Benson. Now, Jim has informed Benson that he won the Wyoming state prep meet high jump this spring along with taking second places in both the high and low hurdles.

HOPE FOR 1964
The past can't be done over again but there is hope for next year. All three of Medford's state meet placers, Mike

Deibele in the dashes, Steve Toews in the half-mile and Don Driskell in the high hurdles are juniors and should bulwark the Black Tornado bid in 1964.

QUALITY IMPORTANT
They talk about depth being a state track meet in trying to prognosticate the outcome. But it's been proved again quality is quite important. Jefferson of Portland won the state A-1 title with a six man squad and Myrtle Creek won on the efforts of three in A-2—Ross Barkhurst in the 100 and 220-yard dashes, Ron Salmon in the high jump and Ed Cadman in the mile.

Creswell took fourth in the A-2 tussle strictly on the first three places of one man, Allen Fowler and Rogue River was fifth with the work of three men, Don Salyer, Jack Salter and Chris Jones.

HAMILTON ELECTED
Robert Hamilton, ex-Medford high trackman now a junior at Dartmouth college, has been elected secretary of the Dartmouth rugby club. He has been playing on the first team. Mike Milleman, ex-Grants Pass high has been an infield regular for the Dartmouth freshman baseball team and has served as its captain.

KOCH, HOUT GET AWARDS
George Koch, ex-Medford high, has received his third award in basketball and track at University of Portland and Roger Hout, ex-St. Mary's, his third award in track at the same school.

MAIDS ADD PLAYERS
Two players have been added to the roster of the Rogue Valley Dairy Maids softball team. They are Sherry Larson and Maureen Larson of Klamath Falls. Both previously played for Eugene McCulloch Chain Saw. They are sisters-in-law. Maureen will be remembered as Maureen Schollan. Sherry teaches at Grants Pass.

Marichal Or Fisher To Start For SF

Cincinnati, Ohio—The San Francisco Giants opened a 15-game road trip tonight when they risked their two-game lead in the National league against the Cincinnati Reds.

Either Jack Fisher (3-4) or Juan Marichal (6-3) was slated to open against the sixth-place Reds, who have had trouble this year getting many hits.

Manager Fred Hutchinson was expected to counter with Jim O'Toole (7-3), the nifty southpaw who bested the Giants earlier this year and has an 8-9 lifetime mark against them.

Fisher has no decisions with Cincinnati. Marichal owns a 4-5 career mark against the Reds. He turned them back with six hits earlier this season.

San Francisco closed out a home stand Sunday by losing to the Los Angeles Dodgers, 4-3, in the 10th inning as the result of shortstop Jose Pagan's third error of the game.

The defeat ended a five-game winning streak that helped the Giants to post nine wins in 12 games for the last dozen played at Candlestick.

After three tilts at Cincinnati, the club moves on to St. Louis for another three with the vastly-improved Cardinals.

Released Steelhead Show 79 Per Cent Survival Following Impoundment

Portland — On July 10, 1962, the game commission released into Medco pond in the upper reaches of the Rogue river just over 161,400 summer steelhead fry that had been hatched and fed for a period of four weeks at the commission's Butte Falls hatchery.

Medco pond is an artificial rearing impoundment which is designed for the experimental natural production of young salmon and steelhead. This old 70-acre log pond was leased to the game commission

PBA Adopts New Rules For Keglers

Akron, Ohio — A new format and scoring system which may revolutionize bowling competition nationally has been adopted for all tournaments of the Professional Bowlers association.

Announcement of the new system was the highlight of the PBA executive board meeting held in Akron recently. It will be put in effect immediately, according to the PBA's executive director, Eddie Elias.

Under the new system, qualifying scores of the 16 pro finalists will be carried over into the head-to-head matches. In the 16 match games, where each man bowls every other finalist, plus the final position round, each victory will be worth an additional 30 pins.

This method of computation represents a simplified compromise between the standard total pinfall system and the spectator oriented but highly complex Peterson point system.

Spectator Aided
The bowling spectator appears to be the big winner in the new PBA format as total pinfall scoring can be dull to watch whereas the Peterson point system with its fractions, decimals, and won and loss records frequently confuses all but the most knowledgeable bowling devotees.

Under the old system, which up to this time was used in all major tournaments, the pins knocked down in qualifying rounds were eliminated and the 16 finalists started their head-to-head competition all even.

This penalized the qualifying leader in that he might have finished several hundred pins ahead of the 16th man, and then faced elimination from the tournament three games later.

The new format is also fair to the 16th man because of the 50 point premium awarded for each game won. A streak of victories for the man in the head-to-head competition would enable him to move far up toward the leaders, and he could conceivably still win the tournament.

Elias declared that the new system is the greatest forward step the PBA has taken in the five year history of the nationwide 900 member organization.

by the Medford Corporation and rebuilt to provide permanent water controls and fish trapping facilities.

For a full year these young steelhead were tended carefully by fishery biologists of the game commission's research division, who made constant checks for disease, parasites, growth and mortality. The young fish were not fed in their man-made environment, but were allowed to grow and forage on what the impoundment would produce. This was done to simulate as near as possible the wild conditions which these fish would encounter throughout their lives.

Fish Clipped
On May 6, 1963, Medco pond was drained and 127,500 healthy young steelhead from the original plant, now averaging around five inches in length, were tallied on their seaward journey through the counting station. All of the young summer steelhead were marked by clipping the adipose, the right pectoral and the left ventral fins before being released into the Rogue river.

Phil Schneider, state game director, said that the total of young steelhead released from this rearing impoundment represents a 79 per cent survival from the time of their introduction to the pond to their release in the Rogue system. This excellent survival, according to Schneider, is the highest recorded since the game commission began its impoundment rearing program several years ago.

Such survival can be considered nothing less than exceptional when compared to reports of other fishery agencies which have embarked on this relatively new method of salmon and steelhead production. According to the 1961 annual report of the Washington Department of Fisheries, a pioneering agency in impoundment rearing, the highest survival that year at six of its rearing impoundments where actual fallies are made reached the 40 per cent mark.

Thirty-eight per cent survival was recorded at a second impoundment. Five additional impoundment tallies showed survival ranging from about 8 per cent to 17 per cent. This is survival from the time the

youngsters are placed in the rearing impoundment until they are released to make their way to the sea.

Fair Results
In this respect, Schneider said, the commission can also point to fair results at its second rearing impoundment, Whistler's Bend on the North Umpqua, where survival this spring of steelhead yearlings released into the Umpqua system was just over 38 per cent of the initial number stocked in the impoundment.

The primary changes that influenced the exceptional survival at Medco were several, according to Schneider. Young fry stocked were reported to be of the best quality and in good condition. In addition, the diversion of Daily creek around the pond with numerous points of water introduction permitted control of temperatures and dissolved oxygen at all times and throughout the impoundment.

Last year, Schneider said, the first year Medco was put into production, the research division was plagued by a heavy population of bullhead catfish which preyed on the

steelhead last year was low. When the reservoir was drawn down last spring, Schneider said, the commission treated the sump area with rotenone eliminating this problem. Competition and predation were reduced to almost nothing resulting in excellent growth of young steelhead this past year.

Schneider advised that the results of this method of natural rearing of steelhead, and salmon as well, still remain to be seen. The return of marked steelhead in the Rogue and Umpqua river systems in the spring of 1965 will determine the success of these impoundment rearing ventures.

Trophies Are Awarded At Crater Event

Paul Branson received the decathlon and high point man trophies at an awards assembly held recently at Crater High school.

Other track awards were made to Gary Wald, outstanding performance; Jim Askwith, outstanding effort and good sportsmanship; Gary Berenson, most improved track man.

Les Dewey received an award for most valuable tennis team member.

Mike Glines received outstanding senior baseball award and a special award-KOIN Athlete (Crater nomination).

In other awards made 107 boys received letters or numerals for participation in various sports.

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