

USC Enters Cage Playoff Finals

Trojans Whip Colorado By 38-32 Count, Meet Kansas

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 23 (UP)—University of Southern California played a cool calculating game last night to defeat Colorado 38-32 and win the right of meeting Kansas in finals tomorrow of the National Collegiate Athletic association western playoff. Kansas moved into finals by defeating Rice Institute 50-44 in the opening game tonight.

USC passed as though it had time to spare. The Trojans shot only when openings presented and spent the rest of the time passing the Colorado quintet dizzily.

Ralph Vaughn, USC forward, made his five baskets come when most needed to put on the best offensive exhibition of the night.

His running mate on the front line, Jack Morrison, tied him for high point honors by making three baskets and four free throws.

The final measure of difference between the squads was in their shooting accuracy.

Unknown Makes Klamath Debut

Tuesday night's opening bout at the armory will give Klamath mat fans their first glimpse of "Mr. X," masked grappler, who is billed against Bobbie Chick for his initial Klamath appearance.

In accordance with local wrestling policies Mr. X has been given a low spot on the card for his first bout despite the fact that he is rated among the top matmen in the country. Until he proves himself to Klamath fans he will not be signed for a main event. Although he is called various names throughout the nation, such as "Masked Marvel" and "Unknown," he prefers the "Mr. X" appellation. Dude Chick will meet King Kong Clayton in the main event and Pete Belcastro is pitted against Don Sebastian, Mexican, in the windup event.

Cal Crewmen Down Beavers In 5th Race

OAKLAND, Calif., March 23 (UP)—University of California's eight-oared varsity crew defeated Oregon State college oarsmen a length and a half Friday over a 2000-meter course on the Oakland estuary.

It was California's fifth victory over the Beavers. The winning time was 7 minutes 26 seconds, comparatively slow because of the roughness of the water. Both crews had difficulty with choppy waves and heavy swells which hindered stroking precision.

The Oregon State crew, one of the best ever boated by Coach Ed Stevens, shipped considerable water. The Beavers were used to smoother going on the Willamette river and couldn't match the hot pace set by the Beavers during latter stages of the race.

The O. S. C. started fast and took a short lead on the Beavers, but Ky Ebright's oarsmen soon pulled into the lead and won going away at the finish. California Coxswain Bob Johnson increased the stroke from 35 to 38 at the finish—the highest rate the Bear varsity has stroked so far this year.

RECONCILIATION

DES MOINES, Ia., (P)—This little marital incident left employees in the Polk county clerk's office dizzy.

A woman obtained a license to marry for the fourth time—but to her first husband.

Just a minute. Husband No. 3 accompanied the prospective bride and groom to the clerk's office, acted as their witness and paid the marriage license fee.

APPROXIMATELY

SEATTLE, (P)—Nels Victor Sandberg, seeking a divorce, was a little dubious about the date of his marriage.

"I think it was May or June," he told the court, but added he was positive the year was 1913.

The judge sent him for his marriage certificate.

The date, April 4, 1925.

Skiers Get In Shape for 1940 Downhill and Slalom Championships



WASHINGTON TAKES LEAD IN SKI MEET

SEATTLE, March 23 (UP)—University of Washington forged into the lead in the Pacific Coast conference four-way ski tournament Friday by sweeping the first three places in downhill competition on the slopes of Mount Rainier.

Point totals at the end of the jumping and downhill events were:

Washington, 198.52; University of California, 182.21; Washington State college, 181.47; University of Oregon, 177.13; University of Idaho, 115.38.

Paul Seeva Jr. led the Washington assault when he covered the one-and-a-half mile course in 1:37.1. Behind him were Carl Neu, 1:54.2 and Bob Barta, 1:59.2.

Their strong performance gave the Huskies 100 points in the downhill, followed by California, 88.35; Washington State, 87.69; Oregon, 77.13, and Idaho 50.05.

Although Washington dominated the downhill, observers believed either California or Washington State still had a chance to capitalize on the Huskies' uncertain strength in cross-country competition.

The University of Oregon captured the jumping match at Snoqualmie pass, but was given only an outside chance to win the four-way tournament.

Weather and snow conditions were excellent on Mount Rainier, and similar conditions were expected to prevail tomorrow.

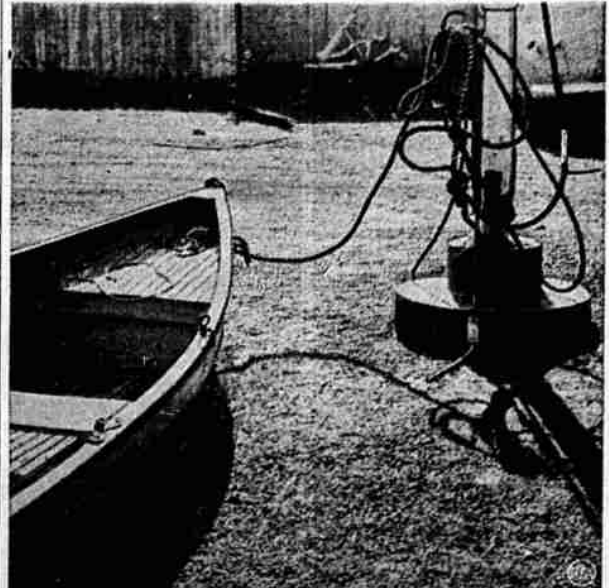
Mill Creek Open For Fish Season

ALTURAS—Of real interest to fishermen is the announcement by the state fish and game commission of the opening of Mill creek this season.

This stream has been closed for years and is well stocked with trout. The creek lies above Clear lake and was considered the best fishing stream in the county when closed.

More than any other single institution . . . the secondary schools have helped to minimize class distinctions.—Dr. Francis T. Spaulding, professor of education, Harvard university.

Tsk, No Rudder to Guide Her



This rowboat tied to a tree and water post in a Napa, Calif., filling station may look funny to you, but a few hours before it had been used by the Police Department to rescue scores of Napa residents marooned by flood waters of the Napa River. Now it's high and dry, but it was moored in two feet of water.

In This Corner

By GEORGE KIRKSEY
United Press Staff Correspondent

BRADENTON, Fla., March 23 (UP)—There's a young fellow down here who has a burning desire to become a big league umpire, and if you talk to him five minutes and watch him umpire ten minutes you'll agree with most of the Boston Bee ballplayers in camp here he'll be wearing a suit of blue in the majors within a couple of years. The strangest part about the story of Bill Hayes is he isn't dependent on umpiring for a livelihood. In fact, he inherited quite a sum of money from a grandfather who used to be in the blanket business. How much, Bill won't say but he gives the lie to the tale he's a millionaire.

Hayes, a strapping young fellow of 22 who was born in New York City but now resides in Rochester, New Hampshire, traces his ambitions to become a big league umpire to the fact he wanted to be a big league star. "I played ball at Coe's academy where I prepped," he says. "But it didn't take me long to realize I just didn't have the stuff to get to the majors. I might have become a minor league ball player all right but my ambition was to reach the big top. So I decided if I couldn't make it as a player, I'd try another angle. There's more ways than one to kill a cat, you know. Since then I've studied the game from every angle and I'm still trying to get there."

20-30 Relays Will Eclipse Former Meets

ALTURAS—With 15 schools already signifying their intention of entering the 20-30 clubs' eleventh annual relays, to be held here April 20, will eclipse former events. More entries are expected as all schools from southern Oregon and northern California are expected to enter their best athletes.

More action, larger awards and a faster schedule is promised for this year.

I do not believe at this time that progressives should be divided, and what the country wants to know is the real sentiment and the crystallization of ideas.—Mayor Fiorella LaGuardia of New York.



Crater Lake Ski club members are rapidly getting the stage set for the 1940 slalom and downhill championship tournament, scheduled next Sunday at Garfield slide in Crater Lake national park. The tourney will be the first sponsored by the club. Shown in the above pictures, snapped as some of the most expert of the ski club's members were practicing, are the following: Upper left, Bob Morrison, with Ig Roberts standing in background; upper center, Cecil Drew; upper right, Jim Baylis; lower, Gordon Cunningham.

Bowling Scores

At Klamath Recreation RECREATION LEAGUE	
Lamm Lumber Co.	
Jackson	196 205 205 606
Cox	173 191 184 548
Tuter	173 165 152 490
Westin	170 170 149 489
Baxter	160 160 159 479
Handicap	77 77 77 231

Weyerhaeuser Timber Co.	
Martin	195 205 181 581
Ross	195 177 204 576
Geiger	154 153 162 469
Ed Hickman	155 201 190 546
Strong	176 184 190 550
Handicap	35 35 35 105

Elks Club	
Mullis	176 156 143 475
Rawlins	143 163 118 424
Shaffer	114 164 136 414
Robbins	122 176 298
Parker	183
Van Doren	142 157 166 465
Handicap	121 115 115 351

Pioneer Tobacco Co.	
W. Geiger	151 170 139 460
Nancarrow	145 176 158 479
Turnbull	116 141 131 390
Hickman	147 136 187 450
Nelson	142 160 157 459
Handicap	130 130 130 390

Lost River Dairy	
Bayless	211 131 133 475
Sheets	180 181 132 503
Cheyne	210 192 174 576
Hess	149 177 145 471
Hyde	171 138 164 473
Handicap	47 47 47 141

Webb Kennel	
Potter	177 135 166 480
Booth	154 182 181 527
Farrar	160 162 158 480
Young	187 175 175 537
Welch	175 198 181 554
Handicap	51 51 51 153

Cliff's Associated	
Reister	215 172 157 544
Drew	187 160 166 493
Ambers	164 145 164 473
Miller	203 168 138 509
Bray	169 201 214 584
Handicap	35 35 35 105

Kern Hotel	
Driscoll	165 139 158 462
Sewell	145 185 140 470

Sport Briefs

By EDDIE BRIETZ

NEW YORK, March 23 (P)—Why don't some of the smart guys down south dig up the reason why Larry MacPhail suddenly shifted from the swank hotel where the Dodgers are stopping to the Bellaire Bath club? . . . Was it to dodge Dolf Camilli or because somebody else is wearing smoked glasses? . . . Bill McGowan and Red Ormsby, the umpires, conducted a school at Palatka, Fla., and Jackson, Miss., this spring . . . They had 60 pupils and 39 already have been signed for jobs in minor leagues . . . Diet note: John Kimbrough, the Texas Aggie football star, weighed 227 stripped after a four-month football season . . . Now, after three months on the banquet circuit, he tips the old beam at 215 . . . You figure it out.

NO WONDER
Pinky George, who built up Johnny Paycheck and Lee Savold to where both are in the ante room to title shots, is known among fight men as a smart guy . . . And no wonder, for Pinky used to be in the army intelligence service.

Jimmy Phelan of Washington U., has sent Dutch Meyer of Texas Christian a handsome silver pipe . . . Dick Harlow has put the old squelcher on the last rumor by saying: "I won't be going back to Maryland this year, next year, the year after, or ever" . . . (Personally, we think Dick is pulling someone's leg) . . . Michigan State's fine new Jensen field house broke indoor athletic attendance records the first three months it was in use.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Charles Bartlett, Chicago Tribune: "And now about Mr. Maurice Tillet, the wrestler . . . Mr. Webster of the dictionary Webster's was caught off first with this one . . . He has no word to describe him . . . Mr. Boris Karloff, one of the most grotesque men of the cinema is beautiful in comparison."

HERO'S AWARD

The National league should make some sort of award to Irv Kupcinet, a baseball writer on the Chicago Times, for keeping it together . . . In Tampa the other night, Horace Stoneham, owner of the Giants, was all set to take at Irv (who is as big as your new car) because Irving took down his hair and let one and all know what he thought of the Giants and Bill Terry . . . Fortunately, for the National league, Kupcinet held his temper or they might be looking for somebody to buy the Giants.

WHAT A BIRD!

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, (P)—County Clerk W. L. Brewink's canary was too much for his deputies.

He sold the bird "because my deputies were worn out every night through their attempts to make him sing."

The canary refused to sing except when typewriters were going full blast.

DARTMOUTH SKIER NABS IDAHO RACE

SUN VALLEY, Idaho, March 23 (P)—A 60-mile-an-hour race down a snowcovered mountain-side gave Dick Durrance of Sun Valley, former Dartmouth skier, a big leg-up today on the national downhill slalom combined ski championship.

Durrance—his 5 feet 6 inches dwarfed by others among the expert ski-riders—slid down the 2 1/2 mile course on Baldy mountain in 2 minutes, 56.4 seconds to win the downhill race that yesterday inaugurated 1940 competition for the Harriman cup.

The 1939 Dartmouth graduate, who has been skiing at Sun Valley since 1937, went off the course once during his near mile-a-minute gait. He fell back on his skis, regained his balance, then spreadeagled to clear a three foot tree.

He lost control 20 feet from the finish line, somersaulted into a second tree and, badly jarred, poled across the final stripe.

To win the downhill race, Durrance had to beat out the favored Friedl Pfeifer, Sun Valley ski instructor and defending national slalom champion, and Tony Matt of North Conway, N. H., 1939 downhill race winner.

Grace Carter Lindley of Minneapolis won the women's race on the same course in 4:10.3. Second was 15-year-old Marilyn Shaw of Stowe, Vt., only woman to finish without a spill.

Conn Mitt Bout Cancelled Again

DETROIT, March 23 (UP)—For the second time in two months a scheduled light-heavyweight title fight between Champion Billy Conn and Challenger Gus Lesnevich was cancelled when Promoter John Nelson announced today Conn is suffering a recurrence of an attack of boils.

Looking for Bargains? Turn to the Classified page.

NUGGETS AND OILERS MEET IN FINALS OF AAU PLAY

DENVER, March 23 (UP)—Denver's Nuggets, 1939 winners, and the Phillips Oilers of Bartlesville, Okla., runners up last year, hammered their way Friday night into the finals of the 1940 National AAU basketball classic.

The Oilers smashed relentlessly against a stubborn team of Seattle Savidges and finally won 43-31 in the second semifinal game. The smoothly-clicking Nuggets took a robust 46-32 victory over the Oakland, Cal., Golden Staters in the opener.

The Oilers came through against almost insurmountable odds. The Savidges exhibited by far the most effective and tenacious guarding of any team to appear in the 1940 event. The Seattle players swarmed over Phillips until it was impossible for the Missouri Valley AAU league titleholders to form their plays.

Ed Loverich, a versatile Savidge performer who caught the eye of sidelines experts last night when his team romped to 75-46 win over Acme Steel of Chicago, headed Seattle's defense campaign but was held to two field goals and a free toss in his scoring efforts.

Ray Belling, Bartlesville's all-American forward who this year is retiring from basketball, led his team's scoring with 11 points. Bill Martin and Grady Lewis, playing with Phillips for the first season, came in second with eight each.

Roy Williamson and George Ziegenfuss, matched the scoring by Phillips by flipping in 11 and nine points respectively.

The game was easily the finest yet presented in the week-long playoffs. The floorwork exhibited by both teams surpassed the skill shown by other contenders.

Baseball Chiefs Will Form Loop At Alturas Meet

ALTURAS—A baseball meeting will be held here soon with representatives from 15 northern California and southern Oregon clubs attending.

The meeting has been called for the purpose of organizing a baseball league for the coming season. It is not known at the present time just how many clubs will enter the league, but it is evident, from the interest shown, that the league will be considerably larger than last year.

Opening dates and a schedule for the season will be decided on at the meeting as well as officials elected.

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