

Pelicans to Clash With Grants Pass In Fight for 2nd

By PAUL HAINES
The scrappy little Klamath Pelicans, and they are both small and aggressive, will make a valiant effort over the weekend to pull themselves up by their bootstraps into second place in the southern Oregon conference by putting the chill on the Cavemen from Grants Pass.



The Cavemen, fresh from two victories over the Ashland Grizzlies, are liable to play hard to get, however, and Coach Marble Cook and company look forward to no easy time Friday and Saturday nights.

Last weekend, while Grants pass was lacing Ashland twice, the Pelicans were striving desperately to break the victory string of the Medford Black Tornado to no avail. After absorbing two beatings from the Tornado over the weekend, the K-men are in no mood to be trifled with and are grimly determined to boot Grants Pass off its present perch on the second rung of the conference ladder.

Medford is assured of walking off with the conference bunting, but the battle for second place is another story with the race narrowing down to a dogfight between the Cavemen and the Pelicans. Ashland is virtually out of the running and seems destined to dwell at the bottom of the well.

Cook has his sights trained on the coming district tournament at Ashland Normal February 23-24 and is priming his charges with fire and brimstone in a last, desperate effort to kick the dope bucket higher than the Empire State building and scourge the undefeated Medford cagers when they collide with Klamath in the initial canto.

This does not mean that the Pelicans will be trimming sail when they clash with the Cavemen, as they have a fondness for that second place roost equalled only by their liking for the top spot. So when the firing ceases Saturday night, the Pelicans hope to find themselves swimming serenely in the No. 2 pool, while the Cavemen struggle in the slough of defeat.

Mosconi Sets World Record In Billiard Bee
DETROIT, Feb. 14 (AP)—With virtually an insurmountable lead over Ralph Greenleaf of Detroit, defending champion Willie Mosconi was assured today his draft board would permit him to complete his cross-country match for the world pocket billiard title.

The Toledo cue artist took the third block of the Detroit series yesterday afternoon, 125 to 91, and then came from behind last night to edge Greenleaf, 125 to 106. The double win gave him a 3288 to 2516 lead for the series with 24 blocks to go.

At Chicago, meanwhile, the Billiard Association of America announced it would recognize Mosconi's run of 127, scored in that city Sunday, as a world record for a 125-point block match.

BASKETBALL Results.
By The Associated Press
Hillsboro 42, Forest Grove 38.
Sweet Home 23, Albany 22.
Corvallis 34, Springfield 23.
Gresham 38, Estacada 24.
Oregon City 75, Molalla 15.
Eugene 44, Junction City 25.
Senside 41, Astoria 38.
Scappoose 44, Central Catholic (Portland) 31.
Washington (Portland) 63, Sabin (Portland) 24.
Commerce (Portland) 29, Roosevelt (Portland) 19.
Jefferson (Portland) 32, Franklin (Portland) 30 (overtime).
Grant (Portland) 42, Lincoln (Portland) 32.
Reedsport 31, Roseburg 24.
Medford 37, Grants Pass 31.
Sandy 40, Hill (Portland) 26.
Parkrose 32, Columbia Prep (Portland) 23.
Milwaukie 80, Canby 28.
Tigard 26, Beaverton 16.

Eugene Captures District 6 Toga
EUGENE, Feb. 14 (AP)—Eugene toppled Junction City 44-25 yesterday to clinch the district 6 prep basketball championship. Eugene will play Myrtle Point, district 5 champion, for the right to enter the state basketball tournament at Salem March 15-17.

MARCH OF DIMES ON ROLLER SKATES
NEW YORK—The biggest roller skating show ever staged, with a cast of 900, including national champions and outstanding performers from all parts of the United States, will put the March of Dimes on wheels at Madison Square Garden, February 27. The spectacle will climax exhibitions and contests held in Chicago, St. Louis, Boston, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and other cities, where sectional favorites were chosen for the national show. Several former victims of poliomyelitis, who took to roller skating to strengthen their limbs, will be in the cast. Last year's event drew a Garden crowd of 14,000 netted \$11,000 for the national foundation for infantile paralysis.

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Lord Byron Outshoots Jug To Cop New Orleans Open

By SKIPPER PATRICK
NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 14 (AP)—Byron Nelson—\$1333.33 richer for his sensational win in the New Orleans Open—was on his way to the Mississippi golf coast today where he hopes to continue his bid for a new all-time tournament record in the \$5000 Gulfport Open.

The Toledo, O., money-man golfer annexed his fourth tournament victory of the winter season in trimming Hard-Luck Harold (Jug) McSpaden, by five strokes in an 18-hole play-off yesterday and needs only two more wins to tie the record set by Jimmy Demaret of Houston, Tex., in 1940.

Nelson gave a great exhibition in winning the play-off over McSpaden on a soggy course made heavy by hard rains. His card was 32-33-65 for the 18 holes and he played perfect tee-to-green golf on all but one hole. He had eight birdies, seven pars and one bogey.

McSpaden's one-under-par 36-34-70 was never up to Nelson after the third hole. Nelson not only has the greatest number of championships to his credit, but also the greatest amount of money. His victory in the New Orleans Open, his first in the seven tournaments here, boosted his earnings for 1945 to \$7266.65 in war bonds (maturity value).

Naval Academy Plans to Build Large Stadium
ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 14 (AP)—The Navy Athletic association plans to construct a stadium at Annapolis with an ultimate seating capacity of 100,000 persons after the war, Capt. Morris D. Gilmore, assistant director of athletics at the Naval Academy said today.

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BASEBALL LEADS AMONG WAR PRISONERS
NEW YORK—Baseball is the great American pastime for U. S. prisoners of war in enemy concentration camps just the same as it is for sports lovers at home. A total of 1,200,000 balls has been shipped to such camps in Europe in the last two years by War Prisoners Aid. Sports which prisoners organize for themselves run from miniature golf to football, baseball, gymnastics, tennis and even archery, but the demand for baseball equipment leads the list.

Limb-ering Up
Geoffrey Heath, Cleveland's slugging outfielder, idle most of last season because of a bad knee, gets his legs and arms in shape with preliminary roadwork and throwing in Seattle. Recent operation fixed knee as good as new says Jeff.



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Idaho Vandals Slap Down Washington Again; Huskies Fail to Win Road Trip

By The Associated Press
NORTHERN DIVISION STANDINGS

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OSC	7	5	583	538	523
WSC	7	5	583	530	523
UW	3	9	357	627	691
Idaho	3	7	300	337	436

MOSCOW, Idaho, Feb. 14 (AP)—A sagging, battered band of University of Washington Huskies were en route back to Seattle today bearing the unenviable record of eight straight cage losses in as many starts on the road.

Bishop Leads Service Teams in Scoring

By TED MEIER
NEW YORK, Feb. 14 (AP)—Gale Bishop, of the Fort Lewis team in the Pacific northwest, scored only nine points last week, but it boosted him past the 700-point mark as he retained first place in the high scoring race among the nation's service basketball quintets.

The Fort Lewis private rimmed 293 field goals and 115 charity throws for an aggregate of 701 points, 206 more than the 495 scored by Ermer Robinson of Fort Warren who continued in the runnerup spot.

Bob Kinney, a former Rice star now at Camp Bradford in Virginia, bobbed up in third place while another newcomer, Reece Tatum of the Lincoln (Neb.) army air base, took over the No. 4 berth by two points over Bob Carpenter of the Norfolk naval air combination.

Washington fell a one-point victim to Idaho last night 36-35 to mark the first time in their northern division, Pacific Coast conference, history they have failed to win a game on their four-game inland empire swing. Idaho led at halftime 19-13.

The defending division titlists led 6-1 early in the going, fell behind 8-6 and then tied it up at 8-8. They trailed the remainder of the game. The Idaho lead never was more than seven points.

Bob Jorgensen, Washington, paced the marksmen with 12 points, followed by Leonard Pyne, Idaho, with 10.

Fat Chance



Warlord of Mazelain hasn't slightest chance of obtaining fat these days and doesn't want it, anyway, for Boxer has wartime realizations that he will eat none while it is necessary in manufacture of munitions, medicines and essential civilian goods.

Cage Schedule
In the Victory league tonight at 7 o'clock, the DeMolay five will collide with Jerry's Delivery in the American league and Murphy's barber shop will clash with the Herald and News Trotters at 8 p. m. in National league play.

Two 'Sugars' Meet Tonight In Chicago
By JIMMY JORDAN
CHICAGO, Feb. 14 (AP)—A dusky welterweight boxer who, just three years ago, idolized another welterweight so much that he even adopted the latter's ring nickname, will meet that hero tonight in a ten-round bout of championship possibilities.

The two are Ray (Sugar) Robinson of New York and George (Sugar) Costner, Cincinnati negro. Both are discharged veterans of World War II.

Costner began fighting about three years ago. He campaigned with indifferent success among the preliminaries for more than a year before induction. Discharged from the army several months ago, he has won 23 straight fights since, six by knockout, while he awaited a go at champion Freddie (Red) Cochrane, recently discharged from the army.

HELMET TOLD GROSS HE HAD ENOUGH
MIAMI—Charlie Gross, who entered the training ranks following half a century in the saddle, was riding for Ben Jones, now of Calumet, when he decided to hang up his tack. It was the fibre helmet worn by jockeys which prompted Gross to retire as a jockey.

"I rode for 43 years without one," he said. "Then they ordered me to wear one. I got to thinking this game must be getting tough, so I advised Ben Jones that I was quitting. I've just discovered I'm in a dangerous business," I told him, "and besides I couldn't get one of those caps to fit me."

MIAMI BEACH—Rummy-mede farm, owned by the late Col. Maxwell Howard, will continue to operate as a breeding farm, daughter, Mrs. Chester L. Dane, said.

Wildcats Swamp Merrill, 66-19
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Jim Crisman racked up 20 points to lead the freshmen to a decisive 56 to 17 victory over the Merrill Pupils. Score at the half was 24 to 3.

Bobcat Bob Wins Wild Slugfest
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14 (AP)—Although slightly rusty on his timing, Bob Montgomery, rated world's lightweight champion in New York, made his west coast debut an impressive one.

The Philadelphia negro out-slugged Cecil Hudson, negro welterweight of Los Angeles, in 10 torrid heats last night before 10,000 howling fans, who were treated to one of the roughest scraps seen here in months.

Post-bell slugging was a feature of the fight, and Montgomery lost three rounds on that account.

Sheriff Tom and Sailor Son
Tom Gibbons, who fought Jack Dempsey 15 rounds 21 years ago, visits his son, Richard, 22, hospital apprentice 2/c, at Navy Hospital in Oakland, Calif., where youngster is on staff. Elder Gibbons is sheriff of Ramsey County, Minn.



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Gov. Dewey Scores a Boxing Double
NEW YORK—Down through the years Abe J. Greene, president of the National Boxing Association, and Maj.-Gen. John J. Phelan, head of the N. Y. State Athletic Commission, have been feuding. Their oratorical battles became so vitriolic that they were seated at opposite ends of the table at annual dinners of the New York State Writers' association, in allusion to the appointment of Lt. Eddie Egan to succeed Phelan as chairman, Comdr. Dempsey said.
"Governor Dewey accomplished two things at one stroke," gave New York a fine commissioner and supplied Abe Greene with a new sparring partner. Both are hard to get these days."

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