

Pelicans Drop Grants Pass To Go Into Tie For Second

Klamath Needs One More Win Over Cavemen Tonight

By PAUL HAINES
Probably the lowest scoring game of the Southern Oregon conference this season, Klamath Pelicans put a foot on the second rung of the conference ladder last night on the hardwood by trouncing Cavemen from Grants Pass, 20 to 10.

From MIDFIELD

By PAUL HAINES
MIXTURE AS BEFORE
With all the howling and bling about athletes being lenient by draft boards, such, we think, to prevent this in- ing bit of information we ed up re- ly. is most peo- know, fool- players have been extra- hardy in ac- to fighting war, but in the Ore- Gies- in the Ore- brougnt it home as to just active they have been. Klamath grid fans will, of course, remember the Oregon team that went to Dur- H. C. and won the trans- mated Rose Bowl game from Blue Devils of Duke in 1956. Out of, and we quote, "squadmen on that trip, 28 in some branch of military vic, and another, making was killed at Tarawa with a machine. This leaves two to army in, solely for physi- reasons: one because of a murmur, the other due a back fractured in a war. The boy that isn't in be- cause of a heart murmur is a friend George Peters, who is the greatest block- ing Oregon State ever had, yet, some folks are prone to beat their chests in frenzy because athletes have been own partiality. This is an astonishing record for just one football squad. We assume that football is throughout the entire city have done pretty much same. Anybody that is still in- clined to think that athletes aren't done their part, and in this war, might get a good answer from us. He has 28 teammates fighting it for us and the answer might consist of a punch in the snout!"

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osconi Holds Strong Lead in Billiard Bee
DETROIT, Feb. 17 (AP)—Ending the final two blocks of the cross-country match for the world pocket billiards title, champion Willie Mosconi of Toledo today held a commanding point lead over Challenger Greenleaf.

Chicago and Detroit, con- sidered 12 blocks in New York next week. Greenleaf led the second victory before some-town crowd yesterday afternoon, 125 to 48, but Mosconi came right back last night with his eighth Detroit win, 125 to 48. The champion now holds margin of 3909 to 2924.

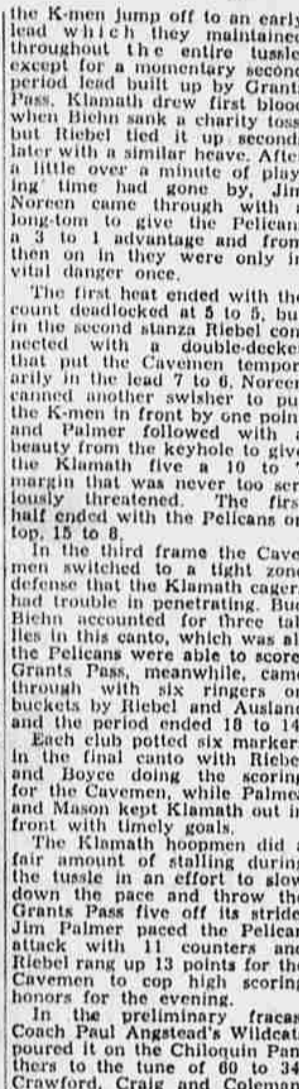
Large Crowd May Be Hand For Benefit Tennis Show Tonight
NEW YORK, Feb. 17 (AP)—A crowd of 5000 was expected tonight at the Grossinger Can- by-Mall benefit tennis show, featuring Bill Tilden at 17th regiment armory to- night.

Fiyan, representing the colony, and Tilden meet the Richards and John No- in a best of three sets tennis match.

Klamath Freshmen Beat Keno, 24-21
Each Paul Deller's Klamath men turned on the heat last night at Keno to blast the previ- ously undefeated Keno Junior basketball team, 24 to 21.

Klamath club and Johnston defeated eight tallies to pace the attack.

She's Pretty and a Champion



Above is Jini O'Connor, ping-pong queen of the middle Atlantic states, who will take on all challengers in either mixed doubles or singles this Sunday at 8 p. m. and next Tuesday at 4:30 p. m. at the Klamath USO. Jini will play either servicemen or civilians, but so far entries have been very light. Any Klamath ping-pong addict who feels capable of giving Jini a game should register with the USO at once. Both military and civilian spectators are welcome.

Terrible Tony Ross Drops Nod to "Mask"

What happened last night could only happen at the Klamath bleep bin every Friday evening. For the third consecutive time last night, Tough Tony Ross had the savage "Grey Mask" on the run and was even a fall up on Mr. Stoneface, only to eventually drop the bout to the masked menace.

With the crowd in a mood to tear the army apart after the "Mask" had been declared the winner by Referee Earl Yoakley, the hooded hoodlum left the ring under the protection of no less than half a dozen hefty cops.

After a violent exchange of pleasantries between the two muscles in which they used everything but Announcer Jack Francy for a weapon, Yoakley tried to give Ross the flop, but Tony, being a gallant gentleman, would not accept the duke on these grounds, although no less than three fans attempted to hold up his arm for him.

The powerful Georges Dusette almost broke the neck of "Silent" Rattan in the opener with his favorite full-Nelson to take the bout. "Silent" was unable to continue after one application of this hold and Dusette helped arouse him from never-never land to the lusty acclaim of the fans.

All in all, it was an evening of wild excitement for Klamath mat addicts, we'll lay six, two, and even right now that it couldn't happen anywhere else but at the armory on Friday nights—it was a great show!

Made It, Anyway!
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 17 (AP)—Draft board officials "had assured Coach Ray Wolfe that his star forward, Jack Tytle, would return from his pre-induction exam at Fort Oglethorpe in time for the important game scheduled with Antioch high school. Jack came back in time—with the mumps.

Woodburn Wins Third Straight Championship

WOODBURN, Feb. 17 (AP)—Woodburn high school won its third straight Duration league basketball championship last night with a 34-31 win over Silverton.

Woodburn has won nine league games and lost none. Chemawa, with seven wins and two losses, is in second place, followed by Molalla, Silverton, Mt. Angel and Canby.

Snead Gives Other Golf Stars Lesson

GULFPORT, Miss., Feb. 17 (AP)—Slammin' Sammy Snead steps back on professional golf's gold path today after leading a talented field of 71 pros and amateurs with a 6 under par 65 in the opening round of the \$5000 Gulfport Open tournament yesterday.

The stock Hot Springs hard ball hitter, who has won \$3846.67 in war bonds this year, gave the favorites Byron Nelson, Toledo, O., and Harold (Jug) McSpaden, Sanford, Me., a golfing lesson in the initial round here by tying the great southern country club course record set by Jim Wilson, Gulfport, pro., in 1923.

Snead was just about perfect yesterday, shooting both nines in 3 under par. He had one eagle, four birdies and 13 pars.

Portland Eagles Draw Even With Seattle Ironmen

PORTLAND, Feb. 17 (AP)—The Portland Eagles set the stage for an all-out affair for their meeting with the Seattle Ironmen Sunday night with a 6-3 win over the Seattle Stars last night to draw even with their Sunday rivals in the north- ern division, Pacific Coast Hockey league, title race.

The Sunday clash will be the finale between the two clubs, aside from possible playoff meetings.

The Eagles put together five goals in a row last night to down the Stars.

In Vancouver, B. C., the Ironmen won a 15-8 triumph over Edmonton's Junior Canadians.

Williams to Get Crack at Zurita In Title Bout

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17 (AP)—Dusky Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., is scheduled to sign today with Juan Zurita, Los Angeles, NBA lightweight champion, for a 15-round title bout here April 9.

Williams earned a chance at the title by defeating Wee Willie Joyce last January 8 to avenge an earlier setback. In his last appearance here, Williams knocked out Maxie Berger, Canadian welterweight champ.

Meanwhile in New York Abe J. Green, of Paterson, N. J., president of the National Boxing association, ordered George Farnasus, Zurita's manager, to file contracts by next Wednesday for a title match.

Greene said he felt the order for a match with an acceptable contender was justified since Zurita had not fought a championship bout since winning his title March 6, 1944.

Oregon Prep Hoopmen Battle For District Championships

By The Associated Press
Oregon prep cagers are starting down the home stretch in a battle for district titles and a spot in the annual state basketball tournament March 15-17 at Salem.

Dust cleared off some maple courts today to reveal Eugene a formal district champ and six other schools, Baker, Myrtle Point, Oregon City, Gresham, Medford and Washington, Portland—with a firm but unofficial foothold on the title.

In the state's other nine class A districts, the ball is still bouncing. Tiltists will be crowned, by special tournaments in some districts, by percentage standing in others, by early March.

Corners of the prediction picture are still foggy, chiefly because the 18 official districts don't coincide with the traditional leagues where prepsters concentrate season play. Tillamook, for instance, hasn't had a single encounter within her district. Salem, No-Name league cellar-sitter, might still capture a title from the smaller schools which are in her district but not in the league.

Playoffs for the coveted eight class A berths in the state tourney are scheduled for the week of March 2-9; district 1 tiltists vs. district 2, 3 vs. 4, etc.

The outlook by districts: Baker defeated La Grande for the third time last night (Friday) to clinch the district 1 championship and topple Ontario, La Grande, Nyssa and Vale onto the sidelines.

Pendleton and Hood River took the strongest in district 2; winner of the eastern half (Pendleton, Hermiston, and McLaughlin) will play a series the week of February 28 with winner of the western half (Hood River and The Dalles) for the title.

The district 3 crown, to be decided by a tourney of all district teams at Redmond March 1-3, is a three-way tossup between Redmond, Prineville and Bend. Burns and Lakeview are in the basement.

Medford, only unbeaten class A school, the state and victor over the three other district schools, won't formally wear the crown until the Feb. 23-24 tourney at Ashland. Competing are Medford, Klamath Falls, Ashland and Grants Pass.

Myrtle Point is leading North Bend, Coquille and Marshfield for the district 5 championship. To be decided by team standing after Feb. 20 and 23 tilts.

Eugene, with 25 wins in 26 starts and a perfect district 6 record, already holds the title. Chalked off: Cottage Grove, Roseburg, Springfield, Junction City, University High.

In district 7, where the title will be determined by stand- ings, Lebanon and Corvallis are neck and neck with several games to go. Toledo, Albany, and Sweet Home bring up the rear.

McMinnville, leading Newberg for top spot in the Tuala- tin-Yamhill valley league, will vie with Newberg and Dallas for the district 8 title at Lin- field college March 2-3. Dallas hasn't competed in TVV play.

All the schools in districts 9 and 10, instead of choosing in- dividual tiltists, will hold a general tournament at Hillsboro March 2-3 to select the entrant in the state tourney. Hillsboro boasts the best record of the four district 9 teams—Beaver- ton, Forest Grove, Hillsboro and Tigard—all of which are part of the Tualatin-Yamhill valley league.

The three district 10 teams, Tillamook, Rainier, and either Astoria or Seaside this year. Seaside beat Astoria once.

Woodburn, champion of the Duration league, will concen- trate on Salem at the Feb. 28-

Selection of Baseball Commissioner to Take Time, Says Cub Owner

CHICAGO, Feb. 17 (AP)—Se- lection of a successor to the late Kenesaw Mountain Landis as commissioner of baseball will be conducted along the lines of that old saw: "Rome wasn't built in a day."

P. K. Wrigley of the Chicago Cubs made that plain yesterday. Wrigley is a member of the joint American and National league committee charged with screening candidates. When the committee finishes, owners of the two leagues will be given a list of eligibles.

But Wrigley isn't in a hurry, and any "needling" of his com- mittee of baseball interests isn't going to speed the quartet in its work.

"As I get it," Wrigley said, "we're supposed to be bird dogs—we are only supposed to sift reports on possible candidates, investigate them and present this information to the other owners. There's nothing formal about our group."

His statement came following a report from New York that Horace Stoneham of the New York Giants had said: "What is this committee doing? They ought to be able to make up their minds by this time. They've been at it 10 days." Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers reportedly said he shared Stoneham's views.

Wrigley, along with Sam Breadon of the St. Louis Cardinals, Don Barnes of the St. Louis Browns and Alva Bradley of the Cleveland Indians was appointed at the major league meeting in New York early this month.

Card Prexie Says Baseball Praiseworthy

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 17 (AP)— President Sam Breadon of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals thinks baseball deserves praise for its contribution to the war effort.

Saying that over 450 men from the Cardinal organization have gone into the armed forces, some of them becoming casualties, he declared emphatically: "I know of no club official or ball player who has asked any favors from his draft board or examining board."

"I think when thought is given to what baseball has done, instead of criticism, we merit praise."

Speaking for the Cardinals, he said: "We are one of the few busi- nesses that has made no money through the war, but we have cooperated with every request made by any government agency."

Leo the Lion Thumps Sullivan In 10-Round Go

PORTLAND, Feb. 17 (AP)—Two Oregon titelholders won decisive victories last night when Leo "The Lion" Turner, middle- weight titlist, dropped John L. Sullivan, Portland Irishman, for a nine-count in the 10th round to win an easy decision, and Johnny Suarez, welterweight champ, kayoved Fireman Joey Parsons, Portland, 146, in the third round of the semi-windup.

Results of other bouts found Dave Johnston, 198, Portland, kayoving Tommy Orrin, 200, in the second round, and Lee Sher- lock, 152, Portland, decisioning Lil' Abner, 154, Vanport.

EWCE WINS AGAIN
CHENEY, Feb. 17 (AP)—Over- coming a 20-18 halftime deficit, Eastern Washington College of Education won its second suc- cessive cage tilt from Western Washington College of Educa- tion last night, 45-41.

Fiker, Eastern Washington guard, paced the scoring with 16, while Graham, guard, posted 12 for the losers. The Bellingham five will meet Washington State college in Pullman tonight.

When in Medford Stay at HOTEL HOLLAND Thoroughly Modern Joe and Anne Earley Proprietors

BASKETBALL Results

OREGON PREP
Medford 55, Ashland 49.
By The Associated Press
The Dalles 42, Milton-Free- water 47.
Washington (Portland) 42, Franklin (Portland) 20.
Jefferson (Portland) 41, Grant (Portland) 31.
Lincoln (Portland) 51, Sabin (Portland) 36.
Commerce (Portland) 31, Ben- son (Portland) 22.
Eslacada 37, Hill Military Academy (Portland) 17.
Parkrose 48, Sandy 24.
Vernonia 28, Rainier 22.
McMinnville 55, Tigard 37.
Hood River 40, Rufus 33.
Columbia Prep (Portland) 29, Central Catholic (Portland) 20.
Springfield 36, Cottage Grove 31.
Tillamook 43, Forest Grove 30.
Gresham 33, Corbett 30 (over- time).
Baker 56, La Grande 32.
Junction City 29, Roseburg 23.

Hardy's, Army-Navy Store Win Victory League Tilts

Hardy's Man's store copped its first cage victory of the season in the Victory league last night on the KUHS maple by downing Sacred Heart academy, 29-11. In the other fracas, the Army-Navy store bounced the Red Shield five, 38-23.

Hardy's built up an early lead which was never threatened, as Ray Zerke and Ronald Holloway poured in nearly half of the total points scored by Hardy's with eight and six markers, respectively. Paul McChesney paced the academy with four tallies.

Led by Dewey Pollard with 12 points and Chuck Thurman with nine, the Army-Navy store trounced a smaller Red Shield quintet with ease. John Patter-

son collected six ringers for the losers.

This winds up the first half of Victory league play and Jerry's delivery, American league champs, will battle the Army-Navy store, National loop kinglyns, in a playoff for the first half title at 7 p. m. Satur- day as a preliminary tussle to the final Pelican game with Grants Pass.

Plan to Solve Conflict Between Farmers, Hunters Awaits Action in Calif.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Feb. 17 (AP)—A pioneering experi- ment in federal-state joint game refuge and public shooting grounds which may solve the conflict between hunters seeking ever scarcer game and farm- ers fighting to save their crops awaits only the go signal from the state legislature.

Prospects are good that the plan will be carried out, observ- ers say, after Federal Fish and Wildlife Service officials and state fish and game heads agreed that cooperation by both hunters and agriculturalists will help solve the problem of both.

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