...elicans Drop Overtime Fray To Black Tornado In District Tournament

...dford Wins ...rd Fought ...me, 28-25

By PAUL HAINES

...ems that it just isn't in ...rds for the Pelicans to ...Medford Black Tornado ...son. Last night in the ...und of the district tourn- ...at Ashland Normal ...the K-men actually had ...in their grasp when ...ere leading Medford 25 ...ith 15 seconds remaining ...tussle.

...his point a Klamath lad ...and Ross, nemesis of the ...all season, sank the ...to knot the count and ...he game into an over- ...the three-minute period, ...connected with a double- ...and Watson canned a ...row to give the Tornado ...margin of victory, 28

...was a heart-breaking loss ...e scrappy, courageous, ...kids and they played ...finest ball game of the ...their last ditch bid to ...Medford victory string, ...now stands at 23 straight

...Black Tornado got off to ...lead at the end of the ...anto, but the Klamath ...ained one point in the ...stanza and the half came ...se with Medford out in ...to 11.

...clubs accounted for ...points in the third frame, ...Medford to hang on ...narrow lead by a 19 to ...at the three-quarter ...In the final heat, the ...overtook their tradi- ...rivals and were leading ...lone tally when Ross ...rank Merriwell and sank ...heave that deadlocked ...e at 25-all.

...K-men were unable to connect in the overtime and the three points collected by the Medford five was more than enough to insure them a victory.

Jim Noreen copped high scoring honors for the Pelicans with 10 counters and Riggs canned 11 for Medford. Biehn and White were evicted from the tilt with five personal fouls and Fawcett of Medford was given his walking papers for the same reason.

In the other game played, Ashland bounced Grants Pass 33 to 31 in another close battle. Medford will clash with the Grizzlies tonight for the district title and the Pelicans will tangle with Grants Pass in the consolation bracket.

Summary:

Klamath Falls (25)		Medford (28)
Palmer, 4	F	0, Bostwick
White, 0	F	8, Ross
Thorne, 5	C	11, Riggs
Noreen, 10	G	1, Fawcett
Biehn, 3	G	7, Watson

Substitutions: Klamath: Mason 3, Bussman, Redkey. Medford: Whillock 1, House, Stelle, Cave, Reich. Officials: Chappy King, Portland; Don McPike, Portland. Halftime score: Klamath 11, Medford 12.

Score by quarters:

Klamath	4	11	18	25
Medford	6	12	19	25
Overtime, Klamath			0	25
Medford			3	28

"Sugar" Ray Wins Tiff With Lamotta

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK, Feb. 24 (AP)—Instead of being billed as the "uncrowned king of the welterweights," Ray "Sugar" Robinson could be called the $50,000 king."

Robinson, Harlem negro boxer, picked up approximately that much money for his last 32½ minutes in the ring. That covers his one round knockout of George Costner at Chicago 10 days ago and his 10-round decision over Jake Lamotta at Madison Square Garden last night. That averages about $4500 a round or $1500 a minute and makes Robinson the highest paid boxer around these days.

Robinson, an odds-on favorite, had little trouble beating Lamotta. He thus avenged for the second time the only blot on his 55-bout record and made it three triumphs in four fights with the Bronx middleweight.

"Grey Mask" Guzzles Gust In Wild Tiff

Even the yeoman work of at least one ring side customer was to no avail last night as the "Grey Mask" eked out a win over Gloomy Gust Johnson in the headline tiff on the crunch card at the Klamath arena.

But the victory was a hollow one for Mr. Stoneface as he was outside the square more than in and Gloomy Gust had the best of the tussle almost all the way. Time and again, Johnson heaved the hooded hoodlum from the ring and when the masked menace refused to come to close quarters, Gust chased him ignominiously from the battlefield.

Referee Earl Yoakley also took part in the donnybrook and at one time both musclers and Yoakley were tied in a knot that slightly resembled a running bowline.

While the crowd chanted the refrain of "ropes, ropes, ropes," the "Mask" grabbed the first flop, after using the strands for leverage, with a step-over toe hold following a series of his savage head butts.

Gloomy Gust came fighting back in the fourth canto to knot the count at a fall apiece with a series of powerful forearm wallops followed by a leg stretch that was too much for Mr. Stoneface.

It really looked as if Gust would guzzle the hooded hoodlum in the fifth heat, as he slung the "Mask" all over the armory and tossed him out of the ring no less than four times. The veiled villain proved he had the stuff, however, and climbed back in to resort to his cranium konks once again and took the final flop and the clambake with another step-over toe hold.

In the semi-windup, Joltin' Jack Kiser was awarded the nod over Pete Belcastro by Referee Yoakley to the wild acclaim of the fans. Pete's tactics were a little too gruesome for even the most hardened customers and Yoakley jumped out of the ring to raise Kiser's arm in victory after each grappler had gained a tumble. Kiser was injured in one of his headlong dives into the audience engineered by Belcastro and the referee packed Jack to the dressing room on his back.

Georges Dusette, popular Frenchman, put on a strongman exhibition in the opener to strike out "Blood and Guts" Davidson with a full-Nelson from which Dave was unable to return.

It was an evening of wild mat action for Klamath crunch fans and Promoter Mack Lillard will come up with another top card next week, same time, same place.

...ug" Sets ...ce With 64 ...Pensacola

...SKIPPER PATRICK

...SACOLA, Fla., Feb. 24 ...Courageous Harold (Jug) ...en, Sanford, Me., contin- ...campaign for a winter ...e in the second round of ...500 Pensacola war bond ...today after blazing the ...holes in 8-under par 64. ...knocked off five birdies ...on the first nine yes- ...for a 6-under par 30 and ...ome 2-under with a 34. ...9 birdies, one a 12-footer ...18th green, 8 pars and ...ey, and finished the day ...strokes up on his nearest ...Sammy Snead of Hot ...Va.

...led in consistency by ...ead and Byron Nelson— ...tied at four champion- ...apiece this winter—Mc- ...has failed to win a cham- ...in the current series, ...shed second twice, tied ...nd, placed third a couple ...and tied for third once. ...winner of the Gulfport ...earlier this week, started ...erday with a bogey 5 on ...hole, but got his driver ...and slammed out a 5- ...par 67.

...g under "chamber of ...rce" skies following their ...performance in a steady ...ursday, 24 of the golfers ...par and four others ...it.

...Byrd, Detroit, fizzled a 2- ...at the 18th hole that ...have given him a second ...tie with Snead and end- ...a dead heat with Sgt. ...(Dutch) Harrison, Little ...Ark., Henry Picard, Har- ...Va., and Jimmy Gauntt, ...e, Okla.

...ant Hill Raps ...ary's, 24-19, ..." Tournament

...ENE, Feb. 24 (AP) — ...Hill defeated St. ...y's of Eugene, 42-23, and ...e edged Mapleton, 24-10, ...a spot in the Lane ...B basketball champion-...

...ncillation games, Lowell ...Coburg, 39-37, after ...ertime periods. Elmira ...Crow, 32-30.

...tional game scores: Mc- ...19, Mohawk 17 (over- ...uslaw 43, Lorane 24.

AAU Meet Set For Tonight

By JOE REICHLER

NEW YORK, Feb. 24 (AP) — Although Gunder Haegg, the Swedish distance runner, is still somewhere at sea, and Gil Dodds, last year's mile winner, will also be missing in tonight's national AAU track and field championships at Madison Square Garden, the meet promises to be one of the best in its 57-year-old history.

Although Dan Ferris, secretary of the AAU, still is hopeful that Haegg, who is beginning to be compared with the Ancient Mariner, will be among the 36 entries in the three-mile event, track officials are resigned to his absence.

Even without Haegg, the field will include 236 athletes from the services and 24 colleges and universities, the largest ever assembled in the history of the meet.

Sixteen events will be on the program with much interest being centered on Jim Rafferty who will go out for his fifth consecutive mile victory of the year. Don Burnham, IC4-A champion and Rudy Simms, Pioneer club are expected to give the NYAC runner the stiffest competition.

Oregon State Whips Idaho Five, 50-28

By The Associated Press

Northern division basketball standings remained unchanged, although tightened, today as a result of Oregon State's 50-28 drubbing of the Idaho Vandals and Washington State's second-half comeback to down the University of Washington Huskies, 53-42.

Except in the latter game, the results were never in doubt. Oregon State moved to an early 10-0 lead, and paced the way at halftime, 16-5.

In Seattle, however, the Huskies led 27-25 at halftime after holding a 25-18 margin earlier in the going. But Mort Joslin tied the count almost at the opening second-half whistle, and with Vince Hanson caging five field goals and two free throws toward his evening's 19 points, the Cougars moved easily out in front.

At one point in the second period, the Cougar reserves held the ball for three and a half minutes, taking only two shots at the basket, without Washington ever touching it.

The evening's performances left Oregon State in second place with nine wins, one less than Oregon. Washington State in third has eight wins. All three teams have five losses.

Idaho, outreached at the backboards, never came closer than 20-11 to the victory-bound Beavers.

Bob Labhart and towering Red Rocha paced the OSC squad with 16 points each, while Bill Vanderburgh of the Huskies scored a like number to follow Hanson in the Seattle scoring parade.

From Midfield

By PAUL HAINES

EVERYBODY'S FOR 'EM

We have often wondered just what makes the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame so popular and where this institution of learning picks up its countless number of alumni, both synthetic and real. This is a blessing that belongs to Notre Dame alone. Wherever the Irish travel a great roar greets its teams as they take the field, whether it be football, basketball, or tiddly-winks. Like the guy on the radio says, "No other university can make this statement."

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Perhaps the main reason for this is that you need not be a Notre Dame man to be a Notre Dame rooter. Qualification to that select list is not difficult. If you are of Irish descent, you are a natural Notre Damer. If Italian blood courses through your veins, you are eligible, and if you happen to be Polish you are adopted. Names like Dancewicz and Toczylowski are in high favor on the Irish roster.

We recall an experience we had personally with a rabid Irish rooter. It was during that great football game at South Bend, in which Southern Cal edged Notre Dame 16 to 14 in the last quarter, that this episode occurred.

With the score 14 to 13 and about one minute left to play, Baker, guard for the Trojans, was called back to attempt a field goal from about the 35-yard line. Every person in the Notre Dame stadium was standing on the row of seats in front of him as Baker swung his right leg, sending the ball squarely between the goal posts and into the top tier of seats in the Irish bowl.

We were cheering lustily for the Trojans, when a large, aggressive gentleman in front of us turned and demanded to know what the blankety-blank blank we were doing standing on his blankety-blank blanket. We mildly pointed out that some 50,000 kindred souls were doing exactly the same thing to other people's blankets, including our own, but this did not satisfy the irate Notre Dame rooter.

He challenged our ancestry in no uncertain terms and we professed ourselves as willing to do battle on the field of honor. At this point the gendarmes arrived and averted the tiff, which was probably fortunate for us.

All of which just goes to show that once a Notre Dame man, always a Notre Dame man. You can't win, there's too darn many of 'em!

Marines To Meet Pilots

With a good hard week of practice behind them, Coach Les Israel's marine hoopsters feel confident that they will be able to stop the Coast Guard Pilots from San Francisco when they meet tonight at 8 p. m. on the KUHS hardwood.

The Leathernecks have been working on new combinations in an attempt to iron out a few wrinkles that have occurred in recent games and may have the answer in smooth pivot man, Jim Morrisey. Morrisey, who generally plays at the guard post, has looked good with forwards, Domitrovich and Mills, and is exceptionally good on tip-in shots.

Another forward wall which will see action in tonight's game is the combination of Gilbert at center and Burkland and Money at the forward spots. These boys have had plenty of experience playing together in the past and are consistent performers.

The Pilots will build their scoring power around Ernie Bertolotti, high point forward, and Emlen Tunnell, flashy ball handler and long shot artist. These men have been instrumental in turning the tide against superior teams this year and will be out to stop the win average of the marines.

Tomorrow night's tussle will be played at the Barracks gym at 8 p. m. and civilians are invited to attend.

JOHN DAY, Feb. 24 (AP)—Crane and Grant Union will battle it out tonight for the B hoop championship of district 7—Umatilla, Morrow, Grant and Harney counties.

BASKETBALL Results

OREGON PREP

By The Associated Press

Washington (Portland) 48, Commerce (Portland) 27.

Franklin (Portland) 43, Lincoln (Portland) 33.

Benson (Portland) 57, Sabin (Portland) 27.

Jefferson (Portland) 30, Roosevelt (Portland) 29.

Hood River 53, The Dalles 24.

Eugene 43, Corvallis 25.

Toledo 34, Albany 31.

McMinnville 26, Newberg 25.

Pendleton 43, Mac High (Milton-Freewater) 27.

Parkrose 43, Gresham 39.

Columbia Prep (Portland) 34, Estacada 26.

Lebanon 37, Sweet Home 35.

Vernonia 43, St. Helens 28.

Medford 28, Klamath Falls 25 (overtime).

Ashland 33, Grants Pass 31.

Junction City 37, Springfield 28.

COLLEGE

Eastern Washington 46, Montana State 27.

Pepperdine 62, San Diego State 43.

Utah Aggies 44, Wyoming 36.

Brigham Young 70, Denver 31.

Oregon State 50, Idaho 28.

Southern California 37, UCLA 20.

Washington State 53, Washington 42.

Favored Teams Win "B" Tilts

Merrill Loses Bly, 47-3; Gilchrist, Chiloquin Both Cop Tournament Contests

By JOHN LARSON
KUHS Crater

Merrill, Malin, Gilchrist, Chiloquin and Henley copped victories in the initial rounds of the county "B" tournament held at Altamont gym Friday.

Henley defeated Malin, 28-19, in the first contest Friday morning. The Hornets got off to a slow start, but started rolling in the second canto and led, 16-9, at the half. Badner paced the Hornet attack with 13 markers, and Fields led Malin with 6.

The Merrill Huskies trampled a hapless Bly quintet, 47-3, in the other forenoon tilt. Led by Noonan with 11 points, the Huskies scored at will against a smaller Bly five. Larson made all three of Bly's points.

In a wide-open clash, punctuated by 34 personal fouls, Chiloquin squeezed by Sacred Heart Academy, 52-45. Paced by Paul McChesney, who took high-scoring honors for the game and the day with 27 tallies, the Academy battled a favored Chiloquin outfit all the way. Chiloquin, led by Hannigan with 15 markers led 28-24 at halftime.

Gilchrist trounced Keno, 28-15, in a loose game where Gilchrist's heighth proved the dominating factor. Ferguson chalked up 12 counters for the victors, while Zarosinski scored 6 for Keno.

Playing for a position in the consolation tussle, Malin rolled over Bly, 39-19. Neither team played a consistent brand of ball and seemed only able to hit the basket in spurts. The Mustangs were paced by Victorine with 12 tallies, and Cline took high for Bly with 6.

In a game deciding a berth for the championship clash tonight, Merrill trounced Henley, 41-22. The Huskies were only threatened once, late in the first half, but turned on the heat in the final half to win going away. Kandra and Brown led Merrill and Henley, scoring with 13 and 8 markers, respectively. Bly and Henley are thus eliminated by virtue of losses suffered last night.

Today's games will see Chiloquin and Gilchrist clash for the other championship game berth at 9 a. m.; the Academy battle Keno for a consolation place at 10; Malin vs. the winner of the Academy-Keno tilt for the consolation prize at 7:30 p. m., and Merrill vs. the winner of the Gilchrist-Chiloquin game for the championship at 8:30 p. m.

Rogue River Meets Central Point For District "B" Title

ASHLAND, Feb. 24 (AP)—Rogue River and Central Point will meet for the B school hoop championship of Jackson and Josephine counties tonight.

In semi-final play last night, Rogue River edged Talent, 23-20, in an overtime game. Central Point defeated Jacksonville.

ARLINGTON, Feb. 24 (AP)—Odell and Arlington emerged as winners last night from the semi-finals of the district 6B basketball tournament here.

Scores: Odell 27, Parkdale 26; Arlington 38, Condon 24.

Seattle Ironmen Win Hockey Tilt; Lose Protest

PORTLAND, Feb. 24 (AP)—The Seattle Ironmen drubbed the Vancouver, Wash., Vanguards 19-5 last night but lost their protest of last Sunday's clash with the Portland Eagles so remained but a single game ahead of the Rose City six in the northern divisions, Pacific Coast Hockey league race.

Seattle Manager Frank Dotten protested use of Al Galipeau and Vic Ripley as officials in last night's encounter, after the pair had worked the game in which Seattle walked off the ice Sunday. Al Leader, league secretary, refused to change officials and also rejected the protest, although disallowing a goal scored by Portland while Seattle was off the ice.

Deaf-Mute Cagers Add New Wrinkle

By JIM FERGUSON

PORTLAND, Feb. 23 (AP) — A squad of deaf and mute basketball players is adding a new wrinkle to the cage sport here—and leaving opponents confused and bewildered by the deft finger signals and deadpan silence.

The practice team has been picking off City league cage crews all season. On the sidelines sits a small rooting section, silently giving encouragement with swift-moving hands and fingers.

Coaches of regular teams collapsed into speechlessness themselves when the deaf mutes tripped the league All-Stars 38-32—wondering what could be borrowed to improve their own teams.

But there are no secrets now known to the hard-wood courts. Coach Harold Hughes says his team members are "better coordinated than most," must watch fellow-players closely for sign language and therefore work more as a team.

Players catch the referee's whistle from vibrations in the floor. Referee O. G. Dillner says they sense when they've committed errors more keenly than regular squadmen.

The only change in the referee's routine is use of hand signals to explain types of fouls called.

Dillner adds that Harold Blakely, star deaf-mute forward, "would fit nicely into any of the best teams which could be assembled in Portland."

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