

Gale Bishop Breaks Own Mark With 62 Points in AAU Meet; Fee's Remain in Tournament



Medford Black Tornado Not Rough

Yesterday we received a letter from a former student of Ashland high school disagreeing with us in no uncertain terms on the type of basketball played by Medford. This lad states that the Tornado plays hard, aggressive ball, but that he can't see how the Medford quintet could be classified as rough.

He goes on to say that he thinks Al Simpson, Medford mentor, is the best coach he has ever seen and that maybe the reason we dislike Simpson is because he beat the Pelicans out of a state tournament berth when he was coaching at Ashland.

Now, son, to the best of our knowledge we have never said that we bore any dislike for Simpson. In fact, we are inclined to agree with you that he is an exceptionally fine athletic instructor. If we have inadvertently given the impression that we bear any animosity toward Al, we are truly sorry.

As for the type of ball played by the Medford cagers this year, the only thing we had to go on were the two games they played here. We think that even the Medford boys themselves will acknowledge the fact that they turned in an excessively rough ball game both nights. We understand from KUHS officials that the Tornado played a much cleaner, and consequently a better, game at Ashland in the district tournament.

The fact still remains, however, that Medford went beyond "hard, aggressive basketball" in those two tilts on the KUHS maple and by that token we still stand firm on that point.

The fact that Medford leaned toward rough basketball was not the only reason the Tornado beat the Pelicans this season. Medford had an out-and-out better ball club, but the unique tactics of the Medford hoopmen did HELP them toward a victory, at least in the two games played here.

We have gone to quite some length to clear up these points and to sum our contentions up: Medford had a good ball team, Simpson is a fine coach, but in the two cage tussles played here this season, Medford DID play rough basketball. Thanks for writing.

Top Mat Card Scheduled for Friday

Supporting the headline tussle Friday night between Pete Belcastro, the torso-twister from Weed, and the dreaded "Grey Mask" promoter Mack Lillard announced today that Georges Dusette, who almost flopped Mr. Stoneface here last week, will tangle with popular Ernie Piluso in the semi-windup and Tough Tony Ross will meet meany Wild Billy McEuin in the opener.

These should be two exceptionally fine bouts and it is tentatively understood that if Dusette whips Piluso, he will be given another crack at the hooded hoodlum. Mr. Stoneface may not be in any shape to meet even Mickey Mouse next week, however, as Belcastro figures to be just about the toughest customer to handle in these parts. Upon two previous occasions here, Pete has given the masked menace all he wanted and a little bit more.

After Pete's two disqualifications in tussles with Jack Kiser, he is reported to be ready to bite chunks out of the ringposts and this attitude bodes ill for both the referee and Mr. Stoneface.

Odds and Ends in the World of Sports

Slammin' Sammy Snead and Lord Byron Nelson were still deadlocked in the Charlotte Open after their playoff yesterday. Another 18-hole match is scheduled for today. . . Looks like DePaul and St. John's will again clash in the finals of the national invitational cage tournament at Madison Square Garden. . . The Oregon Webfoots will collide with Arkansas in their first NCAA tussle at K. City. . . Most consistent ball player of the historic Oregon-Washington State playoff series was Jim Bartlett. He averaged an even 10 points per game and came through when the Ducks really needed points. . . With floods reported throughout middle-western areas, many major loop baseball clubs have been "rained out" of spring training sessions. . . More money for the golfer who barely breaks 300 on the tournament swing is being sought. Those against it are Sam Snead, Byron Nelson, Jug McSpaden, Sam Byrd and Craig Wood.

Big Men Have It—But Not by Much

WHEATON, Ill., March 21 (P)—The big men have it—but not by much—if one experiment on the basketball court means anything. A team averaging six feet, seven inches, culled from five schools, last night beat a team averaging eight inches shorter, 59 to 57. Quintets represented in the Red Cross benefit tilt were Valparaiso university of Indiana; Elmhurst, Ill., college; Northern Illinois Teachers; North Central of Naperville, Ill., and Wheaton college.

By FRANK CRAWFORD

DENVER, March 21 (P)—PFC Gale Bishop of Fort Lewis, Wash., last night showed 3000 national AAU basketball fans why he is the nation's leading scorer.

Playing in a second round game against Hoxie, Kans., the soldier sharpshooter whipped 28 field goals and six free throws through the hoop for 62 points—a new AAU tournament record.

Bishop broke his own record. He set the old mark of 50 points in the tournament here two years ago.

During the past season the GI court wizard scored 1086 points in 43 games for the nation's high total.

The accuracy with which the husky Ft. Lewis player-coach hit the hoop amazed even veteran tourney observers who have watched all the AAU pointmakers in the tourney's 11-year tenure in Denver.

As he canned his first five shots without a bobble, spectators who were beginning to file out after looking at three other one-sided games, stopped to watch from the aisles and finally returned to their seats to cheer the former Washington State star.

Altogether, Bishop hit 28 shots from the floor and missed only 16 tries, besides adding six free throws in eight chances.

As he left the floor two minutes before the end of the game, which Fort Lewis won 87-21, fans gave the soldier star a roaring salute that rattled the walls of ancient City auditorium.

Fort Lewis became a more popular choice to go to the finals Saturday after Bishop's record-breaking feat. Last team to enter the third round, the Washington soldiers meet the Peoria, Ill., Caterpillars today at 2:30 o'clock.

In other second round games the Bushnell General hospital, including four "Purple Heart wearers," dropped a 76-44 decision to Fort Warren, Wyo.; Camp Robinson, Ark., officers eliminated the San Diego, Calif., Dons 62-40.

Further sitting was in order with eight games on in today's quarter final round.

12 noon—Cessna Bobcats, Wichita, Kas., vs. Fort Wayne, Ind., Moose lodge.

1 p. m.—Camp Robinson vs. Poudre Valley, Fort Collins, Colo.

2:30 p. m.—Peoria, Ill., Caterpillars vs. Fort Lewis, Wash.

3:30 p. m.—Phillips '66' Bartlesville, Okla., vs. Los Angeles Cliftons.

6:00 p. m.—San Francisco AC vs. Fort Warren, Wyo.

7:00 p. m.—Allen-Bradley, Milwaukee, vs. Fee's Music Makers, Portland, Ore.

8:30 p. m.—Idaho Simplot, Burley, Ida.; vs. 20th Century, Fox, Hollywood, Calif.

9:30 p. m.—Ambrose Jelly-makers, Denver, vs. Modesto, Calif., Junior college.

FIGHTS
By The Associated Press
BROOKLYN—Al "Bummy" Davis, 148, Brooklyn, knocked out Rudy Biscombe, 151, Jersey City, 6.

Rip Sewell Signs With Pittsburgh

Veteran Righthand Hurler Won 21 Games Last Season

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK, March 21 (P)—Truett "Rip" Sewell and his famous "blooper" pitch will be back with the Pittsburgh Pirates as usual this year. The veteran righthander, who won 21 games last season, signed his contract yesterday.

The Pirates' pitching problems thus diminished. Max Butcher, their 13-game winner in 1944, helped the situation by reporting to the Muncie, Ind., camp.

Elsewhere on the baseball training front:

Brooklyn—Manager Leo Durocher took the offer of President Branch Rickey that he would pay a bonus of \$1000 if Leo would play second base for the first 15 games of the season.

Chicago Cubs—Bob Chipman, No. 1 southpaw, checked into camp last night, saying he's in "pretty good" condition.

Detroit—Total of 21 players now in camp. Notable absentees include First Baseman Rudy York, Third Baseman Plinky Higgins, Pitcher Ruff Gregory and Outfielders Jimmy Outlaw and Don Rose.

Cleveland—Vice President Roger Peckinpaugh expected at camp to discuss holdouts Mickey Rocco, Jeff Heath and Roy Cullenbine.

Chicago White Sox—Bill Negele, back in majors for third time, probably will be shifted from third to first base.

Phillies—Pitchers Louis Luder and Charley Sproull and Catcher Andy Seminick signed.

St. Louis Browns—Pitchers Tex Shirley and Al Hollingsworth bore down hard in batting practice.

Boston Braves—Johnny Hutchings, 260-pound pitcher, hit a home run in practice, but fell exhausted as he rounded third. Teammates rushed over, grabbed him by arms and legs and dragged him over home plate.

Boston Red Sox—Outfielder Johnny Lazor, who also can catch, came to terms.

New York Giants—A three-game exhibition series was arranged with Bainbridge (Md.) naval team for this weekend. The navy base will provide transportation.

New York Yankees—Hank Borowy, last year's 17-game winner, signed contract.

Washington—Mickey Haefner joined club.

St. Louis Cards—Lost Out-

Slammin' Sam Still Tied With Nelson

By FRITZ LITTLEJOHN

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 21 (P)—Byron Nelson, the leading money winner this year and last, and Sammy Snead, leading tournament winner, continued their golf marathon today for the \$10,000 Charlotte Open title—a preview of their scheduled national championship meeting in New York later this season.

The two ace shotmakers who have won 10 of the 13 tournaments played on the winter circuit—Snead six and Nelson four—finished all square at the end of their first 18-hole playoff before some 3000 customers yesterday, after tying at 272 for the regulation 72 holes. Each had a 69, three under par.

The players themselves decided on the extra 18 holes instead of going on to the 19th for a sudden death finish, although neither will benefit from the added gate.

The reasons were not hard to guess. Snead again was tiring in the stretch, having blown the tournament a second day in a row with a ball out of bounds on the 17th.

Nelson, on the other hand, probably recalled that Snead had three birdies in four rounds on No. 1, the first playoff hole. He also remembers Snead beat him on the first extra hole in their playoff at Gulfport, Miss., last month, starting Sammy's streak that has now run to three in a row.

Rapid Robert Appointed Manager of Great Lakes Baseball Club This Year

By JIMMY JORDAN

GREAT LAKES, Ill., March 21 (P)—For a coach who's been on the job only 24 hours, Chief Specialist Bob (Rapid) Robert Feller can mean like a veteran.

It was only yesterday the former pitching king of the American league is taking over his first managerial job right on the heels of a great season by blue-jacket diamond stars, who were managed by Lt. Cmdr. Gordon (Mickey) Cochrane, one of the all-time great catchers of the majors and former Detroit manager.

"I don't have near the players I should for the schedule we plan," Feller said in an interview today. "You know, we plan to play every major league team at least once, and all the American association teams once each."

The suit, the second filed in four years by Mrs. Louis against the negro fistic king, charged Louis with desertion. She charged Louis, who was inducted into the army January 14, 1942, deserted her October 2, 1943.

She asked custody of their daughter, Jacqueline, 2. Her attorney said a property settlement had been made.

In her first divorce suit in July, 1941, Mrs. Louis charged cruelly but the couple announced a reconciliation a few weeks later. They were married September 24, 1935, the day Louis knocked out Max Baer.

Louis now is stationed at Camp Shank, N. Y.

fielder Danny Littwhiler who was inducted into army for limited service.

DePaul Given Edge Over Rhode Island

NEW YORK, March 21 (P)—

Rhode Island State, which upset Tennessee in the opening round, will cause a greater surprise tonight if they beat topsseeded DePaul in the semi-finals of the national invitational basketball tournament at Madison Square Garden.

The two clash in the second game of a doubleheader expected to draw another crowd in excess of 18,000. In the opener St. John's, winner of the tourney the last two years, tangles with Bowling Green of Ohio in the other semi-final.

BOWLING

LADY BUG LEAGUE

Coca-Cola	
McGifford	138 132 125 393
Givan	121 129 170 420
Sing	117 177 138 290
Hussaker	128 124 134 386
Perinotti	125 180 173 478
Handicap	83 83 83 249
Total	730 785 821 2336

Hazel's Beauty Shop	
Kilgore	138 142 180 458
Pouber	141 145 137 423
Anderson	113 107 132 352
Heddermann	128 124 134 386
Voelger	122 132 113 367
Handicap	128 128 128 384
Total	775 779 831 2385

Crater Hotel	
Absentee	140 140 140 420
Butler	158 198 165 517
Klemens	97 120 112 329
Drew	134 147 137 418
Green	128 141 187 356
Handicap	100 100 100 300
Total	755 800 831 2386

Fischer's Bakery	
Katon	108 108 119 442
Babecek	106 104 119 329
McDonald	118 138 132 400
Sullivan	128 124 134 386
Poppy	133 137 172 442
Handicap	112 112 112 336
Total	744 732 830 2306

Daggett Insurance	
Gutenberger	130 131 155 406
Tyler	182 143 148 473
Baxter	118 126 126 370
Pape	126 119 110 355
Barkes	162 166 118 446
Handicap	85 85 85 255
Total	803 797 726 2341

Lorenz Company	
Newsom	150 124 121 395
VanBrussel	114 132 104 350
Sullivan	128 124 134 386
Patty	139 137 116 402
Cullum	128 124 134 386
Handicap	103 103 103 313
Total	803 797 726 2341

Black and White	
Clinton	170 137 102 409
Steineman	135 121 88 344
Bellotti	139 117 115 371
Owens	147 113 143 403
Britt	154 102 155 411
Handicap	123 123 123 369
Total	808 797 726 2411

Safeway Stores	
Griggs	196 122 127 445
Gaddis	160 154 168 482
Schorn	118 141 28 287
Hansville	128 124 134 386
Jensen	136 161 111 408
Handicap	95 99 99 293
Total	723 800 735 2348

MONTGOMERY SCORES
TKO OVER OPPONENT
LOS ANGELES, March 21 (P)
Philadelphia's Bob Montgomery, recognized in New York as the lightweight champion, scored a technical knockout over Genaro Rojo last night in the eighth round of a scheduled 10-rounder.

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Sports Briefs
By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

NEW YORK, March 21 (P)—Track fans, never the ones to be stumped by a mere "possibility," have come up with a couple of suggestions for remedying the false start ailment. Carl Hogendorf of Morris Park, N. Y., figures the old rule applied to indoor dashes should be advanced the rest of the field a yard. . . "In such an event no official times could be allowed," Hogendorf admits. . . "but who cares about recording times. . . The athletes and a good many spectators usually are interested. . . And Alford proposes hanging a big clock in front of the starting line so that runners could watch the second tick off and start when a second was fired automatically. . . In such a case the finish would be hooked up to record the exact time. . . That one really would be an invitation for expert jumpers to be in motion when the shot went off."

TODAY'S GUEST STAR
Johnnie Parker, Tanglewood, Mass. Gazette: "Who said the circus sideshow is dead? Well, the possible exception of the St. Louis twins and JoJo the Dog Face Boy, it looks like the major league baseball in 1945 will have everything else."

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE
Ned Irish estimates that more than 18 or 20 basketball games were used for Madison Square Garden games this season and a half-dozen still are used. The Wholly Convention hall starts with six and has five left. Only three of the National league's 13 umpires ever played major league baseball and four of the best never played professionally.

ern California geologists were discussed at a meeting of Klamath county school principals and coaches held at Henry high school last Tuesday. Both of these track meets will be held on the KUHS campus, but no dates have been set as yet. The last meeting of the school year will be held May 1.