



By HALE SCARBROUGH

So Much Nonsense

Another voice has chimed in against the Southern Oregon basketball conference's system of deciding the season's titleholding team by means of a playoff.

Chipman contends that the tournament is unfair in that this district's representative to the state tournament might very easily be the very club which has been a doormat for the other three teams of the loop all season.

A last-place outfit might get hot in the playoff and win a couple of games, gaining the conference title and go on to the state get-together.

Of course, the team which has swept the league all season should be able to sweep the tournament, but anything can happen in a basketball game.

Tournaments are all well and good, provided the teams taking part haven't already been playing each other every other weekend during the season, but is so much nonsense in a four-team loop such as ours.

In the coming meet at the Ashland college of education, the only bit of satisfaction for anyone that we can see will go to the winner of the consolation match. Certainly Medford is going to get no great joy out of beating Klamath Falls again, if things turn out that way, nor should the Pelicans have anything to shout about if they slide in ahead of the Toronado after two defeats already.

This isn't detracting from the fact that we think the Pelicans have a good team or could give a good account of themselves in the state tournament, but if Klamath does go on up we'd just as soon feel that we'd earned the district title by basketball and not squeezed in through the back door.

This department's angle is to drop the tournament and let the season's record stand for what it's worth, or bring enough teams into the loop to make a playoff worthwhile.

Briefs

Norm Worthley, who was out here at the air station for quite a while and coached and pitched for the KNAS baseball team last summer, is coaching junior high basketball in Medford now.

There is nothing new on the football coach situation at the high school. The Pelicans still don't have a coach for next fall, but in all justice to Klamath Falls' multitudinous gridiron fans, there should be one hired pretty soon.

We can't have a spring football practice at the high school, but there is nothing wrong with allowing the coach to get acquainted with the boys he's going to work with the next fall.

Aggies Look Askance At WSC Series

CORVALLIS, Feb. 14.—Oregon State's last first team, tied with Idaho for first in the northern division hoop chase, will play two of its three remaining home games this week when Gale Bishop and his Washington State Cougars invade Corvallis Friday and Saturday for a return series with the Beavers.

Although Washington State is resting firmly in the cellar of the conference, the Cougars probably are the strongest cellar club in the history of the northern division. With two all-Americans in the lineup, Center Vince Hanson and Forward Bishop, the Palouse club presents a high powered scoring attack that poses a real problem for any opposing team. Bishop is rated the greatest hooper since Stanford's Hank Luisetti.

Wolves Decision Seattle Ironmen

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 14 (AP)—The Hollywood Wolves of the southern division of the Pacific Coast Hockey league took an easy 7-3 decision from Seattle's Ironmen, last season's champions, here last night.

The Wolves, playing one of their best games of the season, went ahead in the first 30 seconds. The northerners, however, came back for two goals to hold a first period edge.

Hollywood outscored the visitors 5-1 in the second session to salt the game away.

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Stars Clown Way To 59-29 Over Four Local Quintets

Grandma Is Canine Empress

NEW YORK, Feb. 14 (AP)—A grandmother with six summers behind her ruled as queen of the canine world today, with an assist from a three-year-old daughter she brushed aside in her rise to the throne.

Ch. Hetherington Model Rhythm, six-year-old wire-haired fox terrier, breezed through a field of more than 2500 of dogdom's aristocrats to take the coveted prize as best in show at the 70th annual blue ribbon classic of the Westminster Kennel club which wound up at Madison Square Garden early this morning.

The little white bitch, owned by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Carruthers 3rd of Glendale, Ohio, de-throned her own daughter, Ch. Hetherington Navy Nurse, in the competition for top honors among their own breed.

Then, as if to show the spectators there were no hard feelings between them, the two went to the center of the big arena together and walked off with the "best brace in show" award.

Entries of the terrier class made a clean sweep of the 1946 show when four Sealyhams—Ch. Robin Hill Grenadier, Robin Hill Hit Parade, Robin Hill Memory and Robin Hill Brigand—owned by Mrs. Robert B. Choate of Danvers, Mass., grabbed the trophy awarded for the best team in the competition.

Bowling

At long last we have the official returns from the Portland Oregon Women's bowling tourney held in January. Klamath Falls entries came out as follows:

Class A: Doubles, second, Eaton and Swopce, 1028; Singles, ninth, Green, 532; 15th, Poppy, 494; 18th, Adams, 490.

Class B: Doubles, Poppy and Pernigotti, 898; Singles, ninth, Backes, 479; 11th, Borden, 475; 15th, Pernigotti, 473; 20th, Baxter, 457.

Class C: Team event, third, Willard hotel, 1948; Doubles, third, Hanville and Hobbs, 842; Singles, first, Tix, 481; sixth, Hanville, 450. Kitty Hanville won the class C all-event trophy with a 2393 total.

On the local scene Hazel's Beauty shop was the only team to win three games last competition night, getting straight victories over Crater hotel.

Without a captain or enough subs to make up a full team, Daggett's Insurance got a one and two split with powerful Fluhrer's Bakery. Flo Ann Eaton to the spotlight with a 203 game and 567 series. Isabelle Milne's 529 series for Daggett's was second high.

Coca Cola remained firm in third place by out-kegling Houston's Beauty shop for two and Safeway went under twice at the hands of Black and White.

FLUHRER'S BAKERY

Koberg	106	148	138	392
Bellotti	100	105	114	319
Whitting	109	147	121	377
Owens	127	112	130	369
McDonald	90	98	132	320
Poppy	117	130	140	387
Handicap	83	83	83	249
Total	791	850	811	2451

COCA COLA

Absentee	120	120	120	360
Borden	121	121	121	363
North	124	124	124	372
Gates	127	127	127	381
Pernigotti	149	139	143	431
Handicap	80	80	80	240
Total	810	782	795	2387

SAFEGWAY

Griggs	124	129	133	386
Ferguson	79	75	119	273
Fluhrer	127	127	127	381
Dawes	116	124	125	365
Geddes	144	110	103	357
Green	135	135	135	405
Handicap	712	721	721	2154

BLACK & WHITE

Clinton	127	127	127	381
Hanville	123	120	136	379
Booth	101	132	130	363
Adelle	100	133	125	358
Britt	125	135	105	365
Handicap	112	112	112	336
Total	688	780	815	2483

CRATER HOTEL

Trulove	148	125	132	405
Buller	123	121	151	395
Miles	125	121	151	397
Jackiewicz	131	132	144	407
Green	135	135	135	405
Handicap	81	81	81	243
Total	748	722	778	2248

HAZEL'S BEAUTY

Patty	120	108	180	408
McElan	120	90	180	390
Fowler	120	130	114	371
McCollum	145	121	145	411
Fowler	120	137	140	397
Handicap	94	94	94	282
Total	780	772	830	2382

DAGGETT'S INSURANCE

Tyler	107	141	133	381
Pope	129	139	152	420
Dakin	120	130	108	358
Milne	109	109	109	327
Absentee	107	107	107	321
Handicap	107	107	107	321
Total	789	782	830	2399

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Pelicans Put On Final-Period Splurge To Down Marine Independents, 48-31

By HALE SCARBROUGH

A fresh new team for opposition every period didn't faze the Kansas City Colored Stars at the high school last night as the professional basketballers romped and clowned through four quarters for a 59 to 29 win over a quartet of Basin loop squads.

The Stars went at point-making seriously against the Chilquain AB Bakery quintet in the initial frame, finishing with a 29-3 lead which they proceeded to kick around for the remainder of the game.

Rickys Jewellers took over for the second canto and managed to score 4 points while the Stars were lobbing in 14.

Ashley's Chevrolet played the third period and out-scored the Stars, 8-4, while the travelers delighted the crowd with a display of amazing passing without troubling to shoot at the basket.

In the fourth frame, with Tulalake's Associated Oil on the floor, the Stars went into basketball and football routine and were again outscored, 10-14.

That fourth period was a riot of comedy on the part of the KC clowns, but they pulled one bit of stellar defensive play every basketball coach ought to copy. Tulalake got a rebound from its own basket and the travelers crowded the Oilers steadily back almost the length of the court without allowing them another flip at the bucket.

Jesse Owens, the original rocket man on the cinder paths, put on an exhibition of indoor sprinting and hurdling during the half. Despite being 10 years past his prime, Jesse is still as trim and well-built an athlete as you'll find anywhere.

In the preliminary game last night the Pelicans battled the Marines on even terms for three periods, then turned loose a spectacular burst of steam in the final three minutes of play to score 16 points and win 48-31.

The count was 32-29 when the Pels cut away in the last quarter. Jerry Thorne, Klamath center, left the game in the first half with a badly split finger, came back to play some more in the finale and was then carried off the floor with a sprained ankle.

Jim Palmer of the Pels and Paul Adams of the Leathernecks were thumbed from the game by Referee Harold Douglas for bickering on the floor.

Score by quarters:

Team	1	2	3	4	Total
Pelicans	11	3	14	20	48
Marines	8	10	4	9	31
Locals	3	4	6	16	29
Stars	29	14	4	12	59

MINIMUM WAGES

SALEM, Feb. 14 (AP)—The state apprenticeship council has authority to establish minimum wages for apprentices, Attorney General George Neuner ruled today.

India is so called because a Sanskrit word "sindhu" was corrupted into Indus for the Indus river.

Hornsby, who batted over .400 three times during a 12-year stay with the St. Louis Cardinals and led the National league in hitting seven times, currently is the director of the Chicago Daily News baseball school.

Hornsby, elected to baseball's hall of fame, last was active in organized baseball as manager of the Oklahoma City team in the Texas league in 1940.

Illegal Trapping Charge Against Puckett Cleared

The charge of trapping with unbranded traps brought against Everett Puckett in justice court recently has been dismissed by Clark Dix, the man who originally signed the complaint against Puckett.

Dix has also paid \$7.20 court costs. Puckett had entered a plea of not guilty and there was to have been a hearing today.

The accusations were that Puckett had used traps not marked and registered with the game commission to catch muskrats on property leased by another person at Aspen lake.

Chevrolets Top Henley, 46-34

Ashley's Chevrolet of the Basin league defeated the Henley town entry 46-34 on the Altamont gym floor Tuesday night. Rex Young plunked in 20 points for the winners.

The Chevrolets had the lead all the way and halftime score was 27-14. Tomorrow night Ashley's plays the Tulalake Flyers A. Basin league leaders, at Altamont.

CAMDEN, N. J.—Westley Mounzon, 138, Philadelphia, outpointed Buck Streater, 143, Haddonfield, N. J., 10, Tommy Merrill, 151, Camden, outpointed Mike Destephano, 149, Philadelphia, 6.

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SPORTS

By Hale Scarbrough, Sports Editor

Players Battling For Chance On Giants' Baseball Squad

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 14 (AP)—The New York Giants, first of the baseball clubs to begin training with their full complement of players this winter, have been working out for three days now under a warm sun at the local park, and their manager, Mel Ott, says he has never seen anything like it.

He was not quite prepared, nor was anyone else, for the way the boys have pitched in and begun battling for the privilege of playing for the Giants. Something is going on here that is different from the pre-war years.

It amounts about to this: The youngsters are eager—the kids fresh out of the service—to show what they can do, and the veterans are nervous.

It is something that will be repeated in every training camp this spring. An upheaval is in progress in the big leagues. Every club is loaded with strapping young men who in the past two-three years have been starring in service ball, and who are confident of their ability to deliver in the majors.

They have reported in great shape, ready to play nine innings of ball tomorrow. But they are not the only ones in that condition. The veterans are ready, too. They have appreciated the competition they were about to run into from the kids, and they have made a point of taking special exercises for weeks to tone up their aging limbs.

This has been true both of the men who played last year, and of the stars who have been in the service, away from the game for several seasons. All of them appear to have realized suddenly that baseball is a pleasant way of making a living, and a very nice one, at that.

Klamath fans remember Chick as one of the most powerful of all men and just about the daddy of all airplane spinners. When he was appearing here regularly four years ago his aerial artistry mowed a swath through all opponents who would sign to meet him.

Chick's sturdy-oak legs are reputed to be the most substantial in the rassing game. The Dude developed his gams as a rodeo-riding youngster and his maintenance work on them has been accomplished by riding long hikes and mountain climbing.

Little Lynam needs no introduction to the fans around here, although he's been on this circuit for only about six months. In that short time he has risen to the top and is now considered the champ of these parts.

Steve Petroff will be here tonight for the semi-final against an opponent not yet announced. In the opener Gloomy Gus Johnson comes into contact with Red Dawson, Michigan logger, who is now flexing his muscles in the great Petrol. Wally Moss will third-man the bouts.

The curtain goes up at 8:30.

Seals Sailing For Hawaiian Training Camp

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14 (AP)—The San Francisco Seals sail today to collect a few lels and try the warm breezes of Hawaii for limbering up the winter-wasted muscles of baseball players.

The Coast league club had 35 players signed for the voyage aboard the S. S. Aleutian, with extras including sports writers, bringing the sailing list to 47.

This will be the first spring training for a mainland baseball club in Hawaii since the Portland club of the Coast league worked out briefly there in 1917.

The Seals expect to return here in a series of flights beginning March 24.

By The Associated Press BUFFALO, N. Y.—Willie Pep, 128½, Hartford, outpointed Jimmy Joyce, 135½, Gary, Ind., 10, (Non-title). Rudy Zadel, 139, Barberton, O., outpointed Mike Martyk, 134½, St. Catharines, Ont., 8.

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Oregon	6	5
Washington	5	7
Wash. State	3	8

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 14 (AP)—Roses are red, violets are blue and the northern division is still in a stew as this Valentine's day finds the University of Oregon holding the solution to the Bishop case and a 69 to 65 victory over Washington State after a little basketball party down here last night.

Oregon's answer to the problem of State's Gale Bishop was Bob Hamilton, who hauled off and scored more points than the aptly named Gale, who bucketed 32 Tuesday night and collected 20 in last night's renewal. Hamilton bested him by three in Oregon's triumph.

The champion Webfoots, whose prospects had looked bleak after their Tuesday loss to Bishop & Co., hopped right back into the pennant chase and stand now just one game back of the co-leaders, Idaho and Oregon State. And Oregon rests now while the others put their leadership to the test Friday and Saturday, Idaho against Washington and OSC against Washington State.

Last night's collision was a thing of speed and fury, close until Hamilton personally conducted the Webfoots to a nine-point lead in the last five minutes. Bishop went out with two minutes left to play, but his mates cut the margin to four by the game's end.

The visiting Cougars tallied first, but after the ice was broken the count was knotted 11 times and the lead changed hands 16 times. WSC was in front at the half, 37 to 36.

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