

County Bucket Lead At Stake

Pelicans Also Face Crucial Tests In Week-End Series With Medford Tornado

Leadership in the county high school basketball league will be at stake tomorrow night at Henley when the Chiloquin Panthers invade the nest of the Hornets for the first conference meeting of the season between the two titans of the loop. Both squads are undefeated in league play, and Chiloquin, coached by Sandy Miller, boasts of not having lost even a practice game this season.

The Henley Hornets, Max Marvin's quintet, has lost three close decisions in all in kings-X tilts.

The Panthers have specialized in high scores all season and will go into the big game a little on the favored side, although the Hornets will be on their home floor and always play a little tighter when cornered.

Individual stars trying for scoring honors will be Fred Hess, center and captain of the Hornets, who in virtually every game this season has led his team in scoring, and Gaylor Hatcher, forward for the Panthers who has been one of the county's top basket-makers all through the schedule.

Leadership in the southern Oregon district will also be at stake this week-end over in Medford when the Klamath Pelicans come to grips with the Medford Black Tornado Friday and Saturday nights. Both teams are unbeaten in conference play.

Coach Wayne Scott will leave with the team tomorrow morning by school bus, and has made reservations at the Medford hotel. He has seen the Tornado in action, against Grants Pass, and says that Hank Anderson uses virtually the same system of fast-break, close-checking as do the Pelicans.

Scott said that all members of his team are ready to play and he expects a full house for both games at Medford. He will be satisfied with an even break in the two-game series.

There are no tickets for the tilts here, but probably some seats will be available for local team boosters at Medford. Don Neal of KFLW is going along with the team and will air both games.

Back to the County league, the eight squads in the loop stack up in this order, two-thirds of the way through the schedule:

Team	W.	L.
Kirkville (Mo.)	18	0
Beton Hall (N. J.)	17	0
Marshall (W. Va.)	17	0
Southern Oregon	15	0
Alabama	12	0
Duquesne	11	0
Panzer (N. J.)	10	0
West Virginia	9	0
Washington (Ill.)	9	0
Washington-Jefferson	7	0
Trinity (Conn.)	7	0

Unbeaten Squads Sliced To Ten

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 (AP)—Villanova's 45 to 42 victory over Army yesterday thinned to 11 the number of unbeaten college basketball teams in the country. The eleven:

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
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'Beat Hogan' Campaign Is Taking Shape

TUCSON, Ariz., Jan. 30 (AP)—Leading golfers of the country swung into the \$10,000 Tucson open today with something like a "beat Hogan" campaign gathering momentum on the fairway.

The slogan around the El Rio Country club epitomized how matters stand among followers of the winter golf circuit.

It was, simply "beat Hogan and win yourself a reputation." Whoever can do it—and thereby cause an upset—will be more than modestly rewarded. Hogan led 1946 money winners with \$42,000. Professional Golfers' association statistics showed that the little Hershey, Pa., master has already collected \$4,833.33 in three western tournaments to date in 1947.

Hogan didn't participate in the pro-amateur match yesterday but he managed to get in 12 holes of golf after his return from a Los Angeles radio appearance with Jimmy Demaret, Houston, Tex. Demaret, who won the 1946 Tucson open, is highly favored in the 1947 renewal of the 72-hole event. So, too, are Lloyd Mangrum, Chicago; Ed Oliver, Wilmington, Del.; and Herman Barrow, White Plains, N. Y.

Tennis Stars Called Back

SYDNEY, Jan. 30 (AP)—The U. S. Lawn Tennis association has recalled Gardner Mulloy, Bill Talbert and Tom Brown, three members of its Davis cup squad still in Australia, who have been playing in tournaments and exhibition matches the past month.

Some councillors of the Lawn Tennis association of Australia, discussing at a meeting last night the cable recall sent the group by President Holcombe Ward of the USLTA suggested that the Americans had become involved in "sham amateurism" by playing in exhibition matches or organized by sporting goods firms.

The leading Australian players, Dinny Pails, Colin Long, Adrian Quist and Geoff Brown, with whom the Americans have played exhibitions, are all connected with big sporting goods firms.

Talbert indicated to the Associated Press that he, Mulloy and Brown were surprised at any suggestion they were in the "sham amateur" business in Australia, but declined further comment.

"Our association knows our position," Talbert said.

Boxing Heads Deny Angott

CHICAGO, Jan. 30 (AP)—The plans of Sammy Angott, Washington, Pa., former lightweight boxing champion, to come out of retirement to fight Johnny Bratton of Chicago, struck a snag yesterday when the Illinois state athletic commission refused to sanction the proposed 10-round bout.

The commission said, "Angott is out of training and the bout would contribute nothing to Chicago boxing." Earlier yesterday promoters Irving Schoenwald and Jack Begun announced that Angott would meet Bratton, 20-year-old ranking lightweight contender, February 18 in Chicago stadium.

Angott, who is 32, has not fought since losing to Beau Jack last July. Previously, he had lost to Ray "Sugar" Robinson and fought a draw with Gene Burton of New York.

Starlings May Go On Open Season

SALEM, Jan. 30 (AP)—It always will be open season on European starlings if the legislature passes the senate game committee's bill which was introduced yesterday. The bill adds the bird (Sturnus vulgaris) to the list of birds on which there is no closed season. The bird recently has become a menace to farmers.

Ski Dates Set

SPOKANE, Jan. 30 (AP)—The annual Pacific Northwest Ski association junior championships will be held at Mount Spokane February 8-9, Al Boge, chairman of the Spokane Ski club tournament committee, said today.

Crack Of Bat Against Horsehide



Outfielder Pat Seery of the Cleveland Indians takes a cut at the ball as he opens major league spring training under the watchful eye of Rogers Hornsby and Earl McKechnie, who are conducting a batting school for selected Indians at Tucson, Ariz. Seery, incidentally, slammed the ball into deep left field.

Speed Kings Of Northwest Hoop Circuit Undecided

SEATTLE, Jan. 30 (AP)—See how they run! Basketball in the Pacific northwest this year is tailored for speed, and a couple of the fastest fives will collide again tomorrow and Saturday nights at Corvallis, Ore., trying to decide which should rate as speed king of the Pacific Coast conference northern division.

They attempted to settle the issue last week and merely managed to muddle it. Oregon State college, beaten only by Long Island university, blew into town Friday and blew down

Hot Session In Ring Seen

Snow and thermometer notwithstanding, the squared circle in the armory figures to be hot tonight, starting at 8:30. In the main event Mr. Stoneface, the hooded character of the northwest circuit, comes back to wreak more of his particular kind of brawling vengeance on mat foes after an absence of several weeks, and his opponent for this six-rounder will be the Canadian, Frankie Hart.

Bench-legged Billy Weidner, ex-circus performer and timber beast, and one of the most popular wrestlers in the business, is scheduled to clutch with Brutal Jack Lipscomb in the four round semi-windup.

Grid Rules Under Study

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 30 (AP)—The national football rules committee, augmented by three advisory groups, assembled here today preparatory to journeying to Kerrville, 120 miles west of Austin, for a three-day session during which time the gridiron code will be studied for possible changes.

It is the first time in history for the rules group to meet in Texas and it is being done to honor D. K. Bible, athletic director of the University of Texas, who is rounding out 25 years as a member.

Bible will be host to the meeting at Camp Mystic, his summer home near Kerrville. Only a few minor changes are up for consideration. These include bringing the ball in 20 yards instead of 15 from the sidelines, a liberalized substitution rule and restrictions on the so-called "running shift."

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Oscar Brings Good Fortune To Grizzlies

GILCHRIST, Jan. 30—The Gilchrist Grizzlies have received an "Oscar" in the form of a life-sized, green and white panda bear. Since first purchased as a team symbol he has been affectionately dubbed "Oscar."

His first appearance in public as the Grizzlies' mascot was when the Henley Hornets stung the Grizzlies for a win on the A-string but were judged over by the Bear B-string. This, then, was decided, was a good omen, as during his second "personal appearance" in the Bears' den, the Grizzlies gave the Bonanza hoopsters a tromping in both contests.

All this time Oscar has been a rather bare bear, adorned only with a green velvet ribbon tied around his neck. As this was considered an insult to his dignity, Oscar has since been completely outfitted with a basketball suit, denominated as No. 1, and dressed in a warm-up jacket, a pair of tennis shoes and a green and white stocking cap.

Oscar has proved an inspiration both to the cheering section and the team and has made himself generally known and loved by all.

Louis, Godoy Want Dough For Efforts

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 30 (AP)—Chances seemed good today that the projected Joe Louis-Arturo Godoy bout will go on as scheduled in Mexico City February 5, although for a time last night it appeared threatened by insistence of both that they be paid for their efforts—any attitude not uncommon among pugilists.

In Los Angeles, Heavyweight Champion Louis suddenly cancelled plane reservations for Mexico City, asserting he wouldn't budge until he had received confirmation from his co-manager, Marshall Miles, that a \$50,000 guarantee had been posted.

And in New York Al Weill, Godoy's pilot, declared the Chilean's \$10,500 guarantee hadn't arrived in this country and that unless something happens soon the South American wouldn't go through with the match.

But a dispatch from Mexico City gave promise that things would be straightened out. Gene Lucas, Louis' business aide, said he'd talked with Joe over the phone and that the champion "positively will be in Mexico City Friday night." He said Godoy's money was on the way to New York.

Eastman Wins Initial Bout

PORTLAND, Jan. 30 (AP)—Oregon and southwest Washington mittmen move today into the second round of preliminary battles leading up to Friday's finals in the 1947 AAU Golden Gloves championships.

In last night's opening rounds Melvin Weaver of Klamath Falls was decided by Dean Abbey of Salem in the 147 pound bracket and Bob Eastman, Klamath Falls, took a 175-pound bracket decision from Fred Allen, Portland.

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Minor League Czar Opens Up On Bookies

DURHAM, N. C., Jan. 30 (AP)—Judge William G. Bramham, having accused five suspended players in the Evangeline league of gambling, conspiring to throw games, spending part of their time as bookmakers and even fleeing a bookie, today dropped the minor league baseball scandal into the lap of his successor.

As a parting shot, the retiring president-treasurer of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues turned over to the new minor league czar, George M. Trautman, a lengthy report on his investigation into what he termed the "very, very bad" condition in the class D circuit.

The report, made to association members, contains allegations that players—some of them allegedly former New Orleans bookies—turned his clock back some 20 minutes, then went out, got the results of a race and placed a bet on the race after the result was announced, winning \$185 from the bookie, who did not know that the race had been concluded or that his clock had been tampered with.

Both Pecou and Thomas denied complicity in the alleged incident, Bramham said, and his report quoted Kaiser as saying he "didn't see how that has anything to do with baseball."

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