

Pelicans Need Single Victory Over Medford

Crisis Tilts Open Tonight

Both teams will lay it on the line tonight, starting at 8:15 in Klamath Union high school gym. Klamath's Pelicans and Medford's Black Tornado will go to the mat in what may well be the most critical basketball game of the season for both teams, and a ticket to the state prep school hoop tournament at Eugene rests in the balance.

The Pelicans, Coach Wayne Scott's 11 sharpshooters, can clinch the district 4 championship tonight by topping Coach Hank Anderson's Tigers, or they can lose tonight and still slide in by winning tomorrow.

For the Tigers it's a different story — standing one game back of Klamath in the league figures to date, Medford must win tonight and tomorrow to take the crown.

So both teams will be pitching their best strikes. In two previous tilts, which resulted in one win apiece, the Pelicans have learned that Medford has a powerful first team composed of Doug Coghill, Fred and Joe Chiez, Tom Mottner and Bill Werner, and the bench includes such reserves as Bill Singler and Vern Shaugle to come to the rescue.

The Medfords play the same style of run-run Oregon basketball as the Pelicans, so about 1500 fans will see a tremendous fast game tonight, no matter which squad wins.

All tickets to the game to-night on the block, first come first served, at 8:30 at the gym door, and there is every indication that a few minutes later there won't be any.

Don Neal, Klamath sports editor, will broadcast the game direct from the floor from start to finish.

As a preliminary to tonight's contest the Klamath Juvies meet the Medford Junior Varsity at 7 o'clock.

Upset Sprung On Riverside

Something of an upset came along in the grade school basketball tournament last night when the lads from Fairview defeated favored Riverside, 12-11. Score at halftime was 7-11.

Dave French counted seven points for Riverside while Jack Ayers had six for the scrappy Fairview team. Fairview now is in the position of team to beat for the school title.

Pelican was eliminated from the tourney with its second loss, a 9-7 defeat by Fremont, yesterday. Tomorrow Riverside and Roosevelt, each with one loss, tangle on Fairview court, and the loser goes out. In a previous match Riverside won, 22-8.

The winner of that contest then plays Fremont Thursday, and the winner of that plays Fairview Friday in a championship game.

Surgeons Watch DiMaggio's Heal

BALTIMORE, March 4 (AP)—One of the most valuable heels in major league baseball—the left foot of Joe DiMaggio, the New York Yankee centerfielder—was being watched closely today by Johns Hopkins physicians.

The doctors were waiting to see if penicillin DiMaggio is receiving will close the wound left by the removal of a bone spur last month. Otherwise, Dr. Edward M. Hanrahan Jr., plastic surgeon, will perform a skin graft today or tomorrow.

The Yankee slugger flew to Baltimore from the Yankee spring training camp at San Juan, P. R., when the wound failed to heal quickly.

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Four Hoop Districts Seek Champs In Playoff Games

By The Associated Press
Four district championships carrying berths in the state high school basketball tournament will be at stake tonight in games scattered through the western half of the state.

La Grande and Hillsboro grabbed off titles and berths last night and at Salem the double elimination series left two schools racing for the privilege of meeting favored Salem in the final Friday.

The district 1 crown went to La Grande in a 49-21 swamping of Ontario in two of three series and Hillsboro snatched district 9 honors by defeating Tigard 47 to 35. In the Salem series, Silverton knocked Mt. Angel from the play in a 43-35 tilt and Salem defeated Sacred Heart academy of Salem, 34 to 19. Silverton will meet Sacred Heart tomorrow night with the winner challenging Salem.

Tonight Medford and Klamath Falls open a two-game series.

Medford needs both games to win the district 4 title; Klamath Falls could claim the crown with a victory either night.

Coos Bay and Myrtle Point meet tonight for the final five minutes of an earlier game halted by electric power failure when Coos Bay stood 17 points in the lead for the district 3 championship. A full-length game will follow the five-minute scrap. A win in either of the contests would give the title to Coos Bay.

Mollala and Milwaukie will fight out the district 12 race and in district 14 Rainier and St. Helens will meet again, each having won a decision in the two-of-three series.

Portland's district 16 title will be taken by either Roosevelt or Jefferson. They are tied and each is expected to win tonight in which case a play-off will be held. If either one loses tonight, the other will take the crown.

Trade Winds Blowing Over Big League Baseball Camps

By The Associated Press
Trade winds were blowing again today and this time it looks like the real McCoy.

The swap talk involves a player deal between the Chicago Cubs and New York Giants. The two National league teams were reported to have had a deal

all cooked up during the winter meetings but it fell through at the last minute.

What revived talk of resumption of a deal between the two ancient rivals was the presence of Cub Scout Walter (Dutch) Ruetter, old time pitcher of the Brooklyn Dodgers, Cincinnati Reds and New York Yankees at the Giants training camp in Phoenix, Ariz., yesterday.

Ruetter blew into camp last night from the Cubs' Catalina island base and frankly admitted he is scouting the Giants. While he refused to say, it was believed he came to scout Shortstop Billy Rigney whom the Giants had offered to Outfielder Harry (Peanuts) Lowrey.

The Cubs, who need a shortstop badly, were quite willing to take Rigney, but balked at giving up Lowrey and offered Outfielder Bill Nicholson instead. When the Giants insisted on Lowrey or no deal was no deal.

Ruetter was not a chance to see Rigney in action tomorrow. He is due to perform at short for one of the teams in an inter-squad game, the opening of a campaign which will determine the makeup of the reconstructed Giants. Buddy Kerr will hold down the shortstop position on the other side.

Another deal believed about to come off is one between Washington and Cleveland. It has been reported that the Nats are about to send Pitcher Roger Wolf to the Indians in exchange for Outfielder George Case, Bill Veck, Tribe boss, was in Orlando, Fla. Senator base, to talk with Washington Owner Clark Griffith and was said to have telephoned a tentative acceptance.

Two Washington Teams May Enter

SPOKANE, March 4 (AP)—The possibility that both Eastern and Central Washington College of Education basketball teams, E. W. Muller, vice president, Lawrence Horton, well-known cattleman of Klamath county, is on the board of directors.

Purpose of the association is to spread knowledge of the quarter horse around the northwest. That type of horse is the fastest in the world over a quarter-mile stretch, and that's the origin of the name, and he is a natural cow-horse.

Plans are being made by the association for a number of shows, races and sales around the northwest.

No Boxing Card

No boxing card is slated for the armory tonight, but next Tuesday night fans may see a return match between Urali Snapp and the clever Portland negro, Sonny Kelly Jackson. Promoter Mack Lillard said today that he is almost sure of signing that 10-round fight.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press
NEW YORK—Larry Fontana, 161, outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 138, both Brooklyn (10).
CHICAGO—Abel Costas, 223, Des Moines, knocked out Tex Boddie, 193, Omaha (5).

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Local Quints Enter Tourney

Two Klamath county schools, Gilchrist and Henley, have entered in the annual invitational basketball tournament at Southern Oregon college, Ashland, to be held March 5-6-7-8.

Altogether 23 squads have entered the playoffs and more are expected, according to Harold Bishop, SOCE physical education director who is in charge of the tourney.

Last year's winner, Myrtle Creek, is slated as the team to beat this season. Chilquin from Klamath county placed fifth last year.

Wyoming Coach Out

LARAMIE, Wyo., March 4 (AP)—Coach Bernard F. (Bunny) Oakes, head football mentor at Wyoming university since 1940, has been relieved of his post upon his own request. Wyoming's board of trustees announced Oakes had submitted the request to Glenn Jacoby, athletics director, "effective immediately."

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20 Minutes Left To Go In Big Nine

CHICAGO, March 4 (AP)—Big Nine basketball teams have played a total of more than 70 hours in games this season trying to determine a conference champion only to fall 20 minutes short of the goal.

At no time in the history of basketball has such an important conference championship as the Big Nine been decided by playing only a half game. However, that is the case now, and it will be the longest 20 minutes of the season.

The Wisconsin-Purdue game—halted at half-time February 24 when the Purdue fieldhouse bleachers collapsed, killing three students—will be resumed at the Evanston township high school gymnasium Saturday night. The game will start at the point it was interrupted, with Purdue taking the floor for the second half with a 34-33 edge.

More important than this slight advantage are the four fouls Wisconsin's star guard, Walt Lautenbach, the three fouls the Badgers' key center, Ed Mills, have charged against them on entering the 20-minute session.

Early loss of either of them would prove a hardship for Wisconsin which must win the contest to capture the Big Nine title outright with nine victories and three defeats. If Wisconsin is defeated, the Badgers will share the crown with Indiana and Illinois.

Hogan Named Head Arbiter

Charlie Hogan of McCloud has been named chief of the blue serge and chest protectors in the Northern California baseball league for this summer. He will assign the officials who work all games.

His plan is to rotate officials from one town to another, not to have a home town arbiter calling home town games. Hogan also doesn't want any umpires traveling with the team with which they are going to work.

Miles Richmond, manager of the Dunsuir Railroaders, has been named president of the baseball league and Mel Carpenter is vice president. H. E. Doyle of McCloud is secretary-treasurer for the second straight year.

On the local baseball scene there has been no new development on the ball park stalemate between the Klamath Sons team and the city recreation committee, although an accord on use of the field should be reached soon.

Weidner Slated For 5 Rounder

Another five-round battle has been arranged for Thursday night, so the armory card this week will be headed up by a double main event.

The latest pairing puts Billy Weidner against Frankie Hart. That fight will hold the middle spot on the card, behind the big bout between Georges Dusette and Pete Belcastro, but both will be five rounds in length.

Opening the docket for Thursday night will be a three-heat affair with Ruben Gracia meeting Herbie Parks.

Ted Keeps Quiet

SARASOTA, Fla., March 4 (AP)—No word has been heard from either Ted Williams or Rudy York, the Boston Red Sox reported. York is the only member unsigned. The big first baseman is expected to arrive with his contract signed.

Three-Way Meet

A three-way boxing meet is being arranged for next Friday night between the high schools of Klamath Falls, Roseburg and Springfield, to be held at Springfield.

In a recent fistic meet with Roseburg, KUHS boxers won two decisions, lost five and drew twice in nine bouts.

The capital of India under British rule formerly migrated from New Delhi to Simla every summer, but the practice was discontinued in 1944.

Panthers Prep For Arlington

CHILQUIN, March 4—The Panthers of Chilquin high school worked out last night and will go through another session tonight, then leave early tomorrow morning on their trip to Arlington. Starting Thursday afternoon Coach Sandy Miller expects to be mighty busy.

Thursday at 3:45 p. m. the Panthers meet Pleasant Hill in the first round of the state B school basketball tourney.

With luck in that tilt the unbeaten Panthers will play in the semifinals Friday, and with more luck will still be around Arlington Saturday for the final and championship game.

All 10 boys on the Chilquin squad which has compiled a mark of 24 straight victories this season, took part in practice last night and are in good shape, better, according to Miller, than when the Panthers took Rogue River in straight sets for the district 3 crown several days ago.

Miller says he is going into the playoff series blind but still expects to win. He hasn't seen any of the teams the Panthers might face in action this season, but will compare Chilquin's schedule and record with any of them.

The trip to Arlington will be made by car, and rooms at an Arlington hotel have been reserved for the Panthers. A number of Chilquin townspeople will make up a CHS caravan for the jaunt.

Boys making the trip include Gaylor Hatcher, captain of the Panthers; Allen (Chief) Hatcher, Willis Hannegan, Dean Barker, Jack Jones, Ray Severson, Dick Sours, Claude Beard and Neil Neilson. Tony Unive, manager, will also go along.

Waldorf Brings Out Assistant

EVANSTON, Ill., March 4 (AP)—Head Coach Lynn Waldorf has appointed his long time associate, Wes Fry, as one of his top three football assistants at the University of California, Berkeley.

Waldorf, who left Northwestern after 12 seasons to sign as headman of the Golden Bears, said Fry will be his backfield coach. He will soon appoint line and end coaches to complete his varsity line-up.

Baltimore Quint Keeps Up Rampage

BELLINGHAM, March 4 (AP)—The Baltimore Bullets continued their successful tour of Pacific coast professional cage points last night with their third consecutive win, this time a 61-54 victory over the Bellingham Firecrackers.

Gale Bishop, player-coach of the losers, took scoring honors with 30 points but the 15-point second half spree of Baltimore's Buddy Jemette brought the win after the American pro league representative had taken a 25-24 halftime lead.

Truck Hearing To Be Held Here

The public utilities commissioner of Oregon will conduct a hearing March 11 at 10 a. m. in the Klamath county courthouse on the application of Consolidated Freightways, Inc., of Portland, which has sought authority to abandon its present schedule between Klamath Falls and Lakeview over highway 66.

George H. Flagg, commissioner, or an examiner will conduct the hearing.

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'Padding' In Lineups For AAU Charged

PORTLAND, March 4 (AP)—Oregon AAU basketball tournament officials may act today on charges by a team defeated in the first round of play that their opponent had "loaded" the lineup with ineligible players.

Quarter-finals in the tournament are scheduled for tonight. Joe Burns, spokesman for the Condon team, last night accused the Club Mecca team of Portland of signing on three players after the deadline. He said the Condon team demanded a complete airing of the charge.

AAU officials were not immediately available for comment, but Bill Zeller, AAU district commissioner of Lincoln-Tillamook counties, said the Tillamook team, paired to meet Club Mecca in quarter-finals, would not play if the Mecca club retained the line-up used against Condon.

Only a very few of their number are so thoughtless as to create havoc among still fishermen. They use their boats for fishing and pleasure and want to be allowed to continue.

Frank Wire's approval of the measure is based on claims that the boats throw up wakes and waves that wash small fish onto the sand and die, that unused fuel mix discharged into the water is injurious to fish, and that a minority of boaters interfere with the angling of a majority of fishermen.

The boat operators locally

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The Olympic trials will be at Sun Valley, Ida., next Saturday and Sunday.

On top of racing to the down-mountain championship Saturday, the 27-year-old Moltor, Weingen captured the combined-events title at Snow Basin in the lofty Wasatches yesterday.

Don Amick, Seattle, tied for eighth in the men's slalom with a time of 2:07.2, and Gretchen Fraser of Vancouver, Wash., representing Sun Valley, was sixth in the women's division with 2:22.2.

Mrs. Fraser placed fifth in the women's combined standings.

YMCA League Enters Playoff

Last night in the final scheduled games of the YMCA Inter-church Basketball league, First Christian Church of Christ, 27-12 in the B division, Klamath Temple edged by Knights of Columbus 28-25 in the A circuit.

First games of the playoff to-night have First Methodist meeting Nazarene, B league, at 7 o'clock on Fairview court, and KC going in with First Covenant in the A league.

Jansen In Fold

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 4 (AP)—There remained four New York Giant holdouts today following the capitulation of Righthander Larry Jansen who won 31 games for San Francisco last year. The unsigned are Babe Young, Johnny Gee, Jim Gladd and Warren Sandel.

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Boat Owners Protest Proposed Power Ban

By HALE SCARBROUGH
A stream of letters from Diamond lake boat and cabin owners is going out to Senate President Marshall Cornett and Sen. Lew Wallace expressing protest over the proposal to ban motorboats of over five horsepower on Diamond and other lakes, and Lew Wallace, who is on the senate game committee, has expressed the opinion that the horsepower limitation is not the proper answer to the problem.

The bill, introduced by the senate game committee and still in that committee, would exclude power boats of more than five horse from such waters as Diamond, Paulina, Elk, East and Crescent lakes.

It has been okayed by Frank B. Wire, state game supervisor. Tenor of the objections being voiced here and in other nearby towns is that Diamond lake is already expensively established as a summer home colony and that most of the home owners have boats.

The homes and boats represent a considerable financial outlay and that barring the power boats would be virtually wrecking a fine summer home resort for the several hundred families from Klamath, Bend, Medford, Roseburg and other towns who look forward to a vacation on Diamond lake every year.

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