

Pelicans Nail Down District Cage Pennant

MEDFORD, Feb. 20—The Klamath Falls Pelicans nailed down the district 4 high school basketball championship here last night with a vengeance—and also by 35 points. The final score was 58-23 over the Medford Black Tornado and the game could have been halted anywhere along the line with the Pelicans holding a substantial majority.

Next step for the Pels is the state hoop tournament at Eugene, March 16-20, but the Klamath boys have three conference games yet to play, including a return tilt with the Tornado tonight.

The 35-point margin rolled up by the fancy-shooting Pelicans was probably the largest scored against Medford in the history of man and even though the Tornado hasn't won but one league game this year, such a bulge wasn't expected.

The Pelicans showed amazing accuracy, hitting approximately 50 per cent of their shots and contributing very little indiscriminate backboard rattling. Likewise the defensive game was good. Jack Morris' six points was high for the Tornado and the usually-high scoring Tom Mottern was limited to four. Jack Lust covered Mottern like a sweat suit.

First quarter saw the Pelicans jump off to a 10-1 lead on five consecutive buckets while Medford was scoring a lonely foul shot. By the end of that period the count was 17-6. The same ratio held for the second period and halftime count was 27-11.

BEST IN FINALE
Klamath came up with another 17-point quarter in the third, displaying some more amazing shooting accuracy and running the score to 44-16. Medford's best period was the finale when both sides had the floor sprinkled with reserves.

In that canto the Tornado accumulated seven points and limited Klamath to a mere 14.

When the game was well and inescapably in the bag, Coach Wayne Scott showed in every reserve he had, using a total of 12 players. Bob Hamilton, mentor of the Tornado, used 10.

Gary Dawes was high scorer of the game at 11 points. Bob Barnes had nine and Wilbur Elliott eight.

Lineups and scoring:
Klamath (58) P. (23) Medford Barnes (9) F. (2) Clay Dawes (11) F. (2) Fasel Lust C. (4) Mottern Zarosinski (4) G. (2) Brower Kennett (5) G. (3) Arnold

Klamath reserve—Edwards (4), Elliott (8), Whitney (6), Stringham (5), Brightman (4), Dorman (2) and Larson. Medford reserves—Richmond (4), Morris (6), Goodman, Edmonds and Wenz.

Hundred Yard Jump Target

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 20 (AP)—The long-sought 300-foot ski jump will be the target of 71 slat-riders on nearby Ecker hill Sunday and Monday.

Eight states and Norway were represented when the entries for the annual intermountain ski jumping championship event closed last night—among them some of the nation's top competitors.

The goal of 300 feet—length of a football gridiron—has been regarded as the next logical step for American skiers for many years.

Last March, in the Utah centennial jumping event on the Ecker hill course, Arnold Kongsgaard of Norway scored 285 feet with unfavorable snow conditions.

Boxer Critical After Operation

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20 (AP)—A Philadelphia lightweight boxer is in a critical condition following an operation for removal of a blood clot from his brain.

Leroy Johnson, 18-year-old brother of Clarence (Honey Chile) Johnson, collapsed and fell unconscious last Tuesday while training.

Dr. Michael Scott removed the blood clot that night. A week ago Dr. Scott performed a similar operation on Ed Franklin, Philadelphia heavyweight who collapsed at the end of a fight with Bill (Chicken) Thompson. Franklin's condition was described as good by the hospital.

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He Did It



Coach Wayne Scott, who skips the Klamath Falls Pelicans, last night saw his team win its second consecutive district championship, beating Medford 58-23. Scott is considered one of the top high school basketball coaches in the state.

Hopefuls Slam Out

SEATTLE, Feb. 20 (AP)—More than 100 youthful fistic hopefuls don the leather mittens tonight in search of eight titles and places on the Olympic games trout boxing team.

The occasion is the 13th annual golden gloves championship tournament being run off tonight and Saturday in the University of Washington's Hec Edmundson field house.

In addition to the get-up-and-go of the amateur scrappers, the Northwest's first use of the wiring system is expected to draw a capacity crowd to tonight's opening round.

Fights will be started simultaneously in two rings in order to pare down the large list of entries.

Three 1947 champions are back for new laurels. Chuck Pomianek, heavyweight king of the Washington Athletic club, tops a list of 10 entries.

Jim Langston, Vancouver, B. C., middleweight, and Eddie Haddad, Canadian navy lightweight, both are titlists in their division and head a strong Canadian team.

Other potent teams are entered from Eastern Washington, the Chemawa Indian school, Everett and Southwest Washington.

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Hits Comeback Trail At 17!

AP Newfeatures
NEW YORK — A comeback at 17! That's the aim of Patricia Sinclair, former national AAU indoor breaststroke champion.

Patty hardly swam a stroke last year. She was sidelined by illness and could not defend the 100 and 220-yard breaststroke championships she won in the 1946 meet.

Miss Sinclair, weighing a trim 130 pounds—much less than when she was champion—is back in rigid training and likes it. She feels there's a good chance for her to get back in the title swim. It's an Olympic year and all the champions of recent campaigns are anxious to make London with the United States team this summer.

Beau Jack In Fourth Title Try

NEW YORK, Feb. 20 (AP)—Beau Jack, twice holder of the lightweight boxing crown, (New York version) goes after his fourth title bout tonight in Madison Square Garden.

The little Augusta, Ga., negro meets Terry Young in the toughest test of his latest comeback. It will be the Garden fight No. 25 for Jack, who earned his first appearance there by outpointing Young back in 1942.

It's been a year, minus a day, since Jack last fought in New York. And those who saw him knocked out that night by Tony Janiro thought he would never be back.

He was carried from the ring with a broken left knee cap. The knee had been broken before. An operation followed the first injury. Another operation and a nine-month rest followed the second injury.

Jack started again slowly, whipping four so-so opponents. Then he kayoed Johnny Bratton in Chicago January 23 with a blow that broke Bratton's jaw, and Bratton is considered a pretty good fighter.

Now it's the Garden again. Tonight's winner has been promised a lightweight title engagement with the Williams come April or May.

Two Dogs Entered

GRAND JUNCTION, Tenn., Feb. 20 (AP)—Two Washington state dogs have entered the national field trials—the world series of bird-dogdom—here, next week.

They are Texan, owned by Kenneth Ousley of Walla Walla, and Oak Creek Queen, owned by Roy Stoner of Spokane.

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OREGON STATE ORANGE INVADE EUGENE COURT

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 20—Coach John Warren's Oregon Ducks get their first chance to be the "spoilers" in the 1948 northern division basketball championship race tonight and Saturday when the Webfoots trade home games with the Oregon State Beavers.

Oregon has only a slim mathematical chance of being in the title picture, but plays five games against two of the three contenders and the results of the games with Oregon State and Washington State will be vital in the final standings.

Tonight the Beavers invade McArthur court for the first time this season. The two teams return to Corvallis Saturday night for the final game of the season on the Oregon State home court. The first encounter there, played early in the season, resulted in a 42 to 41 victory for the Ducks.

Coach Warren stressed ball handling and rebound work in preparation for the series. In the Idaho games last week-end Roger Wiley, the Ducks' workhorse center, carried much of the load and Warren was looking for help for the Duck captain.

The Idaho series brought to light several pleasing performances by Duck sophomores. Warren indicated that Paul Cooper, the ball-handling magician from Van Nuys, Calif.; Bob Don, Dick Unis and Lynn Hamilton all turned in good games.

NEWARK, N. J.—Henry "Snow" Flake, 192½, Buffalo, N. Y., knocked out Pat Comiskey, 214, Paterson, 5.

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