

TIME OUT!



"They shouldn't allow roller derby women to attend these January white sales!"

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WITH RED HURD
IF YOU DON'T believe the home team has the advantage in basketball take a look at the Oregon Collegiate Conference.

Sixteen games have been played. IN EVERY CASE, victory has come on the home court.

If the script is followed, the Oregon Tech Owls will be tied for the Oregon Collegiate Conference lead when this week's firing is over.

The Owls play host to Portland State here Friday and Saturday. Two victories would give the Kirlindmen a 4-2 record.

Eastern Oregon is home to the league - leading Oregon College team Thursday and Friday. Two wins for the Mountaineers would put Bob Quinn's quint also at 4-2.

Two losses would send Portland State home with a cellarling 1-3 mark, Oregon College at 3-3.

But this column looks for a change in pattern. A split here and in La Grande is likely.

That would leave Oregon College on top with 4-2, the Owls and Mountaineers with 3-3 marks and Portland State at 2-4 at the halfway point.

SPEAKING of the Oregon Collegiate Conference, Al Gould of the Portland Journal tells me this will be Arba Ager's last year at the helm of the Portland State Vikings.

Assistant Coach Sharkey Nelson will be at the helm of the cage team next year.

Ager—whose name has always intrigued me—is going into the oil refining business with his brother.

Bob Quinn of Eastern Oregon has been around a long time. He's been at La Grande with Eastern Oregon College for some 24 years.

BRIEFS FROM THE SPORTS FILE

We still get questions about professional baseball returning to Klamath Falls . . . at the current writing, it's as dead as a day-old beer . . . it's unlikely it will return within the next few years, if ever . . . as long as the Korean hassle is going on, there just aren't enough ballplayers around to keep minor league baseball going full blast . . .

hard-top racing will be back stronger than ever . . . generally speaking, Klamath's populace likes to watch beat-up jalopies bang around a sixth-of-a-mile track better than witnessing a mighty home run or the double play, baseball's biggest thrill in our book . . . we'll take one baseball game a season to once-a-week car racing, but that's just one man's opinion . . . our guess is Medford will not only win the Southern Oregon basketball title in a shoo-in but will be a strong contender in the state tournament . . .

my agent Charlie Zumwalt tells me he's seldom seen better shooting than the Tornado displayed against the Pelicans Saturday night . . . there seems to be no standout team in the state this season, with the Halbrooks, Allenhofs and Rosses gone . . . team play will likely be more in evidence this year in the Big Show in Eugene in March . . . the Associated Press plans to start the state high school basketball poll next week . . . the first vote of the top ten teams will be published in PMs of Feb. 3 . . .

NEWARK, N. J. — Joe Blackwood, 163, Paterson, N. J., outpointed Lino Armenteros, 164, Havana, 8.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y. — Joe Tomasello, 155 1/2, Elizabeth, N. J., 153 1/2, Newark, N. J., 8.

Sox Do Nip-ups Over Fain

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN
CHICAGO (AP) — Landing reliable Ferris Fain from the Philadelphia Athletics has pumped the Chicago White Sox full of 1953 pennant dreams.

General Manager Frank Lane today was in a state of high elation over his successful year-long attempt to reel in the 30-year-old first baseman who led American League batters with .344 in 1951 and .327 last season.

To get consistent-hitting Fain, the tidest bit of trade bait that has been dangling for two years, the White Sox gave up their only proven long-ball hitter, first sacker Eddie Robinson.

OTHERS

That others were involved in the off-season's biggest baseball deal is somewhat inconsequential. The A's also donated Bob Wilson, rookie second baseman who batted .269 for Indianapolis in the American Association in 1952. The Sox gave up outfielder Ed McGhee and in-



TONY ROSS

... faces Vagnone tonight

Yamato, Szasz Mix Tonight

At Szasz bounces back into the local wrestling picture tonight against the customers' pet peeve, Tor Yamato.

Szasz, canny veteran of the mat who has been tagged Mr. Wrestling, shows signs of becoming the most popular performer on the local front.

He'll rate high with fans tonight if he can outthrust the sadistic Jap—and he's favored to do just that. Yamato has little more than the sleeper hold to rely on and he has to softer opponents with hatchet blows to latch on with his dream-land gimmick.

Fans who have seen Szasz' blinding speed doubt Yamato will be able to find the Rubber Ball of the Mat.

But the experiment should be interesting and is expected to pull in the wrestling customers, particularly inasmuch as it shares main event billing with a bout pairing Tough Tony Ross and Gino Vagnone, the newest ruffian to the Klamath Falls ring who drubbed Lou Meccera last week.

Science is expected to be left in the dressing-room when Ross and Vagnone mix. Both are firm exponents of the knuckle treatment. These two bouts are down for one hour's duration—or the best two of three falls.

The 30-minute, one-fall opener pits Meccera against Don Kinred, a Negro wrestler making his debut here.

The Army box-office opens at 7:30, one hour before the Meccera-Kinred skirmish.

Antlers Lose To Hornets

Francis Roberts dumped 19 points last night at Bonanza to lead the Henley Hornets to a 62-38 win over the Antlers in a non-league game on the losers' court.

Bob Hill added 12, Noel Jones 11 in the rout.

Henley held a skimpy 9-4 lead after one quarter but bulged it to 24-14 at the half and 41-26 going into the last frame.

Henley won the junior varsity preliminary, 50-30.

Box Score			
HENLEY (H)		BONANZA	
Roberts 19	F	3 L. Roberts	
Anderson 5	C	2 Dick	
Vadon 5	C	H. Koertje	
Kasler 5	C	B. Butts	
Hill 12	G	3 Givens	
Henley subs: Jones 11, Case 4, Wright 2, Parker 2, Seaberry 7, Bonanza subs: Hoefler 6, C. Roberts 1, Burnett 7, C. Koertje 3, Janssen.			

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Willie Poo, 130, Hartford, Conn., outpointed Davey Mitchell, 131, Toronto, 10.

LOS ANGELES — Jess Fuentes, 160, Los Angeles, outpointed Jimmy Martinez, 159, Glendale, Ariz., 10.

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RED HURD, Sports Editor

Melbourne May Lose Next Olympic Games

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—The cloud is not much bigger than a skillet at the moment, but we have a drop down feeling after reading the latest news from Australia that it's tough and go whether the next Olympic Games will be held at Melbourne. This country could get them yet.

There plainly has been a great change since we were in Melbourne just over three weeks ago and had an extended talk with Arthur W. Coles, the big shot industrialist who had been coaxed into taking on the enormous task of organizing the 1956 carnival.

NEEDED

Coles, retired and wealthy, accepted the job only because he felt he was needed and that he would be given pretty much of a free hand in untangling what was fast developing into an uncoordinated mess. In the brief time between his appointment and when we saw him, Coles felt he

had made a great deal of progress and he was confident he had the thing licked.

The particular apple of his eye was a great new stadium which was to begin rising soon at the old Carlton football ground. The job of raising the old stands at ready had begun.

Coles was happy that the men who control a sprawling old cricket ground in the center of the city had ruled against holding the Olympics on their property. He felt it was better that Melbourne should have a fine new stadium.

PEACHY

Now, less than a month later, we read that they apparently are right back where they started. Having learned that Coles is dead serious about building a stadium, the cricket fathers have decided that, after all, it would be peachy to have their ramshackle old plans rebuilt and made pretty for the games.

This presents, incidentally, more of a problem than just erecting a new stand to replace the ancient structures on one side of the field which went up originally during Queen Victoria's reign. The cricket ground isn't anywhere near level. One side of the field is, in fact, a dozen feet higher than the other.

HALTS WORK

Coles didn't anticipate any difficulty with the state of Victoria's new laborite government about obtaining promised funds for building the new stadium, but we note that Premier John Cain has ordered work halted pending conferences with the cricket crowd. There is strong opposition from some quarters to building anything in Australia at this time except low-cost housing.

The only comment reported to have been made by Coles was the cryptic remark that "instead of the games we now have a site argument." That sounds like a man who was getting fairly well filled up. Coles was their hope. The day he decides he's had enough will be a bad one for the Aussies.

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Staters Weekend Invaders

Portland State, currently the last club in the Oregon Collegiate Conference, invades Klamath Falls for a Friday-Saturday series with the home-loving Owls of Oregon Tech.

The Owls, who held the OCC lead for three days until they ran into Oregon College at Monmouth Friday and Saturday, will be out to falter their record on the Vikings here.

Oregon College, league leader now with a 3-1 record after the grand slam over the Owls, go to La Grande for a Thursday-Friday series against Eastern Oregon, currently tied with Oregon Tech for second place in the league, both with 2-2 records.

Portland State comes here with a 1-3 record in league play.

Scoring star for the Vikings is Don Korpke. Other regulars for Coach Arba Ager's cage crew include Don McLean, Ron Brown and Whitley Dahl.

Oregon's mentor, Art Kirkland, will no doubt go with his regular starting five—Jerry Wyal and Tom Schubert at the forward positions, Keith Thompson at center, Len Gorman and Walt Butler at the guard spots.

Tip-off time both nights is 8 o'clock.



WALT BUTLER, ex-Washington High star, is seen at one guard spot when the Oregon Tech invades Klamath State in a Friday-Saturday cage series.

DeMolay, Gun Store Post Wins

Gun Store and the DeMolay Blues posted victories in the Victory League last night to pull up even with the Sixth Street Wreckers in the cage circuit.

The Blues whipped Dalton and Keefe, 60-46. Gun Store outlasted Metters, 43-38.

Clayton Hanson was high for the Blues with 14. Dean Gordy poured in 19 points for the losing Dalton and Keefe team.

Ken Bigby and Chuck Boettcher led Gun Store with 16 and 14 points; Williams canned 11 for Metters. Benny Lawler, 10.

DeMolay Blues, Wreckers and Gun Store are all unbeaten with three wins.

Matmen Seek Seventh Win

Klamath's high school wrestlers are favored to make it seven straight tomorrow afternoon at the expense of the Medford mat team.

The match starts 3 p.m. on Pellican Court.

The main event is expected to be the one pairing Medford's Norm Hanscomb against Klamath's state champion Dean Johnson in the 135-

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