

Malin Tops Merrill; B Teams To End Year

COUNTY B LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Malin	6	1	.857
Sacred Heart	4	2	.667
Chiloquin	2	3	.400
Bly	2	3	.400
Bonanza	2	3	.400
Merrill	2	4	.333
Gilchrist	1	4	.250

Malin closed their 1955-56 County B League basketball year Thursday night with an untarnished win-loss record, but there will be two important league tilts and a non-league battle on tap this evening as the County B teams finish the regular season's schedule.

Coach Jim Conroy's Malin Mustangs packed away the traveling trophy last week by turning back Chiloquin, and last night they buried Merrill, 86-48, to maintain an undefeated league record of six straight wins. In the season, Malin has won 19 of 20 games.

Sacred Heart's Trojans assured themselves of the second place in the B League race last weekend, but the third place battle is wide open and will be settled tonight in what might find a tie for the third position, and the number three seeding in the tournament next Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Chiloquin's Panthers, defending traveling trophy winners, will travel to Gilchrist to do battle with the last place Grizzlies, and are expected to finish their season at the 500 mark with three wins. Should Gilchrist upset the Panthers, the Grizzlies would not be alone in the basement of the league's standings. Merrill would be co-owner, as both teams would then hold 2-4 records.

In another game tonight that will carry lots of weight for the third and fourth place spots in the final tabulation, Bonanza's Antlers journey to Bly for a battle with the

Bobcats. In a game that is regarded as a tossup, with some picking Bonanza, either of the two could finish tied with Chiloquin, providing the Panthers also win tonight, for the league's third place.

Sacred Heart Academy, all through with its official league games, takes the evening off to tangle with the A-2 Hornets of Henley High on the Henley maple boards. This is a non-league battle and will have no bearings towards the standings. Coach Dino Obispo's Trojans will go into next week's tournament seeded in the number two position.

The B teams will open tonight's action at Gilchrist, Bly and Henley starting at 7:30. The varsity games will get underway at 8:45.

Last night at Malin, the Mustangs galloped over the Huskies with apparent ease that had toppled the other five B League opponents. Merrill trailed 21-15 at the end of the first period, and 50-27 at the close of the half. The third quarter's final tally gave Malin the long-end of a 74-42 count as the Mustangs' attack could not be stemmed.

Combining the scoring talents of Norm Oliva and Ray Johnson, Malin was not to be denied a clean sweep of the league's counting schedule. Oliva tossed in 27 points, while Johnson hit for 22. High for the losing Merrill quintet were Herb Schlicht and Terry Sherrill with 12 points apiece. John Reed added 11, the same number bucketed by Malin's Glen Steyskal.

In the preliminary game, Malin's B squad won their 16th straight game to sew up the league's B team trophy for the year. The junior Mustangs topped Merrill's B squad, 44-34.

In scoring 22 points, Johnson took over the lead in the individual scoring race for the County B League season. Johnson's leading total of 122 points in six games for an average of 20.3 points per game. Dean Michaelis, point leader throughout the season, fell to second spot with 110 points for an average of 18.3 per contest. Bonanza's Ron Roberts with 93 and Chiloquin's Dick Siemens with 91 have tonight's games to count toward their final point totals, and may possibly surpass Johnson's 122 points.

The top ten league scorers are as follows: (Malin, Sacred Heart and Merrill are finished in league play, while the other four teams have one game to play.)

Name	School	Points
R. Johnson	Malin	122
D. Michaelis	Sacred Heart	110
R. Roberts	Bonanza	93
D. Siemens	Chiloquin	91
N. Oliva	Malin	85
T. Larson	Gilchrist	83
G. Steyskal	Malin	68
T. Sherrill	Merrill	62
D. Burnett	Bonanza	60
J. DePuy	Sacred Heart	60

Shortscore: (Malin (48), Sacred Heart (31), Merrill (12), Reed (11), C. Oliva (27), Scherrill (12), G. Johnson (22), Laney (19), G. Steyskal (11), Danosky (12), Suba for Malin; Saunders (2), Dr. zill (3), Harmon (10), Suba for Merrill; Haskins (2), Official: Kimpton and Young.



HE WANTS OUT—Referee Frank Udvari tries to climb out of the Madison Square Garden rink as Lou Fontinato of the New York Rangers (dark jersey) and Montreal Canadiens Claude Provost (left) and Floyd Curry (6) bang each other around.

Oregon State College Hosts Loop-Leading UCLA Bruins

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
It's Oregon State's turn to try to throw a roadblock into the path of UCLA's headlong drive toward the Pacific Coast Conference basketball title won last year by the Corvallis Beavers.

But it will be an uphill struggle with the Beavers' main hope resting on the fact the games Friday and Saturday nights will be played on their home floor at Corvallis. Oregon State has won only two of its 10 conference starts. The more-experienced Bruins have won

all eight of their league games and will be out to make it 10 straight. A double victory at Corvallis would all but clinch the PCC title for the Bruins since their six remaining games will be played at home.

Washington hopes to work its way up in the standings at the expense of Idaho. The Huskies once were regarded as pennant-contenders but two losses to UCLA and one to Stanford dropped them to fourth place. They are rated as heavy favorites over the Vandals in the series at Moscow. The Vandals won only one of their 10 conference games.

Similarly, California, with a 6-2 record, is expected to have little trouble with Washington State (1-7). The series will be played at Berkeley.

Stanford (6-4) takes on Southern California (8-2) at Los Angeles to round out the weekend PCC schedule.

HOCKEY Scores

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Thursday's Results

WESTERN LEAGUE	NATIONAL LEAGUE
No games scheduled.	Montreal 8, Toronto 1
	INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
	Cincinnati 7, Fort Wayne 3
	EASTERN LEAGUE
	New Haven 2, Baltimore 1

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vs.
Malin Athletics
9:00 p.m.

One Game Thinking . . .

Dons Point For 46th Straight Win

SAN FRANCISCO (UP) — The University of San Francisco Dons, still riding the crest of one of the most remarkable victory strings in sports, go after their 46th consecutive win tonight—without any signs of pressure bothering them.

"We still are playing one game at a time," says Coach Phil Woolpert. "That way we don't worry about the victory string—or what would happen if it was broken."

"When we talk about the upcoming game, I never underestimate the power of the opposition—and at the same time, I never over-rate it. Our boys just go steadily along playing their game the best they can, because they like to win."

The Dons take on St. Mary's College at Richmond tonight and that should be pretty much of a

breath for this USP club with the professional polish.

Woolpert admits that the caliber of competition in the California Basketball Association isn't the greatest this year.

"Most of the teams are made up of sophomores," says the young coach. "So things aren't as tough as they might be. But when we have to step up our brand of play, I think we can do it."

Woolpert still is sticking with his star guard, K. C. Jones in the lineup—despite the fact that Jones will be ineligible for the NCAA play-offs.

"He is a great performer and I want him to get in as much playing time as possible," says Woolpert. "When he is through,

then Gene Brown will move into his position."

The Dons are just two games away from a cinch berth in the NCAA play-offs, where their opposition will be the UCLA Bruins, in all likelihood. But they don't expect too much trouble there either. They are looking forward to the possibility of meeting Utah in the second round.

Meanwhile, the lop-sided Pacific Coast Conference race moves along with the Bruins just about out of reach of the rest of the clubs. They take on the defending champion Oregon State Beavers in a pair of games at Corvallis this week. While UCLA has an 8-0 PCC record, the Beavers have won only three and lost eight.

In other PCC games, Washington State invades California; Stanford visits Southern California and Washington goes to Idaho.

In the CBA, aside from the USP-St. Mary's game tonight, College of Pacific plays at San Jose State; Loyola meets Santa Clara and Pepperdine tangles with Fresno State. Tomorrow night in the CBA, Loyola meets San Jose State and Pepperdine takes on College of Pacific.

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Reigel Takes Small School Scoring Lead

NEW YORK (UP) — Six-foot, five-inch Bill Reigel of McKeesport (Pa.), who fired 47 points through the hoop Saturday against Northeast Louisiana, took over as the national small-college basketball scoring leader today with an average of 32.8 points per game.

The move to the top climaxed a steady uphill drive for Reigel and came after he had compiled a total of 120 points in his last three games. He is only the third player to lead the statistics issued by the NCAA this season, succeeding Dave Olmsted of Clarkson and Bob Hopkins of Grambling.

Olmsted, who had been on top last week, dropped to second with a 31.5 average. Chester Webb of Georgia Teachers stands third with 30.6, and Hopkins now is fourth with 30.5.

On the basis of total points, Reigel also leads the nation with 819 and may become the first collegian to top 1,000 this season.

Shuff-Stuff

NATIONAL LEAGUE (final)

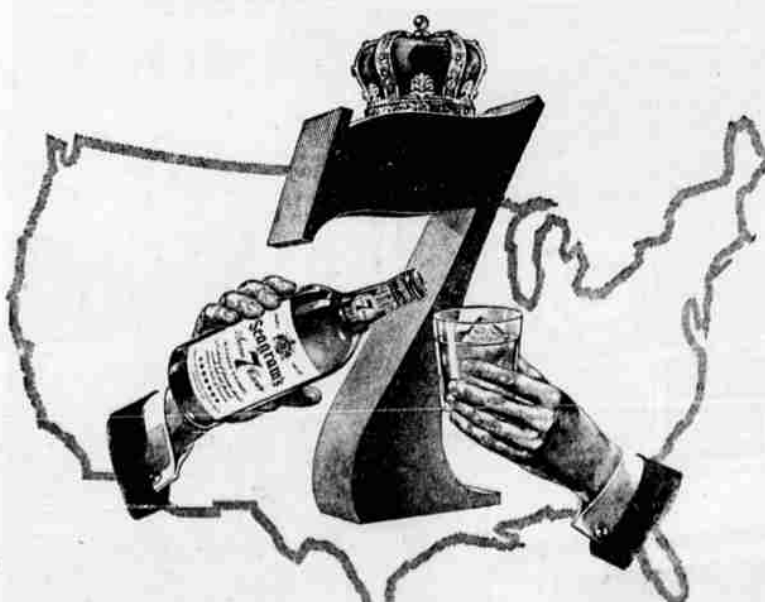
	W	L
Mecca	37	3
Suburban	27	13
Eagles	19	21
Tot's	14	26
Woods	12	28
Tiny's	11	29

AMERICAN LEAGUE (final)

	W	L
Roll's	31	9
Armory	27	13
Round-Up	26	14
Drumstick	17	23
South Six	14	26
Kanteen	5	35

Last night's results:
Roll's 4, Round-Up 6
South Six 4, Drumstick 8
Kanteen 0, Armory 4

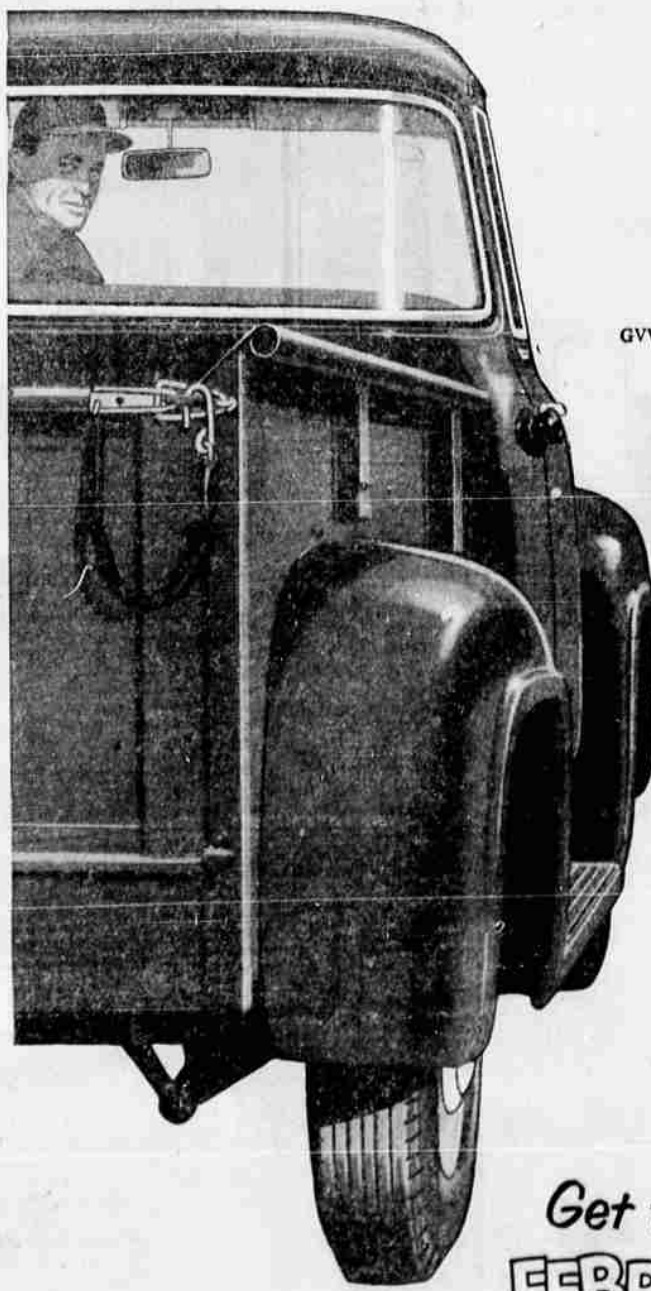
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