

Oh-Hum...USF Wins 48th Straight

Dons Whip COP, 87-49 To Earn NCAA Berth

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Coch Phil Woolpert, whose San Francisco Dons have topped the Associated Press college basketball poll all season, must have been looking at five other guys when he got the idea his regulars might be getting stale.

He let them kick up their heels for a change last night and the Dons frolicked in an 87-49 run-away against College of the Pacific — locking up their second straight California Basketball Association title and gaining official entry to the NCAA Tournament for defense of their national championship.

It was San Francisco's 48th consecutive triumph and the 54th in 55 starts, and the school immediately claimed an all-time college record.

The NCAA recognizes a 55-game streak by Little Rock (Ark.) in the mid-20s as the all-time record. But Dick Blake, Dons' publicity man, said he has a letter from A. G. Wheeler, Peru athletic director, stating the record was against Nebraska teams only and did not represent consecutive victories against all opponents.

Wheeler told The Associated Press, however, that he had no way of knowing for sure whether Peru played outside teams in the streak—which, he added, he found to be 54 games, not 55.

Woolpert, who has found the winning streak monotonous, announced he would consider the last four games of the regular season as "scrimmages" in way of a warm-up for the opening NCAA tournament game against the Pacific Coast Conference champ (probably UCLA, the last team to beat the Dons).

So, instead of pulling his regulars early, he let them romp at will against COP. All America Bill Russell, the 6-10 center, promptly banged in 26 points while playing all but 2½ minutes.

Elsewhere, Southern Methodist became the first team to sweep through the Southwest Conference unbeaten since Texas did it in 1947. An 85-75 romp against Rice did it for the Mustangs, who had sewed up their second straight league crown Saturday.

Texas Tech, though idle, loomed as SMU's probable opening foe in the NCAA as West Texas A&M Tech all but topped the Border Conference and with a chance to clinch the title and NCAA berth against New Mexico A&M tonight.

George Washington, warming up for its bid for a title and NCAA entry in the Southern Conference tournament which opens tomorrow, clipped Georgetown 93-77, although ace Joe Holup was held to 12 points.

Herald and News Sports

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KU Matmen Travel To Mat Tourney

Coach Dutch Simons and 12 Klamath Union High School wrestlers will leave Thursday for the 1956 Oregon State High School Wrestling Tournament at Oregon State College in Corvallis in quest of their sixth state championship in nine years.

Klamath's 13 entries in the state tournament is one of the largest number of qualifiers for any of the participating schools. Redmond claimed 14 positions in the state

meet last weekend by sweeping their district tournament. Klamath also shared district honors last weekend at Ashland as they captured their seventh straight district title.

Prep Cage Tournament Ticket Sale

Klamath Union High School basketball fans planning to attend the state tournament in Eugene, March 13-17, can order reserved seats for the week long cage classic now.

The season reserved seat duet for adults is \$10. The season ticket for students, not reserved, is \$4. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday night adult reserved tickets are \$1.80. Friday and Saturday night, adult reserved seat tickets are \$2.40. Single general admission tickets for the final two nights will cost \$2. Single student pasteborders for the evening games will be 99 cents.

Tickets may be ordered in advance by addressing your request to: Ted Bouck, Tournament Business Manager, McArthur Court, Eugene, Oregon.

The local high school will not carry any tickets what so ever, according to athletic director Joe Peak.

A new record attendance mark is expected to be set this year as the annual basketball playoffs close the winter sports picture for high school athletes throughout the state. According to Bouck, the advance ticket sales are up about 15 per cent over last year, which means the attendance record set last season will undoubtedly be shattered.

The drawings for first round tournament games will be made March 5, next Monday, in the OSAA offices at Portland.



DUTCH SIMONS
... eyes state crown

In past state wrestling tournaments, Klamath has won five, including four straight from 1948-51. Last year the Whitebirds finished third behind Lebanon and Canby.

This year's tournament will feature the first appearance of Portland high schools in the mat meeting. This is the Portland's first year in prep grappling section. The number of team entries will be the largest ever. When the tournament first started in 1949, the entry list was somewhere in the neighborhood of 10, and this year approximately 65 schools will be entered.

Included in the list of Klamath Falls grapplers making the jump to Corvallis will be Richard Berg, defending state champion, Berg won the district title last Saturday at Ashland, and will lead the Pelican charges as they attempt to bring back the state championship to KUHS.

Other District 7 champions wearing the red and white colors of Klamath Union in the state tournament will be C. B. Simons, 178-pounds, Dave Leeling, 157-pounds, Gary Roberts, 123-pounds, Steve Bleak, 98-pounds, and Gary Cramer, 109-pounds.

Seven runnersup will complete Klamath's entry list for the week-end tussel. Dan Hitchcock placed second behind Leeling to give the Pels a 1-2 punch in the 157-pound class, Larry Bender gave Klamath another clean sweep in the 98-pound division by placing second to Bleak.

Other second-place finishers in the week-end district matches include Ken Kuhlman, Bill Steiner, Harold Day, Roy Ropp and Bob Harshbarger. Kuhlman will be entered in the 115-pound class, Steiner, 136-pounds, Day, 141-pounds, Ropp, 168-pounds, and Harshbarger will be the Pels hopes in the heavyweight division.

The first action in the state meet will be Friday noon, and matches will continue all day Friday and finish sometime late Saturday.

MSU Names Niemi

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — Lauri Niemi, overtime football All America at Washington State College, Tuesday was named line coach at Montana State University.

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Malin Awaiting 5-B Battle

Malin's Mustangs, Klamath County 5-B League champs, will open defense of its 1955 District 5-B crown Friday night at Southern Oregon College in Ashland when they tangle with St. Mary's of Medford for a berth in the state B basketball tournament, March 8-11.

Last year, Malin won the local B loop race, and turned back Talent two straight games to win the district flag. This weekend, the task will be a tough one as coach Jim Conroy's Mustangs will be facing one of the strongest Jackson County B teams in the last several years of play.

Both Malin and St. Mary's have impressive win-loss records going into the battle for a state tournament spot. Malin has recorded 23 wins against one setback, that of an early season loss to Tulelake before Malin's state championship football wrinkles were ironed out. Since losing to Tulelake, Malin has won 29 straight games, including a revenge-triumph over Tule. St. Mary's has won 19 and lost three. Two of the three losses were suffered at the hands of Southern Oregon's junior varsity team, while the other was handed down by Phoenix, a strong A-2 team in Jackson County.

The first two games of the best of three district playoff will be played on the SOC maple court, and should a third deciding game be necessary, Klamath Union High School's Pelican Court, or Henley High School, would probably be the neutral floor. This third game would be played Monday night.

Malin will have the edge in height as they go against the Crusaders of St. Mary's, the same school the Mustangs battled for the district football championship last fall. Malin will have 9-3 Norri Oliva and Roger Dokken and 6-2 Allan Myers in the starting lineup, while the only source of height St. Mary's can claim is 6-3 Tony Miksche, starting center. The Crusaders also have 6-5 Jerry Flakus, a sophomore, who "is still a year away" according to Medford basketball reports.

Millard Webb is in his first season as head coach at St. Mary's after a brilliant record in past seasons with leading prep clubs throughout the state. Webb had a state championship team at Rogue River and several top contenders while working the post of basketball coach at Condon and Jacksonville.

Klamath Sons, Townies Post Tourney Wins

The Klamath Sons and Chiloquin Townies registered wins in second round games played last night in the Klamath Indian Reservation Basketball Tournament at Chiloquin as they dumped the Chiloquin Pirates and Klamath Agency.

The Townies, led by the sharp-shooting Gene Gentry, pulled away to a 78-58 triumph with a red-hot 54-point second half, after trailing at intermission, 25-24. Gentry tallied 46 points, 30 in the final half to lead the victory march. The third period final favored Chiloquin, 32-36. Vernon Joe hit 14 more for the Townies. High for the Agency was Richard Souers with 10.

In the other game played last night, the Sons had to come from behind in the final quarter to assure themselves of a 59-51 cage triumph over the Pirates. Head tipped the winner's scoring with 12 points as the Agency game from the short-end of a 43-43 third quarter score to capture the tournament. Shadley led the Pirates with 13 points, while Mike Jimenez and Jackson each added 10.

The final games will be played tonight at Chiloquin High School. The first game will start at 7 o'clock. The first and second place winners in this elimination tournament will draw berths in next month's All-Indian tournament to be played at Chiloquin.

Both of these tournaments are sponsored by the newly organized Reservation Jaycees. John Heilbroner is president.



MOOSE STATE WOMEN'S bowling champions for 1956 are these members of Klamath Falls' Southern Oregon Music Company team. Above, left to right, Jean Robinson, Clara Beard, LaRayne Harris, Vi Grams and Scotty Bray teamed together to sweep the team laurels at the recent Moose State Women's Bowling Tournament held at Springfield.

Jefferson Nabs Spot With Win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Jefferson of Portland, the state's No. 3 team in the latest Associated Press poll, won entry to the state class A-1 high school basketball tournament by wallowing Roosevelt Tuesday, 67-37.

Franklin and Lincoln, leading contenders for Portland's two other berths in the tournament, also came through with victories and now are near their goal of clinching berths. Franklin, the state's No. 2 team, trampled Cleveland, 77-62, and Lincoln downed Grant, 58-44.

Bjarne Jensen, 6-9 Franklin center, dropped in 42 points, just as he did in the game last weekend against Jefferson. That ran his league total to 338 points—25 per game—and made him Portland's second highest scorer in history. Only 7-foot Swede Halbrook exceeds him. Halbrook ran up 572 points in 1952. Jensen, a junior, can try again next year.

Art Schirmer, 6-2 senior center for Junction City, had an even bigger night. He ran up 46 points as Junction City defeated Pleasant Hill, 59-50.

In Eastern Oregon Baker, the state's eighth-ranked team, downed La Grande, 50-46, to send the Blue Mountain Conference into a three-way tie for the lead. Two tournament spots are available. Baker, Pendleton and Milton-Freewater now will play off for them.

A playoff also is coming up for Drain and St. Francis of Eugene in district 5 of class A-2. Drain defeated Willamette of Eugene Tuesday, 59-47. Oakridge nosed out St. Francis in overtime, 54-52. Drain and St. Francis will meet in a two-of-three series this weekend for the right to go to the A-2 tourney.

Crucial games also are coming up in district 3-A-1 this weekend. Central Catholic of Portland has clinched one berth there. The other will go to Gresham, Astoria or Milwaukie. Parke upset Astoria Tuesday night, 47-46, and Milwaukie downed Gresham, 53-44.

Gresham (4-3) will play Astoria (3-4) Friday, while Milwaukie (3-4) meets Central Catholic (6-1).

Basketball SCORES

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Tuesday's Results
FAR WEST

Gonzaga 78, Whitworth 60
Pacific Lutheran 81, Seattle Pacific 63
Linfield 66, Willamette 57
Yakima Valley J.C. 89, Clark J.C. 60
San Francisco 87, College of Pacific 49
Santa Clara 70, Fresno State 61
Pasadena Nazarene 73, Whittier 53

EAST
Cornell 73, Princeton 68
Rhode Island 82, Springfield Mass. 71
Massachusetts 68, Trinity (Conn.) 59
Geneva 84, Millersville 69
St. Peter's (NJ) 86, Iona 70
Boston Univ. 94, Boston College 70
Slippery Rock 86, Tiffin 55

SOUTH
George Washington 93, Georgetown (DC) 77
Navy 80, Catholic Univ. 52
Western Kentucky 86, Tenn. Tech 75
Wentworth 78, Gallaudet 55
Memphis State 78, Northwestern La. 65

MIDWEST
Oklahoma A&M 65, Wichita 62 (overtime)
Buffalo 88, Western Reserve 85
DePauw 84, Wabash 54

SOUTHWEST
Southern Methodist 89, Rice 75
Texas 98, Texas A&M 70
Arkansas 90, Texas Christian 71
West Texas 80, Texas Western 79

Oregon Prep Basketball
Baker 50, La Grande 46
Beaverton 58, Newberg 50
Oakridge 54, St. Francis (Eugene) 52 (overtime)
St. Helens 86, Vernonia 58
Sandy 79, Dallas 72
Drain 59, Willamette (Eugene) 47
Parkrose 47, Astoria 46
Milwaukie 53, Gresham 44
Seaside 56, Pacific Frosh 54
McMinnville 46, Forest Grove 44
Hillsboro 72, Tigard 61
Oregon City 68, West Linn 65 (overtime)

Elgin 64, Huntington 51
Jewell 60, Verboort 47
WyEast 43, Hood River 40
Junction City 69, Pleasant Hill 50
Brownsville 53, Harrisburg 49

Portland Schools
Jefferson 67, Roosevelt 37
Washington 63, Benson 47
Franklin 77, Cleveland 62
Lincoln 58, Grant 44

PRO BASKETBALL
Tuesday's Results
Rochester 113, Boston 97
Fort Wayne 99, New York 95

Olympics Doubtful For Miler

NEW YORK (AP)—Even if Wes Santee had been cleared of charges of accepting excessive expense money, it's doubtful if he could have appeared in the Olympics, an AAU official said today.

"I'm certain we never could have entered him in the games because the international federation wouldn't permit it after reading his testimony," said Irving Scholman, a member of the Executive Committee which imposed the ban. "However, on the basis of his testimony, we had no recourse but to suspend him."

The AAU yesterday released the report of a committee appointed to investigate Santee and it served to confirm the already-published resumes.

It also brought about the following developments:
1. Pinsky Sobor, who wrote the report that led to Santee's conviction, in effect, challenged the star miler to try to upset the Executive Committee's jurisdiction in the case.

2. AAU Secretary-Treasurer Dan Ferris said Santee could run in the All-Service Championships in Los Angeles in June.

3. Santee's lawyer Charles P. Grimes refused to comment on the report.

Sober, head of the AAU Track and Field Committee and an attorney, said:
"The only leg they (Santee and Grimes) would possibly have to stand on is the matter of jurisdiction. But the AAU constitution points out that the national organization has complete priority over any action of a regional organization."

Grimes said when Santee was suspended that he would take the case to the courts on the basis that the Executive Committee did not have jurisdiction in the case—that any evidence gathered by Sobor should have been sent back to the Missouri AAU, which cleared Santee of similar charges last year.

Brook King, 8-year-old pacer owned by Glen Bice of Galesburg, Ill., led the nation's harness horses in 1955 with 27 victories. He made 42 starts and earned \$4,100.

Cal Coach Grooming Youth For Olympics

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—The only time in his life he ever ran the mile run, Don Bowden of the University of California was clocked in 4:11.7.

That was last year as a freshman—and Coach Brutus Hamilton was so shocked that his eyeballs nearly fell out of their sockets.

So today Hamilton is grooming the young sprinter for a spot on the U. S. Olympic team.

"He runs both the mile and the 800," says Brutus. "I don't know if he'll have enough stamina to go the longer distance. After all, he is only 19 years old."

Bowden stands six feet two inches tall and weighs 150 pounds. So it is easy to see that he might lack the stored-up energy needed in a mile run. Most of last year, as a freshman at Cal, he ran only in the 800-yard event.

BOTH EVENTS
"But this year I'm training him to run in both events," said Hamilton. "Eventually, he is going to be a great miler—but I'm not sure if he can make the grade as that distance right now."

Fraley's Facts, Figures

By OSCAR FRALEY
United Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK (UP) — Ted Williams, although he will be 38 in August, still rates today as the toughest man in baseball when it comes to swinging a bat.

Certainly the pitchers think he is, because the Boston thin man led the American League in intentional walks last season with 17 in only 96 games. Batting champion Al Kaline of Detroit and Chicago's Sherman Lollar tied for second with 12, according to the new American League Red Book.

Williams also matched Mickey Mantle's feat of hitting a home run in every park, despite his late start and limited action. Undoubtedly, if Williams hadn't been 60 times at bat short of the required number of appearances, he also would have taken the batting title on his final 256 at-bats—and he also led all hitters in night batting with a .269 record in 58 games.

The White Sox, incidentally, were the night champions of the league with a 13-14 record and a .689 percentage. Strangely enough, they had their best record under foreign bulbs, going 19-7 on the road under the Mazdas. Washington was the big loser under the lights with a 20-37 night time record.

Among the hitters, Kaline, who won the batting title with a .340 record, probably would like to play all his games against Kansas City or against Washington at night. Against the A's he batted .451 for the year and swinging at the Senator pitchers under the lights he batted an even .500.

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Bowden's best time in the half-mile is 3:12—but he was clocked in 1:40 in his half-mile lap of the two-mile relay.

Hamilton, coach of the U. S. Olympic team for the 1952 games at Helsinki, didn't get much help from his own university of California club that year. But this time he has three possibilities.

The others are Monte Uphaw and Leonard King, both sophomores with brilliant futures ahead of them.

Uphaw, who also is a good sprinter and hurdler, has a mark of 25 feet, four inches, in the broad jump.

"He hurt his knee last year and, while it hasn't bothered him in running, we still don't know how he will do in jumping," said Hamilton. "If he is okay, he might make 25 feet, 10 inches this year."

NEARS MARK
As an 18-year-old freshman last year, King was clocked twice in the 100-yard dash at 9.4 seconds. With the world mark at 9.3, there is a chance that the youngster may be right among the top men in the world this year when it comes to Olympic time.

But with Santee sidelined after the professional charges, Bowden might take over the spotlight in the world's most popular race.

Bowden hasn't run the mile since that one race—at least with the stop-watches on him—so Hamilton hasn't any idea if his star has improved or deteriorated.

"The race in the Olympics is at 1600 meters, and the NCAA races will be the metric distances this year," said Hamilton. "He would have to run about 3:46 or 3:47 to qualify, I believe. This compares with the world record, held by Santee, of 3:42.8."

"But mark my word, some day he is going to be a very fine miler."

BOWLING SCORES

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE
Stuel Rusters 80 21
Pete Cole 80 37
Dugan and Mead 84 42
Eugene Tech 89 47
Curtis Meals 89 49 1/2
Griggs Foods 89 49 1/2
Oregon Tech Faculty 89 49 1/2
Senior Trip 2 VW 2
Gerald Troy 26 25 1/2
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Westminster 30 19 1/2

Last night's results:
OTT 4, Pesti Cola 0
Oregon Tech 4, Dugan and Mead 0
Senior Trip 2, Westminister 2
Stuel Rusters 3, Griggs 1
Hicks 2, Curtis Meals 2

Higgins Sees Batting Jump By Sam White

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Boston Red Sox manager Mike Higgins, who rarely makes predictions, thinks catcher Sammy White will boost his batting average some 60 points this year.

"White will hit .320 this season," Higgins said Tuesday after closely watching his ace receiver in a batting drill.

"All Sammy has to do is learn that strike zone and stop swinging at bad pitches," Higgins explained to writers.

"He swings at too many bad pitches, but he has all the tools, and certainly he is a .300 hitter," Higgins added.

White, who hit only .261 last year and has an average of .273 since joining the Red Sox in 1951, is Higgins' top personal project as the spring training season gets underway.

White appreciates the aid from his manager and says he is learning all the time.

"I'm not a natural hitter," Sammy said. "I never was. I'm learning all the time. I don't know about these other guys, but there never is a game where I don't pick up some tips."

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