

Mustangs, St. Mary's Meet Tonight

Court Rules In Favor Of Santee

District B Crown At Stake

Malin and St. Mary's of Medford will collide tonight in the first game of a best of three District B basketball playoffs, and a state tournament berth is in the offering for the winner of the weekend's action taking place on the Southern Oregon College maple court at Ashland.

Tip-off time for both games, tonight and Saturday, is 8 o'clock. In case a third and deciding game is necessary it will be played here Monday night, either at KUHS or Henley.

The Mustangs of Malin captured the Klamath County B League crown last weekend in an eight-team tournament, and St. Mary's swept through the Jackson County B League season undefeated to gain berths in the district finals.

Last year, Malin was the Klamath County representative and walked Tallent, the Jackson County leader, two straight games to win the trip to the state playoffs. In the tournament, Coach Jim Conroy's Malin hoopers were beaten on a last second basket by Knappa in the championship game. St. Mary's last district champion came in 1955.

The district basketball playoffs are featuring the same two clubs that battled it out for the right to enter the state football picture, which Malin eventually won.

Conroy's Malin team has been installed as slight favorites because of their height advantage over the shorter, but faster St. Mary's. In the Mustangs front-line, three hoopers stretch above the 62 level, while St. Mary's has one cager at 6-3, and two others are close to the six foot mark.

Malin will probably start Norm Oliva at center, and Roger Dokken and Allan Myers at the two forward spots. Oliva and Dokken are both 6-3, while Myers is 6-2. Glen Steyskal, a 5-10 sharp-shooting senior will be at one guard position for Malin, and Ray Johnson, 5-11 Malin play-maker, will be Steyskal's running mate. All of the Malin starters, except Myers, are all-county selections this year. Oliva, Dokken and Johnson are also returning all-state hoopers from last year's state tourney.

Other Malin cagers making the trip are Wes Drazil, Len Dobry, Dale Rick, Roland Harmon and Grady Saunders. Manager Harry Wilson also accompanied Conroy and his team to the Ashland action.

For the St. Mary's Crusaders, coach Millard Webb is expected to use the same starting lineup that carried his club through an undefeated league season. A pair of short but quick-moving and deadly shooting guards Laval Meunier and Dick Paup, will lead the Crusaders' scoring attack, while St. Mary's backboard strength must be handled by center Tony Mikesche, a 6-3 senior. The two forward assignments will be extended to John Welsh and Gerald Garland, a pair of 6-0 seniors. Welsh and Meunier are considered St. Mary's chief source for scoring, while Mikesche and Garland carry the biggest share of the Crusaders' backboard work.

Malin's win-loss record going into the weekend's playoffs is 23-1, while St. Mary's has captured 19 wins against three losses. Malin has won 20 in-a-row after suffering an early season loss to Tulelake before the football kinks were worked out by the Mustangs.

Costa Meets Baby Vasquez

NEW YORK (AP) — Madison Square Garden may be only a "studio" for television as far as boxing goes these days but it's still the shining goal of most fighters. Sometimes appearing in the Garden for the first time makes even veterans freeze.

"That's what happened to me the last time against Frankie Ryff," said Mexico's Baby Vasquez. "I was too tight and too excited. I couldn't get off, I'll do better against Costa."

Tonight Vasquez meets clever Carmelo (Chubby) Costa, second ranking featherweight contender from Brooklyn.

The 24-year-old Mexican lightweight champion will have to be in top form to give the fast-moving, fast-fighting Brooklynite a battle. Costa is a 3-1 favorite.

After losing to Ryff Dec. 23, Vasquez knocked out Bobby Cardenas in one round Jan. 7. His overall record is 38-10-1.

NBC will broadcast and telecast at 10 p.m. EST.

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Floyd, Heinsohn Lead Wins

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tom Heinsohn and Darrell Floyd, a pair of spanking new All-Americans, shared the spotlight with an upset and a couple of close shaves in college basketball last night.

Heinsohn did everything but put out the cat for Holy Cross, popping in 31 points and clearing 42 rebounds as the Crusaders, warming up for the NCAA Tournament, routed Boston College 111-75.

Floyd, Furman's two-time All-American, was only a step or two behind in point production with a total of 43 for a Southern Conference Tournament record while leading the Paladins to an 84-70 elimination of Virginia Tech.

It was the Southern's survival-of-the-fittest shindig at Richmond, Va., that unveiled the upset, with Washington and Lee's four-star General leading the wood to George Washington 63-60. George Washington had been clobbered with West Virginia in the three-day tournament which opened last night to determine the Southern champ and NCAA entry.

TUSSEL
Davidson almost made it a complete sweep by the underdogs, giving West Virginia a tussle before bowing 59-53. The Mountaineers met Floyd and Furman tonight in the semifinals with Washington and Lee paired against Richmond, which held William and Mary to four first half field goals to win 79-62 in the first round.

The Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament at Raleigh, N. C., had its share of first-round scares too. North Carolina State, ranked No. 5 in the nation and the defending ACC champ, had to scramble after blowing a 17-point lead to edge Clemson 85-84. North Carolina, ranked eighth nationally, came out of its game with Virginia huffin' and puffin' with a slim 81-77 decision.

And Wake Forest, No. 20, didn't see daylight until the last 10 minutes in its 79-64 victory over South Carolina. Wake meets North Carolina tonight. The last time they met, it led to a postgame brawl that cost both \$500 in ACC fines and each lost a player by suspension until March 5.

SEMI-FINAL
Duke, ranked No. 11 and slated to meet N. C. State in the other semifinal tonight, was the only easy winner, thumping Maryland 94-69.

Elsewhere, DePaul was too big and too potent for Manhattan in a battle of NCAA tourney entries in a 66-50 rout at Madison Square Garden. The Blue Demons, ending the regular season 13-7, will meet Wayne (Mich.) in the NCAA first round at Fort Wayne, Ind., March 12.

Utah wrapped up its second straight Skyline title by bopping Colorado A&M 91-60. Utah meets the winner of the regional game between Seattle and Idaho State in its first NCAA test, at Corvallis, Ore., March 16.

Wayne University Wins NCAA Berth

NEW YORK (AP) — Wayne University of Detroit, winner of its last 15 games and with an overall mark of 16-1, Tuesday was selected to play in the National Collegiate basketball championship tournament sponsored by the NCAA.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL Thursday's Results

FAR WEST

Utah 91, Colorado A&M 60

Brigham Young 70, New Mexico 69

Denver 119, Utah State 80

Montana 59, Wyoming 55

EAST

DePaul 86, Manhattan 70

Holy Cross 111, Boston College 75

St. Johns (Bkn) 75, NYU 66

Trinity (Conn) 75, Wesleyan 72

SOUTH

Miss State 82, Mississippi 74

Drake 90, Creighton 73

Valparaiso 81, John Carroll 79

(overtime)

Ohio Univ 105, Marietta 89

MIDWEST

Tulsa 55, Arkansas 51

St. Michaels (NM) 71, New Mexico Western 63

New Mexico A&M 66, West Texas 62

Midwestern (Tex) 70, Wayland 64

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Pee Wee Feeling Like Kid

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Harold (Pee Wee) Reese, who got his nickname because he liked to shoot marbles as a youngster, still feels "like a kid" as he prepares to start his 14th season with the Brooklyn Dodgers.

"Maybe an injury will stop me," he said today. "But a 21-year-old can get hurt too. And bating something of that nature, there isn't the slightest doubt in my mind about my ability to have another good year."

Reese batted .282 in 145 games in 1955 and there are some who will argue that he—not Roy Campanella or Duke Snider—was the most important guy for the Dodgers, who swept to their first world championship.

"I'm more confident this year than I was last spring," said the 36-year-old shortstop. "I had some serious doubts a year ago. My legs were giving me trouble and one day I told my wife that it looked like the beginning of the end."

He said that when the team reached the North, he looked up Leslie MacMillan, the retired track star who had been the running coach in the Dodger camp for several years. MacMillan told him that running over a hard infield track was the worst possible thing for a ballplayer to do.

"And I had done just that," Reese admitted. "This winter, I did no running at all. Just some bicycling to keep my legs in trim."

Meanwhile, Stan Musial, another guy who knows his way around the National League, was bubbling over with enthusiasm in the St. Louis Cardinals' camp in St. Petersburg, Fla.

"I feel better this spring than at any training time I can remember," said the six-time batting champ.

The managers made most of the news in the other camps yesterday.

YMCA Church League

Church of the Brethren, Klamath Temple and Suburban Christian are registered Unlimited Division YMCA Church League basketball victories Thursday night in three games played on the Altamont Junior High floor.

The Brethren whipped Mt. Laki 26-15 as Miller tossed in 12 points for high honors. Howell scored 12 and Allen added 10 more to aid Klamath Temple in bouncing Immanuel Baptist 31-22 in another contest. Beeson and Wright scored 13 and 12, but that didn't help Nazarene as Suburban Christian edged out a 41-39 triumph. High for the winners was Redden with 15.

In winning the 1955 American League pennant, the Yankees shut out their foes 19 times while being blanked themselves only five.

Miler To Enter In KofC Meet

NEW YORK (AP) — Wes Santee, America's controversial miler, returns to competition tomorrow night at Madison Square Garden with the blessing of a state Supreme Court justice and the approval of the Knights of Columbus track officials.

A court injunction signed yesterday by Justice James McNally and followed several hours later by a statement from K. of C. meet director Tom Harrigan paved the way for the return of the 24-year-old Marine lieutenant.

Santee, only American to come close to the magic 4-minute mile and this country's chief 1,500-meter hope in the Melbourne Olympics, was handed a lifetime suspension Feb. 19 by the Amateur Athletic Union's Executive Committee.

The AAU action came after a reported former University of Kansas runner had taken money above allowable expenses for a number of meets in 1953, including three in California.

At Quantico Va., where he is on duty with the Marine Corps Santee said he had been working out despite the AAU ban.

Charles P. Grimes Santee's attorney who sought the temporary injunction said Wes would arrive in New York today. Justice McNally set March 9 for the hearing on the injunction. Upon that decision likely will determine whether Santee will be permitted to run meets at Cleveland Chicago and Milwaukee later this month.

Yesterday's action set the stage for a return engagement between Santee and Ron Delany an Irishman from Villanova who has ruled the mile roost all season. In their only previous meeting at Boston Jan. 28 Delany won in 4:06.3 as Santee faded to fourth after following a blazing early pace.

Wes was clocked in 4:03.8. The AAU had no immediate comment on the Knights of Columbus decision to abide by an invitation, which its statement said was extended to Santee Jan. 19.

But after the injunction was signed Secretary-Treasurer Dan Ferris said:

"Now that the injunction has been granted maybe the people involved will have enough sense to do the right thing."

The day after Santee's suspension and after Grimes had warned of his plans for an injunction, Ferris told meet promoters:

"Santee's entry in a meet—even with an injunction—would not be accepted. At the same time he advised meet directors they would face loss of AAU sanction 'forever' if they permitted the Kansan to compete and that any athlete participating in a meet with Santee would jeopardize his amateur standing. The AAU rules forbid an amateur to compete against professionals."

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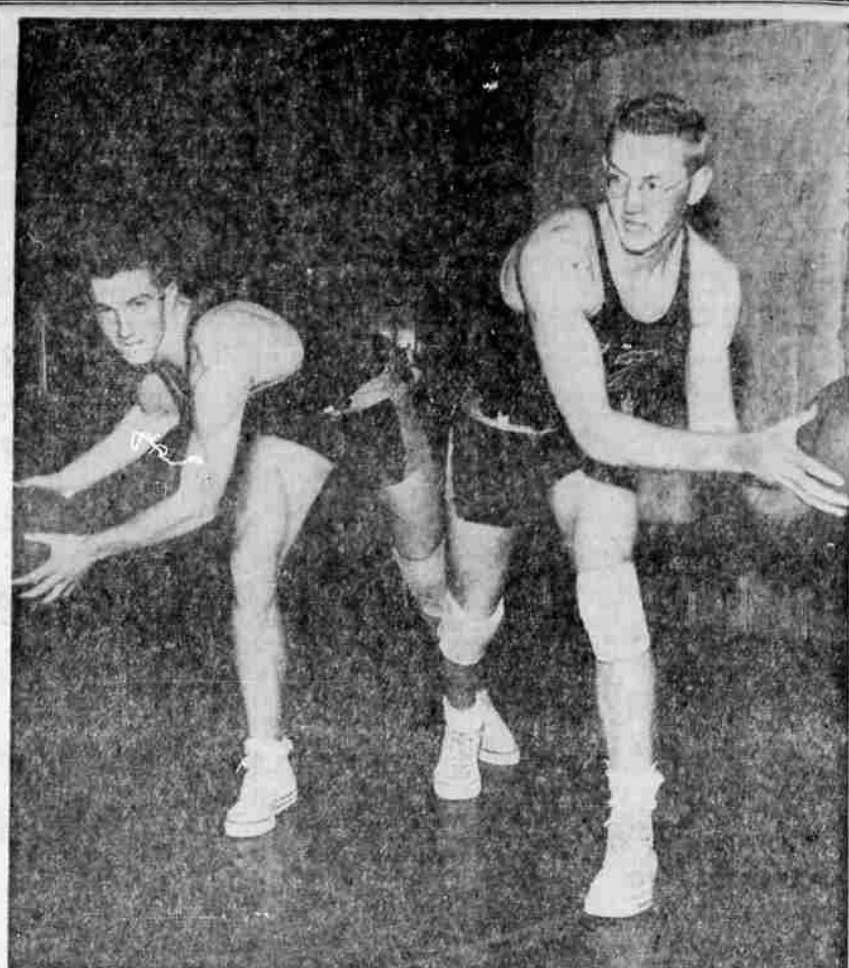
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RACING
MIAMI — King Haran (\$3.10) captured the \$23,500 Juvenile Stakes at Hialeah.

ARCADIA, Calif. — Barely Nothing (\$5) triumphed in Santa Anita's \$10,000 San Diego Handicap.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — America's top two amateurs, Vic Seixas and Art Tyson, scored easy victories to reach the quarterfinals of the Masters' Tourney.



BACKCOURT LEADERS for the Malin High School Mustangs as they move into the District 5-B basketball playoffs tonight at Ashland are these two all-county cagers, Ray Johnson, left, and Glen Steyskal, right. Johnson, a 1955 all-state selection, and Steyskal will lead the Klamath County winners against St. Mary's of Medford tonight in the first game of the district tournament.

TIME OUT



"I know it's an awful nuisance for you high-salaried stars, Sluggers, but dare I suggest you try breaking in your new glove and shoes yourself?"

Ezz Charles Missing From Ring Ratings

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