

Top Cage Club Nabs 87-78 Win

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Get yourself two kids who can set things up and take charge. Pick a center who can rebound, is mobile and can shoot. Add a pair of forwards who drive, shoot and follow shots. Put 'em all together and you have West Virginia, the nation's No. 1 major college basketball team.

Poised, alert and confident. That's how the Mountaineers looked as they built a 16-1 record in the Garden's main bout by shaking off a scrappy St. John's of Brooklyn for an 87-78 decision last night.

Holy Cross scored a 79-74 victory over New York University in the Garden opener. Connecticut used height and a late spurt for a 107-95 victory over Vermont, and Massachusetts took charge in the second half to beat Rhode Island 65-60 in a pair of Yankee Conference games.

Western Michigan slipped past Kent 79-78 in the Mid-American. Little St. Peter's (N.J.) rapped Loyola of Chicago 92-63. William & Mary whipped Hampden-Sydney 85-59.

West Virginia, long a one-man show with All America Hot Rod Hundley, got its big scoring from sophomore Jerry West with 21. But it was the Mountaineers' usual balanced attack that did it.

Able Al Seiden, a 5-10 handyman, was top scorer with 30 points and triggered St. John's spirited, almost desperate first-half play that five times hauled the Redmen from behind and put them ahead 40-38 at the intermission.

Holy Cross built and blew a 10-point lead, but Jack Whalen, benched early in the second half with four personals, came back to revive the Crusaders. He and Tom Ryan, who scored on a set shot that put Holy Cross ahead to stay with 1:51 left, each scored 19.

Picnic Trial Set Sunday

The Shasta Cascade Retriever Club has scheduled a picnic trial Sunday starting at 9 a.m. and all retriever owners are invited to take part in the day's activities. The trial will be held at the Vern Berry Ranch south of Klamath Falls.

Those planning to attend should turn east at Mac's Store on the Merrill Highway. The Berry Ranch is located one mile east on the right side of the road. Signs will be posted directing the way to the trial grounds.

The trial is not limited to SCRC members.

A small charge will be made for the use of birds and shells used in the retriever work.

KUHS Boosters Get Bowl Movies

The Pelican Booster Club held its weekly meeting Thursday at the Willard Hotel. Presiding was Jim Crismon who sat in for the President Harry Molatore.

The Boosters made known their plans to stage a spaghetti dinner in conjunction with the showing of the University of Oregon's color film of the Rose Bowl game Thursday, February 20.

Tickets to the affair may be purchased from members of the club.

Pelican coaches Don Megale and DeLance Duncan reviewed their week's activities. Megale promised that his eagles were ready for their Medford invasion, while Duncan, whose wrestlers will participate in the annual frosh mat tourney in Medford, expressed the conviction that his squad had a good chance to bring home a trophy.

George Demetrakos, chairman of the recent Grade School Jamboree, proclaimed the event a "howling success" and suggested that the affair be held annually.



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| CITY LEAGUE | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Walker Brothers | 70 12 |
| Lauca's Cafe | 60 28 |
| Coca Cola | 56 31 1/2 |
| Medea-Land | 55 33 |
| Larry's Foods | 53 33 |
| Simplot-Devoe | 50 37 1/2 |
| Car-Ad-Ce | 47 40 1/2 |
| K. C. Paint | 40 47 1/2 |
| Army Reserve | 35 53 |
| Winnam Elevators | 26 62 |
| Sawfay Stores | 21 67 |
| Sharps Grain | 11 77 |

| Last night's results: | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Car-Ad-Ce 3, K. C. Paint 1 | |
| Walker Brothers 3, Coca Cola 1 | |
| Lucia Cafe 4, Medea-Land 0 | |
| Winnam Elevators 3, Larry's Foods 1 | |
| Sawfay Stores 3, Sharps Grain 1 | |
| Army Reserve 2, Simplot-Devoe 2 | |

| High team game—Walker Brothers | |
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| High team series—Walker Brothers | 2381 |
| High individual game—Joe Lehr | 256 |
| High individual series—Gene Doughty | 529 |

| LADY BUG LEAGUE | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Schulze Tires | 54 34 |
| Jesse Z. Smith | 52 31 1/2 |
| Lucia Lounge | 48 40 |
| Howard's Cleaners | 48 40 |
| K. C. Toy Chest | 44 42 1/2 |
| Federal | 43 43 1/2 |
| Alley Katz Drive In | 43 44 1/2 |
| Skeet's Tavern | 42 45 1/2 |
| Wanda Drive In | 40 48 1/2 |
| Market Motors | 38 50 |
| Winnam Motors | 37 51 |
| Town Shop | 34 54 |

| Last night's results: | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Skeet's 4, Lucia 0 | |
| Town Shop 1, K. C. Toys 3 | |
| Alley Katz 2, Market Motors 1 | |
| Howard's 1, Lee's 3 | |
| First Federal 1, Schulze 1 | |
| Drive More 2, Jesse Z. Smith 2 | |

| High team game—Schulze Tires 1006 | |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| High team series—Schulze Tires | 2632 |
| High individual game—Marion Linville | 210 |
| High individual series—Mary Bothwell | 529 |

Commission Nixes Fight

BOISE, Idaho. (AP) — The State Athletic Commission has refused to give its blessings to a proposed fight between Gene Fullmer, ex-middleweight champion from West Jordan, Utah, and Mickey Rhodes of Boise.

Chairman Eddie Cole of Caldwell, reached in Pocatello, said "the commission doesn't feel Mickey Rhodes would be a suitable opponent for Gene Fullmer."

But Cole added such a fight might be sanctioned later "if Rhodes proved to be in good condition and demonstrated it in one or more fights leading up to such a bout."

BASKETBALL

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| EAST | |
|---|--|
| West Virginia 87, St. Johns (Bkn) 78 | |
| Holy Cross 79, NYU 74 | |
| Siena 71, Williams 50 | |
| Bates 83, Tufts 77 | |
| Fairmont 79, Bethany (WVa) 63 | |
| SOUTH | |
| William-Mary 85, Hampden Sydney 59 | |
| Union Ky 80, Centre 50 | |
| Howard Ala 90, Miss. College 82 | |
| Bellarmine 72, Kentucky State 70 | |
| Erskine 109, North Georgia 57 | |
| MIDWEST | |
| Western Michigan 79, Kent State 78 | |
| Ill. College 101, Carthage 80 | |
| SOUTHWEST | |
| Eastern New Mexico 70, Arizona State Flagstaff 69 | |
| Texas Wesleyan 93, Texas Lutheran 84 | |
| Arkansas State 91, Union Tenn. 75 | |
| FAR WEST | |
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PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (UP) — Take it from Casey Stengel—there'll be no "breaking up" of the Yankees.

Just because his club happened to lose the World Series to the Milwaukee Braves doesn't mean that the Yankees still aren't the best team in the world, in the opinion of Stengel.

"What club in the American League is better?" Casey asked at a little gathering the other day in San Diego.

But he isn't standing still. There will be some new faces in the Yankee lineup next season—may be not every day, but then, who does play every day for Casey?

"There's a young fellow from San Diego, only 20 years old, named Deron Johnson. He played for Binghamton in the Eastern League last year, and was named the most valuable player in the loop and batted .310," says Casey.

"I saw him play one time. He hit a low line drive that went on forever and never gets very high off the ground. This kid has power. I thought he hit that ball like DiMaggio."

Stengel isn't sure where he'll play Johnson. The lad has been used at half a dozen positions. He might use him at third or in left field.

"But we have that (Norm) Siebern who was the outstanding player in the American Association. They tell me that I'll have to play him in left field."

"Maybe I can get them both into the lineup. Why use fellows who hit singles when you can get men who will clout those three-run homers. Whoosh! Whoosh!"

With such youngsters as Tony Kubek and Mickey Mantle on the club, the addition of Johnson would give the Yankees the nucleus of a good club for 15 years.

"Wonder how valuable a player is who makes the Yankees at the age of 20 and stays until he is 25?" pondered Casey.

Stengel likes to talk about the good old days—but he can change to dreaming about the future quicker than an umpire can hold "out."

County Quints Slate Games

The Malin Mustangs will place their newly acquired league lead on the block as they face the cellar-dwelling Gilchrist Grizzlies on the Gilchrist court in one of three county "B" league basketball games to be played on Friday night.

On the Merrill mapewood the Huskies in fourth place, tangle with the third place Chiloquin Panthers.

The second slotted Bly Bobcats journey to Henley to contest the Hornets in a non-league game. The out-of-league tilt may prove detrimental to the Bly quint since it affords either Merrill or Gilchrist an opportunity to tie them in their present position. At the same time the Malin five could strengthen their hold on the number one spot by downing the luckless Grizzlies.

The Sacred Heart Trojans, one game out of the basement, will try to victimize the Bonanza Antlers, who are in fifth place, at the SHA gym.

Tonight's contests bring the league rapidly nearer its close, many of the teams have only three games left in league play. Wins at this point for the top two or three squads could be very important.

The county tournament, which will decide the team to go to the class "B" tourney at Pendleton, will be held on the OTI court February 27, 28 and March 1.

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THE KU FROSH MUSCLEBENDERS, pictured above, will compete in the annual district frosh wrestling tournament at McLoughlin Junior High in Medford this Saturday. The young matmen are expected to bring home the trophy in the second annual event. Front row, left to right, Kirk Killian, Gary Bishop, Fred Tracy, Jim Miller, Peter McSwain, Milo Crumrine, L. Kennon, and Larry Wishart. Second row, Jim Smily, Jim Anderson, Merle Graham, Duane Fitzsimmons, Vic Alexander, Dave Gonzales, Ron Reinmiller, Third row, coach DeLance Duncan, Dick Foust, Vic Ewing, James Mathis, Larry Jones, Art Mills, Merle Sine, and Dick Coleman. Presently scheduled to represent the team at their respective weights are Crumrine, McSwain, Bishop, Tracy, Gonzales, Reinmiller, Mills, Ewing, Fitzsimmons, Pennington, Sine and Hancock, all of whom have impressive records.

Outstanding Athlete Of 1957

OSC's Francis Honored

PORTLAND (AP) — Joe Francis of Oregon State College Thursday night received the Bill Hayward Trophy as Oregon's outstanding athlete of 1957.

It was the latest in a series of honors for OSC's star passer and tailback, who recently was drafted by Green Bay of the National Football League.

Six hundred persons cheered as Francis received his trophy at a dinner sponsored by the Oregon Sportswriters and Sportscasters Assn.

One hundred persons had been nominated for the honor. The judges then screened out all but 12 and gave the honor to Francis by what appeared to be a big margin.

The fleet backfield star capped his college career last season by leading OSC to a share of the Pacific Coast Conference football championship.

The year before he was one of the keys to Oregon State's drive to an undisputed PCC championship.

NEW STEWARD NAMED
DETROIT (UP) — John P. Rutter Jr., of Baltimore, a former racing secretary at Bowie and Monmouth Park, has been named steward at Hazel Park for the 1958 season, succeeding Bob McAuliffe, who was named secretary at the same track.

Earlier, Francis was selected to play in the East-West Shrine game and was given the Pop Warner award as the Pacific Coast's outstanding senior player.

The sports association also honored OSC's football coach, Tommy Prothro, and Oregon's Len Casanova, giving them joint possession of "Man of the Year" title.

This new award is for sports personalities in the state who do not compete as athletes, the association said.

The association also gave three awards for meritorious contributions to sports in the state.

One went to Norman Van Brocklin, a former Oregon flash who recently retired as quarterback of the professional Los Angeles Rams.

Another was given to Frank Wire, a former director of the Oregon Game Commission.

The third went to Bob Officer, trainer at the University of Oregon.

The other finalists for the honor

Francis won were Jim Shanley and Harry Mondale, Oregon football players; Steve Picard, who last season set a new state scoring record for Seaside's prep football team; Dave Gamble, OSC basketball player; Bill Rose, state tennis champion from University of Portland; Jim Greile, track star for Oregon; Ted Bates, OSC football player; Jean Saubert, national skiing champion from Sweet Home; Howard Morris, a little all-America football player from Linfield; Denny Meyer, amateur boxing champion from Portland; and Karl Kaag, American Legion baseball star.

Last year's winner of the Hayward trophy was Jim Bailey, star distance runner for the University of Oregon track squad.

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Williams Signs, But Big Yankees Outside

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With Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox pocketing the highest contract ever paid a baseball player—a reported \$135,000 — attention today was drawn to the American League champion Yankees.

What's their problem? The small ones are biting, but the big ones aren't even nibbling.

Chief among a flock of unsigned Yankee regulars is Mickey Mantle, who is reportedly after a boost of about \$15,000 that would give him \$75,000, second only to Williams in the American League.

Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals recently signed for an estimated \$100,000, tops in the National League.

Williams, who will be 40 in August, batted .338 last year.

He was handsomely rewarded. After an hour chat yesterday with Sox General Manager Joe Cronin, he agreed to his 10th contract with the Boston club.

Among Yankees still to be signed are Gil McDougald, Bob Turley, Bill Skowron, Whitey Ford, Tony Kubek, Sal Maglie, Bobby Shantz, Elston Howard, Joe Collins, Bob Grim, Tom Byrne, Johnny Kucks and Don Larsen.

The Yankees are having little trouble with the lesser lights, but only a small corps of prominent players are ready to head for St. Petersburg, Fla., in two weeks with contracts signed. This group, headed by Yogi Berra and Hank Bauer, also includes Harry Simpson, Jerry Lumpe, Art Ditmar and Bobbo Richardson.

Rookie Norm Siebern signed a Yankee contract yesterday. The 24-year-old left-hander who led the American Assn. in hitting at Denver last year with a .349 mark, is expected to be the Yanks regular left fielder.

Frank Robinson, National League Sophomore of the Year, came to terms with Cincinnati.

The Cubs reached agreement with Walt Moryn and pitchers Turk Lown and Dick Littlefield.

Alex Kellner, veteran A's pitcher who had a 6-5 mark, came into the Kansas City fold and Washington came up with pitcher Bud Byerly and infielders Jerry Snyder and Jose Valdivielso.

U.S. Skiers Eye Slat Win

BAD GASTEIN, Austria (UP) — Sally Deaver of Philadelphia and Bud Werner of Steamboat Springs, Colo., made final practice runs today in preparation for a week-end both hope "will give the United States at least one title" in the world ski championships.

Miss Deaver finished 24th in Thursday's downhill for women but has drawn the No. 1 starting position for Saturday's giant slalom. Werner, trailing badly in the combined ratings, believes he can win Sunday's downhill event for the men.

No other American has a chance—barring a miracle—as the week-long competition draws to a close.

In the combined standings, Austria's Toni Sailer leads the men with a low score of .36, followed by Josi Rieder of Austria at 2.90. Frieda Danzer of Switzerland leads the women's combined standings with 3.21 followed by Austria's Putzi Frandl with 3.39.

Gun Store Victor

The Gun Store clobbered the Coca Cola quintet, 72-39, in the first game of Victory League play at Mills school gym Thursday night, while Moulding Craft downed the Farmer's Sand and Gravel club 39-32.

Jackson was topscorer for the night with 21 of the Moulding Craft's total. Bill Worlein of Sand and Gravel collected 10.

In the Gun Store-Coke game, Keith Larson was high for the losers with 20 tallies. Art Russell was top shooter for the Gunners with 19 markers, while teammate Floyd Hunsaker garnered 13.

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