



Approximately 40 eager young amateur boxers and a great number of Klamath Falls fight fans are due for a big let down next Saturday night. No fights. They're just plain out of luck.

Instead of the planned fight program, a "Rock and Roll" band and its followers will take over the Klamath Auditorium. Sure, there may be a fight or two over the course of the evening but they'll have nothing to do with the prize ring.

The Owl Hoots, the Oregon Tech boxers' association, in conjunction with the "Order Of O," the OTI athletic awards winners club, had scheduled, or so they thought, the armory Saturday.

Of course the training won't do them a bit of harm. They might, however, wonder just where their plans went awry.

No, by the way, might a number of others.

While we wonder what went wrong... the armory will echo to whatever type noise emanates from a rock and roll session.

The reason... it's simple. Someone got their wires crossed, or something crossed, and the dance date pre-empted the fight date.

The fight is off. The date was the only one available for the program, and this date, it turned out nearly three weeks after the original commitment, belonged to the coming dance band.

To go back to the beginning... Oregon Tech athletic director Rex Hunsaker, who has assisted in his planning for the fight card by Estlin Kiger, George Miller, Harry Gysin, yours truly, Buck Davidson, and Lou Jones, to name a few, called Ted Case, secretary-treasurer of the Klamath Armory Board, to arrange to hire the Auditorium for Saturday, March 12.

Case handles the scheduling of all armory activities. At the conclusion of the conversation Hunsaker hung up the phone, satisfied that he had reserved the armory for that night, "Twereen't so."

Nearly three weeks later, after noticing some advance publicity for the fights in the H&N, Case hurriedly called Hunsaker to inform him that there evidently was some mistake, that the date was being filled by a band promoted by Baldy Evans, KF dance entrepreneur.

Hunsaker, not unexcitedly, readily agreed. There was some question in his mind, however, as to just who had made the mistake. He expressed this question. The following day, Case, Evans, Kiger, Hunsaker and the members of the Klamath Armory Board got together in an effort to clear the foulup.

From all reports, Evans was given notice that he should cancel his dance band engagement. This happened Tuesday, March 1, at 3 p.m. Friday Hunsaker was notified that the fights were off and the dance band had the date. Evans had been unable to cancel the commitment to the dance group.

Hunsaker's comment on the situation, "I feel that the armory board was very fair in its handling of our situation at the (above) meeting. I also feel, however, that favoritism is being shown Mr. Evans and his operation, as has been the case many times in the past. This has to be the case since we had the date taken from us and given to him."

He went on, "also think that this mixup originated in the area of Case and Evans, and is a result of poor planning. I talked with Mr. Case nearly a month prior to this development and discussed the necessary arrangements for seating, cleanup, and the use of our athletes in setting up an armory for the fight card. At his (Case's) suggestion I contacted Mr. Sam Mathews, the maintenance man who resides in the armory building. When we finished our conversations I had every reason to believe that our program was all set."

Hunsaker further added, "I firmly believe that the armory and its use should be put in the hands of a group skilled and educated in just such matters—the Klamath Falls Park and Recreation Dept., for example." (Ed. Note — This suggestion, already approved by the Klamath City Council, the county and the armory board, has experienced an unexplained delay in becoming a thing of reality. It will be discussed in this column, at length, soon.)

"I'm sure that with proper scheduling, such as could be expected from people who specialize in this sort of thing, that the armory could be used to much more universal advantage."

So that is the way things stand... today.

Can it be that the Klamath Auditorium should wear the label "For Dancers Only"?

March 12, for one of the biggest amateur fight cards ever seen in Klamath Falls.

Some of the most talented young boxers in Clatsop, Sprague, Wheeler and Klamath Falls, plus some mighty willing sluggers from the OTI football team, had promised

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KU, GP Wrestlers Tie; Pels Win Toss

Nine Pelicans Earn State Tourney Shots

By JERRY REMMICK
Herald & News Sports Writer
MEDFORD (Special)—After 128 individual matches in the Southern Oregon Conference wrestling tournament the final results showed the Klamath Union High Pelicans and the Grants Pass Cavemen all tied up for first place with 153 points each. Medford finished third with 126, followed by Crater with 79 and Ashland with a total of 4.

The Pels were granted the District 6 A-1 Conference trophy after the loss of a coin on the Hedrick Junior High School gym at the close of the two day tourney here Saturday night.

The KU varsity conceded its work by qualifying nine team



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Basketball Scoreboard

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Oregon Prep Basketball Playoffs

Class A (District 1) Clatsop vs Hood River, championship; Neahkahah 52, Banks 51 (third place)

(District 3) Maplet 63, Newport 46 (championship); Reedsport 60, Waldport 43 (third place)

(District 7) Vale 55, Madras 45 Class B (District 7) Pilot Rock 68, June 46 (Championship); Helix 44, Weston 38 (third place)

(District 3) Alsea 74, Harrisburg 49 (championship); McKenzie 58, Lowell 49 (third place)

(District 6-B) Monroe 57, Westfir 45 (consolation); Sherman 70, Wheeler 41 (championship)

Mosier 53, Arlington 51 (overtime) (third place) Washington 64 Washington State 47

Utah 87, Colorado St. Univ. 83 St. Bonaventure 87, Canisius 67 Dayton 67, DePaul 66

Bradley 81, St. Louis 71 Syracuse 132, New York 115 Villanova 68, La Salle 52

Wichita 90, Tulsa 73 Cincinnati 71, Drake 56 Boston Univ 72, Syracuse 71

Holy Cross 101, Colgate 78 Seton Hall 93, Muhlenberg 76 Kansas State 83, Nebraska 74

Ohio State 75, Minnesota 66 Iowa 68, Michigan 53 Dartmouth 87, Brown 74

Harvard 80, Yale 66 Princeton 83, Cornell 73 Kentucky 73, Pittsburgh 66

Indiana 86, Michigan State 80 Penn 61, Columbia 52

Colorado 41, Oklahoma State 39 Illinois 84, Northwestern 77 Wisconsin 89, Purdue 49

ACC Tournament Championship Duke 63, Wake Forest 53

National Basketball Assn. St. Louis 107, Minneapolis 106

Browning (Mont) 95, Fort Yates (ND) 74, (championship); Warm Springs (Ore) 103, Fort Peck (Mont) 63 (3rd).

Bulldogs Bite Seattle Chiefs

TACOMA, Wash. (AP)—The Gonzaga University Bulldogs of Spokane, Wash., gave Seattle University the shock treatment Saturday night and snatched the Chiefs' victory skein off at four by whipping them 92-66 in a non-conference basketball tussle.

The Chiefs, who had bounced the Bulldogs 81-66 in case at Seattle Friday night, couldn't find the basket Saturday night, while Gonzaga's Frank Burgess burned up the hoop with 42 points.

The victory evened the season's four-game series between the two clubs at a pair of games apiece. Gonzaga employed a tight zone defense and a molasses slow offense to chill the go-go Chiefs into the first half. The Bulldogs had a 49-35 edge at the midway point.

John Rickman, a freshman from Butte, Mont., and Charley Jordan each got 18 points for the Bulldogs to back up Burgess' performance. Don Ogorek had 16 for the Chiefs.

Burgess made 13 of 25 field goal attempts and hit on 16 of 18 shots from the charity stripe.

Kentucky Derby Nags Nominated

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—Bally Ache, winner of the Flamingo Stakes, and War are the 2-year-old champion last year, head the list of 10 nominees for the 88th running of the Kentucky Derby on May 7.

Bally Ache, owned by Edgehill Farm, is an early favorite on the basis of his showing in the Flamingo. His time was the second fastest in 31 running.

Warfare, son of 1954 Derby winner Determine, earned \$394,610 for Bellehurst Stable last year, but currently is out of action after finishing second in a 6-furlong race at Santa Anita early in January.

Milwaukee's Hank Aaron had a perfect base stealing record in 1959. He made eight steals in as many attempts.

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Whitebirds Whip Grants Pass

Southern Oregon Conference Final Standings

W L Pct. Medford 16 0 1.000 Central Point 38, Ashland 43

Klamath Falls 12 4 .750 Grants Pass 9 4 .692 Klamath Falls 81, Grants Pass 61

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Saturday Results Klamath Falls 81, Grants Pass 61

It was the second best scoring effort for the Pelicans in their 22 game season, and marked their 18th victory.

Grants Pass led the game for only the opening minutes, lost lead at 6 to 8 and were never able to get back in the game against a firing gang of Pelicans.

Paul Bishop opened the scoring with a gift shot, but Larry Johnson rolled back for a two pointer. Jim Purkert gave the Cavemen a 4 to 1 lead, but a field goal and a free toss by Bishop tied it up 4-4.

Rex Benner, the game's high point man, scored the first 14 of his 23 points to give the Cavemen another short-lived lead. Bruce Brickner dropped a tip-in to knot the count again at 6-6, and from this point the Pels ran the count to 13-6 with field goals by Bob Lewis and Bishop and a two-pointer and a charity toss by Brickner.

The Pels held a 16 to 8 margin at the quarter, 35-22 at halftime and 34-38 at the third quarter mark.

Bishop, Brickner and Gary Patzke all hit in double figures for the victorious Pelicans. Bishop had 21, Brickner 16 and Patzke 11.

Benner paced the Cavemen with 25 points, aided by Purkert with 19.

The victory was the fourth for Klamath over Grants Pass, and gave them a season record of 18 and four, and a conference slate of 12 victories and four defeats, all at the hands of Medford.

Next outing for the Pelicans will be the fourth game of the opening round of the State Class A basketball tournament at Eugene when they meet Sandy at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 16.

It was the final regular game for five players, Bishop, Lewis, Dean Dunson, Don Eastman and Steve Binney.

The boxscore:

Table with 5 columns: Player, Points, Rebounds, Assists, Steals. Includes names like Benner, Brickner, Patzke, Lewis, Bishop, Dunson, Binney, Eastman, Eastman, Binney, Eastman, Binney.

The game was a rough one with 51 fouls and one technical called. Moore, Strickland and Ernie Johnson of Oregon State each left below the end with five personals.

The crowd was the largest of the season here, 7,807.

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Four meet records were broken and of course, Boston University's John Thomas, smashed the high jump mark. He went over 7 feet 1/2 inch, his 13th seven-footer. The old record was 6-9 1/2 set in 1957 by Phil Reeves and Charlie