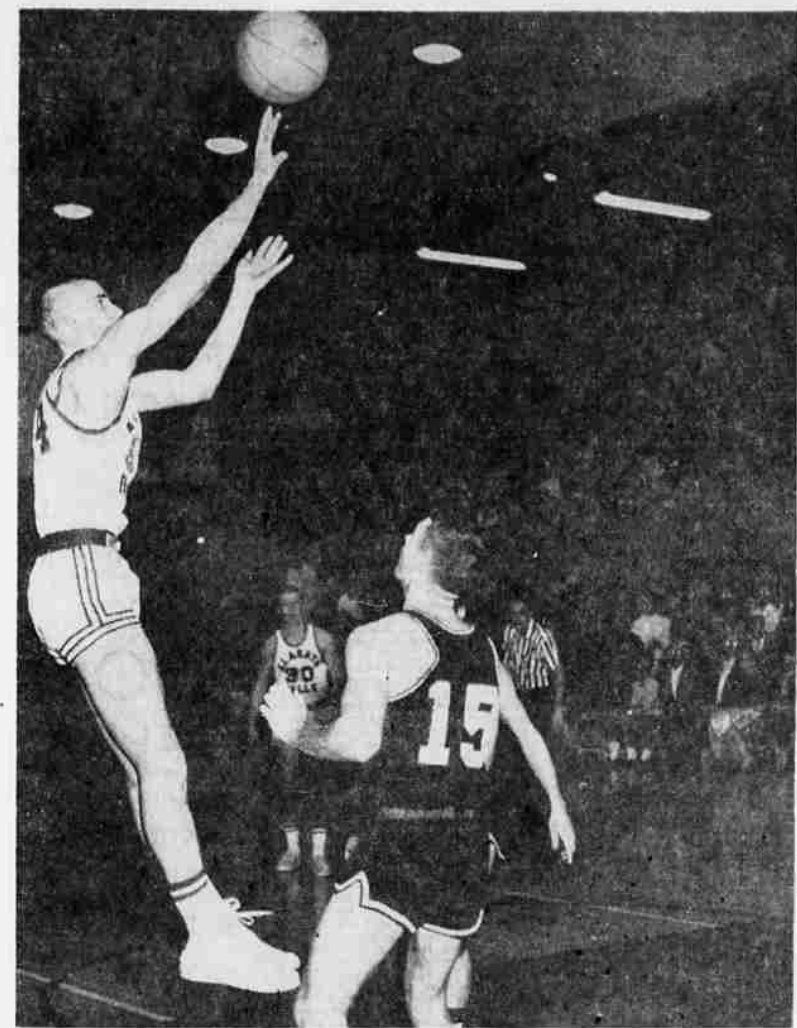




THE GO-HEAD SHOT — Dick Scott (34) lets the ball fly and his aim was accurate as he pumped in this long jump shot with 5:39 to go in the game with Medford Saturday night and the two-pointers which swished through the nets a split second later gave the Pelicans a 55-53 lead which they never lost again in going on to defeat Medford, 65-64. Watching the shot is Medford's Mike Neathamer and KU's Grover Dahn (30) in the background.

League Activity Returns To Coast Basketball Slate

By United Press International

Some semblance of league action returns to the West Coast basketball corner this week following a collection of outside games which only demonstrated that the rich get richer and then some.

UCLA and Southern California tangle next Friday and Saturday in a brace of Big Six contests while ninth-ranked Stanford, which leads the race, seems destined to increase its lead at the expense of Washington and feeble Washington State.

Oregon State and Seattle, the class of the Northwest's independents, hook up in a Friday battle at Corvallis that should be a sellout.

And in the West Coast Athletic Conference, Santa Clara faces San Jose State Saturday in a bid to break out of their first place tie with the University of San Francisco which has two non-league tilts.

The Broncos are home again after getting bombed by second-ranked Loyola of Chicago, 92-72. But the Broncos roared back Sunday with an impressive 69-66 win at Xavier of Ohio as Joe Weiss led a well-balanced Bronco attack with 15 points.

A roundup of what happened on Saturday to various league and non-league members:

UCLA, the choice to win the Big Six title, overpowered weak Texas Tech, 103-80, for a weekend sweep at Lubbock, Tex. Walt Hartzard scored 32 points against the Red Raiders who have lost 12 out of 13 and were socked by the biggest team score ever run up against them.

Southern California led most of the way while downing the University of San Francisco, 60-51, behind 16 point efforts on the part of Gordon Martin and Pete Hillman. The Dons closed to within two points of the Trojans with five minutes left to play and then four free throws by Hillman moved USC safely ahead.

Oregon State and Seattle each pulled to easy victories. Mel Counts collected 27 points and grabbed 19 rebounds as the Beavers downed Washington, 65-48. Nine of his markers came during the first four minutes of the second half.

Seattle's Chieftains, with Eddie Miles scoring 24 points, diagnosed the slow-down tactics of Loyola of Los Angeles and slammed the Lions, 64-45. Loyola clung to a 3-0 lead after the first five minutes of play. Then a field goal by Charlie Williams and two more by Greg Vermillion started the Chieftains on the way.

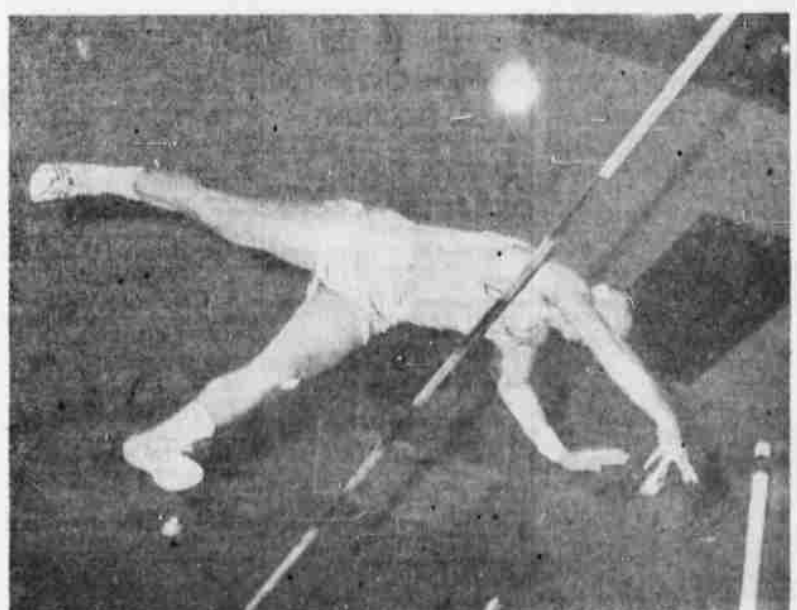
New Pole Vaulting Tribe May Be First To Hit Moon

BOSTON (UPI) — The way things are going, a bunch of fiberglass-pole vaulters will be waiting on the moon when the astronauts get there.

The new slingshot set embraced a pair of rookie members and was setting marks at a record pace when they just ran out of weekend track meets.

Marine Dave Tork went into orbit to 16 feet, 2 1/2 inches at Toronto Friday night for the first world mark. Tork and newly reinstated John Uelses fizzled out in an expected Boston A.A. meet duel 24 hours later. But John Belitza, a University of Maryland senior who takes his physical education course very seriously, joined the 16-foot class.

The 22-year-old Belitza, a bride-



OVER TO NEW RECORD — C. K. Yang of UCLA clears 16 feet 3 1/2 inches to set a new world record in the indoor pole vault at a meet in Portland Saturday. Old record of 16 feet 2 1/2 inches was set on Friday by Dave Tork of U.S. Marines in a Toronto meet.

New Strike Zone Triggers Controversy

By GARY KALE
UPI Sports Writer

They've planted the rhubarbs early this year.

A boiling controversy is waging among big league stars today on the merits, if any, of baseball's new strike zone that has lengthened the target area from the batter's knees to the shoulders.

"It's terrific. I don't think it's going to hurt the batters. It's going to open the game. Ain't going to make much difference" were some of the comments evoked from big leaguers.

Right-hander Jim Bunning of the Detroit Tigers called it "terrific. The breaks are for the pitchers. But seeing is believing and now I want to see the umpires call it."

Batting star Stan Musial didn't think the new rule was going to hurt the batters.

"The strike zone now is higher and most batters are high-ball hitters," said the St. Louis Cardinal great. "I think if they wanted to help the pitchers, they could have widened the plate."

The old zone, in the vicinity of the batter's knee top to his armpits, was changed Saturday by the baseball's rules committee on the recommendation of many big league managers.

Approves Change

Veteran umpire Tom Gorman, already targeted for the mass disputes bound to arise, said the new rule "will open the game a lot and I think it will help the more finicky hitters who will receive more opportunities to swing."

"It ain't going to make much difference to me," muttered Bill Skowron, the erstwhile New York Yankee star who was traded to

the Los Angeles Dodgers for Stan Williams. "I've been a bad ball hitter all my life and this isn't going to change anything for me."

The new rule, designed to speed up the game by cutting down the number of walks issued, doesn't

sit too well with pitchers. Hank Aguirre of the Tigers and Bob Purkey of the Cincinnati Reds.

"They'll never make that strike zone big enough," said Aguirre, the American League's earned run average leader with a 2.21 mark in 1962.



NEW STRIKE ZONE — Baseball rhubarbs have been planted early this year with a boiling controversy already underway over the new strike zone. As diagrammed on a file photo of Mickey Mantle, the new zone will be the "space above home plate which is between the top of the batter's shoulders and his knees." The old rule limited the strike area to between the batter's armpits and the top of his knees. The new rule goes into effect for 1963. — UPI Telephoto

Cincinnati, Loyola See Unbeaten Season Ahead

By MARTIN LADER
UPI Sports Writer

It will take something of a major upset in the next few weeks to prevent Cincinnati or Loyola of Chicago from completing the regular college basketball season with unblemished records.

The two standouts of the 1962-63 campaign went right on winning Saturday night, top-ranked Cincinnati turning back third-ranked Illinois, 62-53, and second-ranked Loyola beating Santa Clara, 82-72, and at the rate they're going it appears a cinch they'll be battling it out for the national championship in the NCAA tournament in March.

Cincinnati has won 33 straight games over the last two seasons with nine remaining on the regular schedule. The Bearcats are at home for two of those games this week, hosting Drake on Thursday and St. Louis on Saturday.

Loyola, with a 19-0 mark and boasting the top offensive unit of any major school, also will have friendly surroundings for two contests this week when it meets Washington and Iowa. Following

this, the Ramblers will have six games remaining.

Oddly enough, the chief obstacle for both Cincinnati and Loyola will be the same team—eighth-ranked Wichita. The Bearcats travel to Wichita Feb. 16 and Loyola entertains the Wheatshockers March 2.

Illinois is idle this week, but the remainder of the top 10 teams all see action following the completion of mid-year examinations.

Fourth-ranked Duke, which registered its most impressive victory of the season by routing 10th-ranked West Virginia, 111-71, will attempt to follow through against Atlantic Coast Conference rivals South Carolina on Tuesday and North Carolina on Saturday. The Mountaineers play three times, facing Furman, Florida and Pittsburgh.

In other Saturday games involving the top teams, sixth-ranked Georgia Tech defeated Tennessee, 73-69; seventh-ranked Mississippi State was upset by Memphis State, 71-65; and Wichita bombed the Air Force, 77-45.

Comets Lead Loop Race; Whip Grants Pass 75-76

The Crater Comets racked up a big triumph Saturday night when they turned back the Grants Pass Cavemen 75 to 67 to keep their hold on the conference lead.

In a see-saw ball game that was tied many times, Grants Pass took the lead at 60 to 58 midway in the fourth quarter. However, Crater ran the score to 66-60, pouring in eight points while holding the Cavemen scoreless.

Bob Shephard and Al Hutchens led Grants Pass back, however, and with 1:02 left in the game Shephard scored to make it 69 to 67.

In the last 11 seconds of the game, Crater scored six free

By United Press International

NBA Standings

Eastern Division		
Boston	W L Pct.	35 16 .686
Syracuse	27 22 .551	
Cincinnati	28 24 .538	
New York	15 36 .294	
Western Division		
Los Angeles	W L Pct.	39 12 .765
St. Louis	32 21 .604	
Detroit	21 31 .404	
San Francisco	18 33 .353	
Chicago	17 37 .315	

There's a new "sixth man" in the Boston Celtic lineup and he's filling in handsomely for the ailing Frank Ramsey.

John Havlicek, who helped Ohio State to two national college championships, scored 26 points for Boston Sunday as the Eastern Division pace-setters defeated the New York Knickerbockers, 123-110.

Havlicek netted 10 field goals and hit six for six from the foul line. The victory was the sixth in eight meetings with New York and enabled Boston to maintain a seven-game lead over second-place Syracuse.

The Nats topped San Francisco, 119-110, Los Angeles beat St. Louis, 105-101, and Cincinnati whipped Chicago, 143-126, in other league action.

Leo Shaffer and Hal Greer each tallied 26 points for Syracuse to hand the Warriors their sixth loss in seven outings. The Nats' outburst of 40 points in the third quarter overcame San Francisco's 51-42 halftime lead. Wilt Chamberlain scored 40 points for the wilting Warriors.

Los Angeles opened an eight-game bulge over runner-up St. Louis in the Western Division as Elgin Baylor and Dick Barnett tallied 30 points apiece for the Lakers. Bob Pettit of the Hawks outscored everybody with 34 points.

Cincinnati went on a 15-0 spree during a 46-point fourth period that took all the starch out of the Zephyrs, who had led, 64-63, at halftime. Oscar Robertson scored 31 points for the Royals, but he was overshadowed by the losers' Walt Bellamy, who had 39 points, and Terry Dischinger, who tallied 37.

Newcomer To Pole Vault Ranks Climbs To World Record Setter

PORTLAND, Ore. (UPI)—C. K. Yang, who decided only a few weeks ago that the pole vault was his best event, proved it here Saturday night by propelling himself 16 feet, 3 1/2 inches into the air for a world indoor record.

The 29-year-old UCLA student from Formosa brought a record crowd of 8,005 to the Oregon Invitational indoor track meet to its feet with the highest vault in the history of track and field.

He not only smashed Dave Tork's one-day-old indoor record of 16-2 1/2 but by-passed the official world outdoor record of 16-2 1/2 set by Finland's Pentti Nikula last June. However, Nikula's record will not be affected because indoor marks do not count as official world records.

"My first feeling when I made it was 'Wow.' Nothing else, just 'Wow,'" Yang said. "I knew I could do it when I cleared 15-11."

Officially, Yang had never gone higher than 14-7 before the Portland meet, but he later admitted clearing 16-2 after switching to a fiberglass pole a few months ago. The UCLA student is known primarily as a demolition man, and his point total in that endurance test has been exceeded only by Rafer Johnson.

Yang missed three attempts at 16-3, one of them on the way down after clearing the bar.

Yang's feat earned him the meet's outstanding performer trophy and added class to a meet marked by several upsets but few records.

Canadian Dave Steen of Oregon provided the biggest shock by defeating veteran Parry O'Brien in the shot put. Steen broke the 60-foot mark for the first time to win with a put of 61-5 1/2. O'Brien finished second at 61-2 1/4.

An interested observer at the Steen-O'Brien duel was world record holder and Olympic champion Bill Neider, who recently regained his eligibility after a one-fight professional boxing career.

Joe Faust set the only other meet record in winning the high jump at 6-11.

College half-mile champion Jim Dupree of Southern Illinois fought off a challenge by sub-four minute miler Jim Grelle of the Los Angeles track club to win the 1,000 yard run in 2:15.2.

Archie Sam Roman Jr. of Oregon ran away from Finland's sub-four minute miler, Olavi Salonen, to win the mile in 4:10.4. Salonen

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Corvallis, Ore. (UPI)—John Cooper, a former Iowa State football player, has been named assistant football coach at Oregon State University.

Cooper, a freshman coach at Iowa State last year, was a star defensive safety man and tailback at Iowa State and served as captain of the Cyclone team in 1961.

"I don't think it will help me," chorused Purkey.

Just Swings Away

The strike zone has never bothered San Francisco Giant outfielder Willie Mays and he doesn't know how it will affect the pitchers.

"As for me," says Willie, "I just go up and swing, that's all."

Teammate Willie McCovey thought it would be "a big advantage for control pitchers. That's a lot of extra room they'll get. And it could hurt some batters who are in a slump."

For pitchers Don Drysdale of

the Dodgers and Ed Rakow of the Kansas City Athletics the new rule is almost meaningless.

"I don't think it's going to affect me as a low-ball pitcher," said the speedballing Drysdale, who won a major league high of 25 games last season. "The rule change may help pitchers in the American League where the umpires have a tendency to call more high strikes than in the National League."

Rakow, who sported a 14-17 record last year, said "I'm a sinker ball pitcher, so it won't help me much."

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OSU, Seattle Collide For NCAA Berth Hopes

CORVALLIS (UPI) — "This is really a big one coming up. The winner certainly figures to increase its chances to get into the NCAA playoffs."

That's the way Oregon State Coach Slat Gill views the Beavers' upcoming basketball meeting with the Seattle Chieftains here Friday night.

"This game with Seattle will be one of the toughest — if not the toughest — of the season for us," Gill said.

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