

Merrill Meets Cascade Locks In B Tourney 1st Round

The Merrill Huskies, the runner-up in the Klamath County League and surprise winner in the District 5-B Tournament, will represent the district in the State Class B basketball tournament in Bend which begins Thursday.

The first round opponent for the Huskies is Cascade Locks of District 6. The Locks team reportedly was undefeated in league competition and will give the Huskies a hard game.

Merrill, however, is a tournament-wise team as this is the

second year the Huskies have made the state tournament trip. The Huskies won the KCL title last year and finished fifth in the state tournament after losing their opening round game.

Four of the starting five from that team are back and should be more seasoned and mature now. Coach Jerry Groeneveld will take 19 players to the tournament.

The starting five will include Ken Smith, a two-year junior letterman; Dave Hill, a three-year senior letterman; Bob Moore, a two-year junior let-

termen; Dale Kurtz, a two-year junior letterman; and Larry Conner, a one-year sophomore letterman.

The other five making the trip will be one-letter winner senior Jim Reed; junior guard Ralph Northrup, a one-letter winner; sophomore forward letter winner Marlin Barnes; sophomore guard Jim Merrielle; a one letter holder, and Bob Merrielle.

Smith leads the Husky contingent in scoring. The junior guard has a 13.0 average through the 24 games. His high was a 28-point effort. Hill is the center on the team despite his small stature of only 5-0. He is a good feeder and scrappy rebounder with an 8.0 average per game. Conner, Kurtz and Moore each have a 7.0 average for a 44.0 game

average for the starting five only. The Huskies are 15-9 for the season and were 11-3 in league play. They went into the District 5-B Tournament as an under-

dog to champion Chiloquin. But the highly-touted Panthers were upset by Paisley in the second round. The Huskies stomped Paisley in the finals, 59-40.

Merrill won the KCL title last year and went to the state tournament. They lost their first game in the tournament.

The other tournament opening games will include Chemawa against Powder Valley; Corbett versus Powers; and Lowell meeting McEwen.

Smith has been the leader of the Huskies most of the season. He has a deadly jump shot from outside and has led the Huskies in almost every game. Hill is the hustling point guard despite his size as is Conner at 6-0. Smith stands only 5-9. Moore is 5-9 and a good rebounder, too. Kurtz, at 5-9, is the playmaker of the team with a winning spirit.

The Huskies aren't tall. Groeneveld said that he knows little about the Huskies' opponent. Their tallest player is 6-1 and they were undefeated in league play.

Cassius Predicts Fourth Round To Finish Jones

By JACK CUDDY
UPI Sports Writer

NEW YORK (UPI) — Cocky Cassius Clay will try tonight to put his fast fists where his loud mouth is, for a fourth-round knockout over dangerous Doug Jones in jammed Madison Square Garden.

The Garden's first sellout crowd in 13 years—18,732 spectators occupying all seats and standing room—will watch unbeaten young Clay's attempt to fulfill his daring fourth-round prediction. The gate will approximate \$105,000.

Twenty-one-year-old Cassius of Louisville, Ky., the world's second ranking heavyweight, has loudly but successfully pinned-pointed in advance the exact rounds for 12 of his previous 14 knockouts.

And if the "Louisville Lip" can overcome the double Jonah of shooting for his 13th round-predicted kyo on March 13, he'll certainly be in line for a September shot at the heavyweight crown.

Jones Never Knew
A fourth-round knockout victory for Clay would be a notable achievement indeed because his opponent, New Yorker Jones, never has been kayoed in 25 fights against generally better opposition than Clay faced while Clay clicked off his 17 straight victories as a professional.

"I can't miss," said Cassius modestly today. "I'm the greatest."

The Kentucky contender, who

garnishes his pugilism with poetry, then stated:

Jones thinks he'll fight some more

"But he's got to go in four."

The belting bard from the bluegrass country is buoyantly riding a string of nine straight knockouts. And he is favored at 17-5 to beat 26-year-old Jones, who produced the biggest upset of 1962 on last Dec. 15 when he knocked out third-ranked Zora Folley in the seventh round at the Garden. Folley had been a 12-3 favorite.

Lost Three Decisions

That was Jones' 21st victory and 13th knockout in his 25 fights, which included one draw. Doug lost three bouts on decisions to Eddie Machen, light heavyweight champion Harold Johnson in a title fight, and Folley in their first bout at Denver, Colo., Aug. 1, 1962. He also had a draw with Erich Schoepner of Germany.

Despite Jones' greater experience against good men, Cassius is a long favorite because he is the taller, heavier and longer in the reach.

Tonight's scheduled 10-rounder at 10 p.m. EST will not be televised nor broadcast to homes. It will be sent by closed-circuit television to 37 arenas in 33 cities with a total of 150,000 available seats and a possible \$500,000 total gate. It also will be sent to home pay-TV stations in Toronto and Hartford, Conn.

Lewis And Clark Defeats Oshkosh, Wisconsin Team

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — The hotly-contested National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) basketball tournament today moved into the second round minus five seeded teams.

Today's action features first-seeded Grambling vs. Athens, Carson Newman vs. Indiana State, Stetson vs. Pan American, Michigan vs. Central Ohio, Transylvania vs. Lewis and Clark, Western Carolina vs. Miles, Rockhurst vs. Alliance and Fort Hays vs. second-seeded Augsburg.

The five heralded teams that fell included third-ranked Winston-Salem (N.C.) beaten 64-60 Tues-

day by unseeded Transylvania of Kentucky. Fourth-seeded Oklahoma Baptist was beaten 84-81 Monday by Central Ohio.

Miles College of Alabama pulled an 84-81 upset from seventh-seeded Western Illinois, fired by four last-minute points by Tom Hamner. Seeded Howard Payne of Texas and Central Connecticut fell Monday.

Jim Bouton hit a lay-up at buzzer time to help Lewis and Clark (Ore.) edge Oshkosh (Wis.) 75-74 Tuesday night. The Oregon squad had missed three shots in the last 11 seconds before Bouton scored.

Charles Anderson poured in 34 points to lead second-seeded Augsburg (Minn.) to a 67-57 win over West Virginia State. Sixth-ranked Rockhurst College of Kansas City rolled past Pacific Lutheran of Washington 83-77.

Eight games were played today in the 28th annual tournament and quarterfinals are scheduled Thursday. The meet ends Saturday after semifinals Friday.

Portland (U.P.I.) — Gov. Mark Hatfield announced here Tuesday he would join the Portland delegation in its bid before the U.S. Olympic Committee in New York next Monday.

The committee is to select the American city to compete with cities from other nations to be host to the 1968 Olympic Games.

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STATE TOURNAMENT-BOUND HUSKIES — This group of Merrill Huskies will be at Bend Thursday, Friday and Saturday to compete in the State Class B High School Basketball Tournament. The Huskies, second in the Klamath County League, won the District 5-B Tournament to gain the berth. They are, left to right, top row, Marlin Barnes, Ken Smith, Larry Conner, Bob Merrielle, Dale Kurtz and Coach Jerry Groeneveld. Bottom row, team manager, Jim Reed, Jim Merrielle, Dave Hill, Bob Moore and Ralph Northrup. They play Cascade Locks in the first round.

Giants, Dodgers Happy With Fisher, Skowron

By FRED DOWN
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First impressions can be deceiving but the San Francisco Giants and Los Angeles Dodgers think their relations with Jack Fisher and Bill Skowron are going to be long and profitable.

Fisher and Skowron were involved in major winter deals—the Giants acquiring the pudgy pitcher from the Baltimore Orioles and the Dodgers obtaining the rugged first-baseman from the New York Yankees.

Fisher made his competitive debut for the Giants Tuesday with four shutout innings in a 4-1 victory over the Boston Red Sox while Skowron ran his hitting streak to five straight hits in two games in a 4-3 triumph over the St. Louis Cardinals.

Fisher and Billy Pierce shut out the Red Sox with three hits for eight innings before Boston scored a run off rookie Bob Bishop. Joe Amalfitano singled in the fifth and seventh innings and went on to score the Giants' first two runs.

Skowron Starts Rally
Skowron, 5-for-5 in his last two games, touched off the Dodgers' winning two-run seventh-inning rally with a single. Frank Howard's single, a wild pitch, two walks by rookie Harry Fanok and an error by Dick Groat completed the rally. Bill White had three hits for the Cardinals.

The Yankees could have used Skowron's bat Tuesday when Frank Funk, Claude Raymond and rookie Larry Maxie combined to limit them to one hit in pitching the Milwaukee Braves to a 3-0 victory. Raymond allowed the only hit — a scratch single by Tom Tresh. The world champions now have lost three of four exhibition games.

Don Lee, 8-0 last season, yielded a triple and a double to the first two hitters he faced and then didn't permit another hit for four innings as the Los Angeles Angels defeated the Cleveland In-

dians, 6-1. Rookie catcher Ed Kirkpatrick contributed a single and a triple to the Angels' attack.

Phillies Top Reds
The Philadelphia Phillies scored four runs in the third inning and six in the fourth to defeat the Cincinnati Reds, 12-6. There were 24 hits, including homers by the Reds' Jerry Lynch and Gordy Coleman and the Phillies' Don Demeter. Ray Culp pitched three hitless innings and struck out four for the Phillies.

Dave Nicholson drove in two runs with a double and scored another after a single to lead the Chicago White Sox to a 3-1 win over the New York Mets. Nicholson also bruised his knees and the heel of his right hand trying to make a catch against the outfield wall in the ninth inning but his injuries are not believed serious.

The Pittsburgh Pirates went 10 innings to win their first exhibition game of the spring, 7-6, over the Washington Senators. Pitcher Frank Bork won the game with a run-producing 10th-inning single. Gene Allyn had three hits for the Pirates.

Norm Bass Homers
Pitcher Norman Bass homered in the eighth inning to snap a 4-4 tie and pave the way for the Kansas City Athletics' 7-4 triumph over the Minnesota Twins. Chuck Essegian, acquired recently from the Cleveland Indians, doubled with the bases filled for the Athletics.

Dave Roberts' double and a single by Bob Lillis paced the Houston Colts from behind to a 6-5 decision over the Chicago Cubs. Jim Schaffer hit a two-run homer and Ken Hubbs a triple for the Cubs. The teams split their two-game series.

The Baltimore Orioles scored their fourth straight victory of the spring when they beat the Detroit Tigers, 7-3, in a night game at Miami, Fla. Luis Aparicio homered and stole two bases for

the Orioles and Jerry Adair also homered. Al Kaline homered for the Tigers. Rookie fireballer Steve Dalkowski pitched hitless ball over the middle three innings for Baltimore.

Exhibition Baseball Results
At West Palm Beach, Fla. N. Y. (A) 000 000 000—0 1 5 Milwaukee 010 202 000—5 7 1 Bronstad, Cullen (4), Kunkel (6), Reniff (8) and Blanchard, Funk, Raymond (5), Maxie (9) and Uecker, Winner—Funk, Loser—Bronstad.

At Sarasota, Fla. N. Y. (N) 000 000 001—1 4 0 Los Ang (A) 200 000 000—3 7 0 Kucks, Mackenzie (3), Dillon (6) and Coleman, Score, Zanni (4), Wilhelm (7) and Carreon, Winner—Score, Loser—Kucks.

At Clearwater, Fla. Cincinnati 111 000 003—6 11 0 Phila 004 002 000—12 13 0 Maloney, Low (4), Henry (6), Fodor (8) and Edwards, Green, Culp (4), Siebler (7) and Dalrymple, Oldis (4), Winner—Green, Loser—Maloney, HR—Lynch, Demeter, Coleman.

At St. Petersburg, Fla. Los Ang (N) 101 000 200—4 8 0 St. Louis 100 020 000—3 10 2 Sherry, Scott (4), Smith (9) and Brumley, Gibson, Shantz (4), Fanok (7), Tietenauer (8) and McCarver, Numan (9), Winner—Scott, Loser—Fanok.

At Ft. Myers, Fla. (10 innings) Wash 004 200 000 0—6 8 0 Pitts 000 400 002 1—7 16 1 McClain, Baker (4), Hobough (7), Baird (10) and Retzer, Lepert (7), Friend, Francis (4), Sisk (7), Bork (10) and Pagliaroni, McFarlane (10), Winner—Bork, Loser—Baird.

At Orlando, Fla. Kan City 004 000 030—7 6 1 Minnesota 200 000 200—4 5 3

Thies, Monteagudo (4), Bass (7) and Azcue, Kaat, Arrigo (4), Moore (7), Dotter (9) and Ratliff, Winner—Bass, Loser—Moore, HR—Green, Bass.

At Apache Junction, Ariz. Chicago (N) 030 002 000—5 12 2 Houston 000 002 220—6 10 1 Mudrock, Schultz (4), Elston (7) and Schaffer, Bertell (6), Drott, Cardinal (5), Jones (7), Woodshick (9) and Bateman, Winner—Woodshick, Loser—Elston, HR—Schaffer.

At Tucson, Ariz. Los Ang (A) 021 001 002—6 11 1 Cleveland 100 000 000—1 4 4 Lee, Moeller (5), Leopold (8) and Kirkpatrick, Tyriver, Gazmuri (4), Walker (7) and Lipski, Winner—Lee, Loser—Tyriver.

At Miami, Fla. Detroit 200 000 000—2 7 3 Baltimore 312 061 000—7 8 0 Koplitz, Lolich (4), Fox (7) and Triandos, Roarke (7), Hall, Dalkowski (4) and Landrith, Winner—Hall, Loser—Koplitz, HR—Kalin, Adair, Aparicio.

Final Tourney Berths Filled
By United Press International
The final three berths in next week's class A-1 and A-2 high school basketball tournaments were filled Tuesday night.

Tillamook edged Oregon City 54-32 in a double overtime thriller at Hillsboro to capture the second spot from the TYV league. Ken Olson's jump shot with 50 seconds left won the game.

Elmira won a big battle of A-2 powers and a spot in next week's Coos Bay tournament by defeating Pleasant Hill 55-50. Pleasant Hill was the state's second ranked A-2 team behind Henley. Elmira ranks third.

Yamhill-Carlton picked up the other A-2 berth with a 32-49 win over Nestucca.

NAMED ASSISTANT COACH
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (UPI)—Richard B. (Dick) Bunting has been added as an assistant football coach at the University of New Mexico. Bunting, who will join the staff on July 1, had been head coach at Palm Springs, Calif., High School for the last three years.

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Hazzard Leads UCLA By Indians

By United Press International

The UCLA Bruins can thank Walt Hazzard for their berth in the NCAA basketball tournament.

Hazzard, whipped in 19 points, including four crucial free throws in the waning minutes, to lead UCLA to a 51-45 victory over Stanford Tuesday night in their Big Six Conference playoff at Santa Monica, Calif.

The Bruins, who also represented the Big Six in last year's NCAA championship, led most of the way, pulling away to a 40-26 bulge after six minutes of the second half.

Hazzard Goes To Work
However, Stanford later slowed down the UCLA fast break and reduced its deficit to 44-40. That's when Hazzard went to work at the free throw line to pull the Bruins out of danger.

Jack Hirsch was the Bruins' second-high scorer with 15 points while Tom Dose led Stanford with 19.

UCLA opens its bid for the NCAA title against Arizona State in the Far West regionals at Provo, Utah, Friday night. Oregon State plays San Francisco on the same card.

The NCAA small college tournament resumes tonight at Evansville, Ind., with the eight survivors of regional playoffs squaring off in the quarter-finals.

Matinee Doubleheader
A matinee doubleheader pits Oglethorpe against Philadelphia Textile and Fresno State against South Dakota State. Wittenberg, named the nation's No. 1 small college team by the UPI Board of Coaches last week, plays North-eastern and Evansville meets Rockefeller.

APPROVE RACE EXTENSION
ALBANY, N.Y. (UPI) — The New York State Assembly overwhelmingly approved a bill Tuesday to extend the Thoroughbred racing season in the state seven days to Dec. 7. The extension, which would produce an estimated \$1.7 million, now goes to Gov. Rockefeller.

Southern Illinois in an eventful twin bill.

In the NAIA tournament Tuesday night at Kansas City, Mo., Indiana State edged Parsons, 77-77; Carson Newman walloped Bader, 83-57; Rockhurst turned back Pacific Lutheran, 83-77; Miles defeated Western Illinois, 84-41; Augsburg downed West Virginia State, 67-57; Lewis & Clark eliminated Oshkosh, 75-74; Transylvania beat Winston-Salem, 64-60; and Western Carolina ousted Eastern Montana, 64-61.

Hope Lutheran Garners Win
Hope Lutheran and Merrill Presbyterian garnered YMCA Church League victories in basketball Tuesday night.

Hope Lutheran topped First Christian, 28-15, with Pete LaPierce hitting 15 and Gary DeFree 10. Rocks topped the losers with six.

Merrill Presbyterian edged First Baptist, 41-36, with Bill Phelps notching 17 points and Bud Maupin in six. Gary Waterhouse led the losers with 14 and Doug Dedrick had eight.

Ducks Grab Hoopa Cage Tournament

The Sprague River Ducks, defending National Indian basketball champions, retained their Hoopa Indian Tournament title last week end in California by downing the Wapato Hawks of Washington in the finals, 77-66.

The Ducks won their first game by downing old foe Warm Springs Magpies again, 75-73, in a close one with DeMerle Lytle connecting for 23 points and Butch Crume for 18.

The Ducks measured the Hoopa All-Stars in the second outing, 60-56, as Lytle connected for 33 markers and Crume for 24. Lytle scored 30 in the final game and Crume 14 to win the championship.

Lytle, for the second straight year, was named the Most Valuable Player in the tournament.

He also broke his own single game rebounding record with 39 grabs. He had pulled down 38 for the record last season.

Wapato was second. Reno, Nev., third, and Warm Springs, fourth. The other teams were Oakland, Fort Bidwell, Braves and Toppenish, Wash. This was a warmup tournament for the National Tournament slated March 21-23 at the Chiloquin High School gym.

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