

Henley Takes On Elmira In A-2 Tourney Opener

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COOS BAY—That long-awaited day for the Henley Hornets arrives Monday when the state's top-ranked Class A-2 team enters the State A-2 Basketball Tournament here in the Marshfield High gym.

And Monday could well tell the story for the championship, too. The Hornets take on the third-ranked team in the state, Elmira. In the first round of the tournament at 8:45 p.m. Many think this will be the game for the state title.

The game also is a must for the Hornets. They take an undefeated 22-0 record into the tournament, the only unbeaten record in the state, and must stay that way to win the title. One loss knocks any team out of the championship running.

The Hornets left this morning at 6 o'clock for Coos Bay. They had a practice scheduled on the Marshfield court from 5-6 p.m. Every team has an opportunity to drill one hour on the court Sunday. The Hornets are staying at the Bay Bridge Motel.

The teams in the tournament include Central, Yamhill - Carlton, Vale, North Catholic, Newport, Coquille, Elmira and Henley. Henley was ranked first in the state, Elmira third and it beat out second place and defending champion Pleasant Hill for the tournament berth. Central tied with Elmira for third, Coquille fifth, North Catholic seventh, Vale eighth and Newport ninth. Yamhill - Carlton wasn't ranked in the top 10.

The winner of the Henley-Elmira clash in the final game Monday night figures to be for the championship although a very tough Central quintet cannot be overlooked.

Central of District 8 takes on Yamhill - Carlton of District 2 in the opening game Monday at 2 p.m. Vale of District 7 meets North Catholic of District 1 to tangle in the 3:45 game. The opening night game at 7:30 pits District 3 Newport against District 4 Coquille. Then comes the Henley-Elmira contest at 8:45.

Cochey Jerry Johnson will take 10 players and a manager to the state tournament. The starting five will be 6-7 Kent Gooding, forwards Mike Beymer and Earl Albritton, and guards Le-Voy Young and Steve Reeling. The top two substitutes will be Charley Thompson and Tom Sanders. The other three players making the trip are Steve Rand, Elton Schiro and Dick Johnson.

The Hornets will be looking for their 23rd successive victory without a loss. Elmira will bring a 22-2 record into the tournament. Both losses were at the hands of Pleasant Hill which was defending state champion. They beat Pleasant Hill three of five times, including a best two of three playoff.

Chamberland Makes SOC First Team; Kelley On Second Five

Wayne Chamberland, the hard-working senior forward-center for the Klamath Union Pelicans, was the only Pelican to crack the first team lineup for the Southern Oregon Conference All-League team which had six first team members.

The Coaches and teams had one ballot each to cast and choices were tabulated on a basis of two points for a first team pick and one point for a second team choice. Any player making the Honorable Mention list had to gather at least two points.

The other five members of the first team, which is a good and representative unit, includes Medford's Jack Forde, Crater's Howard Tomlinson and Mike Glines, Al Hutchins and Jim Pippin of Grants Pass and Chamberland.

Forde was the only unanimous choice in the conference. He got 16 votes. Tomlinson, the league's leading scorer, was second with 14 points. Hutchins and Glines each nabbed 13 votes while Pippin and Chamberland each had 12 points.

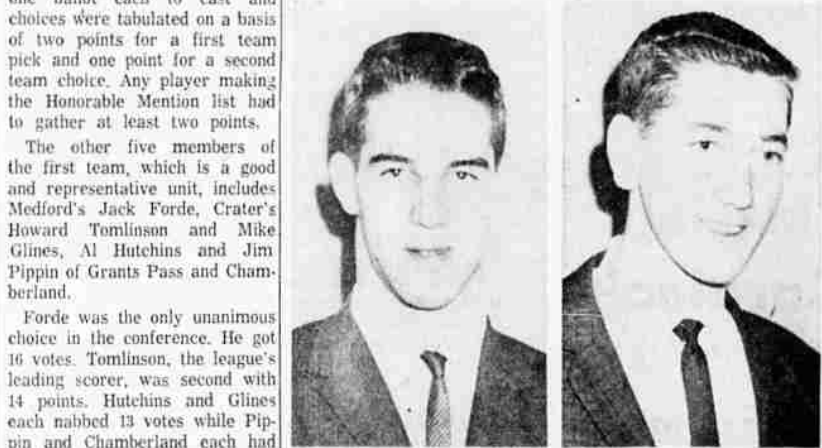
Klamath's Fred Kelley made the second All-Conference team. Lou Alvarez of Crater led the second unit with 11 points. Jim Hill of Medford, Dan Miles of Medford and Kelley each had eight votes and Ashland's Jim Lamb finished the second five with seven points.

Those who made Honorable Mention were Tom Sparlin of Grants Pass (6), Paul Branson of Medford (5), Rick Pierce of Crater (5), Rick Pierce of Ashland (4), Larry Vowell (3) and Rich Benner of Medford (2) and Klamath's Grover Dahn (2).

The first team is one which, with their combined total scoring added together, would average 85.3 points per game. The Grants Pass (6), Paul Branson of Medford (5), Rick Pierce of Crater (5), Rick Pierce of Ashland (4), Larry Vowell (3) and Rich Benner of Medford (2) and Klamath's Grover Dahn (2).

Alvarez led the second team also in scoring with 317 points and a 14.4 average. Kelley had 228 for a 10.4 mean, Hill 240 for 11.4, Miles 205 for a 9.3 average, and Lamb, 212 for a 9.9 mean.

Medford and Grants Pass finished in a tie for the SOC title with 11-5 records. Both will enter the state tournament next week. Grants Pass won the toss and got the easier first round bracket pick. Medford plays Lebanon Tuesday night in the tournament's first game at 7:30. Grants Pass meets South Salem in a 2 p.m. game Wednesday afternoon. This is the first time in seven years the Pelicans have failed to make the state tournament.



WAYNE CHAMBERLAND
First Team Selection

FRED KELLEY
Second Team Pick

All-League Selections

Southern Oregon Conference
All-League Selection
First Team

Name	School	Votes
Jack Forde	Medford	16
Howard Tomlinson	Crater	14
Al Hutchins	G.P.	13
Mike Glines	Crater	13
Jim Pippin	G.P.	12
Wayne Chamberland	K.F.	12

Name	School	Votes
Lou Alvarez	Crater	11
Jim Hill	Medford	8
Dan Miles	Medford	8
Fred Kelley	K.F.	8
Jim Lamb	Ashland	7

College Scores

By United Press International
National Invitation tournament
at New York, 1st round:

St. Louis 62 La Salle 61
Miami (Fla.) 71 St. Francis (N.Y.) 70

(Quarter-final)
Villanova 34 Wichita 33
NCAA Midwest Regional Tournament at East Lansing, Mich.

Mississippi St. 65 Bowling Green 60 (consolation)
NCAA Eastern Regional Tournament at College Park, Md.

West Virginia 63 New York U. 73 (consolation)
East Lansing, Mich.

Loyola (Ill.) 79 Illinois 64 (regional final)
College Park, Md.

Duke 73 St. Joseph's (Pa.) 59 (regional final)

OSU Welcomes Bearcat Quint

PROVO, Utah (UPI)—Veteran Coach Slats Gill said Saturday night he and his Oregon State team welcomed the challenge of going up against defending NCAA basketball champion Cincinnati.

Rain Postpones Three-Bout Card

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A scheduled triple-header title boxing program was rained out Saturday night, including a nationally televised welterweight title match between champion Emile Griffith and contender Luis Rodriguez.

Co-promoter George Parnassus announced that the show would be held Monday or Tuesday and that the decision would be made Sunday.

He made this announcement in the offices of the Dodge Stadium. The rain had been falling continuously since 2:30 p.m. and it was coming down harder as the 7 p.m. PST time approached for the main bout between Griffith and Rodriguez was to go on.

His decision was made after a conference with co-promoter Cal Eaton and after Gill Clancy, co-manager of Griffith had demanded.

Cincinnati's Rally Downs Fighting Colorado, 67-60

LAWRENCE, Kan. (UPI)—Powerful Cincinnati, a sputtering basketball machine for half the game, came to life in the second period Saturday night to defeat Colorado 67-60 for the NCAA Midwest Regional Championship.

The regional title was Cincinnati's fifth in a row and sends the nation's top-ranked Bearcats into the NCAA semi-finals next week in Louisville, Ky.

Texas beat Oklahoma City University 90-83 for the Consolation.

Texas Raps Oklahoma Quint, 90-83

LAWRENCE, Kan. (UPI)—Texas, with five players scoring in double figures, defeated brassy Oklahoma City University 90-83 Saturday night for consolation honors in the NCAA Midwest Regional Basketball Tournament.

Texas, the Southwest Conference champion, started off as if to make the game a runaway and built a 19-point lead in the first seven minutes.

But before claiming its 20th victory against seven defeats, the Longhorns had to fight off repeated threats by Oklahoma City.

Tiny Jimmy Gilbert, a 5-9 guard, paced Texas with 17 points. Mike Humphrey followed with 14 and Jimmy Puryear with 13 points. Mike Humphrey followed with 14 and Jimmy Puryear with 13 points. Mike Humphrey followed with 14 and Jimmy Puryear with 13 points.

SOC Stats

FINAL SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE STATISTICS

Team	W	L	Pct.	PP	PA
Medford	14	6	.722	1298	1184
Crater	13	5	.688	1437	1282
Grants Pass	11	7	.682	1284	1170
Klamath Falls	12	9	.591	1161	1146
Ashland	2	14	.125	1093	1202

Team	W	L	Pct.	PP	PA
Medford	11	5	.688	1034	880
Crater	10	6	.625	1088	951
Grants Pass	9	7	.563	1009	1000
Klamath Falls	10	6	.625	1034	951
Ashland	2	14	.125	777	1001

Individual Players Scoring 100 or more points during season:

Player	GP	FG	FTA	FT	Pct.
Tomlinson, C.	22	128	175	65	36.2
Forde, M.	22	68	102	43	41.8
Miles, M.	22	51	57	20	35.2
Glines, C.	22	103	170	51	30.0
Pippin, J.	22	128	175	65	36.2
Hutchins, C.	18	102	168	58	34.5
Chamberland, K.	22	96	156	58	37.2

Team	W	L	Pct.	PP	PA
Hill, M.	21	100	40.85	35	240
Kelly, K.	22	90	48.47	63	228
Lamb, A.	22	68	78.12	43	151
Miles, M.	22	85	35.48	45	93
Pierce, C.	22	75	45.43	55	195
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Scott, K.F.	20	67	44.66	62	178
Feister, A.	22	67	67.45	69	161
Branson, C.	22	55	46.10	77	154
Dahn, K.F.	21	53	46.10	54	152
Hess, A.	22	49	57.27	73	128
Holman, K.F.	19	46	54.75	22	146
Vowell, M.	22	49	46.77	59	144
Bauer, G.	19	42	75.38	27	100
Neathamer, M.	21	48	21.29	20	117
Feister, C.	22	45	72.73	27	100
Keisler, G.	22	37	30.57	42	104
Benner, M.	14	42	16.38	19	73

Other Klamath Falls players who got in ball games during the season:

Player	W	L	Pct.	PP	PA
Alb	21	2	91.67	38	93
Piper	10	11	47.62	19	34
Holman	20	10	15.19	19	34
Gouyer	9	3	5.00	10	11
Moore	3	2	0.00	0	4
Biney	1	0	0.00	1	6
Phelps	1	0	0.00	0	0
Rodgers	1	0	0.00	0	0

S. Dakota Defeats Wittenberg

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (UPI)—It's never too late to win a basketball game. Ask South Dakota State.

The Jackrabbits defeated Wittenberg and won the NCAA College Division basketball title Friday night when Al Bostic sank a desperation shot from about two yards out with exactly one second left to play.

In winning the crown, the Jackrabbits, who prefer a running game, beat the first-ranked and favored Tigers from Ohio at their own game of ball control, 44-42.

The score was tied five times. Minutes before Bostic's dramatic shot, Wittenberg led 41-38. A long shot by Dakota's Bob Glaser made it 41-40, but Bob Hamilton netted a free throw to give the Tigers a 42-40 edge.

Glaser hit on another long shot to tie the score, and Bostic, taking a pass from a teammate who recovered a rebound, dribbled to within two yards and sank his shot one second before the buzzer.

Beavers Upset Arizona State

PROVO, Utah (UPI)—Oregon State's methodical Beavers forced Arizona State University into one mistake after another Saturday night to down the Sun Devils 63-65 and win their first NCAA Far West Regional Championship since 1949.

By winning the Far West Regional title, Coach Slats Gill's crew moved into the semi-finals and earned the chance to meet defending champion Cincinnati at Louisville, Ky., next Friday.

The Beavers, paced by towering Mel Counts, led throughout the entire game as they matched the Western Athletic Conference champions in brawn and out-shot them from the field. Unlike Friday night when Arizona State racked up 62 points in one-half of play, the Sun Devils were cold from the field and Oregon State was nearly as hot as ASU was in the opening game.

The Beavers connected on 65 per cent of their field goal attempts in the first half, hitting 19 of 29 attempts in racing to a 43-38 lead at intermission. Counts, a seven-foot junior, got seven of 10 from the field in the first half. He had able assistance from teammate Steve Pauly who got six of eight.

Oregon State ran the margin to 15-5 after five minutes of play, then stretched it to 19-9. Arizona State then narrowed the margin to 30-28, the closest the Sun Devils ever got in the entire contest.

Early in the second half, Terry Baker connected on a drive-in and was fouled and converted the free throw. Then Counts hit a long shot from the left corner and Baker followed with a jumper to stretch the advantage to 50-42. After that, it was no contest as the Sun Devils made a desperate bid to narrow the gap but ran into foul trouble.

Counts led all scorers with 26 points and Pauly had 21. Baker followed with 15 for the Beavers. For Arizona State, Joe Caldwell was high man with 17 and teammate Tony Cerkvenik had 16. Art Becker followed with 13.

In the game for consolation honors, the University of San Francisco nipped UCLA 76-65. A crowd of 10,386 saw the double-header at Brigham Young University fieldhouse.

San Francisco battled back from a 10-point first half deficit to score its pulsating victory over the Bruins and take third spot in the regionals.

The Dons successfully converted four clutch free throws in the closing two minutes of play to save the victory.

Sophomore center Ollie Johnson scored 20 points, including 13 in a torrid second-half shooting display, to pull the San Franciscans ahead after they had trailed throughout the first 26 minutes of the game. Forward Ed Thomas added 15 points for the winners.

Four of the UCLA Bruins scored in the double figures. They were led by Gale Goodrich with 17 points. Dave Waxman had 14 and Walt Hazard 12 for the Los Angeles club.

Reserves Huey Thomas and Dick Brannard tossed in a pair of free throws apiece in the closing minutes to secure the win over the Bruins. UCLA trailed only 72-71 when Thomas calmly sank two shots from the line. Brannard followed with his two as the Bruins fouled trying to wrest the ball from the Dons.

The San Franciscans first took the lead 33-37 on a fielder by Jim Brovelli with 16:22 showing on the second half clock. They widened the margin to 64-55 but UCLA twice cut the USF lead to one point.

The taller UCLA team had moved to a 24-14 lead with an effective fast break and zone defense early in the first half. However, San Francisco toughened on the backboards as the game progressed and slowly cut UCLA's margin.

Sharp-shooting Hazard carried the bulk of UCLA's offensive load in the first half with nine points and several key plays. He also had nine rebounds during the 30 minutes. The Bruins held a 35-30 margin at intermission.

The Dons wasted little time after intermission in chopping off the Bruin's lead. Baskets by Brovelli and Johnson narrowed the gap to 37-36 and Vovelli's fielder sent San Francisco ahead.

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Counts, Baker All-Tourney

PROVO, Utah (UPI)—Towering Mel Counts, Oregon State's seven-foot center, was named the most valuable player in the NCAA Basketball Tournament which concluded here Saturday night.

Counts and teammate Terry Baker represented the champion Beavers on the all-tourney team selected by sports writers and sportscasters covering the tournament.

Runnerup Arizona State University also placed two players on the honor team. ASU was represented by Joe Caldwell and Art Becker, the fifth spot on the team went to Ollie Johnson of the University of San Francisco.

Counts, junior from Coos Bay, Ore., was the tourney's high scorer with 48 points.

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Bend's Skjersaa Places Fifth

JACKSON, Wyo. (UPI)—Karen Skjersaa of Bend finished in fifth place in the girls' giant slalom event in the national junior skiing championships Friday.

Miss Skjersaa, 16, was clocked in 1:30.2. Cathy Nagel of Enumclaw, Wash., won the event in 1:31.3.

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