

Basketball Leagues Realigned

League basketball action already has started in three conferences in the Tri-City area—Valley B, Valley A and Blue Mountain Conference. The JC teams swing into conference play Friday. Only the Yakima Valley Class AA schools-the Big Six Conference and Little Seven Conference-wait until after the first of the year to get into the act.

Each of those five leagues involving area teams have undergone realignment since last season and there appears to be considerable confusion among the fans as to what team is playing in what league.

The major realignments were in the Washingto JC Conference, which adopted a three-division setup followed by an eight-team championship tourney in March, and the Valley double-A schools, who divided into two divisions to accommodate three new entries-Selah, Walla Walla and Grandview.

JC Loop Expands To 15 Teams

The Washington JC Conference expanded to 15 teams with the addition of Spokane, Big Bend, Shoreline and Peninsula. All except Shoreline played basketball last season, but not on a conference basis. the four new teams forced the three-division program.

Columbia Basin, which has won four straight titles and six in the past seven seasons in its domination of the conference, will play in the Eastern Division, along with Big Bend at Moses Lake, Spokane, Yakima and Wenatchee.

The Northern Division includes Skagit Valley at Mount Vernon, Shoreline at Seattle, Highline in the south Seattle area, Everett and Olympic at Bremerton. The Southern Division lineup includes Grays Harbor at Aberdeen, Peninsula at Port Angeles, Centralia, Clark at Vancouver and Lower Columbia at Longview.

At the end of the league season, the top two teams from each division, plus two at-large entries selected by a conference committee, will enter the three-day tournament at Cascade High School in Everett. First-round action includes a four-game, single-elimination schedule with losers out and the four winners advancing to Friday's semifinals. Friday's winners play for the title Saturday night, March 13.

That tournament at Everett falls on the same weekend as the double-A regional tourney at Spokane.

Two Division In Double-A Ranks

Galbreath Archer Anderson Sperline Fitts The Valley double-A divisions are based on a "big" and "little" alignment. The Big Six Confer-ence, composed of the "big" schools, includes the Ephrata Totals three Tri-City teams, newcomer Walla Walla and the other two Yakima schools-Davis and Eisenhower. The Little Seven League numbers Wapato, Toppenish, El lensburg, West Valley, Sunnyside, Selah and Grand-Snyder Gunter view. The big question among the double-A schools, Peterso of course, is which league will have how many Braudt entries in the district tourney. YVIAA officials Hinkbeiner agreed last spring that the Big Six would have four Martinson teams and the Little Seven would have two teams. Martin Totals A meeting in Yakima this week, however, could bring about modification of that original plan. Othello Warden One reason for an expected change is that Walla Walla, although a member of the YVIAA and entered in league play, must continue its long-time arrangement with Clarkston. As in past years, Clarkston and Walla Walla will play off to determine which team will meet the No. 2 Spokane entry for a regional berth. By the same token, the Wenatchee-area winner will continue to play off against the No. 2 Valley team.

Rodgers Achieves 100th Cage Win In Sweep At Boise

BY TOM BURNSIDE Herald Sperie Writer

BOISE-The Columbia Basin Hawks blitzed Boise with a sparkling first-half shooting effort and went on to post an 84-58 victory last night at Bronco gym to hand Coach Jim Rodgers his 100th triumph in his five - year tenure as head coach at the Pasco school.

The Hawks hit 19 for 31 from the field in the first

Othello

er was Ron Robbins with 14.

over Warden in the B game.

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EPHRATA

Young Burke

half last night — a brilliant 61 per cent — to put the game Ephrata away early and record their 32nd consecutive victory. It was a contrast to Friday's game when Topples CBC had to scramble from behind to chalk up a 75-74 victory in overtime. The Hawks had five players

in double figures last night, led by 6-8 Byron Beck with 22 and Theartis Wallace with 21. Randy Ackley, who scored 25 points Friday night, again was high for

OTHELLO - Jim Freer and Larry Young combined for 35 Boise last night with 24. But points Saturday night to lead the only one other Bronc was in Ephrata Tigers to a 70-53 vic- double figures. tory over the Othello Huskies.

CBC FINISHED last night The loss gave the Huskies a with 49 per cent from the field split in weekend play following while Boise, 11 of 33 in the first Friday's 65-51 win at Warden. half, managed only six field Ephrata sped to a 20-13 firstgoals in 43 attempts in the secquarter lead last night and ond half for an overall 22 per never trailed. Freer hit 18 and cent.

Young had 17. Othello's top scor-The Hawks, despite giving away three inches per man to the towering Broncos, again had Friday's game was knotted at the edge in the rebounding de-11-all after the first period, but partment as they beat the Boise an 18-7 burst in the second perschool for the 12th time in three iod put the Huskies in front to years. Beck led rebounders with stay. Stan Peterson and Ron 18, giving CBC an overall 47-30 Brandt each hit 16 for Othello. margin. Wendell Jones, who hit Phil Michel scored 13 points the go-ahead points in Friday's to help Othello to a 46-43 win thriller, added 11 rebounds and

also scored 11 points.

After holding a 47-33 margin OTHELLO at halftime, the Hawks dumped in eight straight points at the outset of the second half and moved the game out of reach. Al Courter dumped in four consecutive shots midway through 20-footer and Beck added a free-20 16 18 15-70 13 12 6 22-53 throw to open a 78-47 marginlargest of the game - with 8:28

but he missed both and Boise led

Jones cut the gap to one point

on a free throw with 1:15 left,

then hit the winner on a short

jumper from the side. Ackley,

who led all scorers with 25, had

a chance to win it for the Broncs

with two seconds left, but his

shot bounced off the front rim.

left.

74-72.



Phil Neill, Richland junior sharpshooter, drove for a basket in Friday's 91-56 victory over Toppenish. Blocking out for Neill was teammate Dave Strasser (44). At right was Toppenish's Steve Burch (13). Bombers hit 50 per cent from the field, including 8 of 12 by Neill.

Pasco Loses Cage Starts

TOPPENISH - Tim Pabisz scored 28 points Saturday night to lead the Toppenish Wildcats to a surprising 73-49 victory over the Pasco Bulldogs in nonthe second half, Jones hit on a league basketball action here. It was the second straight weekend loss for the Bulldogs, who opened Friday with an 81-77 setback at Pendleton.

Pasco had an 18-14 lead after the first period last feet. ight, but the Wildcats, bounc-



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Floyd Patterson, two-time former world heavyweight champion, knocked out Charley Powell in 1:21 of the sixth round of a scheduled 10-round bout Saturday night and apparently convinced himself he is on the rebound.

"I am on the road back," said Patterson after he

had floored the San Diego fighter two times prior to the knockout.

Patterson, currently the thirdranking heavyweight challenger, used the bout as a warmup for a scheduled 12-rounder with Canadian George Chuvalo Jan. 29.

JUNIOR ROSE BOWL Long Beach, Calif., 28, Cameron, Okla PATTERSON WEIGHED 197 for the bout, his second since Montana State 28, Sacramento State 3 GRANTLAND EICE BOWL Middle Tennessee State 20, Mustin suffering two one-round knockouts in heavyweight title bouts with Sonny Liston. Powell gum o NALA PLAYOFF BOWL Concordia (Minn.) 7, Sam Houston weighed 213.

State 7 (tie) PECAN BOWL State College of Iowa 19, Lamar Patterson was in command all the way and did not appear to a TANGERINE BOWL East Carolina 14, Massachusetts 13 be damaged at any time.

He took his time opening up. and started Powell's decline in Senior Bowl the fifth round. He caught the **Picks South** former football player with a right - left combination and dropped him to one knee just **Grid Squad** as the bell sounded ending the round.

POWELL WENT down again, All-America selections and the this time for a seven count, aft- first two Negro players ever er a left-right combo early in the invited were named Saturday to sixth. Patterson, fighting from a a 27-man South squad for the low crouch and his familiar 16th annual Senior Bowl game peek-a-boo style, continued to Jan. 9. pour it on.

The roster is loaded with future pro players. Twenty-five of He put Powell away with a winging left hook and solid right the 27 selected have been draftcross. After referee Jersey Joe ed by National and American Walcott had counted 10, he Football League teams and at helped the fallen fighter to his least nine have signed.

Olympic great Bob Hayes, the Patterson had knocked out Florida A&M back billed as the



Cleveland 52, New York 20

CAMELLIA BOWL

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) - Six

Change In Formula Expected

Not counting Walla Walla, that leaves the Big Six with five teams eligible for district play compared to seven for the Little Seven. It's inconceivable the four-two formula would remain in effect. 11 seconds remaining, rebound-About the best the Big Six could hope for would be ed on his miss and with his back three direct representatives with its fourth-place to the board flipped the ball team playing off against the No. 3 team from the over his head and into the bas-Little Seven.

In past years, the top two finishers in double-A competition have been seeded into secondround district play. With a two-division setup, that's another important item to be determined when YVIAA officials convene this week at Yakima. The first round of district play is single elimination, which places extra importance on the first-round bye accorded two teams.

A Schools Lose State Berth

The loss of Grandview and Selah to the double-A center from New York via Co- time. ranks cost the Valley A League one of its three state |lumbia Basin College, backed | tournament berths, reducing the conference to 12 Hare in the scoring column with in double figures, led by Beck teams. YVIAA officials adopted a two-division set- 15 points. Two other Cornhusk- with 17. up with six teams in each division.

Two Join Area B Circuits

The Valley A Southern Division includes Connell, Kiona-Benton, Prosser, Goldendale, Granger and White Swan. The Northern Division lists Naches, Marquette, Highland, Central Catholic, East Valley and Cle Elum.

Each team plays a home-and-home series with each of the other five teams in its division, plus one cross-over game with each of the six teams tral Washington Jayvees won in the other division. But there will be only one four of seven matches to down set of league standings, instead of determining a Columbia Basin College 20-8 in champion in each division.

The Valley A League, like the double-A schools, won't decide its specific district tourney procedure until this week's YVIAA meeting. The past years, with injuries. the Class A schools have played an eight-team tourney. This year, it's possible they might adopt a six-team setup similar to the one used in recent Jerry Olson, 3-0. 120-Jim Heryears by the double-A schools.

There are also a couple of newcomers to the Class B ranks. Easton came into the Valley B League, joining Bickleton, Kittitas, Mabton, River View, Thorp and Zillah. Washtucna was admitted to the Blue Mountain Conference eightteam alignment which also includes Burbank, Kahletus, Touchet, Prescott, Waitsburg, Ana-tone and Asotin. Both subdistrict and district play for BMC schools will be at Waitsburg.



period. 3 Totals 18 17 19 51 25 13 28 65 SCORE BY QUARTER 11 18 24 22-63 11 7 22 11-51



LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Fred Hare tipped in a rebound in the last second to give Nebraska a 74-73 victory Saturday night over Michigan, the nation's No.

1 rated college basketball team. lead and held a 13-4 margin five out the victory. minutes into the game. But Ack-Hare shot from 15 feet with ley hit four fielders in a row as Boise rang up 11 straight points to knot the score at 15all. The teams traded leads

to a 29-19 margin. A late spurt Michigan had used brilliant scoring by Cazzie Russell to points at halftime, 35-32. move to a 71-59 advantage with No more than six points sep-7:29 remaining arated the teams during the sec-The Wolverines counted 16 ond half as they swapped leads straight points, with Russell six times in the final 10 minutes. getting six, to build a 41-31 half-CBC was ahead 64-62 with 2:26 time margin.

Crowell with 53 seconds left tied years. Jackson led with 16 and terfly. Bob Antulov. Nebraska's 6-7 the score and sent it into over-

The Hawks had four players 30 field goals.

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ers were in double figures for Coach Joe Cipriano. Russell finished with 29 points Wallace and Bill Buntin got 15 for Michi-

Hawks Bow At Central

points.

gan.

ELLENSBURG - The Cen-

a non - conference wrestling Beck match here Saturday night. Five CBC wrestlers were out

The results 123-Bob Norton (CBC) dec.

man (CEN) dec. Marc Elledge. 9-2. 137-Craig Martinson (CEN) won by forfeit, 147-Carl Kinned Bill Harr, 8:20.

ing back from a 91-56 rout at IN FRIDAY'S GAME, the Richland the night before, eruptscore was tied eight times beed for 28 points in the second fore Jones tossed what proved period while limiting the Bullto be the winning bucket with dogs to eight points. 34 seconds left in the overtime

for Pasco with 10.

PABISZ WAS backed in the Jones, filling in for Beck, who scoring column by Ray Harvey fouled out with 2:19 left in the with 18 and Ervin Curfman with overtime session, had a chance 17. High for Pasco was Larry to tie the score with 1:40 re-Jackson with 19-only Bulldog maining on a pair of free throws, in double figures.

Toppenish won the B game, 48-44, with Tim Rankin, Mike

Sutton and Bill Harvey each scoring 13. Jim DeBord was high Pasco forged ahead at Pen-

time and 59 - 51 after three stroke. periods before the Buckaroos uncorked a 30 - point spree in CBC JUMPED OFF to a 7-2 the final eight minutes to pull

100-yard free style. He also **CLARENCE COWAPOO scor-**

freestyle. ed 28 points and Jay Brunner

added 20 to pace the Bucks, who knotted the score with five min- wick were Pat Colgan, seconds funny if I did?" twice before the Hawks spurted utes left. Brunner broke a 77- in the 200-yard freestyle and

carried the Broncs within three he hit on a drive from the base- Hicks, second in the 200-yard in- six feet past. line. Cowapoo's two free throws dividual medley and third in the with seven seconds left iced the 100-yard freestyle: Gary Rosson victory.

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Five Pasco players hit in dou- and the 100-yard breaststroke; ble figures as the Bulldogs Richy Adkins, second in the 100came up with their best open- yard butterfly, and John West-Hare led the Huskers with 20 left, but a 25-foot set by 6-7 Jack ing - night shooting in recent land, third in the 100-yard but-

> Gary Worrell added 15. Pasco shot .417 from the field, sinking

Pasco scored a 49-46 victory in the B game with Clifton Allen

hitting 11 and Mike Curtis add-BOISE ed 10. p tp 4 21 Ackley PASCO Pabisz Worrell Chaffee Burke Gonzals Snow Beall 0 Crowell 0 McIntos Напу Wren Jackson Holm Burch 0.520775 Curimn 22 Williams Stoes e Kinder Schood Rankis Hester Totals Choules Totals Pretran Rhodes 0 0 0 0 Totals 17 24 20 58 Pasco Торретівь Officials: Hansen and Deshaw. BOISE FRIDAT **FASCO** 1 25 fato

San Juan Wins

ion (CBC) dec. Bob Henderson. -Duke Carmel homered in the 11-3. 157-Wayne Bitton (CEN) fifth inning and drove in the Monureal pinned Abe Gheyfsariah, 5:30. winning run in the 13th inning Toronto 177-Harold Surplus (CBC) and as the San Juan Senators edged New York Larry Nelson, draw, 44. Unlim- the Santurce Crabbers 2-1 in a, ited Dick Monroe (CEN) pin- Puerto Rican Winter League | baseball game Saturday.

Kennewick Swim Team

Cheaper By The Dozen? **Cards Win**

 Steve Matheson and Terry
Steve Matheson and Terry
Blankenship each recorded two firsts as Kennewick downed Yakima 58-28 in a practice swim meet Saturday.
Matheson's firsts came in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard backstroke. Blank-enship won the 400-yard free style and the 100-yard breast PHUENIX, Ariz. (AP) - A golf professional from Davenport, Iowa, scored from Davenport, Iowa, scored from Davenport, Iowa, scored consecutive holes in one Friday, then almost sank another two holes later.
PHUENIX, Ariz. (AP) - A golf professional from Davenport, Iowa, scored consecutive holes in one Friday, then almost sank another two holes later.
Ed Shuman dropped in his tee shots on the 95-yard 10th hole and the 115-yard 11th hole at Mountain Shadow's par 56
A Utz, Virgina Tech. dleton Friday night, 36-32 at half- enship won the 400-yard free style and the 100-yard breast-

> The other winner for Kenne- the Arizona Open Match Play wick was John Madison in the Championship.

had a second in the 50-vard told Abbott:

Other top placers for Kenne-

thirds in the 50-yard freestyle

Italy's Santo Amonti in his world's fastest human, and his only other start since the Liston; teammate Bob Felts are the fights.

first Negros invited.

Ends-Allen Brown, Mississippi; Fred Nami Fla Fred Biletnikoft Brown, Miami, Fla; Fred Biletnikeit Florada State; John Hilton, Richmond Tackles—D an Kearley, Alabama; rank MClendon, Aalabama; Dennis Frank MClendon. Murphy, Florida; Harry Schuh, Mem-phis State Guards-Justin Canlale, Mississipti State; Steve DeLoug, Tennessee; Rem Prudhomme, Louisiana State; Jim Wil

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) - A

Men Train Now both shots while playing against Fielding Abbott of Sun City in WELDING And HEAVY

After his first ace, Shuman

"I think I'll use the same club, the same swing and get two back-to-back. Wouldn't it be ,

all tie with a minute left when the 100-yard backstroke: Milton, tee shot hit the cup and rolled

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