Beckley, Oceana Win Basketball Titles

Indians Grab AA Laurels In 95-72 Romp

CHARLESTON — Oceana went on a 26-point third-quarter scoring binge here Saturday to defeat Williamstown 95-72 and win the Class AA state high school basketball championship.

The victory gave Oceana its second AA title in three years and a perfect 26-0 record this season.

Oceana used a blistering fast break and full-court press to pull away from the Yellow Jackets in the first quarter behind the shooting of Joe Pendry and Larry Laxton. The Indians hit a cool spell in the second period, however, and their lead dwindled to six points at the half.

Williamstown, down by as many as 17 points, in the second quarter, had whittled the deficit to four points at 45-41 shortly after intermission. But the Yellow Jackets suddenly wilted before Oceana's hot shooting and pressure defense.

The Indians outscored Williamstown 26-11 in the third quarter and went into the last period leading by 19. Tom Evans and Laxton led the third-quarter surge with 10 and six points, respectively.

Rebounding was another factor in Oceana's triumph. The taller Indians completely dominated the boards, grabbing 63 rebounds to 33 for Williamstown.

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Grand Welcome Set

OCEANA (RNS) — Oceana basketball fans will meet their champion Indians at the Mullens football field at 2 p.m. Sunday to form a triumphal homecoming caravan. The fans will escort the team through Mullens and Pineville and into Oceana at 3 p.m. for a big parade through town. Special ceremonies will be held later at the high school gym. The Oceana Rotary Club is spearheading the welcoming caravan.

Pictured above is the undefeated Oceana basketball team that defeated Williamstown 95-72 Saturday night to win the Class AA state championship.

In the back row from left to right is: Ralph Hannah, Elwood Pennington, Larry Laxton, Randall Topping, Tommy Evans, (front row) Larry Cook, Greg Daniels, Joe Pendry, Larry Perry, and Benny Cook.

Coach Paul Greer's Indians were paced by high scoring Laxton and Pendry during the tourney. Laxton took scoring honors by tossing in 23 points and Pendry hit for a total of 21 markers.

Eagles Nip Wolfpack 69-67 For 8th Crown, Most In State History

By KARL LILLY
Register Sports Editor

CHARLESTON CIVIC CENTER — Woodrow Wilson pulled one of the greatest upsets in West Virginia State High School Tournament history by defeating highly favored and unbeaten Williamson 69-67 here Saturday night.

Coach Lawrence Wiseman's team set a new state record by winning their eighth state title. Beckley was tied with Wheeling at seven apiece prior to last night's game.

The Flying Eagles came into the game with an 18-6 record, matched against Williamson's 26-0 mark and all but a few sports experts felt the Wolfpack would roll to an easy win.

But as one seasoned sportswriter said before the game, "When you count Beckley out, they'll kill you."

And Beckley did just that—coming from a 20-16 first quarter deficit to within one point at 41-40 at the half.

Only the shooting of Ron Lilly kept the Eagles in the game at all. Lilly scored 10 points in the first period and 23 in the game.

By the end of the back-and-forth third quarter Beckley led 58-57. The Eagles built up a 67-62 lead late in the final quarter but Williamson, which had gotten used to close calls in its march to the tournament finals, fought back.

Big Bill Craig, who led the Wolfpack with 23 points, scored on a three point play with 1:59 left to make it 67-65, bringing Williamson fans into full roar.

But Lilly converted a one-and-one after being fouled in the desperate press the Wolfpack put on to get the ball back and Beckley led 69-65.

Buster White sank one for

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RON LILLY

RON KYLE

FRED LEWIS

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BUDDY HUTCHENS

News In Brief Of Today's World

From Wire Dispatches

A sightseeing bus crowded with grade school children hit a pedestrian and plunged off a mountain road near Taipei Saturday causing Formosa's worst recorded traffic accident. Nationalist Chinese police said 29 persons — 27 third and fourth graders and two teachers—were killed, and 7 other persons injured, 15 of them critically. . . The queen he rejected 17 years ago and girl friends with whom he cavorted in lavish exile after leaving the throne were in the funeral procession Saturday as the body of former King Farouk of Egypt was laid to rest in a Rome cemetery. . . Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong all but blew down the Berlin wall Saturday as Communist East Germany gave the jazz trumpeter a wild reception to rival any given top Communist leaders—including deposed Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev. His rendition of 'Hello, Dolly' brought down the house.

ACTRESS Elizabeth Taylor paid a last visit to her ailing but improving father in a Hollywood hospital Saturday and then took a nonstop jet back to Europe for a reunion with her husband, Richard Burton, in Dublin, Ireland. . . The 91-year-old San Francisco cable car system, the only one of its kind in the world, begins a three-week shutdown for a $275,000 face-lifting Sunday. . . Justice William O. Douglas of the Supreme Court will lead hikers on a 12-mile walk along the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal April 24 for the 11th year.

PRINCESS Margaret, ill with a virus infection and running a fever, canceled her Sunday schedule on her 10-day visit to Uganda. . .The Soviet Union Saturday accused Communist Chinese students of deliberately attacking Russian policement under cover of a recent anti-American demonstration in Moscow. . .U.S. Oil company executives Saturday tried to arrange a meeting with Indonesian officials in Jakarta to determine how the government takeover of their plants (announced Friday) would affect them. . .The Soviet Artists' Union has elected spaceman Alexei Leonov an honorary member in recognition of his skill as an amateur cartoonist, Pravda said Saturday.

POPE PAUL VI Saturday praised the American-founded Rotary International for "its generous dedication to the services of the common good." It was the Roman Catholic Church's first open praise of the society. . .Formal negotiations in the glass container industry strike were called off indefinitely Saturday by federal mediators, so head arbitrator William Rose could talk informally with union and management officials separately. . . President Johnson said Saturday budget spending for the first eight months of the fiscal year was down almost two billion dollars from a year ago.

FOUR MEMBERS of the University of California Board of Regents criticized President Clark Kerr to his face Saturday for reluctance to discipline students involved in a seven-month "free speech" controversy. "The cold, hard fact is, to me, that we have been very derelict in exercising our authority," said Regent John Acnaday. . .President Charles de Gaulle's followers launched a final drive Saturday to crush a new style "popular front" line-up and win control of the Paris City Council in Sunday's second, decisive round of municipal elections. . .The University of Padua, Italy, Saturday awarded an honorary degree to Prof. Robert Hofstadter, 1961 Nobel Prize winner for his research with electrons at Stanford University.

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Wallace Accused Of Shirking Responsibility

LBJ Calls Out 'Bama Militia

JOHNSON CITY, Tex. (AP) — President Johnson, accusing Gov. George C. Wallace of shirking a "solemn responsibility" to protect civil rights marchers in Alabama, announced Saturday he has deployed more than 3,000 men—including some federal troops — to do the job.

The Alabama racial situation dominated a Johnson news conference televised and broadcast nationally from the windswept front lawn of the President's ranch home near here.

Johnson, shunning hat or topcoat despite chill weather, began by reading a telegram in which he heaped scorn on Wallace's call for federal help in policing the Selma-Montgomery civil rights march that starts Sunday.

Telling Wallace that preservation of law and order properly rests with state and local governments, Johnson said he had thought the governor felt strongly about this. But, he told the assembled newsmen, he was heeding Wallace's appeal for federal help though "it is not a welcome duty to assume a state's solemn responsibility."

In response to a question, the President gave this accounting of the forces he has mustered for police duty:

Nearly 1,900 Alabama National Guardsmen called into federal service before dawn, 100 agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, close to 100 U.S. marshals with more en route to Alabama, and more than 1,000 regular Army troops about evenly divided between bivouacs in Selma and Montgomery.

In addition, Johnson said, a reinforced Army battalion of about 1,000 men has been alerted for possible duty. And, he reported, the military will have available a full staff of doctors and nurses, backed up by a fleet of rescue helicopters and other aircraft, to man a 250-bed hospital in Montgomery and a 75-bed installation at Selma.

The President expressed hope the medical precautions would prove unnecessary and he recalled a statement in which Abraham Lincoln once said in troubled times "he was confident that we would be touched by the better angels of our nature.

"That is my prayer for you, and to all of you on this day," Johnson said.

On other topics, Johnson:

— Announced Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor will return from his post as ambassador to South Viet Nam on March 28 for a week of what he described as routine consultations.

The President reaffirmed — for the 48th time, he said — American determination to continue helping South Viet Nam resist communism. But he declined to assess the effectiveness of current efforts to bomb North Viet Nam into abandoning support for the Viet Cong guerrillas in the South.

— Said the United States still leads the Soviet Union in certain areas of space exploratin, despite the Soviets' "walk-on-air" spectacular. "The progress of our program is very satisfactory to me," he said.

— Announced seven appointments to important federal posts and gave this scorecard for the appointees: "three Republicans, three Democrats and one independent."

Johnson met with newsmen some seven hours after they had been routed from bed in Austin, Tex., to hear an announcement by press secretary George E. Reedy that the President had federalized Alabama Guardsmen because "there is a substantial likelihood that domestic violence may occur" in connection with the Selma-Montgomery march.

In addition, the President di-

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1,000s Mobilize For Selma March

SELMA, Ala. (AP) — Civil rights leaders mobilized thousand of followers Saturday for a historic march on Montgomery, 50 miles away, as the U.S. Army moved into position to protect the group on its long trek to the former capital of the Confederacy.

As nightfall came to Selma, Army Jeeps made their rounds through the city of 30,000 dropping off single soldiers carrying rifles to direct troops coming into town to the National Guard armory.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., winner of the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize, will lead the procession. Negro leaders said Saturday night the starting time for the march has been changed to 10 a.m. CST. (See more complete story Page 28)

U.S. Planning Night Air Raids On N. Viet Nam

DA NANG, South Viet Nam (UPI) — Military sources revealed Saturday the United States is preparing secret night and day air raids against North Viet Nam, possibly backed up by naval bombardments using surface-to-surface missiles.

The sources indicated that to keep the unannounced air strikes secret, the Da Nang base is likely to be declared a top security installation and placed off - limits to newsmen except for special occasions.

It was felt the projected night raids would have a more serious morale effect than daylight air strikes, increasing the feeling of fear and unrest among the population in the south.

The disclosure came as U.S. jets pressed day and night raids inside South Viet Nam against the Communist Viet Cong forces.

A U.S. Air Force spokesman said 12 B57 Canberra bombers smashed at a suspected Communist troop concentration Saturday in Binh Tuy Province, 75 miles northeast of Saigon.

Friday night, two of the powerful B57s blasted suspected Viet Cong units in the foothills only 30 miles west of Da Nang Air Base. Other B57s bombed and strafed a Communist-controlled area only 30 miles north east of Saigon.

B57s and F100 Supersabre jets blasted mortar and machinegun emplacements around a Viet Cong headquarters in Quang Tin Province, 340 miles northeast of Saigon. A total of

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Gemini Shot Is 'Go'

Two-Man Space Shot Slated For Tuesday Despite Bad Weather

CAPE KENNEDY (UPI) — U.S. space chiefs Saturday gave the go-ahead for plans to launch the nation's first two-man space ship Tuesday despite the increasing threat of bad weather at blastoff time.

The critical "go" decision was made by mission Director Christopher C. Kraft Jr., after an afternoon meeting with other Project Gemini officials and the astronauts who will make the three orbit flight—Virgil I. Grissom and John W. Young.

"The least encouraging report wss that of the weatherman," Kraft said.

The weather prediction for launch time at 9 a.m., EST, Tuesday calls for cloud ceilings as low as 2,000 feet at Cape Kennedy—below the minimum requirements for the launch. However, indications were that Gemini directors would wait until Monday to take a closer look at the changeable weather patterns.

Scheduled for Test

Technicians Saturday removed a part of the Gemini guidance system to replace a number of screws of the wrong size. The system was repaired, and the capsule was scheduled for a six-hour "gross systems" test starting at 9 p.m., EST Saturday night.

Gemini officials said Grissom and Young planned to watch television Saturday and to get in bed by 10 p.m., EST.

Hundreds of visitors, including an estimated 700 newsmen and photographers, began pouring into the spaceport vicinity late this week to watch the manned inaugration of the nation's Project Gemini. Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey said he would be on hand.

Weather Threatens Launch

A new seige of cloudy, rainy

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Ranger 9 Aims For Crater Alphonsus

CAPE KENNEDY, Fla. (AP — Spacecraft Ranger 9 sets sail for an ancient moon crater named Alphonsus Sunday to start a spectacular space doubleheader.

The climax is due Tuesday with the world's first orbit-shifting manned space flight — a journey by astronauts Virgil I. Grissom and John W. Young.

The last of the Ranger series is set to surge skyward atop an Atlas-Agena rocket in a favorable firing period between 4:11 p.m. and 5:14 p.m. Sunday. The glittering craft is to take thousands of photographs as it aims for a landing in Alphonsus — a large moon crater which has shown evidence of volcanic activity.

Ranger 9 may obtain the best pictures yet on the moon. Five of its six cameras are improved versions of those carried on Rangers 7 and 8, which produced more than 11,000 excellent photos.

Rangers 7 and 8 photographed relatively flat plain areas. So the National Aeronautics and Space Administration decided to aim for more rugged terrain with the final craft in the series.

Turks Warn New Cyprus Crisis Ahead

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Turkey informed the United States Saturday it is ready to risk a serious clash with Greece over the plight of Turkish Cypriots on Cyprus, a Cabinet source reported.

The tough message was delivered to John Jernegan, deputy assistant secretary of state for the Middle East and South Asia, and sent him flying to Athens ahead of schedule. Premier Suat Hayri Urguplu met with Jernegan and U.S. Ambassador Raymond Hare at a luncheon.

The source said Urguplu told the Americans what policy Turkey would follow to halt "the terror and pressure placed on the Turkish Cypriots" by Greek Cypriots and added:

"If necessary, Turkey would consider a serious clash with Greece in this connection."

Greece has warned Turkey to keep hands off Cyprus, where the Turks say the Greek Cypriots are blockading Turkish Cypriots around the northwest

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Hearing Postponed In Youth's Death

A juvenile Court hearing for a 14-year-old boy accused of throwing a rock that killed another youth was postponed here Saturday because the investigation of the incident is incomplete.

John F. Irvine, 17, of Pettus, was dead on arrival at a Whitesville clinic Friday evening after being struck by a rock during an argument that started following a sandlot basketball game.

A hearing was scheduled Saturday morning for the boy who reportedly threw the rock, but Judge Harry L. McCreery postponed it after State Police and the prosecutor's office said they had not completed their investigation.

Weather

Cloudy, Not So Cold

BECKLEY AND VICINITY: Partly cloudy and not as cold today and tonight. High today 34. Low tonight in the lower 20s. Monday mostly sunny and warmer.

AIRPORT CONDITIONS:

High Saturday 22 at 2:30 p.m. Low 13 at 10 p.m. Highest relative humidity 92 percent at 5 a.m. Lowest 68 percent at 4 p.m. Precipitation .26 in. (5 inches of snow.) Max. Wind 23 mph from the W at 6 p.m. Sea level pressure 30.27 and rising. Sunrise 6:27. Sunset 6:37.

River Conditions:

Greenbrier: Normal, muddy.

Lake: Normal, cloudy, 7 gates open.

New River gauge at Hinton 3.9 ft.

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Memorial March To Be Held Despite Weather

Weather conditions will not affect plans for today's memorial march in honor of the Rev. James J. Reeb, a Unitarian minister who was slain last week in racially-troubled Selma, Ala.

The march is expected to attract approximately 2,000 participants, both Negro and white, according to the Rev. David L. Smith, president of the Raleigh County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The march will begin at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Central Street Baptist Church and will progress down G Street, then along South Fayette to the Raleigh County Courthouse.

A 15-minute memorial service will be held at the Courthouse when Fr. J. Elias Armstead of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church will speak to the group. The Rev. Edward N. Abram, a Negro, will also address the group on racial equality.

When the marchers return to the Central Street Baptist Church, the Rev. C. Anderson Davis, head of the West Virginia NAACP, will give a memorial address.

Spring arrived in Beckley Saturday obscured by a swirling storm that dumped five inches of snow on the area by 7 p. m. and made roads hazardous. Before it got too bad Kandy and Donald Honaker (above) children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Honaker, Harper, had a snowball romp.

Winter Ends Reluctantly

CHARLESTON (AP)—Spring rode into West Virginia on a snow plow Saturday.

By the time winter officially ended at 3:05 p.m., the state was blanketed with snow from two to six inches deep. The Weather Bureau predicted accumulations ranging from five to 10 inches before the weather cleared Saturday night. Driving conditions were hazardous.

Snow depths reported by the Weather Bureau at 1 p.m. included two inches at Martinsburg, three at Huntington, Charleston and Bluefield; four at Morgantown, five at Beckley and six at Elkins.

County Court Rejects Advisory Committee

Raleigh County's $130,817.80 overdraft will be decreased by $70,000 within the next fiscal year and the County Health Center will receive $7,000 support from the county if the State Tax Commissioner approves the 1965-1966 proposed budget Tuesday, according to Charles Burdiss, commissioner of the County Court.

The court, in a special session, Saturday, refused to appoint an advisory committee and resolved they would, with the help of the prosecuting attorney, correct the county's overdraft.

Burdiss said when he voiced approval of the appointment of such a committee last week, he had no idea that it was meant to be a secret committee.

Explaining why the committee wouldn't be appointed, Burdiss said, "Citizens have called me and said the committee isn't necessary; they said the efforts of the court are understood and appreciated and they are confident we will correct the present problems."

The appointment of an advisory committee was suggested two weeks ago by the Beckley-Raleigh County Chamber of Commerce and was approved by the court.

The court suggested that the chamber and any other interested groups or citizens draw up a list of qualified persons from which they would appoint the seven-member committee.

At a meeting last Tuesday the Chamber presented seven names to the court, but because of a 40-minute oral free-for-all the court was unable to act on a motion to appoint a committee.

At the Tuesday meeting past-chamber president, W. C. McMahan, suggested that the committee work in strict confidence and that members would not be allowed to discuss findings with anyone.

After the court tabled the committee motion indefinitely Saturday, Burdiss thanked the chamber and especially the prospective committee members for their interest in the court's problems.

John Gates, president of the chamber, said the advisory committee was not meant as a secret committee, but as a bridge between the court and the citizens.

Burdiss then made a motion concerning the Raleigh County Health Center, which was officially closed Thursday when the state cut off all funds until the local center meets regulations set by the State Health Department.

Burdiss moved that the court

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