

AL Owners Plan To Deny Athletic Transfer Request

NEW YORK (UPI) — American League club owners Thursday will turn down the bid of Charles O. Finley to transfer his Kansas City Athletics to Louisville, Ky.

They hope to do it amicably, trusting that their refusal will not result in any law suit which would challenge the constitutionality of the system under which organized baseball has operated since its inception in 1876.

"There isn't a chance that is request for a transfer will be granted," said one of the club owners, who asked not to be named. "I will stake my franchise on one prediction: 'He will receive one vote — his own.'"

Needs Seven Votes

It would take the favorable vote of seven other club owners to shift the Athletics to Louisville.

There was no doubt but what Finley's recent antics had embarrassed the American League, and all of baseball. But in turning down his application for the move the club owners hope to do it in a way which

Butts Okays Cut In Libel

ATLANTA (UPI) — Wally Butts is willing to accept a \$2.6 million reduction in his libel judgment against the Saturday Evening Post but it looks as if the big loser may be Uncle Sam.

William Schroeder, the former Georgia football coach's attorney, said Tuesday Butts would accept only \$460,000 of his record \$3,060,000 award rather than have the case tried again.

Schroeder's statement came shortly after Federal Judge Lewis R. Morgan left standing the \$60,000 in general damages the jury awarded Butts and reduced the \$3 million in punitive damages to \$400,000.

Morgan called the latter award "grossly excessive." He said he would set a new trial unless Butts accepted a punitive judgment of \$400,000.

Sued For \$10 Million

Butts, ex-coach and former University of Georgia athletic director, sued the Post for \$10 million for an article in which the Post claimed Butts gave Georgia team secrets to Alabama Coach Paul (Bear) Bryant prior to a Georgia-Alabama football game.

Welborn Cody, attorney for the Post, had said he would appeal even if Butts accepted Morgan's ruling.

Schroeder said "the big loser will be the Internal Revenue Service" because under present tax structure "91 per cent of the \$3 million would have gone to the federal government."

If allowed to stand, the \$400,000 punitive damage judgment would still be the largest ever awarded. The present record judgment for punitive damages is \$175,000, awarded author Quentin Reynolds against columnist Westbrook Pegler.

Vindicate Character

Schroeder said the main reason for the libel suit in the first place was to vindicate the pudgy coach's character. He said both he and Butts felt the jury already had accomplished this.

But Schroeder said he was disappointed that the judge fixed the punitive damages at only \$400,000. Schroeder said he hopes the Appellate Court will raise the damage to "a sum which they think will be large enough to deter the Saturday Evening Post from ever doing this again."

Sports Calendar

Thursday

Prep Wrestling

Umpqua Valley League

Myrtle Creek Vikings vs. Glendale Wildcats, 6:30 p.m., Glendale

Douglas Trojans vs. Glendale Pirates, 6:30 p.m., Glendale

Riddle Irish vs. Sutherland Bulldogs, 6:30 p.m., Sutherland

Emerald League

Drain Warriors vs. St. Francis Saints, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis, Eugene

Archery

Roseburg Rod and Gun Club Archers' Weekly Shoot, 7 p.m., Rod and Gun Club Course, Winchester

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ALASKAN ADVENTURE movie to be shown at the Roseburg High School Auditorium on Jan. 22-23 will feature several trophies, such as this Dall ram killed on a recent hunt by Chuck Wyman and Gene Young, sponsors of the movie. The film taken on Alaskan hunts by the two Blue River, Ore. men will also feature Kodiak bear, moose, caribou, grizzly bear, mountain goat and trout and salmon fishing.

Sports

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OSU Faces Duck Quint

CORVALLIS — Oregon State's basketball Beavers returned home Monday from a week long trip to Hawaii, where they beat the University of Hawaii twice in "counting" contests and dropped a "non-counter" to a service all-star quint.

Slats Gill's forces, now with an impressive 13-2 record for the season, take on the Oregon Ducks in weekend games at Eugene and Corvallis. The old rivals tangle at Eugene Friday and at Corvallis Saturday in games toward a stake on the Chancellor's trophy, which OSU has won 10 times in 11 years.

The nationally-ranked Beavers had little trouble disposing of Hawaii twice, but ran into trouble against the service all-stars and finally lost out, 68-65. It was only an exhibition affair, however, and the defeat will not go against Oregon State's record. Neither will the 38 points scored by All-America candidate Mel Counts go into the books.

Even so, Counts still wound up with 41 points in the two-game series, and now has 405 points in 15 games for a 27-point average. Counts already holds every OSU all-time scoring record, and will be adding to his career total of 1,603 points from here on out.

Gill expects a rugged battle from Oregon. The Ducks have one of the best forwards around in 6-5 Steve Jones, who won an all-star berth at the Far West Classic, along with Counts and his teammate Jim Jarvis. Another Duck veteran, Jim Johnson, made the Beaver second opponent team last year, and is better than ever.

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Two Loop Tilts On Tap For Tribe On Weekend

Roseburg's Indians, fresh from a decisive 69-55 win over the Springfield Millers, will face two more Midwestern League hoop foes this weekend.

Friday the Tribe cagers will test the power of the Willamette Wolverines on the home boards, then will travel north to tangle with the Thurston Colts Saturday. Varsity action both nights will begin at 8 p.m.

Roseburg goes into the week-

Glendale, Glide Face Top Tests Of Mat Weekend

Glendale's Pirates and Glide's Wildcats, the two pre-season Umpqua Valley League wrestling favorites, will face tough tests this week in conference dual meet action.

The Pirates will host the Douglas Trojans, while Glide will entertain the surprising Myrtle Creek Vikings. Also on tap Thursday in UVI competition is a dual meet at Sutherlin between the Bulldogs and the Riddle Irish. All three matches will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Both the Pirates and the Wildcats are undefeated in dual meets this season, but Douglas boasts a strong attack in the heavier weight brackets which could give the Glendale grapplers trouble. Myrtle Creek displayed a well-balanced team in losing a close match to Glendale and appear to have the strength to hold their own against the Wildcats.

In Emerald League dual meet competition Thursday the Drain Warriors, boasting a 3-1 record, will travel to Eugene to face the St. Francis Saints. Match time is 7:30 p.m.

top rated South Eugene Axemen.

Elsewhere in league competition Friday, Cottage Grove will be at North Bend, Marshfield will be at North Eugene, Thurston is at Sheldon and South Eugene is at Springfield. Saturday North Bend is at South Eugene, North Eugene is at Willamette, Springfield is at Marshfield and Sheldon is at Cottage Grove.

In last weekend's split, the Indian hopes were bolstered by the coming to life of Gary Heeter.



GARY HEETER leads attack

end tilts with a 1-1 league record and a 2-4 mark for the season. Willamette is looking for its first District 5-A-1 triumph, losing a pair of encounters last weekend by a total of three points. Thurston has a 1-1 record in league play, with the Colts' victory coming over the

Portland State Wins

PORTLAND (UPI) — Portland State's league-leading Vikings posted their third win in three starts in Oregon Collegiate Conference basketball play by defeating Oregon College of Education 59-42 Tuesday night.

Vasterling boasted a 12-point output against Springfield, hitting from the outside. The young guard shows promise of being one of the big factors in the Indian attack.

McKee emerged as Roseburg's top league scorer with a total of 27 points in the two games — 16 against Springfield and 11 against Sheldon. For the season McKee has scored 56 points and ranks second in scoring with an average of 9.33 points-per-game.

The big-gun in the scoring department to date has been veteran center Bruce O'Neil. O'Neil has pumped in 102 points in six games for an average of 17 points-per-game. In addition he is the leading rebounder with 55 in six outings.

The Tribe's 1-1 league record puts it in the middle of a six-way deadlock for third place in the District 5-A-1 standings. Sheldon and Marshfield head the pack with 2-0 records.

In six games the Indians have been outscored, 357-326, by the opposition — and of this total some 19 points of the edge has been at the foul line.

Complete scoring statistics for the Indians through six games are:

ROSEBURG SCORING				
Player	G	FG	FT	Pts. Ave.
O'Neil	6	37	28-36	102 17.00
McKee	6	23	10-13	56 9.33
Johnson	6	17	13-19	47 7.83
Heeter	5	13	4-7	30 6.00
Vasterling	3	5	4-4	14 4.67
Watson	6	4	14-22	26 4.33
Hill	6	7	4-9	20 3.33
Burke	3	2	2-4	6 2.00
Sevall	6	4	2-4	10 1.67
Wassom	6	3	3-10	9 1.50
Sloan	6	7	1-6	5 0.83
Fitzgerald	4	0	0-0	0 0.00
Burnham	2	0	0-0	0 0.00
Totals	119	88-122	324	34.33
Opponents			125 107-148	37.47

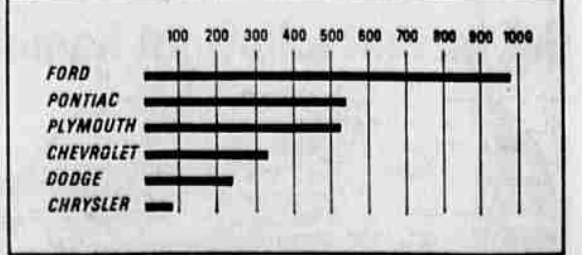


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