



Some ten years ago an olive-skinned, black-haired youth was gaining fame in San Francisco high school circles as a basketball player of no mean ability. The young man, then only 18, had finished a high-scoring junior year, and had gone on to snare all-city honors in his basketball fade-out semester. The scholarship offers were stacked in piles on his desk at home.

### Stars for Stanford

But Hank, (yeah, you guessed it!) or The Magnificent Luisetti, as they dubbed him, had a yen for the bay area and packed a couple of bags and journeyed to Palo Alto, the stamping grounds of the Stanford Indians. What he did at Stanford on the basketball court is mere history. If you don't remember the figures, check a few box scores. Maybe you saw him in a Hollywood flicker tagged "Campus Confessions." It was a horrible cinematic bit, but Hankus was given a chance to demonstrate how he flips the spheroid through the net.

Luisetti grabbed himself a nice job after obtaining his sheepskin at Stanford, and played basketball for the San Francisco Olympic Club for a couple of seasons. He then went with basketballdom's greatest contingent, the Phillips Oilers

### In the Navy Now

Two weeks ago it was our good fortune to see Luisetti in action again. Now, over 28, the cage king is performing for the Naval Pre-Flight boys of St. Mary's, California.

We saw him smash through a sky-high California varsity quintet for 22 points and a lop-sided win for his naval team-mates. He's still the master of the leather ball and the pinewood floor. Which is rather remarkable when you consider the fact that the guys who are playing against him today are from nineteen to twenty-two years of age.

### Schedule Switch

The Pre-Flight gang looms as the top quintet of the southern Pacific regions, although, of course, they are not in the Pacific Coast conference. The southern division of that loop has been thrown into a nice mess by transportation difficulties. As things now stand, Stanford and California will make but one trip southward, playing UCLA and USC on separate nights. The Bruins and Trojans will likewise each come northward but once. So what the situation adds up to is this—USC will play a usually-weak UCLA quintet four games at home, and Stanford and Cal will wage four tussles in the bay area. Unfair, you say? This is war.

The Oregon State Beavers return home soon, flush from a rather triumphant eastern barn-storming tour, having already bumped no less than seven out of eight opponents in the road show, dropping the duke only to powerful Bradley Tech of Illinois.

The Washington Huskies are sitting tight, but figure to show in the final standings of the northern divisional race. And, frans, while the Beavers and Huskies are counting chickens, little Nell and the Ducks will be knocking on the front door.

So don't sell the boys short, Jack. This is a new year.

### Football Fades Out

King Football drew his dying gasps New Year's day, and he fell behind the 1942 curtain. For a brief review of the closing activity let's say that the East finally broke their pigskin famine in San Francisco's Kezar Stadium by nosing out a fighting West squad, 13-12, in the annual Shrine benefit game, George and Sinkwich and Trippi closed the Rose Bowl hatch on the game UCLA Bruins, 9-0, Alabama pulled a Merriwell finish deluxe to stamp out Boston College, 37-21, Texas rose to the heights to batter down Georgia Tech, 14-7, and Tennessee pulled the same deal, same score on Tulsa, while the 2nd Air Force bombers of Spokane annexed the Sun Bowl honors with a 13-7 win over Hardin-Simmons. Exit King Football.

Intramural basketball is just around the corner. A little birdie keeps whispering in my ear, (such a tall little birdie!) that the law school is going to field a team in the championship race.

### Those Lawyers Again

Star of the court-room cranks looms as one Kermit Smith, six feet, four inches of man. Smith, upon whom the attack will revolve, will play the center position. It is significant to note that Smith has had previous experience in this role, having formerly cavorted as a second fiddler to Grant High's famous Herb Cain, the latter now doing a stint at Washington State College.

More details of this promising outfit when further releases from their publicity department roll in over our wires.

Oh, yes! We'll buy Bud Vandenynde a cup of hot steaming cawfee if he can tell us the name of the starting left tackle on the Spearfish Normal varsity football team of 1932.

# Practice Slate Hit By Rain; Varsity Ready for Vandals

HEADMAN HOBBY



**HIS FINGERS ARE CROSSED** Coach Hobby Hobson is looking for four-leaf clovers as his Oregon cagers prepare for another season of conference basketball competition.

## Lawyers Prep for League

(Press Release from Law School)

In line with the present physical fitness program, the law school received yesterday morning a special communique from Dean Wayne L. Morse, in Washington, member of the War Labor Board, directing the law school student body to immediately enter the race for the B league basketball crown. In response to this urgent demand an enthusiastic crowd of six grand old men, whose average age is 23, turned out. After a strenuous workout the two members still able to walk, and the four who had to be carried, weighed in at the 125 pounds per specimen.

### Star Studded

The former All-Americans composing the team will be led by Captain Phillip (the man of tomorrow) Lowry, former Medford high great who led his high school team to many lop-sided victories in the period from 1930 to 1933. At the other guard position will be Joe (mighty mite) Walker who starred for Longview high school early in the last decade and will provide plenty of punch for the offense. At the forward post Kenneth Shetterly of Willamina high school, former all-Northwest forward and since a veteran of eight professional campaigns is expected to deminate the backboard due to his unusually wide hips. Along with Shetterly, Jerald X. Thompson of Vancouver high and former coach of numerous grade school quintets, is expected to continue his Luisetti style of play. Expected to furnish the margin which will give the coveted trophy to Dean Wayne L. Morse's boys is Kerm (the Needle) Smith who has repeatedly eclipsed the performances of Hank Anderson and will hold down the pivot position. Smith inspired the giving of the Zell trophy in Portland, while playing ten stellar seasons for Grant. Rounding out the nucleus of this all star aggregation is

By FRED TREADGOLD

"Old Man River Just Keeps Rolling Along," croon the song-birds, lyrically referring to the ol' gray Mississippi. Here in Eugene, we had our own "Old Man River" and he was really rolling over the week-end. In fact he rolled over the highways to the north so effectively that he kept the Portland Boilermakers and Vancouver Ramblers stranded on the higher ground to the north, preventing Hobby's basketball shooter-uppers from getting in a few last minute practice licks before the northern division games bow in January 12.

### River Re-Acts

The Boilermakers on Friday and the Ramblers on Saturday was the bill of fare which Coach Hobby had concocted for last week-end, but "Old Man River"—Willamette version—rolled practically up to the Igloo doorstep and it would have necessitated a fleet of mosquito boats to ply the swollen waters between Eugene and points north to carry the Portland and Vancouver fives.

As it was Friday night, Hobby pulled an impromptu intra-squad scrimmage to partly satisfy the hoop-hungry horde which stormed the Igloo and to polish off his club's offensive and defensive roughness.

The Greens, composed of what probably is considered the first team, failed to pull any run-away act; in fact, they dropped an oh-so-close two point decision to the "greener" Whites, 62 to 59. Things were bound in a stalemate at 55-55 at the end of the regular 40 minutes and an overtime was necessary.

### Wren Stars

Burly Bob Wren, the rough-'em-up backboard champion, got on one of his celebrated hot streaks and proceeded to heap in 17 points for the dying Green's cause.

Tall and talented Roger Wiley, the lofty freshman center, also contracted a bad case of "point-itis" and batted in 13 digits many of which were the tip-in-from-rebound variety.

The victorious Whites had their scoring spread out over a larger surface. Al Popick strained a dozen points out of the Whites'

Bill (morality) Moshofsky and Roy (the spider) Elliot who will be called upon to give relief at periods not to exceed two minutes.

### Hollis Coach?

Orlando John Hollis acting dean, has been prominently mentioned as the coach but could not be reached for a statement. It is known, however, that Hollis is an exponent of the slow break offense also team members emphatically stated at the last workout as they gasped for breath that a set zone defense will be used. The team's trainer, Matilda Bareicvic has announced that Kerm Smith is still under the oxygen tent and may not be ready for the opening contest. Shirley Gravely, law school cheer leader, anticipates that all pre-law students will be on hand to cheer the phantoms of Fenton hall to certain victories.

### O'Connell Directs

Consulting coach will be candid Kenny O'Connell of the law school faculty, who has devised an entirely new theory of play which will be revealed at crucial moments. It has been reliably reported that many B teams are contemplating withdrawing from competition. Consadine, Rice, and Husing have unofficially proclaimed that the team will be comparable to Walter Camp's first All-American.

62 total, while Robust Roy Seeborg and Wally (Stretch) Borrevik were just one point shy of Popick's twelve.

Discounting the omnipresent squad drills, Coach Hobby will just have two more chances to watch his boys pound the maples before the Webfoots pack duffle and grab a choo-choo for the Inland Empire marathon Saturday.

Willamette's always-tough Bearcats shape up as the opposition, with the first tilt being displayed at the McArthur court setting Wednesday night. A return bout is slated for Salem Friday. Then Saturday, thoughts and the Duck entourage turn to the Palouse hills where Idaho and Washington State are engaged.

No Willamette-Oregon matches were played last year as the Webfoots spent practically all their pre-season time on another of those cross-country New York escapades.

That not a single man is assured of his job on the squad was the warning clarion sounded by the veteran Oregon bossman. Every position will see an "open season" which means that from sub to star all will have an equal chance of making the traveling squad for the vicious four-game scourge that lies in wait up Inland Empire way.

### Newcomers

Last week, Strategian Hobson shoved five newcomers up into varsity holes, Ed Dick, Stan Williamson, Bob Caviness, "Suds" Sutherland, and Wiley. All but Caviness saw action in Friday's scrimmage.

Any one of the freshmen are liable to be called for varsity work if they show the proper stuff, Hobson declared.

### Friday's lineups:

Greens (59) (62) Whites  
 Taylor (7) .....F..... (7) Dick  
 Wren (17) .....F..... (11) Seeborg  
 Wiley (13) .....C..... (11) Borrevik  
 Kirsch (10) .....G..... (12) Popick  
 Newland (6) .....G.....B. Reynolds  
 Subs — Greens, Williamsop, Fuhrman (6); Whites, Crowell (8), Sutherland (8), W. Reynolds (5).

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