

PCC Basketball Inaugurals Set

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Pacific Coast college basketballers begin their 1954-55 activities this week facing packed, far-ranging schedules and with most of the top stars from last season back for another season.

USC, Pacific Coast conference defending champions, and UCLA are favorites for the Southern division title. Oregon State, defending Northern Division title holder, has almost the same team as last season.

Santa Clara, only Pacific Coast team to make the National Collegiate AA regionals three years running and USF appear top contenders among independents.

Trojans Back

USC lost only one man from last season's first two teams. Oregon State has 10 of its top 12 back and the Beavers' Swede Halbrook, one of the tallest players on record at 7-3, probably will become eligible in mid-year. He has some grades to make up.

Oregon State opens the season Wednesday, playing the touring University of Hawaii team at Corvallis.

Washington State also plays its first game Wednesday, hosting Eastern Washington college.

Huskies Open

Coach Tippy Dye's Washington Huskies, virtually the same team he had last year, plus some promising sophomores, entertains Hawaii Friday and Saturday, and Idaho, with Harlan Hodges as new coach, plays Utah at Salt Lake City the same days.

Oregon and Oregon State have weekend dates with California and Santa Clara.

California, under new Coach Pete Newell, was hard hit by graduation when three starters departed. Santa Clara lost four of its top ten.

Ducks Drill For Offense

Offense drills against zone and man-to-man defenses occupied the major share of varsity basketball practice Tuesday afternoon as Coach Bill Borchert groomed his athletes for the weekend games with Santa Clara and California.

The big three of Jim Loscutoff, Max Anderson and Ray Bell continued to operate in the rotating post system, with Guards Jerry Ross and Howard Page moving the ball on the outside. Ed Bingham and Bill Moore spelled the tall men, while Phil McHugh, Jack Sherman and Bob Anderson alternated at guard.

With balcony installations completed, a large early-season crowd is expected for the Friday double-header featuring the Ducks and Santa Clara following the OSC-California game beginning at 7:30.

Shrine Coaches Release Roster

A complete 23-man roster was released Tuesday for the West team in the 30th annual Shrine football game to be played in San Francisco's Kezar Stadium January 1.

Coaches Pappy Waldorf of California, Len Casanova of Oregon and Ed Price of Texas tabbed four state-of-Oregon performers for the team, including George Shaw, Jack Patera and Ron Pfeister of Oregon along with OSC's big tackle, Ron Aschbacher.

Other PCC standouts picked include Back Paul Larson, End Jim Hanifan and Center Matt Hazeltine of California; Tackle Jack Ellena and Guards Jim Salsbury and Sam Boghosian of UCLA and Back Duke Washington of WSC. In addition, Guard Tom Louderback of San Jose State was selected.

The team's end corps is completed by Carl Allison of Oklahoma and Charles Smith of Baylor, along with Ray Berry of Southern Methodist. Tackles from the Southwest Conference include Buck Lansford of Texas and Jim Smith of Baylor.

Rice's all-American halfback, Dick Moegle, is on the team along with three other Southwest speedboys—Backs L. G. Dupre of Baylor, Frank Eidom of Southern Methodist and Ronnie Clinkscale of Texas Christian. Kansas State's Corky Taylor and Colorado's Frank Bernardi round out the backfield.

First Place Taken In Faculty Bowling

With only a week remaining in the first half of the Faculty bowling league, the Physical Plant team cinched the first place spot by beating the Hot Rods Monday night.

Bowling in position rounds, the Physical Plant took three points from the Hot Rods. Other Monday results saw the Grenadiers take four points from the Vitamins, the Jets get three and lose one in their match with the Markers, and the Flying Saucers win three and drop one to the Eight Balls.

High game for the night was racked up by Wiper as he rolled a 222. The high series was bowled by Peterson of the Physical Plant as he scored a 546.



SWEDE HALBROOK Eligible Later

GSC Bills Hawaii In Hoop Inaugural

Oregon State's defending Northern Division basketball champions open another hoop campaign tonight as they host the touring University of Hawaii quintet at 8 p.m. in Gill Coliseum.

Three seniors and two juniors have been given the starting assignments for the Rainbow clash. Coach Slat's Gill picked senior veteran Tony Vlastelica to start in the Halbrook-vacated center spot, along with junior Jay Dean and senior Reggie Halligan at forwards.

Bill Toole, 5'8", a senior, and junior Larry Paulus, 6'3", will open at guard for the experienced Beavers. Lettermen Tex Whitman, Johnny Jarboe and Ron Robins are also expected to see action, along with 1954 reserve Guard Jerry Crimins.

Gill's forces face two games this weekend, meeting California Friday night in the Eugene double-header and Saturday evening in Corvallis playing Santa Clara.

Champions of the division a year ago, the OSC club lost to Southern California in a three-game series for the PCC title.

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