

UCLA to Visit Beavers In Final Coast Playoff

A UCLA Bruin basketball team boasting the best overall record in its history moves into Corvallis this weekend to meet the Oregon State Beavers in the last North-South Coast conference playoff, a best-of-three series.

Coach Johnny Wooden's speedy five, ranked ninth in the nation, has compiled a 21-3 record this season, and swept to the Southern Division title with an 11-1 mark. Two of the Bruin losses, later avenged, came at the hands of top-ranking San Francisco and SD runner-up Stanford. LaSalle topped UCLA in an Eastern tournament for the only other Bruin defeat.

The series will hail the closing of the divided league, with PCC teams playing a round-robin schedule as one circuit. Both UCLA and OSC ended the last division seasons by

losing only one league game, the Beavers posting a 15-1 mark in the North.

Gill coliseum, site of the NCAA Western regionals March 11-12, will host the PCC playoff games as well. Reserved seats in the 10,000-seat court palace are gone for Friday and Saturday, but Monday tickets (if that game is needed) are still available.

Tradition favors the home team for these playoffs, with the visiting team having won only three times since 1935. USC won at Corvallis in 1935, Stanford won at Pullman in 1937 and Washington took California at Berkeley in 1948.

The last Bruin championship team was in 1952 when the Uclans defeated Washington to reach the regionals. They finished thirteenth in the nation. They took a seventh-place finish nationally in 1950 when

they dropped Washington State twice in a row.

Oregon State's last two coast championship teams were in 1947 and 1949. The Beavers went on to fifth and fourth places in the NCAA running.

Slats Gill, coach of the fourteenth ranked Beavers, indicated Monday that he would use a starting lineup for the games composed of Jay Dean and Tony Vlastelica at forwards and Bill Toole and Reggie Halligan at guards, with 7'3" Swede Halbrook in the pivot slot. Usual starter Ron Robins will be on hand for reserve guard duty as will be Forwards Tex Whiteman and Johnny Jarboe.

The flashy Bruins boast an all-veteran lineup, with three-year lettermen Ronnie Bane, Don Bragg and Johnny Moore leading the team. Others on the starting quint are Guard Morris Taft and Center Willie Nauils, both one-year vets.

All of the Bruin first five is averaging over ten points a game for the season and the team is extremely well-balanced, in contrast to the Staters, who rely mostly on the giant Halbrook for their offense.

NO MORE FINES

Holdout Players Signed by Clubs

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Major league baseball clubs waited tensely for Commissioner Ford Frick's iron fist to fall again Tuesday on practice jumpers, but it didn't, and so from Arizona to Florida the big baseball training push opened in routine fashion.

Frick fined the Milwaukee baseball club \$500 and 14 of its players a total of \$625 Monday for beating the gun on the March 1 workout date. He hinted others were coming. Brooklyn and Detroit, in particular, squirmed.

Eight more players signed contracts, including Cleveland's Larry Doby, leaving 26 listed holdouts. Several in this group were expected to deliver contracts momentarily.

The National league had only four holdouts, with six of its clubs having all help properly employed. Pittsburgh still hadn't signed outfielder Frank Thomas and pitcher Vern Law. The Milwaukee Braves had two holdouts in infielders George Crows and Bill Caro.

The American was having its troubles with balkers, particularly the champion Cleveland Indians, which had nine left unsigned. These included such big names as Early Wynn and Bob Avila. Doby signed for a reported \$33,000.

The Washington Senators signed three players—Roy Sievers, Jim Busby and Bob Porterfield—but still had to contend with the demands of infielders Mickey Vernon and Eddie Yost, neither in camp.

The Boston Red Sox, still uncertain about Ted Williams, came to terms with infielder Ted Lepico and pitcher Al Schroll at Sarasota, Fla., but still dickered with catcher Sam White and rookie pitcher George Susce.

The Kansas City Athletics announced the signing of Cloyd Boyer but had no encouraging word from four others, pitchers John Gray and Ed Burtsehy, in-

fielder Forest Jacobs and third baseman Jim Finigan. Brooklyn signed pitcher Ron Negray.

Baltimore counted three holdouts—Lou Kretlow, Jim McDonald and Cal Abrams—while Detroit hadn't received the contract of pitcher Bob Cruze. Cleveland's holdout, besides Wynn and Avila, were Bob Hooper, Bill Wight, Hank Aguirre, Dave Philley, Wally Westlake, Rudy Regaldo and Hank Folles.

A mystery almost equal to that surrounding the plans of Ted Williams developed in the case of Billy Martin, the New York Yankees' publicistic second baseman who is in the Army. There were wild reports that Billy might be available right away.

Martin settled this matter himself, however, from Colorado Springs, Colo., where he said he hopes to be out of Army garb and in Yankee uniform by early July.

At Vero Beach, Fla., Brooklyn's Roy Campanella gave his injured left hand a real test at bat and reported it as good as ever. He said it was the first time he had gripped the bat solidly since the 1953 World Series. The hand was operated on a second time last fall.

The Yankees' rookie catcher, Elston Howard, first Negro on the Yankee squad, hobbled through a workout from a knee injury suffered in Puerto Rico.

There also was a noticeable limp at Lakeland, Fla., where first baseman Ferris Fain, obtained by the Detroit Tigers from the Chicago White Sox, favored the knee he jammed last season.

At Bradenton, Fla., Eddie Mathews, who just signed his Milwaukee contract, weighed in at 200 pounds and proclaimed himself in better shape than last spring. But at Fort Myers, Fla., manager Fred Haney warned his cellar dwelling Pittsburgh Pirates to be careful of the sun—they might get sunburned.

WILDLIFE Lines

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When we first had an Oregon hunter point out a Valley Quail and try to tell us that it was a Bob White, we wondered what kind of nimrods they raised out here in Oregon. Since that time we have found that it wasn't only one hunter. We have noticed that most Oregon hunters pay no attention to the quail.

If you told a southern bird shooter that the quail wasn't worth paying attention to, he'd think you were ready for the men in the white suits. In the Southeast "quail" and "bird" are synonymous.

When you go "bird shooting" down South, you're going quail hunting. The Southeast isn't the only part of the country infected this way. In many parts of Arizona, California, Texas and Idaho the quail is the most sought after upland game bird.

Weather Hard on Quail, Too

Oregon is blessed with three varieties of quail. There is the Bob White, the Valley Quail and the Mountain Quail. The Bob White has not been able to adapt himself very well to the Oregon climate, but there are some in the agricultural areas around Eugene.

The Valley Quail, or California Quail as it is often called, is the most abundant species in Oregon. It is about the same size as the Bob White and has a slate blue color. The three feathers that stick about one and one-half inches up in the air on the head is a ready identification mark. The Valley Quail is called by many of our experienced hunters the greatest game bird of them all.

The Mountain Quail is the largest of the quail family. It weighs in at about nine or ten ounces compared to the valley quail's seven ounces. It is similar to the valley quail in coloration and general appearance, but has a larger top-knot.

Birds Close to Campus

All three types are found near Eugene. This past season we found two covies of valley quail and a covey of Bob Whites about four miles down the Willamette river from Eugene. A couple of weeks ago we found a nice covey of mountain quail along the McKenzie river. That's no more than six miles from campus.

Why don't Oregonians hunt these quail? At first this was a difficult question for us to understand. We finally figured out a few solutions. (1) The season is short, and it is concurrent with the pheasant season, (2) Quail are small and hard to hit and (3) to be really successful, you need a dog.

We think that the last solution is the most important. Hunting dogs cost quite a bit and since it's rather hard for most of us to smell a covey of quail, the quail get off cheap.

Dog Needed for Best Results

This necessity of a dog does limit your shooting while you're in college. But if you have the chance to hunt with someone who does own a pointing dog, don't pass up the opportunity. It's a thrill worth experiencing.

As for shooting pheasants instead of quail, that's strictly a matter of preference. Hunting never pays off monetarily any more, so you can't consider the size of the meal when deciding what to hunt. It's the sport that counts, and these little buzz bombs can provide plenty of sport.

Big High Schools Favor Dropping State Playoffs

PORTLAND (AP)—Administrators of the state's larger high schools are in favor of dropping the state football and baseball championship playoffs, the Oregon School Activities association reported Tuesday.

This is expected to come up for discussion at the next meeting of the association.

Small Schools Favor Playoffs

The association's March bulletin said administrators in class A-1 schools voted 26-17 and those in A-2 schools 41-26 to eliminate football playoffs. Those from class B schools, however, voted 76-41 to retain the playoffs. The total vote thus was 119-108 to continue the playoffs.

The A-1 and A-2 schools voted heavily against baseball playoffs, and class B schools favored them only by a small margin. The total was 122-101 against baseball playoffs.

Hoop, Track Meets Okay

The basketball playoffs and the state track meet found favor. The administrators voted 208-18 for basketball and 204-19 for the track meet.

The next meeting of the association will be at the time of the state track meet.

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Player	G	FGA	FG	Pct.	FTA	FT	Pct.	RB	REBPG	PF	TP	PPG
Loseutoff, f	26	544	202	.371	171	101	.573	448	17.2	82	505	19.4
Anderson, c	26	258	91	.353	152	93	.612	281	10.8	74	275	10.6
Page, g	26	249	79	.317	81	56	.691	79	3.1	79	214	8.2
Ross, f	26	208	59	.284	114	58	.509	191	7.3	40	176	6.8
McHugh, g	26	201	62	.308	67	42	.627	79	3.1	53	166	6.4
Bell, f	25	144	39	.271	93	45	.484	101	4.1	80	123	4.9
Bingham, f	23	68	23	.338	51	34	.667	72	3.1	32	80	3.5
Moore, g	11	30	10	.333	4	1	.250	12	1.1	10	21	1.9
Nelson, g	9	11	7	.627	7	6	.857	4	0.4	1	20	2.2
Sherman, g	15	36	8	.222	3	1	.333	8	0.5	13	17	1.1
McManus, f	19	30	3	.100	21	8	.381	25	1.3	18	14	0.7
Werner, c	9	7	4	.571	8	6	.750	9	0.9	7	14	1.6
Costi, g	10	16	5	.313	3	2	.667	3	0.3	3	12	1.2
Borrevik, c	4	5	2	.400	6	4	.667	4	1.0	3	8	2.0
James, g	4	6	2	.333	5	2	.400	1	0.3	4	6	1.5
Lundell, g	7	6	1	.167	6	3	.500	2	0.3	3	5	0.7
Anderson, g	16	11	2	.182	1	0	.000	6	0.4	5	4	0.3
McLain, f	3	1	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	0.7	0	0	0.0
Oregon Totals	26	1831	599	.327	793	462	.583	1326	51.0	507	1660	63.9
Opponents	26	1644	567	.347	849	524	.617	1093	42.1	491	1658	63.8

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