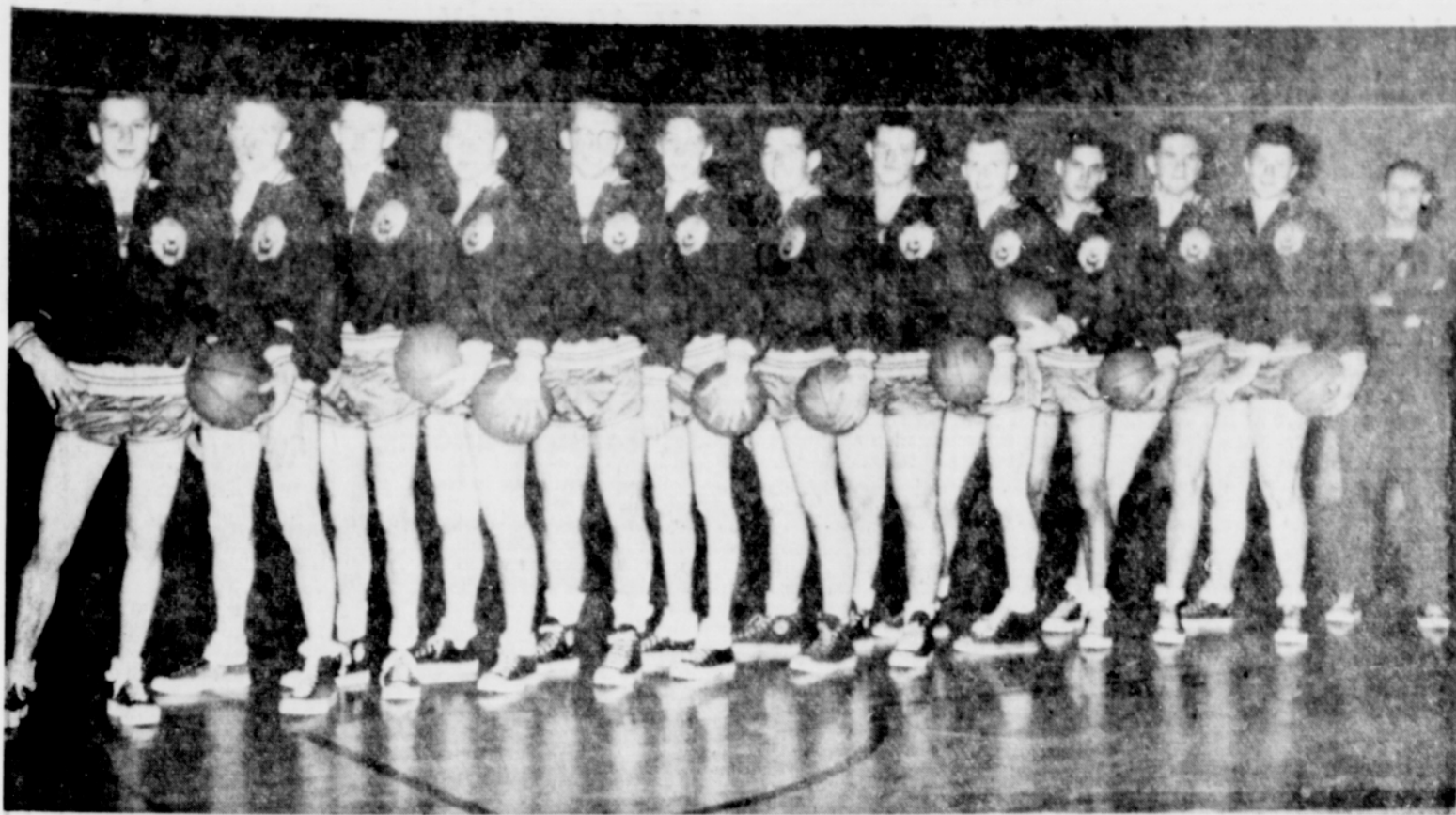




COTTAGE GROVE HIGH SCHOOL'S 1955-56 basketball squad, although at a glance may look like a lineup of chorus girls in the field of view, aren't all the same height as the picture seems to show. The boys range all the way from 5'8" to 6'4 1/2", but the angle of camera shot doesn't show it. The midget-like figure on the extreme

right, Coach Donn Gassaway, is much taller than the 5'8" frame of Don Mathews at the other end of the line. Down the line from Mathews are Bob Peters, Darrel White, Ted Picknell, Byron Angell, Leon Hayes, Ron Rice, Jim Nichols, Mike Thiess, Troy Perkins, Larry Burleson, Dean Castle and Coach Gassaway.

CG Hosts Creswell Tues. For Season Hoop Opener; State Tournament Eyed

Cottage Grove's 1955-56 basketball season may well be the year that the Lions will nab a berth in the state basketball tournament or the first time in the school's history.

The Lions open season play Tuesday night when they host

Creswell. District games begin January 27. Aided by a new ruling that two possible three, teams from District 5-A-1 will be given spots in the state playoffs, plus one of the best prospects for a winning season since 1948-49, the Grovers may handle the situation.

The new ruling states that the top two teams from each district in the state will go to the state tournament, with third place teams from District 5, which includes Cottage Grove, Eugene, Springfield, Coos Bay, North Bend and Roseburg, and District 8, Albany, Corvallis, Sweet Home, Lebanon, Bend and both Salem schools, battling it out for the final tournament berth.

Credit should be given Bob Dusenberry, CG High principal, for helping to get this new rule passed.

The only regular lost from last year's Lion roster was Doug Bailey. Returning to handle most of the chores are veterans Ron Rice, Dean Castle, Larry Burleson, Byron Angell, Leon Hayes and transfer Jim Nichols.

Coach Donn Gassaway says, however, that Cottage Grove is going to have to play top notch

ball to reach the coveted state tournament goal. Coos Bay, Eugene, Roseburg and North Bend, last year's district 5 representatives to the tourney, are loaded with talent and will be out gunning for a berth.

Grove's 1955-56 hoop roster is as follows: (* denote years lettered)

Name	Class	Height
Ron Rice	Sr.	6'
Dean Castle	Sr.	6'4 1/2"
Larry Burleson	Sr.	6'4 1/2"
Byron Angell	Sr.	6'
Leon Hayes	Jr.	6'
Jim Nichols	Sr.	6'1 1/2"
George Woodworth	Jr.	6'3"
Bob Peters	Jr.	5'9"
Troy Perkins	Jr.	6'2"
Mike Thiess	Jr.	6'1"
Don Mathews	Jr.	5'8"
Ted Picknell	Jr.	5'10"
Darrel White	So.	5'11"

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
DECEMBER			
6 - Tuesday	Creswell	Here	
9 - Friday	St. Francis	There	
10 - Saturday	Willamette	There	
13 - Tuesday	Sweet Home	Here	
16 - Friday	Willamette	Here	
17 - Saturday	Creswell	There	
20 - Tuesday	Corvallis	Here	
29 - Thursday	Crater	There	
30 - Friday	Ashland	There	
JANUARY			
10 - Tuesday	Reedsport	There	
14 - Saturday	Sweet Home	There	
20 - Friday	St. Francis	Here	
27 - Friday	Springfield	Here	
28 - Saturday	Eugene	There	
FEBRUARY			
10 - Friday	Coos Bay	Here	
11 - Saturday	North Bend	Here	
17 - Friday	Eugene	Here	
18 - Saturday	Springfield	There	
24 - Friday	Roseburg	Here	
25 - Saturday	Roseburg	There	
MARCH			
2 - Friday	Coos Bay	There	
3 - Saturday	North Bend	There	

WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

Standings	WON	LOST
Fitzgerald's	31	9
Hammond Piling	30	10
Short's Grocery	27	13
Githens	26 1/2	13 1/2
Mills	26	14
Gen. Pet.	24	16
Walkup's (Creswell)	24	16
CG Riding Club	23 1/2	16 1/2
Red & White (Drain)	23	17
M. J. R.	20	20
Norris Dress Shop	19	21
Cottage Bowl	19	21
Varley's Rexall	18 1/2	21 1/2
Russ & Jim's	17 1/2	22 1/2
Town Talk Variety	17 1/2	22 1/2
Perry's	17	23
Rick's Lbr. Co.	16 1/2	23 1/2
Hall & Liston	16	24
1st Nat'l Bank	14	26
Gas Flames	12	28
Moose No. 1	11	29
Moose No. 2	7	33

Team High Three Games: Mills, 2488; Githens, 2481; Town Talk's, 884; Varley's Rexall, 876; Cottage Bowl, 873.

Individual High Three Games: Maude Funk (Githens), 485; Pat McCall (Mills), 468; Jo Funk (Cottage Bowl), 460.

Individual High Single Games: Lena Absher (Hammond Piling), 201; Audrey Zosel (Red & White), 192; Pat McCall (Mills), 182.

HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

GIRLS	WON	LOST
Stokes Jewelry	12	3
Richies Drive In	9 1/2	5 1/2
CG Cleaners	7	8
Smith Furniture	6	9
Langston TV Serv.	5 1/2	9 1/2
Arcade Theatre	5	10

Stokes Jewelry took three points from Smith Furniture with Marie Longfellow rolling high game of 173 and series 306, winning the free line of bowling for the week.

Richies Drive In took three points from Cottage Grove Cleaners with Nancy Huddahl rolling high game of 148 and series 250.

Langston TV took three points from Arcade Theatre with Leah Smith rolling high game of 150 and series 270.

To find a career to which you are adapted by nature, and then to work hard at it, is about as near to a formula for success and happiness as the world provides.

—Mary Sullivan

Duck Basketball Team Opens '55-56 Season Friday Against OSC Beavers

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene (Special) — Oregon's inexperienced basketball team gets its first test of the 1955-56 season Friday night when the Oregon State Beavers, defending Pacific Coast Conference champions, come to McArthur Court for a non-conference game.

The Ducks, with only five lettermen on hand, expect to give their rookies a stiff test in the December non-conference games in an effort to find a working combination prior to the opening of the first conference round-robin schedule in history next January.

Ducks Meet Colorado

After the Beaver clash, Webfoots meet Colorado here, travel to Brigham Young for a pair of games, then return home to tackle Northwestern and Michigan in the annual doubleheaders at Corvallis and here, then Colorado A & M comes to McArthur Court to close out the December schedule and the final two non-league games will be played against Portland and Washington in early January.

Coach Bill Borchert will probably start four lettermen and a junior college transfer in the opener Friday with all but one of his top reserves being rookies or non-lettermen from a year ago. Ray Bell, a two-year letterman reserve, and Charlie Franklin, a transfer from Los Angeles CC, will open at forward with Max Anderson, a two-year regular, at

center. In the backcourt the Ducks will start Jerry Ross, another two-year regular, and Phil McHugh, a junior letterman.

Good Reserves

Frank Werner, a non-letterman, George Slender, a Santa Rosa JC transfer, who was a regular end in football, and Paul Tichard, a sophomore, are the top reserves at forward after a month of practice and Hal Duffy, a sophomore from Portland, appears to be the replacement for Anderson. Ed Bingham, a letterman from Medford, is back of Ross and Johnny Lundell, a non-letterman, and Wimp Hastings, a sophomore from Bandon, are fighting for the job as McHugh's replacement.

Oregon's junior varsity will also get action early this season, meeting Olympic JC Thursday night and then playing the freshman team on Monday as the preliminary to the Oregon - Colorado game. The Eugene and Albany AAV teams will open the program for the Duck - Beaver clash on Friday at 5:45 p.m.

OSC Hoop Squad Opens Play Friday

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis (Special) — Oregon State's young-but-ambitious basketball varsity launches another pre-season slate Friday and Saturday, with Oregon and Colorado furnishing the opposition.

The Beavers meet the Webfoots at Eugene on Friday night, then return home to the Coliseum for an 8 p.m. engagement against the Colorado Buffaloes. High school quints from Shedd and Alsea meet in the 6 p.m. preliminary Saturday.

Coach Slat's GSC, along with Jack Friel of WSC dean of Pacific Coast conference coaches, will be starting his 28th season at the Orange helm with one of his most inexperienced outfits. He lost the first nine men off last year's great club that swept the PCC crown and lost by a single point to USC, the eventual national champion.

It's a fair chance that four lettermen and a promising sophomore will start the first game. Forward Dave Gambee is the talented sophomore, and holdover lettermen include Larry Paulus, Phil Shadoin, Bob Allard and Jerry Crimins. Shadoin probably will be at center, Gambee and Allard at forwards and Paulus and Crimins at guards.

Other top candidates include Ken Nanson, Gary Haynes, Wayne Moss, Dick Wilson, Ralph Carroll,

CG Intrachurch Basketball Play To Start Tonight

The intrachurch basketball league will be organized again this year with the opening night scheduled for 7 p.m. December 1, at the high school gym.

Last year seven churches sponsored teams with a total of 99 boys participating during the season. The first place trophy was taken by the Baptist Church, the Free Methodist placed second.

In addition to the first and second place trophies, a sportsmanship trophy will be awarded this year to the team that conducts itself in the most sportsmanlike manner.

The intra-church basketball league is sponsored by the Presbyterian Church and is under the direction of Cal Davis. The league is financed by the Presbyterian Church and Southern Lane Recreation Association.

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