

Cagers open season

G-men pitted against Lake Oswego

by Bruce Fishback

The G-Men open the basketball season tonight as they meet the Lake Oswego Lakers at Lake Oswego in what has been called a well matched game.

"The team is as good as I have had in four years and they are the quickest I have had in ten," stated Ed Rooney, head basketball coach.

The Generals have one starter returning from last year in Bill Flowers, while Lake Oswego has three.

Probable starters for tonight's game will be Bill Flowers, Steve Crane, Artie Wilson, Mike Naylor and either Gary Johnson or Don Lincoln.

Lake Oswego is returning from last year with a district crown and a second place showing in the state tournament. According to Oswego coach Sonny Long they are again favored to take their league.

"The team is very good, they have a balanced scoring position and they like to play a strong defense," stated Coach Long.

"Lake Oswego is one of the top teams in the state. We play them twice during the season. Tonight's game should be good as they have a good team. One thing going for us though is

our speed," stated Coach Rooney.

The Lake Oswego team is headed by all state player Mike James at center. Other starters for tonight's

game will be Scott Wintermute at forward, Tom Evans playing guard and Don Roth in the other forward position. The other starter is Al Keener who played for a team in Ohio before transferring to Lake Oswego. Al is starting at the other guard position.

The average height of the five starters is 6'2" with their tallest member being Mike James at 6'6". The tallest member for the Generals is Bill Flowers at 6'6".

"We feel that Grant has a real good ball club and at this time it is anybody's ball game," concluded Coach Long.

On the freshman level the team is preparing for their game with Jackson on December 16.

"The team is bigger than they have been in the last four years and we should be good," stated Frosh coach Thomas Piennett. "It would be too hard to pick out any outstanding individuals at this time," he concluded.



GARY JOHNSON attempts to block jump shot produced by Mike Harris during scrimmage. The scrimmage took place between the Blue team and White team last Friday.

'Nielsen's Animals' show promise

by Jan Kelley

They are called "Nielsen's Animals," all 59 of them, and they plan to live up to their coach's expectations of a "great bunch of kids."

Two wrestling jerseys have been made for the "players of the week" with the words "Nielsen's Animals" arched across the top. Also, an animal chart was made with the standings of each member inserted. At the top of the chart stands the devilish image of a little general with his blue and grey hat cocked to one side.

"It's tough to get freshmen in each weight division," stated coach Thomas Nielsen. "We still have a couple of spots open."

A good percentage of the frosh football team has turned out for wrestling.

Coach Nielsen spotted a few wrestlers for their promising ability. These boys are: Mark Johnson at 98 pounds; Bob Whittiker at 115; Larry Creswell at 140; Steve Geiger at 145; and Rich Helm at 190.

The first pre-season meet for the freshmen will be held tomorrow against Marshall and Gresham beginning at 11:00 in the gym. The first PIL meet will

be December 16 when the grapplers meet Jackson.

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TWO OF Coach Thomas Nielsen's animals, Robert Whittiker and Mark Johnson prepare to grapple in front of weight chart. Chart describes how each wrestler is doing in comparison with his teammates.

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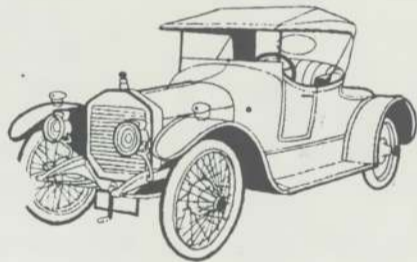
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