

LaSalle Win Raises, The Dalles Loss Dims Pioneer Wilco Hopes



PIONEER SCORING try is foiled by The Dalles in tense action under basket. (Post photo)

By Line Mike Hite

It took the basketball Pioneers of Sandy 16 minutes to hit their stride at LaSalle last week. But once they were in the groove, they ran away from LaSalle for a convincing 70-57 victory over the Falcons.

The Tuesday night game, a sluggish one at the start, was loaded with apprehension for coach Nick Robertson's red-clad Frontiersmen before they revved-up and displayed the class they really own.

After hopping to a 4-0 lead on baskets by Don Schneider and Roger Williams, it was all the Pioneers could do to nab a 15-13 lead after one quarter.

The contest was still close through intermission, 30-26, as S.H.S.'s biggest lead was only six points throughout the first half.

Jim Sliger, started things in roaring fashion in the second half, canning a jumper in the first 35 seconds, and the Pioneer defense was such a tough nut to crack that the Falcons were on the floor three and one-half minutes before bagging a fielder.

By the time Tom Niebergall swished in a jumper from the side, the Red and Blackmen were far in front, 41-29, and the outcome was no longer in doubt.

Niebergall and Dan Curran made a run at the Pioneers in the final period, each drilling in two baskets, but whenever they'd connect, one of Robertson's dribble specialists would retaliate with a two pointer for S.H.S.

The triumph was third in a row for the Red and Black hoopers, keeping them in contention for a first-half, second place finish.

Williams and Bob Ihrke were Robertson's top point-getters with 14 a piece, Sliger and Schneider followed with 12 each.

Curran topped La Salle with 14.

Sandy (70), Sliger, 12, Schneider, 12, Ihrke, 14, Williams, 14, Verdoorn, 6, Peterson, 8, Scales, 6.

La Salle (57), Curran, 14, Hertel, 8, Niebergall, 8, Morgan, 6, Howell, 6, McBane, 6, Rust, 7, Swoboda, 2.

Sandy: 15, 15, 21, 19-70

LaSalle: 13, 13, 12, 19-57.

The Dalles, 77; Sandy, 60

The Wilco basketball story here Friday night was liberally splashed with crimson...The Dalles Crimson and none of it block...as the Indians took out Sandy 77-60.

Seldom do Nick Robertson's Pioneers get this thoroughly handled, but the fired-up Indians they met here did the job with finesse, strength and firepower almost from the outset.

Thus, the Pioneers' first-half second place finish dream is virtually down the drain, but they aren't dead by a long-shot from capping the second half title. They simply were caught in (and never escaped) T.D.H.S. whirlpool-engineered by classy Bob Bellamy, who has to be one of the finest guards anywhere.

Bellamy was worth 17 points (7-11 from the field, 3-4 from the line) 13 assists, and just as important was his steadying influence. Sandy gave him defensive pressure at most moments, but the 5-10 senior still broke for whirler jumpers and spectacular passes with killing results.

If this game spun away from the Pioneers it came in one 62-second spurt midway through the first-half. It was then that the Indians, leading just 13-11, leap-frogged to a 21-11 lead which lasted the distance.

Jay Dumont's only basket from the top of the key, made the margin four points, and Rob Drake, who popped in 22 points, converted two foul tosses. This 17-11 spread wasn't ominous - until the Indians added four more in as many seconds.

After Don Schneider retaliated for S.H.S., the Indians made a six point splash, sparked by solid board work. Todd converted his own miss, Drake picked off Guile's errant gift toss for another fielder. Todd's whirler closed the salvo with a 27-13 count.

From that point on, the Pioneers were doomed. They never got closer than 38-31 and trailed 40-31 at intermission.

A bare three minutes into the second half, The Dalles built this to 48-35, sparked by Todd's five points, and there



PIONEERS SHOOT for goal in game played here Friday against The Dalles. (Post photo)

Wilco League

	LEAGUE GAMES			ALL GAMES		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Silverton	8	0	1.000	9	1	.900
Central	7	2	.778	8	2	.818
The Dalles	7	2	.778	8	4	.667
Junior	7	3	.700	7	5	.583
Wentworth	6	3	.667	6	5	.545
Sandy	5	3	.625	7	3	.700
Estacada	4	5	.444	5	6	.455
Malilla	3	6	.333	3	7	.300
LaSalle	2	8	.222	4	9	.304
Cathy	1	8	.111	4	9	.304
Reynolds	0	10	.000	0	10	.000



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LaSALLE JV's, 64; Sandy, 60
La Salles' junior varsity nursed a narrow lead throughout the entire game Tuesday to drop the Sandy JV's 64-60.

The Junior Pioneers, using a full court press, battled back from nine points down late in the fourth quarter to make a game of it. Terry Cansler led the losers with 18 points, Randy Ackers had 9.

THE DALLES JV's, 61; SANDY, 58

Arte Larsen scored 24 points Friday, 16 in the second half, but it was not enough as the Sandy Junior Varsity lost a tough one 61-58 to The Dalles JV's. Terry Cansler and Dennis Weiser backed Larsen with 16 and 13 points respectively.

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WILCO LEAGUE Player of the Week

Bob Bellamy, The Dalles. The 5-10 senior guard was spectacular in leading the Indians to a 77-60 victory over Sandy as he had 17 points and 13 assists.

Other candidates were... Gene Oster, Silverton, who led the Foxes to two wins last week with 41 points.

Linell Williams, Estacada, who scored 36 points in one win and one loss last week.

Don Schneider, Sandy, who also scored 36 points in a split last week.

Vic Todd, The Dalles who scored 31 points in last week's action.

TUESDAY RESULTS

At Reynolds 62, The Dalles 66
Cathy at Sandy, 60-58, bad weather
LaSalle at Silverton, 60-57, bad weather
LaSalle at Central, 60-57, bad weather
Wentworth at Estacada, 60-57, bad weather
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Bowling News ...

HOODLAND HOPPERS

1/15

Alpine Hut 31½ 22½
Bowman's 31½ 19½
Post Electric 29 25
Barlow Trail 28½ 25½
Brightwood Tav. 28 26
Ratskeller 27½ 26½
Thunderhead Lodge 26½ 27½
C&L Lumber 24 30
Washing Well 23½ 24½
Gay's Kache 14 37

High individual game and series—Marlene Poppe, 211 and 526.
High team game and series: C & L Lumber 695 and 1848.

1/8

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High individual game and series—Kati Woods, 182 and Jeanine Sperr, 483.
High team game and series—Washing Well, 601 and C & L Lumber, 1685.

SUNDAY NITE MIXED

12-26

Sandy Shell 12 4
San Ro Esta 11 5
Pioneer 10 6
Richardson 10 6
Team No. 5 3 13
Sandy Post 2 14

High individual game and series—Iris Shaw, 189 and Marge Thornton, 506. John Stephen (sub) 201 and 568.
High team game and series—San Ro Esta, 735 and Richardson, 2130.

SANDY MIXED DOUBLES

1/27

Pioneer R.E. 58 22
San Ro Esta 43 37
Heidi's 41 39
McKinnon Ent. 38½ 41½
Sandy Cycle Cent. 36½ 43½
Brooks Cafe 36 44
Paul's Welding 34½ 45½

J.J. Walker

. 32½ 47½

High individual series and game—Irene Blount and Terri McManus, 471 and Myron Dale 592 and 236. Game—Terri McManus, 178.

High team series and game—San Ro Esta Lanes, 2293 and 850.

SANDY MEN'S

1/23

Cedar Plaza 8 4
Sandy Ridge Mem. 8 4
Smith Motors 8 4
Clack. Cty. Bk 7 5
Antiques, 2819; Pioneer Real Estate, 957.
High individual series and game: Jo Lewis, 569; Jean Pullen, 218.

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1/10

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Heidi's 39 37
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Brooks Cafe 35 41
Sandy Cycle C. 34½ 41½
J. J. Walker 31½ 44½
Paul's Welding 31½ 44½

High individual game and series—Kay Metzger 212, Dave Blount, 226; Kay Metzger 531 and Virgil Cool, 545.
High team game and series—Sandy Cycle Center, 802 and Pioneer Real Estate, 2308.

SANDY LUTHERAN LEAGUE

1/22

Cotten-Picken-4 49 27
Charles Chimps 44 32
F. Freeloaders 42 34
Ken's Kats 38½ 37½
Jim's Crickets 28 48
RHUM Dumbs 26½ 49½

High individual game and series, scratch—women, Cleo Gagner, 190 and 506. Men—Fred Teetz 187 and 533.
High team game and series with handicap—Jim's Crickets, 694 and Freddie Freeloaders, 1985.

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Pioneer Real Estate 6 10
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Dea's In & Out 3 13

Gwen Pullen picked up

7-9-10 split.

High team series and game—Jennie Welch's Clack. Cty. Bk 7 5
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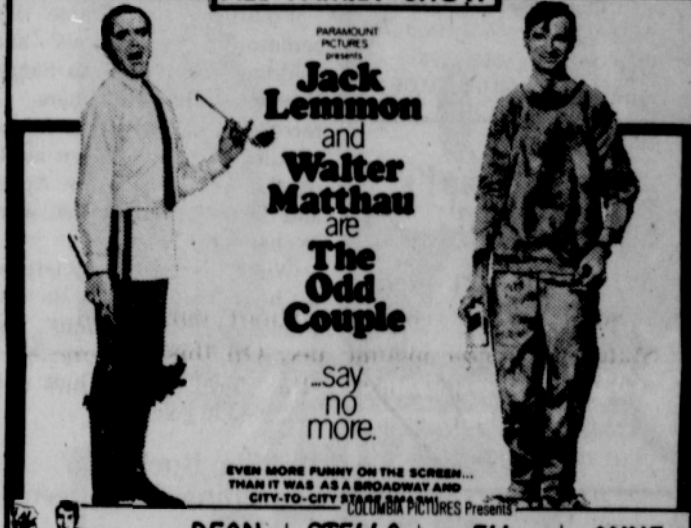
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