



Walton, like a locomotive was unstoppable.



Larry Steele tried for a basket, was blocked by Celtics #35 who grabbed rebound and sent Steele flying into backboards.

LEAP signs Labor contract

Charles Ganter, director of the Urban League's Labor Education Advancement Program (LEAP), announced that his agency has signed a new contract with the Department of Labor.

A total of 100 minority disadvantaged youths and semi-skilled construction workers will be prepared for building and construction trades jobs by the LEAP Program. Portland's LEAP Program contract for \$152,000 is part of the National Urban League prime contract with the Department of Labor for \$5,179,468.

Last year LEAP made 104 placements in the building and construction trades and private industry. Included in the new contract are funds for a women's

division. Ms. Margaret Solomon has been promoted to recruiter/counselor for that division.

In 1974, the Portland Program finished second in the nation in journeyman/trainee placements and in 1975, finished third. "I think this is an outstanding accomplishment considering the preposterous economic conditions," Ganter said.

A significant reflection of accomplishments shows our program growing from thirty apprentice placements per year to 100 placements per year including apprentices, journeymen/trainees and women in non-traditional jobs.

Our contract period is from November 1st, 1975 through October 31st, 1976.

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Trail Blazer Wrapup

by Charles Ford

The Trailblazers did it again Tuesday night at Memorial Coliseum before a surprising crowd of 8,901 die-hard fans. Certainly we like to have the fans think of the players as human beings subject to the on and off days like most of us have from time to time, but it is most unusual for an entire team to be as flat as the Trailblazers were in Tuesdays game.

It was obvious to those in attendance that New York came to play ball and wanted to look exceptionally well to the fans back in the New York area, well for a TV game they couldn't have chosen a better team to have beamed back to the East Coast than our favorite Blazers. It seems as though when the announcement hit the area that Walt Frazier wouldn't be able to make the trip West, we somehow became soft and somewhat let down, thinking that we shouldn't have any problem with a team like New York. One thing the Blazers forgot, they still have Earl Monroe, Neal Walk, Butch Beard, Bill Bradley and the super Spencer Haywood, who ended the night as high point man of the game with 26. Haywood has always played a good game against Portland.

I don't want to sound as though I am down on the guys. They have played some real good ball in their last few games, beating Golden State, Boston, and playing a tremendous game against Los Angeles in a losing cause. With Walton back at the helm as the pivot man and leader on the floor, things will begin to happen.

We think Bill is beginning to mature and plug in the missing link that has been missing on the floor. We as fans could help the team on a night like Tuesday, when things aren't going well regardless of what they do, if they are trying hard. We could use reverse psychology by cheering them along instead of the usual boos, and third period exit that we have seen to often this year. We want a professional team here, but we must also become professional in how we respond when things aren't going our way.

The team will be on the road until the 23rd of January, making their first stop in Houston, again facing J.J. and company. This trip will take them through the South and East before returning home to face Los Angeles and the fabulous Kareem Abdul Jabbar. The Blazers last Tuesday games final score was 112 to 97. What a way to start a long road trip.

Black football players honored

Of the first eight players picked in the 1975 National Football League draft, eight made the 1974 Black College All-American Football Team. The 3rd annual Black College All-American Football Team was named on Wednesday, December 10th and undoubtedly many of this year's team will be playing in the National Football League in 1976.

Walter Payton, Jackson State running back, was the fourth player picked in the 1975 draft. He was drafted by the Chicago Bears. Linebacker Robert Brazile of Jackson State was picked by the Houston Oilers. He was the sixth player chosen. And finally defensive tackle Gary Johnson of Grambling was the eighth player picked. San Diego drafted him.

Payton was named the "Offensive Player of the Year" in 1973 and 1974 and Johnson was chosen as the "Defensive Player of the Year" in 1974. Both schools received \$5,000 for the general scholarship funds in honor of the awards won by these two players.

The 3rd annual Black College All-American Football Team will be named and honored on December 10th at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C.

The Buick Motor Division of General Motors and the Mutual Black Radio Network will sponsor a dinner to honor

the eleven offensive players and the eleven defensive players named to the 1975 team. At this time, the winners of the major awards, "Offensive Player" and "Defensive Player" of the year, will be announced.

Through the years, many players from the Black schools have gained nationwide fame playing in the NFL.

"We feel that the players from the Black schools should receive praise and recognition for their outstanding play as undergraduates," said Thom Gatewood, Executive Vice President of the Mutual Black Radio Network. Gatewood gained All-American honors at Notre Dame in 1970 and 1971 as a wide receiver.

"Although many players from these Black schools go on to play pro football, many don't," Gatewood said. "And that is another reason we feel that the outstanding players should be honored."

Undoubtedly pro football is the goal of all football players, whether playing at Black schools or on College Division I teams. Yet, many never get drafted, and many who are drafted are cut.

"For those who go to pro football," Gatewood said, "There will be many more honors. However, for those who don't, we want all of those players to remember this dinner in their honor as one of the biggest events in their life."

Concordia hosts C.C. Clippers

Concordia College's annual Community Night is scheduled for January 10th. The Concordia Cavaliers host the Columbia Christian Clippers with varsity action beginning at 8:00 p.m. in Concordia's gym at N.E. 27th and Highland.

In addition to free family admission to the game there will be drawings for prizes from local merchants, a Vernon and Whitaker Grade School basketball game at half-time, and refreshments for all. The Cavaliers led by Captain Eric Dressler, averaging 26.8 points per game, are providing another season of exciting play.

As a part of Concordia's continuing effort to be an integral aspect of the Northeast Portland Community, events such as Community Night and others, play a significant role in meeting the needs of the residents. More and more people are viewing Concordia as "their school."

Forest jobs few in 1976

Opportunities for summer employment in the National Forests of Oregon and Washington will be slim again in 1976, according to Regional Forester Theodore A. Schlapfer, U.S. Forest Service.

In 1975, there were 39,000 applicants, and 4,585 persons were hired. The number of jobs available will be about the same in 1976, Schlapfer said, with priority consideration given to those previously employed by the Forest Service. Applicants must be 18 years of age at time of employment.

Applications must be postmarked between January 1st and February 15th and must be submitted to the Regional Office in Portland, not to individual National Forests as in past years. Jobs, however, will be in the field, not in the Regional Office. Application forms, available from Forest Service offices, have a space for applicants to choose the geographical location desired.

Under a streamlined system, applications will be computerized and transmitted to individual National Forest offices in Oregon and Washington. Those offices will make job offers to individuals as needed.

Applications should be addressed to Temporary Employment, U.S. Forest Service, P.O. Box 3623, Portland, Oregon 97208.

Techmen smash Demos

By Patricia R. Lasley

Last Tuesday afternoon was filled with entertainment for PIL sports fans. Benson High and Jefferson High faced a tough battle. The two varsity teams played a fast breaking game.

There has been a great rivalry between Benson and Jeff throughout the 1970's. Jefferson last captured the state crown from the Techman in 1972. However, two years later, the Techman team became champions themselves.

In the beginning of the game, the score stayed reasonably close between the two defending teams. Neither team could pull ahead too far without being caught. The tie score of 29-29 in the first quarter enabled Benson to get rolling, never to lose the lead. Although the Jeff Demos fought hard, they just couldn't get their wheels moving.

One aspect that made the teams look even is the fact that their wasn't too

much height for back up purposes. There were many violations called on the Demos and too many turn overs resulted in Benson's drastic lead.

When half time rolled around, the Monroe drill team performed their routine to the music titled "Spirit of the Boggie".

Second half action brought more smiles to the Techmen fans as Benson drove from a two point lead to almost a 30 point lead. In the latter half of the fourth quarter, Benson's hopes of gaining a bill (100 points) were high. Although they failed to attain this dream they came away with the win. The final score was Benson Tech 95 and the struggling Jefferson Demos 68.

In other PIL action Tuesday, Adams beat Franklin 68 to 54. Grant edged Cleveland 72-61, Madison over Marshall 86-57. Jackson dumped Lincoln 67-28, and it was Roosevelt over Washington 63-44.



"Hey! Look here, gramps. A whopper!" While Junior will certainly do a lot better than this as he pursues angling expertise, he's pretty satisfied with the current state of affairs. Thanks to gramps, he's caught his first fish.

Show features sport boating

A talking pioneer trapper so realistically fashioned that viewers will be guessing whether it's man or mannikin will tell the story of Oregon's wildlife heritage at the Portland Boat, Trailer and Sports Show in Memorial Coliseum January 10th-18th.

Put together by staff members of the Oregon Fish & Wildlife Commission, the lifelike figure is a combination of electronic, cinematographic and display arts. Similar creations are used in the Smithsonian Institution, but Cliff Hamilton, Fish & Wildlife's chief exhibits producer, thinks his will be a West Coast first.

Live beaver and Chinese pheasants and a pool of young salmon will stress the

importance of wildlife in the economic and recreational history of the region. Photographs from Oregon Historical Society collections will show Indian and early commercial fishing methods and the release of the original importation of Chinese pheasants on a Willamette Valley farm decades ago.

Nearly 300 boats, rank after rank of vacation trailers and other recreational vehicles and full lines of hunting, fishing and other outdoor gear will be displayed in the show -- only trade show event which will use the complete Coliseum complex in 1976.

The boat show will open daily at 2:00 p.m., closing at 10:30 p.m. except on Sundays when closing hour is 7:00 p.m.

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