

# HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS AGAINST NEWBERG

## SALEM READY FOR VISITORS

Several Veterans in Lineup; Schedule Calls for Total of 19 Contests

Salem high school will open its 1924-25 basketball season on the local gymnasium floor tonight when the red and black hoopers meet the fast Newberg high school quintet. The game will start at 7:30 o'clock, with either "Pug" Ross or Glen Gregg as referee.

Several veterans are in the lineup for this season, and Coach Huntington believes he will have a team that will compare favorably with any high school aggregation in the state.

An addition to the regular schedule has been made by Manager Dennis Heenan, who recently received a letter from the Eureka, Cal., manager asking for a game during the holidays, when the northern Californians are on a tour of the state. The game has been scheduled for December 31. Manager Heenan has lined up

19 games so far, seven of which are slated for the home floor. An effort will be made to arrange five more games during the athletic conference in Corvallis Saturday, when all of the Willamette valley basketball schedules will be completed as well as football schedules for next fall.

The complete schedule, one of the heaviest in recent years, as announced by Manager Heenan, is as follows:

- December 23—Alumni at Salem.
- December 20—Chemawa here.
- December 31—Eureka, Cal., here.
- January 10—McMinnville here.
- January 14—At Silverton.
- January 16—Corvallis here.
- January 21—Independence here.
- January 23—At Dallas.
- January 26—At Eugene.
- February 2—At McMinnville.
- February 6—At Newberg.
- February 7—Silverton here.
- February 11—At West Linn.
- February 24—At Independence.
- February 27—At Corvallis.
- March 6—At Eugene.

## FRAT BASKETBALL SERIES CONTINUE

Kappa Gamma Rho and Sigma Tau Winners in Contests Last Night

The Kappa Gamma Rho fraternity basketball team broke into the win column for the first time last night when it defeated the Phi Kappa Pi quintet by a score of 12 to 7. Johnson's keen eye was responsible for all of the points garnered by the winning team.

In the preliminary game, the Sigma Tau's won a fiercely contested tilt from the Epsilon Delta Mu's by a count of 14 to 10. Blatchford and White were the outstanding stars for the winners, while Roundtree continued his stellar work at forward for the Epsilon Delta Mu's.

The teams lined up as follows: Kappa Gamma Rho (12)—Russell and Johnson, forward; Balisger, center; Frewing and Bateson, guards.

Phi Kappa Pi (7)—Haines and Desart, forward; Adams, center; C. Nunn and Sherwood, guards.

Sigma Tau (14)—White and Mann, forward; Blatchford, center; Bodine and Rhodes, guards; Mudra, Launer, Carter, Jasper and Ruskin Blatchford, subs.

Epsilon Delta Mu (10)—Roundtree and Wilkinson, forward; Silke, center; Gile and Bliff, guard; LaViolette, sub.

## Seattle Automobile Thief Arrested Here Wednesday

T. Berryhill, of Seattle, was arrested yesterday and is being held for the larceny of an automobile. The car was stolen in Seattle. Traffic Officer Wiles and Officer Olson arrested the man after he could not produce his driver's license.

The suspect told the officers that the car belonged to his mother and that he was unable to find her. However, after a grilling at the police station the man confessed to the theft of the auto.

During the investigation it developed that Berryhill has been involved in IWW syndicalist acts at Montesano, Wash., during the troubles there. He has also "done time" at Aberdeen for one-half year.

The prisoner claimed to have an accomplice, but the officers here were unable to secure evidence involving another individual. It is understood that the suspect will be turned over to the department of justice at Portland.

## BEARCATS TO FACE PACIFIC TONIGHT

Willamette Squad Expected to Meet Competition in Practice Game

Tonight at 8 o'clock in the Willamette gymnasium the Bearcat basketball team will tangle with Pacific college of Newberg, in another practice game. Little is known of the strength of the Pacific team this year, but last season they had a formidable aggregation, and they are expected to furnish the Willamette squad real competition.

This will be the last practice game on the home floor before the holidays, and a few days after Christmas Coach Rathbun will take his men for a barnstorming tour in the vicinity of Portland. Among the teams to be met on this trip are Multnomah club, Columbia club, Astoria, the Westport Athletic club. Other contests with town and club teams will be arranged.

The primary motive of the trip is to place the players in first-class condition for the strenuous program of conference games which will get under way early in January.

Much satisfaction is expressed with the way the Willamette players are showing up, and it is predicted by those in a position to know that the university will win a majority of the conference tilts this season. Coach Rathbun will center his attention on the combination of Hartley at center; Fasnacht and Mast, forwards, and Robertson and Erickson guards. These men are playing well together and will probably make up the quintet which meets the strong conference teams. Much is also expected of Steincipher and Poling, who have been playing good ball. A number of other men will be kept on the squad and given a chance to show their merit, some time during the season.

## Bearcat Frosh Quintet Plays Chemawa Tonight

The Willamette university freshman basketball players open their season tonight with a game against the Chemawa Indian school at Chemawa. The Indians have a strong aggregation and the Rooks will be forced to their best to win.

## Three Teams Will Play In Local League Tonight

The schedule for the Commercial basketball league has been changed slightly for the games tonight. The change was necessary on account of the inability of the Oilmen to get together. However, it has been arranged that the Le-

gion and Bank team are to play first, Central Pharmacy vs. Hauser Brothers, and Anderson & Brown vs. Union Oil company next in order.

The change is a last moment one and does not affect the standing of the teams. It was made to allow the players, who are employed by the oil companies, to be on hand.

## BAN JOHNSON MAY LOSE POSITION

President of American League Threatened With Deposition From Office

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(By The Associated Press.)—Byron Bancroft Johnson, founder and president of the American league since its inception 23 years ago tonight take his men for a barnstorming tour in the vicinity of Portland. Among the teams to be met on this trip are Multnomah club, Columbia club, Astoria, the Westport Athletic club. Other contests with town and club teams will be arranged.

The club owners of the American league, meeting in joint session with the eight club owners of the National league pledged to Kenesaw M. Landis, commissioner of baseball at a salary of \$50,000 a year, that President Johnson would be removed from office if he "did not immediately cease what was termed, his "misconduct," meaning criticism of Landis' administration.

The American leaguers removed Johnson from membership on the baseball advisory council and guaranteed to Landis that legis-



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lation would be adopted to limit Johnson's activities in the internal affairs of the league.

The American league club owners also pledged that they would act on any measures which Commissioner Landis thought advisable including the removal of Johnson, if necessary.

## Lack of Funds Hamper Frosh Basketball Hopes

Lack of funds has given the Freshman basketball plans a serious setback, according to Leslie

Sparks, coach of the first year players. The trip to Coos Bay and other coast points has been definitely dropped. However, a number of games have been scheduled with Portland high school teams and others and a big season is anticipated.

Washington high, Jefferson high, and Lincoln high will all appear in games against the Rooks on the local floor, according to present plans. In addition, the annual game with Salem high will be played sometime in January, and a trip will be made to play

Raymond high, of Raymond, Wash., an annual opponent of the first year Bearcats.

Those who will probably make berths among the first string players are: Litchfield, Van Nice, Flegel, Scott and others. Other men are showing up well and a strong team is expected.

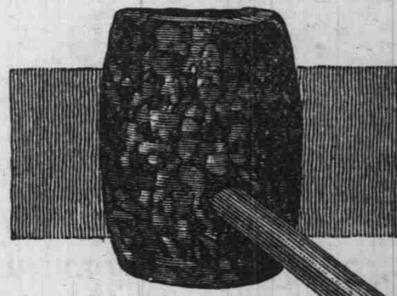
## First Methodist Church to Hold Last Meeting Tonight

The main event at the regular evening services at the First

Methodist church tonight will be the stereopticon lecture by Mrs. F. G. Franklin, illustrating "Christmas in Pictures." The lecture will start at 8 o'clock and will show scenes portraying the life of the Madonna and Christ.

The program will begin with a covered-dish dinner, starting at 6:30 o'clock. The regular classes will be held with Professor Riddle teaching. His subject will be "The New Testament." The meeting tonight will be the last of the fall series, and will close with a devotional hour.

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