

Major Basketball Attractions Scheduled This Weekend

FOUR CONTESTS ON W. U. FLOOR

Salem High vs. Bearkittens
And Silverton-Chemawa
Games are Added

When Willamette university and Whitman college basketball teams, undefeated and tied for the lead in the Northwest conference, meet in the Willamette gymnasium Friday and Saturday nights, record attendance for the year to date is insured not only by the importance of these contests, but also by the added attractions scheduled for each night.

Friday night the Willamette Bearkittens and Salem high will provide the preliminary, starting at 7 o'clock. This ought to be a close game, as the Bearkittens put up a great battle before Hollis Huntington's men nosed ahead in their first encounter of the season.

Saturday night at the same hour, Silverton high and Chemawa will clash prior to the Willamette-Whitman game. Silverton is one game up on the Indians, having won on the home floor. Both the county A league championship and the Willamette Valley interscholastic league title are more or less at stake.

Rumor of Excesses

Charge is Quashed

A large crowd from Silverton is assured, though baseless rumors that a high admission charge would be made, are reported to have deterred some Silverton fans in making their plans to attend. Willamette university athletic authorities stated Wednesday that the charge for the double-header each evening would be 25 cents, while students, identified by student body tickets or through some other arrangement made by the schools, would be admitted for 25 cents.

Word comes from Walla Walla that the Missionaries were at top form for the season in their two victories over College of Puget Sound, a team that was rated as the best ever produced by the Tacoma institution.

One of the dangerous factors in Whitman's threat is the fact that all five of Coach Borleske's regulars are excellent marksmen. In several of the games this season, every man in the starting lineup has produced at least three field goals.

Missionaries Tall;

Forwards Especially

Both of Whitman's forwards were centers last year—that gives an indication of the size of these Missionaries. They are Mills and West, the latter a football luminary. Nelson, the new center, is bigger than either of the forwards. Irving and Carpenter are the guards. Irving was a regular last year and Carpenter a reserve.

"Spec" Keene could send a team of six-footers or better onto the floor but they would not all be regulars, and at that they would not overtop the Missionaries. Keene reports that Northrup, a flash forward last semester, has not registered for the second semester so far, and may not be available. Griffith, another forward, is out with a bad knee and Kloostre and Hartley are suffering ailments which may hamper them in the crucial series. Otherwise the Willamette squad is in good condition.

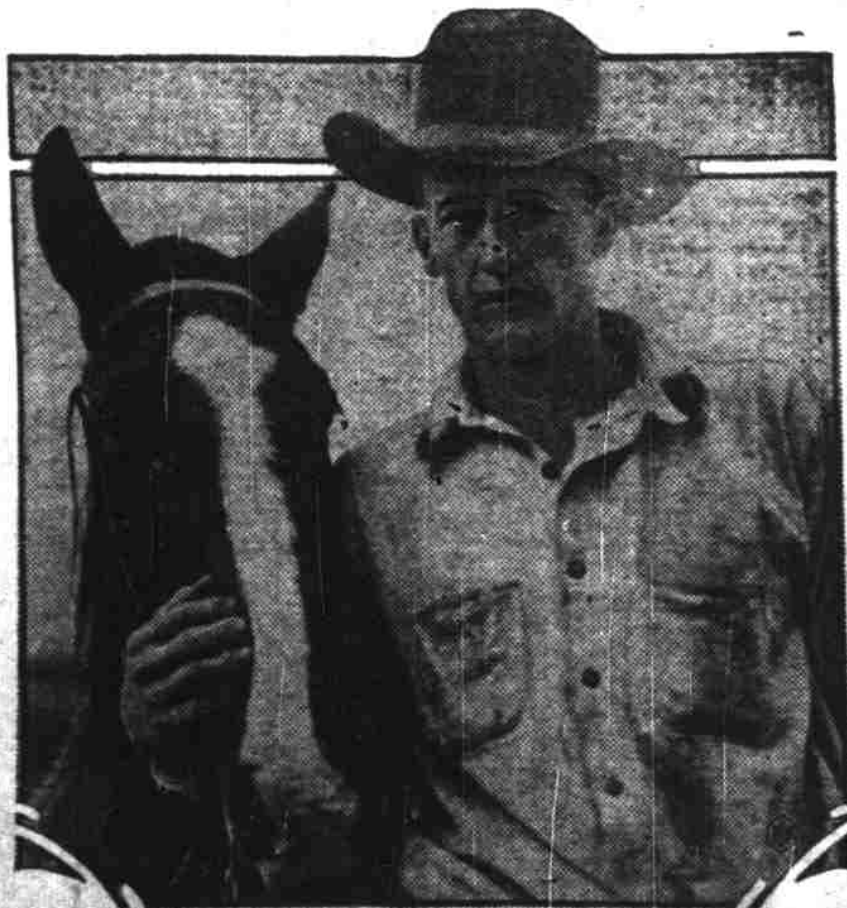
Many From Silverton

Coming on Friday

SILVERTON, Feb. 8.—The Silverton high school basketball boys have received a request from the University of Oregon for a game with the university freshmen. Silverton has responded by offering Tuesday or Wednesday night of next week. Whether or not either of these nights will be acceptable to the university boys has not yet been learned at Silverton.

The Silverton high school is keyed for the big Chemawa-Silverton game to be played at Salem Saturday night and a large number of Silverton basketball fans intend to attend. Word had become current at Silverton that the price of admission to the game would be high and high.

BASEBALL TO COW PUNCHING



Lonnie Warncke, youthful star hurler of the Chicago Cubs, does not have much difficulty keeping in trim during the winter months, for he is also an expert cow puncher. Here is the Cub ace with his pony, "Buck." Warncke works on his father's ranch which is situated about thirty-five miles from Hot Springs, Ark. After a winter in the saddle, Spring training call should sound like Gabriel's trumpet to the mound.

KEEPS TITLE



Jack Crawford, Australian tennis star, who successfully defended his championship of "Down Under" against Keith Gledhill, American ace, at Melbourne. In the preceding rounds Gledhill had vanquished McGrath of Australia, who had beaten Ellsworth Vines, American singles champion. Crawford won 2-1, 7-5, 6-2.

school authorities have been busy combatting this rumor. The price of admission will be quite low, although the exact sum was not known here Tuesday. Silverton high school is also slated to play Lebanon here Friday night and a large number of fans are expected out to see the boys in their final game before the big clash Saturday night.

Dub Golfers Take Heart; Slice Legal

SEATTLE, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Dub golfers—those to whom a slice is one of their best strokes—got some encouragement from the law here today, with a damage suit thrown out of court.

Upon such arguments by defense counsel that a slice is one of the hazards of the game, an "act of God," Superior Judge John S. Robinson dismissed a suit brought by Mrs. Francis Rocca of Enumclaw. She sought \$5000 damage from Dr. C. V. Englund, an Enumclaw dentist.

Mrs. Rocca testified that after the doctor had obtained her permission and that of her partner to drive through them in a match last July, she thought she had gotten out of the way.

The doctor's drive, however, sliced and hit her over the eye, causing concussion of the brain. Dr. Englund, when testifying, had an explanation.

"Very often when I drive a ball," he said, "I do not know where it will go."

Salem Squad And Faculty Play Tonight

Salem high school's basketball team will meet a tough aggregation without cost to the (student body) taxpayers for transportation tonight, when it tangles with the faculty quintet.

The teachers, recruited from the senior high and two junior high staffs, completely outclassed the high school B team a couple of weeks ago, especially while their wind lasted, and they are expected to hold Hollis Huntington's team somewhere near even.

Vernon Gilmore, Garnie Cranor, Harold Hawk, Gurnee Flesher, Frank Brown and Tom Dryan compose the faculty squad. All have had some college basketball experience.

PARRISH BEATS HUBBARD QUINT

Score 26-23 After Visitors Cut Margin Down to one Point Near Close

Hoopers of Parrish junior high completed their schedule in the northern division of the county B league undefeated, but had some anxious moments in their final game, defeating Hubbard high 26 to 23 Wednesday night here.

Parrish got off to a good start and led 15 to 9 at half time, but Eugene Silke's well-coached lads from the northern end of the county rallied strongly in the second half and twice near the close were within a point of overcoming Parrish's lead. Possession of the tipoff was one big factor in Hubbard's favor.

Phil Salstrom tossed field goals with his usual abandon but it was the lone basket scored by Quesseth that clinched victory for Parrish. McKee and Hendry showed up well in the scoring department for Hubbard, many of their points being made from a distance though they fired the ball at the basket like a cannon, a habit acquired in a low-raftered gymnasium.

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Parrish 12...F...10 McKee

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Quesseth 2...F...1 Higgenbottom

Luther 7...C...4 Carl

Johnson 2...G...1 Moomaw

Curry 8...G...2 Hendry

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Babe Ruth Heads For Camp Sans Contract; Won't Play Exhibitions Till Signed up

By ALAN GOULD
NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—(AP)—It may be another month before Babe Ruth gets down to the serious business of reaching a compromise on his 1933 salary with the Yankees but while finishing preparations for going south tomorrow with his family the big slugger said he will not play any exhibition games before signing a new contract.

The Babe made up his mind on this important point two years ago, when he did not put his name on the dotted line until the day before the spring exhibitions began. He has not changed it, because he believes the risk would be too great.

"Suppose I should bust an ankle in an exhibition game and had not yet signed my contract?" he asked. "How much do you think they would offer me then?" This year the Yankees start their competition against the Boston Braves at St. Petersburg, March 14, so there remains plenty of time for the boys to speculate on just how much of that \$25,000 "cut" the Babe will be able to duck. The consensus is he will convince Colonel Jacob Ruppert he is worth \$62,500 for the coming campaign, his 20th in the big leagues.

The Ruths leave tomorrow by train for Jacksonville, where they will motor to St. Petersburg Friday.

"We plan to take an apartment this winter, instead of living at a hotel," Mrs. Ruth revealed. "You know the Babe likes to have things home. Besides it's a good idea to economize now."

Judge Emil E. Fuchs, president of the Boston Braves, paid a visit to the New York Giants today without disclosing whether he had any more player deals "on the fire" but he did reveal the Boston club had the option of taking its choice of the two sensational Coast infielders, Dick Gyselman and Albert Wright, if only one meets expectations in the training camp. These kid stars were obtained for a fancy price from the Missions.

The first "variety" regular to

CURT COMMENTS

What was that noise? Somebody laughing at poor old Mr. Groundhog? But we know what the weather man is up to. He is figuring on a belated gift to Bortleske & Co. of weather that will make them feel at home. Too bad basketball is played indoors.

Looks as though the old controversy between amateurism and professionalism is about to be settled. The Coast league has adopted a salary limit of \$400. Ball players are paid for only about six months. That means top pay will be \$2400 a year. Probably there will be a lot of players getting around \$250, which means \$1500. Class B and C players will get less than that; we hear of one league which expects to pay

sign a Yankee contract, outside the battery department, is Joe Sewell, veteran Alabama third baseman whose comeback played a big part in the success of the world champions last year.

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that a coach who teaches his men to play strictly within the literal interpretation of the rules, finds his work a liability rather than an asset when an opposing team not so coached, is allowed to get away with "murder." Take it in general, though, we believe most fans like a reasonably liberal interpretation, which prevents the game from becoming rough and still doesn't cause too many delays.

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