

Western International Ball Biggies Accept 'Wait-n-See' Policy for 1945 Operations

TACOMA, Nov. 20.—(Special)—Western International league baseball directors, meeting here Sunday with President Robert S. Abel on the prospects of operating in 1945, adopted a "wait and see" policy pending after the waiting period, the league may well take to the parks again in '45.

Robert Brown, owner of the Vancouver, B.C. franchise, and Roger W. Peck, director of the Tacoma Tigers were appointed by the directors to attend the National Association of Minor Leagues meeting next month in Buffalo, N.Y., after which they will return with a report on availability of players for the 1945 season. President Abel said that another league meeting would be held in mid-January to hear the report and to act upon applications for membership in the circuit.

Only the Salem team appeared possibly well fixed for players during Sunday's meeting, as Mrs. Geo. E. Waters presented a telegram revealing the possibilities of a working agreement hookup with the St. Louis Cardinals. Mrs. Waters, Jack, Brown and Bill Ulrich of Spokane were the directors who met with Abel. Representatives, tentatively seeking franchises in the league, were also present from Bellingham, Victoria, B.C., and Yakima. Bellingham and Yakima were once members of the circuit. It is upon these applications the league will act in the January session.

Lucky Medfords

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Medford was chosen as the site of the Gresham-Medford grid semi-final today by a vote of a coin in the office of the Oregon high school activities association.

Top Pioneer Point Punchers



As members of the Parrish co-Champion Grays and Cardinals, respectively, Carlos Houck (left) and Bill Day (right) emerged the leading scorers in the Junior High Intramural grid league just finished. Both are triple-threaters and will be the boys to stop for Parrish when the Pioneers and Leslie's Missionaries buck against each other in the Junior classic on Sweetland field tomorrow night. (Buster Wilson photos)

'Mask'-Ross Return Mat Brawl Set for Armory Ring Tonight

What might easily develop into one of the all-time crunch classics for the local battle pit comes to pass tonight at the Ferry Street Garden when Ross, the Hollywood actor's solid contender, wades into the totally dinked hooded bomber "Grey Mask" in the Salem Box-Office Commission ordered mat rematch. The expected dandybrook, likely to

again pack in the clients, head-line Matchmaker Elton Owen's weekly show which is to present two first-cabin prelims as well. In the 8:30 opener the Klondike Kid himself, otherwise handled Bullard Jackson, hunter, traveler, statesman and the gent who taught the mechanics how, makes his '44 debut by bludgeoning with popular Herb Farks, the Canadian. The semi-windup offers brand new Coast Junior Heavy Champ Gus Johnson Heavy Champ against unlikeli Earl Malone, the Ohio critter with the emery streak. Johnson appeared here two weeks ago and made a tremendous hit with his elbow-busting reputation. Since then he stepped out and won the Junior Heavyweight title belt vacated by retiring Cowboy Duke Chick.

Incentive for a top-notch blood-'n-thunder scuffle in the main go is provided by the fact that both Ross and Mr. Stoneface will be ransling for the top slice of last week's purse as well as the 60 per cent tonight. Commissioner Harry Levy ordered a rematch when Ross went berserk to batter into injured submission the "Mask" during an illegal

between-falls period last week. Referee Jack Kiser awarded the duke when the "Mask" failed to return for the third fall, but Levy intervened to declare it a draw. The two had provided a pee-dinger of a scrap for the customers. Neither Ross, who has been strangely silent and absent from his usual haunts during the week, or Mr. Stoneface were reluctant to return against each other. In fact both were anxious, which should make for liveliness plus come main event time tonight. Ivan Jones, at the request of "Mask," will referee the card.

Ohio Staters, Michigan Due In 'Natural'

By Harold Harrison
COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 20.—(AP)—If there ever was a football "natural," it's coming up here Saturday between Ohio State's unbeaten and untied Bucks and Michigan's unbeaten Wolverines. Over the years, there have been few gridiron rivalries more intense than that between Ohio State and Michigan but that's only incidental this year. The game Saturday will have more angles than you'll find in junior's geometry book and because of them there will be a capacity crowd of around 74,000 for the game. First, Ohio State now is just 60 minutes of playing time away from its first perfect regular season in 24 years.

Next, a combination of circumstances has made this game the Western Conference's championship tilt. Ohio State can take the title for the second time in three years by beating or tying the Wolverines. A Michigan victory would give the Wolverines the crown, with six games won and one lost, against five won and one lost for Ohio State and possibly Purdue.

And then there is that intriguing Rose Bowl possibility. If the big ten decides next Sunday to lift its ban on post-season games, it's a good bet the winner of the game here will be invited to the New Year's day classic.

Mentors Toss Grid Bouquets

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—(AP) Spokesmen for the Army and Navy teams addressed the New York football writers today with their enthusiasm and boldness drowning out the clatter of dishes at the weekly luncheon.

But it was all in reverse. Maj. Andy Gustafson, Army backfield coach, discussed Navy's prowess and then leaned back while Lt. Cmdr. E. E. (Rip) Miller, Middle line taut, divulged all the secrets of the Cadet scoring machine.

Gustafson rated Don Whitmore as the best college tackle in the country and one who needed very little help from anyone in halting plays. Hal Hamberg, Navy's passer, got almost as much praise.

Miller, one of the seven mules at Notre Dame, ranked this year's Army team on a par with the Irish squad of a year ago before Angelo Bertelli left for the marines. "I thought I'd never see a better team than the Notre Dame squad of a year ago but this Army team is at least its equal," he declared. Only rarely did they speak of their own clubs.

Portland Gets Title Grid Go

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Oregon's high school championship football game will be played in Portland's Multnomah stadium Saturday afternoon, December 2, Oregon High School Activities association officials announced here today.

The contest will be played between the winners of two Thanksgiving day semi-final clashes—Gresham at Medford and Roosevelt of Portland at LaGrande. Last year, Grant high of Portland won the title by defeating Klamath Falls, 6 to 0, here.

FOOTBALL SCORES

(Sunday results)
PROFESSIONAL
Los Angeles Mustangs 34, Portland Rockets 6.
Hollywood Rangers 3, San Francisco Clippers 0.
Los Angeles Bulldogs 21, Hollywood Wolves 13.
Oakland Giants 7, San Diego Mustangs 0.
San Diego Bombers 7, San Francisco Packers 0.
New York Giants 23, Green Bay Packers 0.
Philadelphia Eagles 37, Washington Redskins 0.
Cleveland Rams 33, Card-Pitt Club, Detroit Lions 41, Chicago Bears 21, Boston Redskins 13, Brooklyn Tigers 6.

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STATESMAN SPORTS

By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

Jr. Hi Elevens Set for Battle

Wide Open Scramble Looms in Arc Game

With but one more tapering workout scheduled for today, Leslie's Southern Missionaries and Parrish's Northern Pioneers are set to reopen the feud for the city's junior high school football championship tomorrow night on Sweetland Field at 7:30 o'clock. And despite the known fact that the Frank Brown and Bob Metzger coached Northerners swept through the recent intramural loop with ease to tie for first place, the awaited classic looms as a wide-open battle. The Pioneers are favored to add this one to their long and unbroken string of city titles, but you won't find a footballer or follower south of State street ready to concede it now.

Both teams represent the cream of the four 'Mural teams, the Pioneers picked from the Cardinal and Grays squads while the Bob Keuscher-Harry Mohr mentored Missionaries not long ago dotted the Leslie Golds and Blues elevens.

The Southerners will hold one item in their favor tomorrow night and it could go a long way toward deciding the winner. Over the 'Mural season the Leslie elevens used identical systems for offensively which required no extra teachings by Kaucher and Mohr when the teams were merged. Both Parrish outfits used entirely different systems in the league play, necessitating additional skull chores for the players since the season ended last Thursday.

As for size, the forward walls level off practically even while the Pioneer backfield will outweigh the Missionary quartet slightly under six pounds per man. The Pioneer line, anchored by 165-pound Tackle Bill Fasnacht as its biggest member, averages 150.5 per pillar. The Missionaries, with 165-pounders Corliss Lightner and Clayton Osborne, rugged guards, as kingpins average 150.7 up front. The ball-toting quartet of Bill Day, Carlos Houck, Frank Garland and Ron Cummings for the Pioneers roll at a 152 average. Winston Cobb, Bud Michaels, Bob Funk and Larry Kleinsmith average 146.3 for Leslie. In Day and Houck the Northerners have the two most potent triple-threaters of the 'Mural season, and in Garland a prospective battering ram de luxe. The Leslies, who improved by leaps and bounds with every 'Mural game and were tough ball clubs at the finish line, pin hopes on the run-pass options of Cobb, Funk and Michaels.

The Wednesday game will mark the 15th season for the 'Mural "war," and during the previous 14 the Pioneers have nailed the pennant every trip. Leslie, about half the size of Parrish in student enrollment, has won only two games from the Pioneers in history, both being offset by annual series wins by the Northerners.

The advance sale of tickets for the classic indicates a packed in through of around 3000, largest of the season locally by far, will turn out.

In the Husband - Wife 2-ball foursome play held Sunday Glen Lengren and Missus proved tops in the field and topped the first prize turkey. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Albrich finished second.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE: Goodwin-Es-

Seven Hearts 1st in Gallop

Rich Riggs Handicap Taken by 2 Lengths

BALTIMORE, Nov. 20.—(AP)—With Twilight Tear scratched just before post time because of track conditions, J. Graham Brown's Seven Hearts sped to an easy two length victory over Bon Jour today in the 19th running of the \$25,000-added Riggs handicap at Pimlico race track.

Breeding to an early lead, Jockey Paul Kipper had the Louisville colt in front all the way, as Seven Hearts shook off a brief stretch challenge by Charles Turner's Bon Jour to amass the \$21,000 first money and boost his year's earnings to \$87,335.

Seven Hearts' backers in the crowd of 10,224 were rewarded with \$3.30, \$2.40, and \$2.20 for \$2 across the board.

18 Attend YMCA Basketball Class

Eighteen assorted students drank down offerings of the first of a series of basketball officiating lectures last night at the YMCA. The class, to meet Mondays and Thursdays for about a month, is expected to swell to around 25 or 30 members by Monday. No school will be held Thursday, Thanksgiving day. The class is being taught by the ins and outs of basketball officiating and will be given opportunities to "work" inter-class ball games later on. Much enthusiasm was shown during last night's session.

New Oregon Oval Eyes Pari-Mutuel Racing

EUGENE, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Pari-mutuel racing in Oregon, on a new track in the Portland area, is the goal of a newly incorporated Oregon thoroughbred breeding association. Jack H. Beck, Eugene stable and training track owner, is president of the group.

BOWLING SCORES

Salem Golf Club dropped three to Senator Barbers, Paulus Bros. swept three from Portland General Electric, Hartman Bros. took three to Woodburn, Funland took two of three from Court Street Radio Appliance, Master Bread did the same with Goldie's of Silverton and Good Housekeeping won two from Keith Brown last night in Commercial bowling at Perfection.

Walt Cline, Sr., of the Barbers tossed high series, 877, and Duffus of Paulus took high single game, 277.

SALEM GOLF CLUB (6)
Handicap
Haman 24 34 34 102
Hendrie 142 142 127-211
Duffus 110 127 85-252
Parker 142 156 162-460
Pekar 111 141 171-223

TOTALS 890 781 789 2349

SENATOR BARBERS (3)
Handicap
Hansen 128 134 146-408
Wells 128 134 146-408
Kinnard 128 134 146-408
Greene 128 134 146-408
McCune 146 157 147-444
Dahlberg 146 157 146-412

TOTALS 746 808 782 2336

PAULUS BOS. (3)
Handicap
Bartholomew 146 171 196-513
Thrush 183 193 196-545
Lloyd 145 167 186-481
Duffus 121 227 185-544
Scates 147 155 170-472

TOTALS 789 813 860 2462

PORTLAND G. E. CO. (6)
Handicap
Bachman 72 72 72 216
Cherrington 122 147 148-414
Clark 122 145 160-387
Greene 122 145 160-387
Buisman 122 177 143-445

TOTALS 724 877 779 2370

HARTMAN BROS. (6)
Handicap
Albrich 134 165 128-327
Higgins 128 148 168-444

WELCH 128 123 186-311
McKinney 128 123 186-311

TOTALS 744 808 791 2323

WOODBURN (3)
Handicap
Shorey 180 147 168-495
Kistner 154 156 153-463
Hick 148 143 173-464
Dowd 180 172 180-530
Steele 172 166 182-520

TOTALS 770 704 824 2498

COURT ST. RADIO APPL. (1)
Handicap
Curtis 146 127 113-386
Dunbar 154 156 153-463
Zeller 130 161 148-439
Gustafson 180 120 180-540
Coe 190 200 182-572

TOTALS 862 789 783 2492

FUNLAND (2)
Handicap
P. Valdez 187 180 146-423
H. Valdez 146 141 154-441
Valdez 178 158 159-495
Strode 158 161 148-467
S. Mills 156 152 126-434

TOTALS 862 789 783 2492

MASTER BREAD (3)
Handicap
Filer 132 167 132-431
Kistner 154 156 153-463
Howell 135 147 141-423
Ashby 134 159 168-561

TOTALS 588 637 561 1787

GOLDIES (1)
Handicap
Hart 123 127 148-434
Herr 123 149 148-420
Bastion 128 121 128-407

TOTALS 548 607 610 1763

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING CO. (2)
Handicap
D. Duncan 162 165 177-504
Palbot 128 127 128-483
Jones 128 127 128-483
Schmidt 128 127 128-483
McCluskey 128 127 128-483

TOTALS 662 797 863 2494

KEITH BROWN CO. (1)
Handicap
Dyer 123 178 188-489
Nuber 141 131 143-415
Farrar 128 128 128-483
Walters 128 128 128-483

TOTALS 761 805 758 2324

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From the BLEACHERS

Quipped a bystander after hearing of apparently unstoppable Medford's lopsided 32-14 district championship grid win over Coquille: "Now they oughta let Eugene, Gresham, Cottage Grove and Columbia Prep each play a quarter against Medford just to make it even." After hearing of how the Tornado has trampled all foes this semester — K-Falls 21-0, Bend 34-13, Grants Pass 42-6, Ashland ditto and a few California elevens about as badly — it appears the District 3 Champ Greshams had best have a little help at that. At any rate, the village Vikings can now have their relief sighs since they don't have to play Medford . . . And speaking of Gresham coming up with the district three berth, we imagine Messrs. Towler of Astoria, Schenk of Corvallis and Byers of Milwaukie aren't too popular in various Lane county points these days. That trio, you know, had the unenviable task of choosing between Gresham, Cottage Grove and Columbia Prep for district representation . . . Cottage Grove and Columbia Prep probably passed off the pick with but a slight bellyache, but it isn't beyond imagining that expected bellerer rocked ancient Eugene high from "E" to "E" . . . Come to realize it, the reason offered by the now automatically unpopular picking trio is frightfully feeble at that. They claimed that Gresham's 21-0 nod over Punched-around Oregon City was much more attractive than the 14-0 job turned in by Hank Kuchera's Axemen over the Pioneers. Consequently, Gresham had the better ball club . . . Phooey from here as well as Eugene on that item for these reasons: (1) Eugene, known to be a club which started slowly but improved greatly with every game, met the Pioneers in the first game of the season. Gresham played 'em in mid-season. (2) Kuchera may have used untired reserves mostly in an effort to uncover his best combination, which doesn't tend to make any score soar . . . It works vice versa in both instances, but the reason given is itself one of the most feeble we've heard of . . .



PAUL LEE

Although you'll probably hear little of it publicly, the Oregon High Schools Activities Association, which in the past hasn't been immune to inviting second guesses for deliberations and decisions rendered, has again protruded its neck across the chopping block. It's a tough task for the OHSAA to untangle such as squabbling basketball districts, coaches, etc., and another equally as tough problem is bared with this year's football playoff plan. There is really absolutely nothing, not even the decisions of Messrs. Schenk, Byers and Towler, which proves Gresham has a better ball club than Eugene, Or Cottage Grove and Columbia Prep, for that matter. Still, through the decisions of these three gents, all of whom most likely have not seen both Gresham and Eugene play, the equally-as-good-as-Gresham-in-district play Axemen are left out. On top of it, Eugene played a much more attractive and tougher district schedule than did Gresham.

OHSAA Reluctantly in Hot Water Again

Any cries of "robbery" from Eugene are justified, and in the end the OHSAA had best, in the eyes of righteousness, hook on "mythical" when it crowns the state championship team. According to the playoff plan set up by the OHSAA, Eugene is just as much champion of district three as is Gresham. And so is Cottage Grove and Columbia Prep.

But then as long as there is such as state prep championships to be decided there will always be squabbles and second guesses. The time element merged with amount of eligible teams makes it impossible to conduct the playoffs correctly.

Jones' Quarterbacks Held Up Under Strain

Now that it's over and Earl McKinney has survived the harpoons heaved his way, we'd like to spiel a bit on his accused over-usage of brilliant Halfback Paul Lee at Corvallis this semester. The harpoons, you know, flew from more than a few when it was apparent that 156-pound Lee in every game did everything for the Spartans but inflate the footballs and fill the water buckets. And he would have probably done either of those tasks as superlatively as he did his other many chores.

For the gents who voiced their venom for McKinney we'd like to recall the days of the great Howard Jones-coached Southern California teams, second to none in the land year in and year out. In southern California at the time the "Jones System" was automatically the football rage. And in the Jones System the quarterback did everything but inflate footballs and fill water buckets. The prep teams for miles around carbon-copied the intricate USC double-shift and power formations. Their quarterbacks were the whole show offensively and worked as long, as hard and as busily as did Mr. Lee for McKinney this fall.

To make it short, at a glance see used to play quarterback for Jones: Marshall Duffield, Morley Drury, Morton Koer, Orv Mohler, "Cotton" Irv Warburton, Doyle Nave, Amby Schindler, to name a few. Recognize 'em? Sure, and every one of 'em had little rest while footballing either in high school or for the late Mr. Jones. They did everything. They even made All-American elevens.

Viks Hang Up Football Togs

There'll be no Turkey Day grid trotting on Sweetland field against any eleven for Salem high's Vikings after all, for it was announced yesterday that the team had stored its grid gear for the winter. Tentative arrangements were under way to schedule either a challenging Dallas high or Portland team for the open date vacated by Medford's state championship mixing, but a checkup after the 26-6 loss to Central Catholic last week revealed six SHS warriors battered beyond repair for such a game.

Broken bones for Ev Staats and Jack Slater, a wrenched back for Art Gottfried, a leg injury for Bob Weber and another for Harold McCauley and a bad boil for Jim Barlow are the battered corps. None would be available for play Thursday.

The Vikings won four and lost six over the route, scoring 85 points to 134 for the assorted enemy. They tied for fourth place in the No-Name league derby after journeying through the campaign only spasmodically at full strength due to a plague of injuries.

Winter Golfers End 2nd Round

Paced by the Bill Goodwin-Leo Estey duo which copped its second straight 3-0 victory in the American league, the Salem gold club's annual Winter tournament battled through second round play over the weekend. The Russ Bonesteel-Ross Coppock team of the Federal league also won its second whitewash victory and leads that circuit by far also. In the National loop the Buzz Fisher-Wren Crews and J. W. McAllister-Vic Convey teams divided equally Sunday and share the league lead with 4 1/2 points each.

In the Husband - Wife 2-ball foursome play held Sunday Glen Lengren and Missus proved tops in the field and topped the first prize turkey. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Albrich finished second.

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Strenuous 23-Game Hoop Sked Announced for Salem Vikings

Strictly in keeping with the "take - on - the - big - ones" athletic policy, a star-studded 23-game basketball schedule has been announced for Salem high's 1944-45 hoop herds by Athletic Director Garnez Fleisher. The Viks, under the wing of Coach Frank Brown, will set sail here December 1, against Lincoln of Portland and will wind up with a sub - district 11 double-climination playoff with Silverton, Woodburn, and Mt. Angel March 1-3 at Mt. Angel. The winner of that playoff, incidentally, will meet either Milwaukie, West Linn, Oregon City, Molalla or Canby for the district 11 championship. Such arrangements were made by SHS Principal Harry Johnson recently.

Along with the five No-Name league foes the Viks this season will play two Portland quintets at least and will divide equally

between Medford, Klamath Falls and Astoria's seven hits on a home-and-home basis, tentative in the K-Falls instance awaiting acceptance of dates. So again the SHS'ers will play one of the most attractive and tough schedules in the state. This is how it looks at present while Brown herds his hopefuls through initial pre - season workouts each night at the Villa:

Dec. 1 - Lincoln of Portland here; Dec. 8 - Portland quit here; Dec. 15 - Open (to be filled); Dec. 15-16 - Eugene here; Dec. 22-23 - Klamath Falls here (tentative); Dec. 29-30 - Medford here;
Jan. 3 - Corvallis here; Jan. 9 - Oregon City here; Jan. 16 - Eugene here; Jan. 16-17 - Astoria here; Jan. 23 - Eugene here; Jan. 23 - Milwaukie here; Jan. 23 - Corvallis here; Jan. 30 - Oregon City here;
Feb. 6 - Klamath Falls here (tentative); Feb. 6 - Open (to be filled); Feb. 6-8 - Astoria here; Feb. 16 - Open (to be filled); Feb. 20 - Open (to be filled); Feb. 20 - Eugene here; Feb. 27 - Eugene here;
March 1-3 - Sub-district 11 playoff at Mt. Angel with Silverton, Woodburn and Mt. Angel.