

Pioneers Next For SHS Crew

O-City Speedsters Here Friday Night

Classed as a possible "pre-view" of things to come early in March, Salem high's hoop crew chases next with the scoreboard hitting Oregon City Pioneers. The tilt is booked for the Villa boards Friday night and will be preliminary by a clash between the OC second and Herm Schwartzkopf's unblemished Jayvees.

Through a shuffling of the district setups, the Vikes find themselves in the same tourney-ticket-seeking pack with the Pioneers, Milwaukie, Molalla, West Linn, Canby, Woodburn, Silverton and Mt. Angel this semester. To date Dan Jones' OC tourney perennial has whipped through competition with ease, including lopsided wins over West Linn, Molalla and Canby, signalling that they again have a potential tourney team within their veteran-stocked ranks. Should the Vikes get by Silverton, Woodburn and Mt. Angel in the sub-district meet in March, they will in all probability be faced with conquering these same Pioneers if they are to show in the state classic.

An idea of how the Salems are to stack up with the northerners can be gathered by Friday night's No-Name counter. The Vikings, a 16-14 win theirs in the opener with Corvallis, are determined to make it two straight, their largest win streak of the campaign.

Still Hoopin'



One of the outstanding centers on the Georgia Navy Pre-flight basketball squad this season is A/C Bob Reiman, son of E. C. Reiman, Corvallis. Bob was an all-around athlete at Corvallis high, lettering in football, track and basketball. Last year he was a varsity basketball player at Oregon State. Coach of the Athens, Ga. Skylanders is Lt. Bill Johnson. All-Big Ten at Indiana in 1937. (Public Relations release)

Ruddles Meet For Linksmen

New Tourney Clan Takes Over at SGC

The first of what is expected to be dozens of weekly tourneys at Salem golf course in 1945, a nine-hole Ruddles gathering, gets under way today for the regular Thursday program. The usual Men's club rules will govern play. The meeting will mark the debut of the newly-appointed tourney committee of Chairman Don Hendrie, Dr. George Hoffman and Harry Gustafson who have replaced Bill Goodwin, Bob Powell and Leo Estey. The new blood intends keeping things lively on the course as lively and attractive as did the outgoing trio in 1944, it has been announced.

Other 1945 committee members read as follows: Greens—Tom Wise, chairman, Floyd Baxter and Bob King; Rules: Chairman Bill Stacey, Bob Powell and Bert Thomson; Social: Chairman Rex Kimmell, Walt Cline, Jr., and Ed "Scotty" Marr; Handicap: No chairman named for the committee including the entire membership. According to President Ted Chambers, who announced the committee, "beefs should be registered early with either Eric Kay or Cliff Parker." Membership in the Men's club is open to all male players at SGC and a join-up is urged to all.

A weekend tourney is planned by Chairman Hendrie to coincide with the long delayed opening round of the Winter-Slicker meet playoffs. At the close of the Slicker session an "Eclectic" tournament is due.

'Cats Prep for Marine Mix Saturday; Tate Leading Scorers

Expecting one of their topmost tussles of the campaign despite the pre-holiday skirmishes with Oregon and Oregon State, Willamette U's basketball hand is this week whipping through lengthy workout sessions in preparation for their 1945 opener Saturday night against the star-stocked Klamath Falls Marines here. Although the Gifs, every one a veteran of one or more Pacific campaigns, bowed four times to Oregon this season, they nonetheless rang the scoring bell regularly. The Webfoots sked out a 65-65 nod in their fourth meeting, signifying that the K-Falls crew can pitch points.

The Navycats hooped their share of points in dropping four counts to the Oregon, too, indicating the Saturday session could be a nip-and-tuck affair all the way. Coach Tony Fraio's Frosh will coach a 6:30 p. m. preliminary assignment Saturday with the main event slated for 7:30.

The 'Cat quint is still under the direction of Chief Bob McGuire in the absence of Headman Duke Trotter. McGuire has been using in practice this week practically the same two teams which saw most of the action last month. The first five consists of high-scoring Bob Tate and 5-foot-7-inch swifty Ken Gilpen at forwards; Lanky Paul Stofft at center and drivers Mary Goodman and Gibbs Zauft at guards. A second five is made up of blond Bob Ward and Vic Oezgard at the forward posts, Wayne Mayfield at center and Jim Sanderson and Bob Gray at guards.

A compilation of figures caged by the 'Cats in their 12 pre-holiday skirmishes, winning two and dropping 10 reveals that 5-foot 8-inch Tate, the Washington Husky transfer, is far in front of the individual chase with 118 points. Tate has looped 49 field goals and 20 free throws. In second place with 32 field goals and 35 free tosses is Mary Goodman at 79 points. Center Paul Stofft is third with 58 markers. Diminutive Tate is also No. 1 "roughian" on the club with 36 fouls. On the whole for their 12 games the 'Cats have counted 434 points for an average of 36.2 per contest. Opponents have teamed to average 46.7 against the WU's. The individual accounts:

Player	G	FG	FT	PF	TP
Bob Tate, f.	12	49	20	36	118
Mary Goodman, g.	11	32	35	24	79
Paul Stofft, c.	11	28	10	27	58
Gibbs Zauft, f.	11	16	15	17	47
Vic Oezgard, f.	9	12	9	9	33
Bob Ward, f.	11	12	9	14	35
Ken Gilpen, f.	8	8	6	8	22
Bob Zeller, f.	7	6	5	7	17
Jim Sanderson, g.	10	6	4	12	16
Wayne Mayfield, c.	10	2	1	5	5
Bob Gray, f.	2	2	0	0	4
S. Jensen, g.	1	1	0	2	2
Art Dickerson, g.	1	1	0	1	2
Ken Waldroff, c.	1	0	0	0	0
Pop Gallagher, f.	3	0	0	0	0
Kjelstad, g.	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	12	162	110	107	434

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From the BLEACHERS

By AL LIGHTNER

Shorty shorts: Governor Spessard Holland bemoans the fact that the hosiery ban will cost Florida counties, schools and old age pensioners an aggregate of \$4,000,000. . . It'll cost 'em a hekuva lot more if Messrs. Eisenhower, Patton, MacArthur, Nimitz, et al, fail to get the revenues they need, gov. . . Headline in Capital Journal: "What! No Paper?" . . . Right! No paper. . . Suggestion to over-voicerous lads (most of 'em footballers) who do most of the meowing during the current Viking hoop mixes: You can find out what does and doesn't constitute basketball fouls and violations by reading a rule book. Incidentally, we've yet to talk to a visiting coach at the Villa this winter who doesn't think the all-boys SHS rooting section is beyond any doubt the most raucous and unspornsmenlike they've had the misfortune to encounter. The coaches get quite a disgusted "kick" out of it by reminding: "Selem teams can't beat anybody, but the rooters vocally blast us when we come here instead of getting behind their own team with their yells. . . Incidentally No. 2 for those same few footballers now ogling the hoop tests from the bleachers: If you as pigskinners had as much get-up-and-go, instinctively or otherwise, as has the current cage crop, mebbe you wouldn't have gained the reputation as being one of the pushover elevens in the state last fall. . . A real "All-American" basketball team in action here Saturday night when the all-Pacific campaign veteran Klamath Falls Marines come to cage with Willamette's V-12ers. The GI visitors are recuperating from either or both filariasis and malaria at the K-Falls hospital barracks, but nonetheless flourish a capable hoop crew. When a quint can pot 65 points against U of Oregon it's pretty good. The Marines did that in losing 68-65 not long ago. . . The Saturday night shuffle, looming as a touch and go scrap after looking at the respective scoring abilities of both sides, will also pay off for the Marion Sports Polo Fund. Athletic Chief Les Sparks says the fund will gain the net gate. And whether it's to-be-a dime or a hundred bucks, it'll be right welcome. . .



Harold "Doc" Regele, one of our favorite topics after his escapades as stripe-shirted whistle tooter, baseball umpire, school principal, shipyard worker, etc., visited the village long enough this week to proclaim he was ready for the 'bell to ring in the proposed Western-International re-opening come springtime. In short, "Doc" will drop everything to umpire in the circuit if there is such and it wants him. The gent who has been making habit of arbitrating in the National Semipro tourney at Wichita every year, isn't connected with the Portland schools system any longer, he tells, but continues to assist with the Albina shipbuilding and metropolitan hoop officiating endeavors. Hard to say what the WIL convention of next week will decide for the summer, but at least the most recent release from Director Byrnes doesn't exactly curb the rejuvenation move automatically. The Byrnes' statement excluding professional baseball and football from the category which sealed off hosiery should have brought deep relief sighs from the baseball men and mistresses, including those in our WIL.

Considering that the Pacific Coasters to a man would welcome a WIL reopening with open arms and optioned ballgamers, the possibility of a campaign is a near probability. Then again, the WILers might give off with a flat "no" after pow-wow'ing only five minutes. Our guess is that they'll try it again next summer. After all, the ballgamers who would cavort over the league would be mostly 16 and 17 year olds—not the now much in demand 4-Fs.

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