

Second Half Spurt Pays Off

Classy Pioneer '5' Tops Viks, 42-26

Fast-Breaking Jones Crew Shows Power; Juniors Still Undefeated

A typical Dan Jones Oregon City basketball band, passing and shooting on the dead run and tirelessly, gave off with one of the classiest prep exhibitions of the local season at the Villa last night in toppling, as expected, Salem high's hustlers, 42-26. No question but what the tall and veteran Pioneers are one of the best teams to show here to date, and since they are in the same hoop district with the Vikings things don't look too promising for an SHS entry in the March classic.

The largest mob of the season showed up to see the "pre-view" tussle—nearly all seats were filled and even the band bleared in full force the first time this season—and all were treated to the hottest opening minute and a half of action seen on village courts in years.

Both quints, exponents of run-'em-to-death caging and anxious for this No-Name league win, started out with all cylinders firing. And before they were through 90 seconds later the Viks were out in front 8-4, their eight markers made with straight hits by Bunny Mason, Al Bellinger and Tuffy Helmhout and the Pioneers' four via two casts by Keith Bakum and Art Jones. Six straight shots and six straight baskets to start things off!

Pioneers Catch Up Although neither side could keep such a roaring pace the feather-footed clash failed to slow in tempo, however, and midway through the period the sharpshooting Northerners pulled astride Coach Frank Brown's troupe. Arnold Thomas looped the 8-8 deadlock and saw 'mate Jones flip in a free one to shove OC ahead. But just before the buzzer brought the rip-snorting period to a finish Bellinger drove in for a lay-up to give SHS a 10-9 lead.

Jones bulls-eyed with another from a corner to start out the second canto and then Bakum and Jim Sonderen pitched true with gifters to push the OC lead to 15-10. Bellinger counted a free toss and Big Tom Boardman batted in a follow-up to slash the margin, but Dick Larson, one of many sparkling reserves for the Pioneers, made good with a lofty try from a corner and the halftime bulge rested 19-14 for the visitors. It was actually one of the sizzlingest top halves of any ball game here this year.

'Whammy' Strikes Salem's third-period whammy, a devastating scoring drought which has seen the Browns stagger and fall too many times during the half-time rest, was again largely responsible for her ultimate defeat. That and the fact that the fast-breaking Pioneers started to roll pell-mell during the frame. The Viks managed six points for the period on field hits by Boardman and Helmhout and gifters by Boardman and Bellinger, but Jones, Sonderen, Bakum and Rinearson took turns at the Vik basket for 10 markers to hold a 9-point advantage going into the final frame.

More of this super fast-break basketball turned it into a rout after Boardman tipped in a deuce to start the final stanza, and the Pioneers began impressing the gallery as being a ball club to be reckoned with over the state. Little wonder their unbeaten record to date.

Thomas' 10 markers led all scoring. Boardman for Salem and both Sonderen and Jones for the Pioneers were a step behind at nine. In all the OC looped 16 field goals in 59 casts to Salem's 10 in 56.

Herm Schwartzkopf's unbeaten Juniors are still such after playing with the Pioneer Jayvees in the prelim, 46-17. Too much height more than offset the visitors' fast break. Captain Neil Boehmer, 6-foot 2-inch forward, looped 16 points to pace the walkaway.

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Free throws missed: Oregon City 1—Sonderen 2, Rinearson, Bakum 3, Helmhout, Boardman, Lowe, Bales, Deacon 2. Shooting percentages: Salem 178, Oregon City 271. Officials: Tom Drynan and Al Lightner.

All-America backfield ace Les Horvath was the spark-plug for Ohio State's undefeated season. He was never stopped, scoring on long runs or short passes, depending on the need.

Firearms were introduced into Europe by the Mongols in the 13th century.

Polio Fund Benefit Battles

'Cats, K-Falls GIs Hoop Here Tonight

Doubleheader Starts 7:30 p.m.; Frosh vs. Mt. Angel 6:30 Prelim

Surprise, surprise! Not one, but two games tonight at Willamette U when Navycats and "All-American" Klamath Falls Marines hoop off their date, the GI quints to commence the doubleheader firing at 7:30 o'clock. Admission prices for a single game will prevail, however, and the net proceeds gathered will be turned over to the Marion County Sports Polio Fund as WU's contribution. Making it a three-pronged program, Coach Tony Fraiola's Frosh chase with the Mt. Angel Preps of the Duration league in a 6:30 p.m. preliminary.

Since both main event quints have been inactive since before Christmas and both boast 15-man rosters, it was decided to play a doubleheader. All members of both outfits will no doubt see action in the twin-barreled basket bed, offering customers one of the liveliest WU cage parties of the season.

Coach Duke Trotter, due back tonight after a leave, and Assistant Bob McGuire will probably call on the "first" five of Bob Tate and Ken Gilpen, forwards, Paul Stoff, center and Marv Goodman and Gibbs Zauft, guards, to open for WU tonight.

Marine Vets 'Biggies' The Klamath crew, consisting of leathernecks now stationed at the southern barracks after participating in at least one major engagement in the Pacific, will present a tall team averaging over the 6-foot mark. Paced by Bob "Red" Gilbert, 6-foot 2-inch center, the southerners have won five and lost four to date, all four losses to the U of Oregon Ducks. One of these setbacks wound up 68-65, indicating that the GIs can romp and toss. Almost all the K-Falls games have been high-scoring affairs, another indication that the mixes with the Willamettes will be wide-open, basket-for-basket binges. The 'Cats go for their hoopings strictly on a race-horse scale also.

Anticipating no changes in the lively tour program installed last year, Men's club members at Salem golf course will this week end tussle through an 18-hole Match vs. Par outing, announces Tourney Chairman Don Hendrie. Entry may be made either today or tomorrow, or both, and 3/4 of respective handicaps will be in effect. All scores must be turned in on a scorecard, and all puts must be made, warns the new chairman.

The Winter Slicker playoffs continue to wait on the final round play in the Federal league, and until the latter is completed the finals battle is impossible. An effort to wind up play in the Federal circuit will be made this week end.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5 (AP)—Southern California's towering Trojans lifted the lid on the 1945 Pacific Coast conference southern division basketball season and clamped it down—hard—on UC LA tonight, handing the Bruins a 53-25 shellacking before 6000 fans.

Slow to start, the USC five, three of whom are 6 ft. 4, hit its stride in the second half, ramming in 20 straight points to convert a UCLA lead of 10-15 into a sure Trojan triumph.

Center Jack Nichols, transfer from the University of Washington, led the winners with 17 points.

Nelson Okehs Snead Invite LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5 (AP)—Accepting a challenge made by Sam Snead recently, Byron Nelson, leading golfer, money winner and low scorer of 1944, announced today he would meet the Hot Springs, Va., crack shot in a match "anywhere, anytime, over 36 or 72 holes match or medal play." Tournament Manager Fred Corcoran of the Professional Golfers association, said he would arrange to have the match played at some stop on the winter trail.

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He made it plain that no city was considered a member of the league until it had definitely landed a stadium for its use. One of the rules of the league,

which will begin operations when the war is over, is that one man can not control a franchise in any city. A group of five or more must be interested in the club.

"In this manner, we believe we will have more interest and better financed clubs," Meehan explained.

McSpaden, Byrd Grab Lead in Los Angeles Link Inaugural

By Russ Newland LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5 (AP)—Defending champion Harold McSpaden and the former New York Yankee baseball player, Sam Byrd, long since turned golf pro, shot one under par 70's today to tie for first round leadership of the 19th annual 72 hole Los Angeles Open. McSpaden, now registering from Sanford, Maine, coupled a 34 and 36 for the round. Byrd played the 7000-yard Riviera course in 36-34. The ex-ball player would have enjoyed the top spot to himself except for bad luck on the first hole. He drove out of bounds. The below par feats were the

only two racked up from a field of 132 pros and amateurs in the initial eighteen holes of the 72-hole, 333 yard event, concluding next Monday. Eight top notchers, including the tournament co-favorites, Sam Snead and Byron Nelson, finished in a tie at par 71. The others were Tony Fenna, Chick Kutan, John Kevoita, amateur Bruce McCor-mick, Claude Harmon and Ray Mangrum.

Sp. E. J. Harrison of Wright Field, Dayton, O., winner of a recent Miami open, slipped in a five-way deadlock at 72. Among the big ones back in the rack were Est. Jim. Forrier of Camp Roberts, Calif.; National PGA Champion Bob Hamilton of Evansville, Ind.; Ed Dudley, Atlantic City; and Mike Turnesa of

Basketball Scores

HIGH SCHOOL Salem 26, Salign Juniors 46, Ore. City Jvs 17, Woodburn 45, Mt. Angel 24, Coquille 24, Canby 24, Chemawa 45, Independence 26, Medford 39, Ashland 27, Pendleton 26, Milton-Freewater 25, University (Eugene) 35, Cottage Grove 32, Junction City 29, Toledo 29, St. Mary's (Eugene) 28, McKenzie 12, Parkrose 24, Hill Mill (Portland) 8, Graham 23, Cathlamet (Port.) 33, Estacada 29, Sandy 20, Springfield 34, Roseburg 26, Washington (Portland) 25, Roosevelt (Portland) 25, Grant (Portland) 20, Benson (Portland) 23, Jefferson (Portland) 46, Sabin (Portland) 11, Conestoga (Portland) 29, Franklin (Portland) 18, COLLEGE Junction City 48, Oregon State 45, Oregon 42, Idaho 40, So. California 53, UCLA 25, Kansas 45, Missouri 25, North Carolina 53, Maryland 28, So. Carolina 60, Davidson 26, Valparaiso 45, Wyoming 30, Drury 52, Westminster 24, Arkansas 24, Baylor 28, Dubuque 73, Iowa Wesleyan 42, Iowa Seawaves 46, Camp Ellis 28, Long Island U 62, Rider 50, Louisville 41, Depauw 40.

Moguls Meet - Little Happens

CHICAGO, Jan. 5 (AP)—A 10-member committee representing the American and National leagues met here today to draft a new major league agreement but ostensibly concurred only in setting a date for another huddle which will be held in New York Feb. 2.

Whatever sentiments were expressed by five officials from each league regarding a pact to replace the 24-year-old agreement under which the late Kenesaw Mountain Landis ruled baseball with an iron hand, were not disclosed after a three-hour closed session.

Zivic Upsets Billy Arnold

NEW YORK, Jan. 5 (AP)—Old Fritz Zivic of Pittsburgh scored a major boxing upset tonight by handing youthful Billy Arnold of Philadelphia the first defeat of his meteoric career in winning an eight-round, decision at Madison Square Garden.

The 31-year-old Zivic, a 5 to 1 under-dog in the betting, stunned a crowd of 16,923 by outsmarting the Philadelphia high school student who previously was unbeaten in 31 scraps. The gross gate was \$57,576.

Bulldogs Rap Angels, 45-24

DURATION LEAGUE W L Pct. Pp Ft Totals Woodburn 2 0 1.000 57 48 Mt. Angel 1 1 500 61 69 Silverton 1 1 500 24 37 Chemawa 0 2 000 18 19 Canby 0 2 000 42 38 Scores last night: Woodburn 45, Mt. Angel 24; Molalla 34, Canby 24; Silverton vs. Chemawa at Silverton.

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Webfoots Open With 42-40 Hit

Bob Hamilton Paces Win After Rally

NORTHERN DIVISION STANDINGS Oregon 10, Washington 9, Oregon State 8, Washington State 7, Oregon State 6, Washington State 5, Oregon State 4, Washington State 3, Oregon State 2, Washington State 1.

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS: At Idaho 40, Oregon 42. At Washington 48, Oregon State 45. Tonight's games: (Same as last night.)

MOSCOW, Idaho, Jan. 5 (AP)—A last-minute rally tonight gave the University of Oregon a 42 to 40 basketball victory over the University of Idaho in the opening game for both teams of the Pacific Coast northern division conference schedule.

Except for one brief tie Idaho led throughout the game until the last minute and a half when Hays, six-foot-seven-inch center, tipped in a backboard shot to put the Webfoots ahead 41 to 40.

Guard Bob Hamilton, whose 12 point total was high for Oregon, added the final point with a free throw and Oregon "froze" the ball. With 10 seconds to go Idaho recovered the ball and forward Len Payne dashed to attempt a field goal but missed.

Except for a 14-all tie with four minutes to go in the first half, the Vandals held the lead right up to the end. Returning to start the second half with a 20 to 18 lead, Idaho ran up the score to 30 to 22 in five minutes. Center John Taylor, who took high point honors with 13, scored eight of them during this spurt.

Hamilton, Wilkins and Hays paced the Oregon drive to cut down the Idaho lead. The outstanding shooting of Wilkins and Hamilton enabled the Oregonians to trim the margin and pave the way for the final victory spurt.

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Portland Puck Crew in Front

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