

Vikings Open Cage Campaign With Pelicans Here Tonight

Villa Contest Set for 7:30

Five weeks of practice and half a dozen tuneup tilts behind them, Salem high's Vinking court-esters up the curtain on their 1945-46 season tonight in a 7:30 o'clock game with the Klamath Falls Pelicans at the Villa. The opener, setting the SHS'ers off on a strenuous 24-game schedule, will be preliminarily at 6:15 by a Salem Jayvee vs. Independence high tilt.

Coach Harold Hauk, making somewhat of a debut himself after three years' absence, has announced no definite starting lineup for the Pelicans, but has indicated, in this week's drills, that the following might open up: Al Bellinger and Carlos Houck, forwards; Bunny Mason, center, and Dick Hendrie and Al Chamberlain, guards. Augmenting that five-man line with much action behind them in scrimmages are: Kenny Alberts, Bill Hill, Jack Fitzmaurice and Dick Mase, forwards; Rod Province, center, and Al Gemmill and Ken Gibson, guards.

The Pelicans, generally one of the better teams in the south, boast only one letterman, according to the K-Falls publicity man. Center Jerry Thorn is the lad, the biggie of the squad at 6-2. Others termed starters are: Bill Crawford and Gene Hoover, forwards, and LeRoy Coleman and Ray Craig, guards, all near the 5-10 level. The Pelis are classed as a fast-breaking quint, the same index holding the Haukmen.



Coach Harold Hauk issues final instructions to his six Salem high basketball lettermen as they prepared for tonight's seasonal opener with Klamath Falls Pelicans at the Villa. All six will likely see action tonight. They are, left to right, Al Gemmill, Bunny Mason, Jack Fitzmaurice, Al Chamberlain, Dick Hendrie and Al Bellinger. (Clarion photo)

VETERAN VIKINGS

Eastern Jaunt Near For Beavers; Team 'Unimpressive'

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Dec. 13.-(Special)- Two more games lie ahead of the Oregon State basketball team before the Beavers leave Portland next Wednesday on their first eastern road trip since the 1943 season. Fee's Roller-drome, rated as one of the best independent hoop fives in the Pacific northwest this season, will come to Corvallis Saturday and next Tuesday nights for games with the Orange.

Impressive in winning two and losing one of their first three contests. Coach Slat's Gill's men opened the season last weekend at Astoria with two victories over the Seattle Coast Guard quintet. Tuesday of this week Gill's men shot poorly and played ragged ball in dropping a 38 to 35 decision to Northwest Insulators of Portland.

Red Rocha, 6 foot 8 inch letterman center, poured in 36 points in the first three games for a 12-point per contest average. Ted Henningsen, 6 foot 6 inch forward, is not far behind with 34 counters. Jerry Kravfo, freshman forward from Washington high of Portland, scored 23 points and showed lots of promise in the first three games. Bernie McGrath, two-year letterman guard, made only 13 points but did some excellent floor work and ball handling.

Oregon State suffered a heavy blow in the height department Wednesday when Gill was notified by the conference delegates meeting in San Francisco that Marshall Turner, 6 foot 7 inch forward, has been ruled ineligible for further competition. He transferred to Oregon State after playing three years for Western State college of Colorado. Ron Esping, freshman guard from Portland, is ineligible for the remainder of this term because he dropped a course, leaving him with too few credits. He is expected to become eligible for winter quarter.

Nelson, 'Jug' Liked in Meet

Fort Worth Links Open Takeoff Set

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 13.-(P)-Byron Nelson and Harold (Jug) McSpaden of the golf elite escaped unscathed from land and air accidents and will be here tomorrow to start slugging at par as a field of 90 professionals and amateurs move out in the \$10,000 Fort Worth open.

Nelson, the Denton, Tex., farmer, who ends his vacation by entering the Fort Worth open—in which he will be the favorite as usual—was splattered with ten dozen fresh eggs when his automobile overturned three times near Denton. But there was no other damage.

Pep Held to Draw by Foe

BALTIMORE, Dec. 13.-(P)-Willie Pep of Hartford, Conn., world featherweight champion, unloosed some fistic pyrotechnics in a non-title bout tonight but his punching power was insufficient to subdue Baltimore's Jimmy McAllister and the two battled to a draw. The champion weighed in at 128, and McAllister at 132.

Returned Vets To Help 'Cats

Brightening the basketball outlook at Willamette university, which was made gloomy by the twin drubbings administered this week by the Klamath Falls Marines, was the return to action of two former Bearcats, Ollie Williams and Wayne Sturdivant.

Regatta Still Off

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.-(P)-The Poughkeepsie regatta, suspended since 1941, will not be held next spring and members of the Intercollegiate Rowing association today voted to postpone a decision on whether to resume in 1947 until a later meeting.

Yanks Hike Webb

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 13.-(P)-Del E. Webb, millionaire contractor and part owner of the New York Yankees, is the new president of the Kansas City baseball club, President Larry MacPhail of the parent New York Yankees announced here tonight.

Linfields Win

McMINNVILLE, Dec. 13.-(P)-Linfield college scored a 56-39 win over the Byerly, Portland, basketball team last night.



Al Lightner - Editor



WESTERNER: Captain Rod Giske, all-coast tackle for Washington State's Cougars this year, will play for the West team in the annual East-West Shrine game at San Francisco January 1.

Kyne to Test Night Racing

SAN MATEO, Calif., Dec. 13.-(P)-William P. Kyne, general manager of Bay Meadows, announced today a night horse racing experiment would be conducted at the northern California track, within the next ten days.

Bowling Scores

KEGLETTES (2)			
Clark	176	137	172-485
Bye	126	117	129-372
McCarroll	176	139	135-450
Lloyd	159	126	132-417
Garbarino	178	139	182-499
Totals	794	658	770 2223
SEARS-ROBUCK CO. (1)			
McNeill	122	109	125-451
Cohen	134	100	121-413
Roth	136	92	97-315
Allen	141	131	127-421
Thrush	102	130	116-368
Totals	633	770	646 2069
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING CO. (1)			
Whitworth	122	135	111-351
Jones	143	121	137-401
Pearl	169	123	125-419
Leu Albrich	136	96	137-410
Lil Albrich	132	146	129-407
Totals	701	627	686 2064
MILLER'S FURNITURE (2)			
Polzin	126	118	177-401
Hubbard	132	130	132-414
Boyd	164	146	111-429
Spigley	139	136	132-427
Meyer	98	129	133-360
Totals	699	750	683 2121
ACKLIN'S BOOTERY (2)			
Zimmerman	124	135	152-417
J. Evans	118	137	154-409
Farthing	154	112	105-371
McElhenny	132	136	209-469
Posschl	128	147	148-423
Totals	651	659	776 2088
MCKILLOP'S INSURANCE (1)			
Peavy	114	101	137-352
Smith	107	95	165-367
Smith	146	105	154-406
McWhaupt	174	145	136-455
Cushing	146	118	105-369
Totals	687	567	697 1951
VINCE'S ELECTRIC (2)			
Hart	133	89	105-327
Rodakowski	118	123	139-377
Bradley	137	123	96-356
Totals	411	361	366 1138
QUISENBERRY'S (1)			
Shriner	140	135	110-405
Judson	123	116	111-359
Merritt	123	131	73-329
Totals	408	402	293 1102

Webfoot, Husky Hoop Teams Entered in Semifinal Heat Chicago Cage Meet Tonight

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.-(P)-De Paul university, host and sponsor of Chicago's first college basketball invitational tournament, will meet the University of Washington quintet tomorrow night in the semi-finals at the Chicago stadium.

De Paul eliminated Bowling Green (Ohio) university last night, 59-34. In the other semi-final contest, the University of Oregon, Pacific coast champions last year, will tackle Indiana State Teachers college, of Terre Haute, 34-43 victor over Hamline university of St. Paul, Minn., in the first round.

Both Oregon and Washington drew first round byes. Tomorrow night's winners will fight it out for the tournament title at the stadium Saturday night.

Hoodoo Skiing Opens Sunday

Santiam lodge will officially open the ski season for the Santiam pass recreation area at an introductory banquet at 7 o'clock Saturday night, December 15. This banquet is being given in honor of the Central Cascade Recreational council, U. S. forest service, representatives of all ski and outdoor clubs in this area, Oregon Winter Sports association and chambers of commerce of Portland, Salem, Eugene, Albany, Corvallis, Redmond, Bend, Sweet Home and Lebanon. The banquet will be followed by a dance.

Both ski towns will be running at Hoodoo Bowl and with 2 1/2 feet of new snow in the past week the skiing is excellent. Total snow is now six feet. Santiam lodge is located at the summit of the Santiam pass four miles east of the junction of the North and South Santiam highways. This is the first time the lodge has been open since the war and Arthur Boeschen, manager, promises good food and comfortable lodging for all guests. Ski equipment and accessories will be for rent.

Marines Bump Dallas Quintet

DALLAS, Dec. 13.-(Special)-The visiting Klamath Falls Marines, a fast and clever outfit, found the small Dallas high gymnasium much to their liking here tonight and walloped the Dallas Vets, 68-30, in a rough basketball game. The Marines got off to a flying start and led 21-3 at the quarter and 38-13 at halftime. Dallas rallied in the third quarter but faded fast in the last.

Record Crowd For Pro Final

Ticket Sale Brisk - So's the Weather

CLEVELAND, Dec. 13.-(P)-A record-breaking flock of gridiron fans are expected Sunday at the National Football league title clash between the Cleveland Rams and Washington Redskins despite huge banks of snow and 9,000 bales of straw, league publicity Manager George Strickler predicted today.

An avalanche of advance ticket sales also will swell proceeds of the battle beyond last year's record return of \$146,204.15 when the Green Bay Packers and New York Giants met for the championship at the Empire City, Strickler predicted. Ticket sales of \$121,000 already have been reported with northern Ohio cities and Pittsburgh returns still unreported, Strickler said. Many points have sold their quota of tickets and have demanded more, he added.

Huskies Added To West Team

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.-(P)-Coach Orin E. "Babe" Hollingbery of the Western team announced today more acceptances had been received from players for the East-West football charity game, here New Year's day. They were from Centers Bill McGovern, Washington and Earl Wheeler, Arkansas; Guard Alf Hemstad, Washington, and End Eugene Wilson, Southern Methodist.

Aumsville Wins 22-12

AUMSVILLE.-(Special)-Aumsville high's Rangers led throughout a Marion county "B" league basketball game here Tuesday night to down the St. Boniface Preps of Sublimity, 22-12.

SPORTSLIGHTNER

by Al Lightner
Voice-of-the-people dept: Del Smith, the Junior baseball loop umpiring man who raises those delicious melons on his Dayton farm, has this to say on the proposed moving of such as diamonds and fences at Waters park: "Just got back from an elk hunting trip—have a six-point 400-pound trophy, too—and heard there was a plan in mind to make Waters park a little smaller, pulling the diamond in closer to the stands. You can tell them for me it is just right as it is. I don't like a ball game in which a good clean double goes for a home run due to the smallness of the park. When the balls are once more 'alive', there will be many home runs, I'm sure. Also, I see where the fans are wondering about new Salem Manager Tony Patch. I don't believe they need to wonder at all. I think Tony can take care of any WIL baseball game I've ever seen. You must remember the WIL is no Coast or major league." ... George Emigh, take note ... As for Mr. Smith, he must've missed the edition in which Emigh said no abrupt changes were due at Waters next year.



BERT LA BRUCHERIE

Incidentally, Emigh also has a few words in defense of Mr. Patch, to wit: "Nobody ever heard of Bill Skiff when Seattle got him for a manager, but I'd say he's done pretty well." ... And how! Out of the PCL money only once since he signed on with Emil Sick, to be exact.

Speaking of the Senators business boss, those villagers who've been asking, "What does this guy Emigh look like?" can find out for themselves tonight by attending the Yiking-Klamath Falls hoop mix at the Villa. Emigh is to be one of the officials.

Tornado Players Visit UCLA, Movie Studio

Tattle tale: Football fibbers who tag UCLA as the up-and-coming college on the coast might be interested to learn that Medford Black Tornado troupers Jim Cave, center; Darrell Riggs, end, and Jerry Clark, Glenn Bostwick and Bob Watson, backs, were visitors on the Bruin campus not long ago. PCC Commish Vic Schmidt might be somewhat interested also, although we surmise the surprise convention was all in order and above deck level.

The kids were treated royally and in typical southern California style—seats for the UCS-UCLA and Third Air Force-Fourth Air Force games, complete movies of the UCLA-St. Mary's thriller and an extensive tour through a movie studio, the latter the topmost item on the So. Cal. chamber of commerce list.

Too bad Oregon and Oregon State aren't linked hand in hand with such glitter and glamour as inducement for high school hot shots. But then such has always been a bitter pill for UO's and OSC's. Should anything counterfeit come of the Medford-to-Westwood jaunt, however, don't blame the Tornado kids. After all, would you turn down such a trip?

"Buddy" Young May Be a Uclan Also

Spec Keene says Fleet City Bluejacket Claude (Buddy) Young is the greatest running back he's ever seen and Lon Stiner readily dittoes, with emphasis, on the ex-Illinois negro. A speck of elaboration comes from Bruce Nelson, our former Woodburn correspondent, now at Del Monte's naval training school. "I'd read of Young," pens Nelson, "but now I've seen him and want to say that no one ever told a lie about that guy. He's so fast you can hardly see him go. And what a team they have! For instance, Jim Sturt, the former Oregon lineman who made a couple of All-American teams in his day, is a measly third stringer for the Blue-jackets now."

And to think Young is planning on spending his three more years of eligibility in the UCLA backfield! Are the Ukies trying to get all the stars on their team? Or, is this new coach Bert LaBrucherie such an ultra-attractive cuss as all that?

Lou Diamond Dies

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Dec. 13.-(P)-Louis Diamond, 55, dubbed by sports writers as the "honest brakeman" in the prize fight business, in which he had engaged for 35 years as trainer and manager, died of a heart seizure at St. Joseph's infirmary here today.

Goodwin First In Flag Meet

Bill Goodwin, newly elected president of the Men's club, yesterday celebrated by winning first prize in the club's flag tournament at Salem golf course. Six-handicapped, the winner had two shots down No. 10 fairway when his allotted strokes ran out.

Long-hitting Wally Hug was second in the meet. He finished exactly even with the first nine holes—in the No. 9 cup when his swings ran out. A two-day tournament is planned for the coming weekend, announces Courseman Jim Russell.

Jock Neal Herds K. Rounder to Win

SAN MATEO, Calif., Dec. 13.-(P)-Close up to the pace from the start, K. Rounder went into the lead in the stretch to win the feature race at Bay Meadows today, a photo finish. Burning Stick ran second and Skit Seat, the pace setter, third. K. Rounder, ridden by Edgar Neal of Salem, Ore., and owned by Spaug and Elgin of Bell, Calif., paid \$22.30, \$11.60 and \$8.80.

Bible Academy Loses

PERRYDALE.-(Special)-Perrydale high outthopped the visiting Salem Bible Academy quint here Tuesday night, 33-26, Ernie Kester pacing the win with 13 points. The Perrydale girls won in volleyball also, 4-2-4.

League 'Jam' Set

MT. ANGEL, Dec. 13.-(Special)-The brand new Willamette Valley league makes its debut here Friday night when its nine members and a guest battle off a basketball jamboree in Mt. Angel college gym. The WVL replaces the war-tenured Duration circuit.

Woodburn, Silverton, Canby, Molalla, Sandy, Estacada, Dallas, Stayton and Mt. Angel Prep are the league schools represented in the jamboree. Sacred Heart of Salem will fill out the 10-team roster. The program, expected to pack the gym with followers from all schools, starts at 7:30 p.m.

The teams will draw for opponents and will play in five 10-minute games, according to reports. The team scoring most points will be the jamboree tiltist. Woodburn's Bulldogs were winners last year in the Duration conclave. A rooting contest between students representing the schools will likely be held also Friday.

Regular league play opens next Tuesday, December 18.

'C' Church Loop: Cardinals Tip Severin's '5'

The Willamette Cardinals climbed into undisputed leadership of the National division of the City basketball circuit last night by outgunning the Severin's Insurance men, 30-24, at Willamette. The Cards, who led 18-7 at halftime, have won two straight games in as many tries.

Guard Fletcher, with 13 points, led the victors. Morley of the losers had nine markers.

Cardinals (30) (24) Severin's
Reeves (5) F (4) Straw
Barker (4) F (0) Boise
Butte (6) C (5) Siegmond
Fletcher (13) G (3) Mason
Weddie (4) G (3) Maerz
Card subs—Utter, Dewey, Skelton,
Meiers, Severin—A. Mason, Morley
S. Officials—Williams and Sturdivant.

Jack, Joyce Biff Tonight

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.-(P)-Beau Jack, the Georgia shoe shine boy who drew more than \$1,000,000 in gross gates in 1943 before he entered the army, returns to Madison Square Garden tomorrow night in a 10-round bout with Willie Joyce, the Gary, Ind., southpaw.

Although he has been out of competition for 16 months, Jack has been installed a 5-12 favorite over Joyce, who has developed into a leading lightweight contender.

Moore Kayo Winner

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13.-(P)-Archie Moore, 170, St. Louis, lightweight contender, chased Colyan Chaney, 182, Indianapolis, for almost five full rounds tonight before knocking out his heavier opponent in two minutes and 40 seconds of the fifth round.

Espinosa Leads Meet

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 13.-(P)-Al Espinosa, former pro of Akron, Ohio, shot a par 71 today to take the lead at the half way mark of the 72-hole Mexican open golf tournament with a 144.

'Hot' Mex to Fight

BOSTON, Dec. 13.-(P)-Nava Esparza, fiery Mexico City welterweight who has piled up 23 victories out of 24 starts since crossing the border, will clash with Jimmy McDaniels of Los Angeles tomorrow night at the arena.

Brewster to Padres

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.-(P)-The Chicago Cubs today sold Shortstop Charlie Brewster to the San Diego club of the Pacific Coast league. Brewster, who was Cub prospect, played for Los Angeles and Nashville, Tenn., in 1935.

Owen Rematches Mat Teams for Tuesday

This won't make the crutch customers, who like their rascles strictly on the spectacular side, a bit mad. After watching Tuesday's tandem-tumbling turn the joint on its ear and send the clients home considerably more rascally than usual, Matchmaker Elton Owen announced he has rescheduled the show for another team match next Tuesday night. Which means the show will be at the Elton and Angelo

Martinelli will again tackle the meanie misters, Jack Lipscomb and Buck Davidson, in the top brawl on next week's card. The clever cleanies, using such spectacular stuff that it had their practically throughout the match, won over the nasties, two falls to one. There wasn't a dull moment during the entire 21 minutes carrying the three falls, and Matchmaker Owen was urged by many after the

party it would be okeh by them if he were to bring back the thrill-dripper any time he wanted to. There may be a possibility that Davidson will be unable to show next week, as he is planning on a southern excursion soon. In the event that he leaves before Tuesday, Newby Bufus Jones, the negro nasty, will take his place. The balance of the card will be signed and announced later this week.

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