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Rolling Along by Jerry Stone

Conjecture: Wonder just how big an attendance the local Hornets lozenge would draw if unlimited seating accommodations were available. The Salem yuck - chasers have played to capacity houses in their last several outings - but, sadly enough, capacity is only in the neighborhood of 100 seats. Eugene's league - leading game have been filling their 800 - seat arena all season ... One thing certain, this ice sport catches on quick; it converts many a skeptic into an ardent follower simply because it's awfully hard to resist blazing action ...

Speaking of hockey, Jack Boag, Salem Senator trainer for the past three years, dropped in recently between duties as chief tape and liniment man for the Portland Eagles. We didn't question Jack on the matter but we imagine he wraps more Eagle wounds in a week than he averages in half a season for the Senators. The months roll by one by one, but to Boag - whether it be November or June - there all add up to a batch of charley bones, bruises and broken bones. (On the other fellow, that is) ...

DICK WOLFE Oregon's basketballers will tonight get the first of four cracks at their ancient rivals, the Beavers of Oregon State - and the Webfoots, of course, are the first to realize that if they can knock over the Corvallis foe in three of these four encounters they will very likely have dealt the OSC's title hopes a mortal blow. The season couldn't have come down to a more exciting climax - yes, even if one of those Hollywood script whizzes had done

Cats Start Surge For Title Tonight Friday-Saturday Wins Over Idaho And Whitman Teams Net Flag Share

Willamette U's Bearcats open the most crucial weekend of their basketball season tonight in the Cat pavilion, in an eight o'clock game with the College of Idaho Coyotes. On Saturday night it will be the Whitman Missionaries at the same time and place, and if Coach John Lewis' troupe gets by both visiting foes it will haul down at least half of the 1949 Northwest conference pennant.

Should the now-leading Lewis & Clark Pioneers drop a game with Pacific at Portland tonight, the Bearcats would snatch the entire championship with two wins. The L-Clarks losing to the lowly Bad-

gers at this stage of the race is wishful thinking on the part of the Cats, however. Willamette managed a closely-contested 49-46 decision over the Coyotes on the recent road trip, but then dropped a 58-51 battle to Whitman. Consequently, Lewis anticipates a pair of nip and tuck scraps in the return matches. Both the Coyotes and Whits have rangy and speedy outfits.

The games wind up Willamette's regular season, but the team is looking forward to Monday and Tuesday nights and the district NAIB tournament at Portland. The Cats enter that "sudden death" tourney with Portland U, Lewis & Clark and Southern Oregon. The winner qualifies for the national meet at Kansas City later. Tonight's lineup:

Wolves Battle Seattle Quint MONMOUTH, Feb. 24-(Special) The Oregon College of Education Wolves put an end to their basketball season here Friday and Saturday afternoons, in 3:30 o'clock games with the visiting Seattle-Pacific collegians. In an earlier game at Seattle the Wolves broke even in two games. The weekend games are being played in the afternoon to make way for the district B-2 prep tournament both nights.

Probable starters for OCE Friday are Bob McKee, Claude Buckley, Harrell Smith, Gene Holwegger and Les Palmer. Salem high's wrestling and swimming teams will travel to Klamath Falls today for afternoon meets with the Pelican athletes. The Pels made a recent invasion of Salem. The Viks will return following the meets.

For those pinneers who have a particularly strong dislike for hand-piercing, the event is going to turn. The City meet, set for sometime in March, will be a class affair. Of course that won't make some of the low average boys exactly elated ... being on the inactive list because of too strong an acquaintanceship with a windshield (ouch!), we didn't have to meet along a couple of common gripes aimed at the most recent tourney up Capitol Alley way. Lots of the lads complained about the shifting of deadlines and another pet peeve was the haphazard manner in which scores were posted. Live and learn! ...

Man against machine: Something akin to this must be felt by opponents of Dick Wolfe, the ever - swinging Indian lad. Wolfe doesn't stand back and cautiously await for an opening, he's driving in there from bell to bell, raining blows. Dick appears to be a strong believer in the law of averages, figuring that if you throw enough punches you're going to have that much more chance of connecting with a vulnerable spot. Wolfe goes at his ring tasks in a manner which elates the fans - and he has a fair amount of high voltage in his state as Al Cliff will readily attest to after Wednesday night's fracas ... If Tex Salkeld can produce subsequent cards equal in caliber to the Wednesday show the ring sport should definitely hit the upgrade locally in matter of attendance. The armory wasn't packed Wednesday, yet that the gate was better than it's been for several months. Shows the fans are really fight - hungry - and incidentally, with due credit to game Dean Abney's game comeback, a number of the customers are still wondering how Dean rated a draw with Paul Kennedy ...

Webfoots, Orange Open Cage Series Oregon Team Plans to Thwart OSC Drive to Flag; 2nd Tilt Saturday

The opening round of the Oregon-Oregon State basketball "civil war" starts tonight at McArthur court in Eugene at eight o'clock. Only four more games are to be played

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District B-2 Teams Ready

OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, Monmouth, Feb. 24 (Special)-Perrydale, St. Boniface and Corbett high schools open their District B-2 basketball tournament here Friday night with two games. In the first tilt, at eight o'clock, Amity plays Sublimity. Then at nine o'clock Perrydale goes against Corbett. The winners play for the title, and trip to the state tournament at Union, on Saturday night following a prelim game featuring the two losers.

Vikings Play Frosh, Rooks

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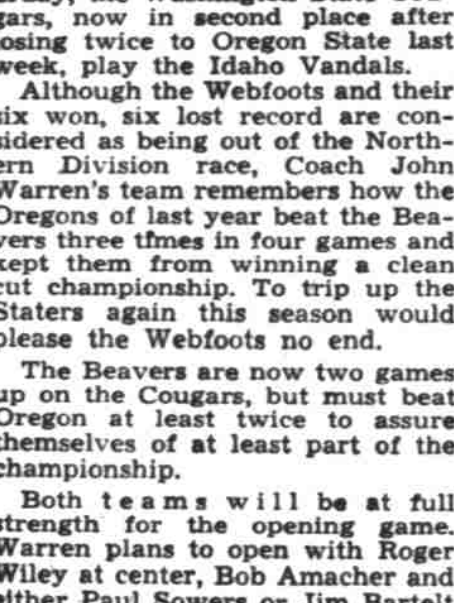
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Short Shots from Along the Baseball Front

PORTLAND, Feb. 24-(AP)-Seven Portland Beavers are working out at the Pacific coast league club's spring training camp, and five more will leave for the camp tomorrow night. Five players-Pitcher Roy Heller, third baseman Harvey Storey, and outfielders Johnny Lazor, Dick Wenner and Dick Sonovic-will leave Portland for Riverside tomorrow night. Second baseman Eddie Basinski will leave Monday.

OAKLAND, Calif., Feb. 24-(AP)-George (the Cat) Metkovich, outfielder who led the Pacific coast league champion Oakland Oaks last season with a .336 batting average, signed a 1949 contract today. OAKLAND, Calif., Feb. 24-(AP)-Southpaw Tom Seato, who had contemplated managing the new Seato entry in the Sunset League, notified the San Diego Padre front office today that he had accepted terms and would leave San Francisco immediately for the Padre training camp here.

FULLERTON, Calif., Feb. 24-(AP)-Catcher Eddie Malone and third baseman Johnny Ostrowski huddled with President Don Stewart of the Los Angeles Baseball club today and then signed their 1949 contracts. SAN FERNANDO, Calif., Feb. 24-(AP)-The name of Catcher Al Unser was scratched today from the holdout list of the Hollywood Baseball club. Rain cancelled today's practice. NEW YORK, Feb. 24-(AP)-The advance group of New York Giants leaves at 11 p.m. (EST) tomorrow for the club's Phoenix, Ariz., training base with only two ball players in the party. Seven more athletes will join the group at Chicago.

STATESMAN SPORTS By Al Lightner, Sports Editor

NAIB Pairings Drawn; Bearcats Play Pilots

It'll be Lewis & Clark vs. Southern Oregon at 8 p. m., and Willamette vs. Portland U at 9:30 Monday night in the first round of the NAIB cage playoffs for this district. District Committee Chairman Jerry Lillie met Thursday with other tourney officials in Portland to hold the drawing. The tournament, a two-night "sudden death" event that sends its winner to Kansas City for the national meet, will be played off in the Portland U gym. Those involved in the drawing with Lillie were Eldon Fix of Lewis & Clark, Mike Moran, representing Southern Oregon, Hal Moe and Mush Torson, Portland, and Hollis Goodrich, Portland U. The two Monday losers will play a prelim game Tuesday night at eight o'clock. Then the two Monday winners will play for the title and trip to K-City. Willamette has lost twice to the Pilots this season, 65-60 and 65-28.

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Dade-Joshua Mix Tuesday

PORTLAND, Feb. 24-(Special) Hustlin' Harold Dade, who tangles with Aaron Joshua here at the civic auditorium Tuesday night, is listed as the world's third-ranking featherweight by the former heavyweight king Jack Dempsey in his recent ratings in a national sports publication. Dade rates behind Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler.

Junior Quints Eye Leaders

Today's round of play in the Salem Junior High basketball circuit finds two of the lesser lights eyeing the top teams, Leslie's Golds and Parrish's Greys, two teams doing all the looking, and planning, are Harry Mohr's Leslie Blues and Clay Eggleston's Parrish Cards. For the Blues play the leading Greys in an eight o'clock at Parrish and at the same time the Cards take on the leading Golds at Leslie. In the third game tonight, at West Salem, the Parrish Pioneers tangle with the winless West Sa-lem, also at eight o'clock. A win for the Cards would be their fourth straight in the red hot loop pennant race which has two more rounds of play remaining after today.

Tag Teamer Next On Armory 'Main'

Frank Stojack has refused to show for a Coast junior heavy title belt mix with Maurice LaChapelle until the week following, so Matchmaker Elton Owen's weekly mat main event next Tuesday night at the armory will be a four-man tag team match. The participants will be named later. Also as an added feature, Bulldog Clements and Stockey Knieslen will collide in a one-fall, no time limit grudge battle, winner take all the purse, after the main event.

Bruins, Troy Tied for Lead

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24-(AP)-The basketball teams of UCLA and the University of Southern California tied for the southern division lead, are primed to hot out the faded hopes of Stanford and California in southern division cage battles tomorrow night and Saturday.

Nichols Boomed As Top Rookie

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24-(AP)-The Washington Capitals' sensation center, Jack Nichols, is being boomed as pro basketball's "rookie of the year." Despite his late entrance into the pro ranks on Jan. 1, Nichols has rapidly captured a top spot with Washington fans. Reports from all over the Basketball Association of America's 12 - team circuit acclaim "Big Nick" as one of the future greats of pro basketball. He has come through this year with 214 points in 23 games, and is building up.

Pistol Meeting Set

A meeting of the Willamette Valley Pistol league is slated for the Senator hotel basement room tonight. Officers will be elected, and other business transacted during the evening. All interested pistol shooters are invited.

Wildcats Get Scare

CINCINNATI, Feb. 24-(AP)-Kentucky's Wildcats, No. 1 basketball team in the nation, had to fight from behind in the last nine minutes tonight to lick an underdog Xavier university quintet, 51 to 40.

Tourney Tooters Picked

PORTLAND, Feb. 24-(AP)-Officials for the state "A" high school basketball tournament were announced today by the Oregon School Activities association. Four are Portlanders: Ray Beachell, Bus Bigham, Ros Slyter and Emil Piluso. The fifth is Carl Kleigell, Pendleton. Named alternate was J. C. Butterworth, Eugene.

Johnson Wins Again

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24-(AP)-Young Harold Johnson extended his unbeaten pro fistic career to 24 straight victories tonight as he outpunched the veteran Chilean heavyweight, Arturo Godoy, to take the unanimous 10-round verdict at Convention hall. Johnson weighed 178, Godoy 200 1/2.

Hermsanski in Fold

BROOKLYN, Feb. 24-(AP)-Gene Hermsanski, hard-hitting outfielder, signed his 1949 contract today and became the 31st member of the Brooklyn Dodgers to come to terms. Hermsanski, 27, batted .390 last year.

Bomber-Savold Battle Sought PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24-(AP) Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis today was offered a minimum of \$300,000 to fight Lee Savold for the title. Frank Falumbo, night club owner and co-manager of Lightweight Champion Ike Williams, made the offer. Louis expects to contact Savold today. Falumbo said, "Joe already knows we would like for him to meet Savold here and I have made arrangements to speak to him by telephone. I am hopeful he will come to Philadelphia and talk over the details."

Barb's sporting goods? -Is on the Ball! 175 S. High Street Watch for the New Mercury Outboards

Miller Lands N. Dakota Post

GRAND FORKS, N. D., Feb. 24-(AP)-Richard K. Miller, line coach at the University of Oregon, was today named head football coach at the University of North Dakota. After accepting the position by telegram, Miller named Frank Za-za, Oregon backfield coach, as his assistant at North Dakota. Miller will succeed Glenn Jarrett as head coach. Jarrett steps out after five years in the position to give full time to directing his athletic director's job. The new North Dakota tutor became assistant to Jim Aiken at Nevada in 1946 and moved with Aiken to Oregon in 1947. Za-zula and Miller have been together in high school, college, and coaching for 15 years. Miller is 31 years old, married and has one child.

Kittle Named K-Falls Pilot

YAKIMA, Feb. 24-(AP)-Hubert (Hub) Kittle, veteran pitcher and manager of the Yakima club last year in the Western International Baseball league, has signed as manager of the Klamath Falls, Ore., entry in the far west league. Kittle said today after talking to club officials at Klamath Falls that he would take charge of the team when it goes into spring training at Lodi, Calif., April 1.

Grade Tourney Opens

JEFFERSON, Feb. 24-(Special) The Jefferson high school invitational grade school hoop tourney opened here tonight with the following results: St. Boniface of Sublimity 29, Stayton 17; Hubbard 30, Mill City 17; Jefferson 26, Gates 12; St. Mary of Stayton 23, Turner 15. The winners go into the championship bracket Friday night, the losers into the consolation division. Finals are set for Saturday night. The tourney is annually sponsored by the Jefferson Letterman's club under the supervision of Pat Beal.

PREPS TESTED TONIGHT

MT. ANGEL, Feb. 24-(Special) As a warmup for their coming battle in the district tourney the Mt. Angel Preps will Friday collide with the strong Portland university Frosh on the Prep court. The tilt is set for 8 o'clock.

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