

# State B Basket Tourney Opens at WU Thursday

## Eight Quints To Seek Toga

### Three-Day Session To Return to Salem

The colorful State High School B Basketball tourney, loaded with talent and a lot of title ambitions and sponsored by the Salem Exchange club and Willamette university, starts its 1951 voyage Thursday afternoon on the WU court. The affair returns to Salem after a five-year absence.

Eight teams, champions of their respective districts, will be out gunning for the crown which was captured last year at Astoria by Rogue River.

Five B quintets had, at this writing, clinched berths in the meet and the identity of the other three teams would be known following Saturday night district final games.

Teams which had already won district titles and tourney slots were Knappa in district 1; Halsey in district 3; Mora, coached by ex-Willamette star Jim Johnson, in district 6; Grant Union of John Day in district 7, and Phenix in district 5.

Gervais and Corbett collided Saturday night in the B-2 final at Monmouth, the district 4 argument was between Powers and Oakland and in district 8 the issue lay between Union and Wallowa.

Thursday's opening schedule calls for two afternoon games and another pair at night. The afternoon session will start at 1:30, the night program at 7:30.

The Thursday afternoon openers put Knappa against Phenix at 2:30 and Grant Union against the Union-Wallowa winner. The night first-rounders put Halsey against the victor in district 4 and Mora against the Gervais-Corbett winner in district 2.

Consolation games are set Friday afternoon and semi-finals frays that night. One consolation game for fifth place will be played Saturday afternoon followed by the night battles for the top four places.

Tickets for the meet are on sale at Wicklund's Sporting Goods store, announces Leslie Sparks, tourney director.

## Charles Rates Bomber High

MILWAUKEE, March 10 (AP)—Heavyweight Champion Ezzard Charles rates Joe Louis higher as a fighter than Louis rates Charles. Milwaukee Sentinel boxing writer Ray Grody wrote tonight.

Grody said Charles listed Louis as the toughest foe of his 11-year career in an interview in Detroit after he beat Jersey Joe Walcott Wednesday night.

A few weeks ago Louis rated Charles as his sixth best opponent, with Billy Conn first. Grody said Charles' next nine "toughest foes," after Louis, were Walcott, Joe Maxim, Archie Moore, Pat Valentino, Jimmy Bivins, Gus Lesnevich, Lloyd Marshall, Elmer Ray and Nick Barone. Charles was quoted as saying Louis "has great boxing and punching ability and always makes a fight of it."

## SPORTSLIGHTNER

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title to Hurley Bell (thankfully), the darkey wow of the Portland exhibition tilt of last summer.

So all in all the club isn't in really bad shape right now. And in another month, which will be almost 10 days before the WIL bell rings, it will be in much better condition both from the standpoint of personal as well as display before the appetite of its local public . . .

### Salem I-W Chapter—It's Growing Up

Hearty congratulations to the Salem Isak Walton chapter which, according to President Rex Sanford, has grown to the extent that two meetings per month, instead of one, are now necessary to accommodate the membership. Also, that fine new clubhouse is emblematic of the way in which the chapter has sprouted.

It was only a very few years ago that the outdoor and conservation group switched its name from "Hunters and Anglers" club to a Walton league chapter. We were present for the charter-rendering ceremony and at the time were disappointed over the smallness of the turnout for it. There were no more than 25 or 30 present.

But the aspiring group nonetheless went to work on building a large and strong chapter, and has succeeded to the extent that two meetings per month are now a pleasant necessity . . .

### New Hoodoo Bowl Chairlift a Dandy

Mt. Hood ski enthusiasts are right proud of their new aerial tramway, one of the world's finest. But their pride doesn't exceed that possessed by Hoodoo Bowlers at Santiam Pass who now have a breathtaking attraction all their own, a 4000-foot chair lift. For those who might think that skis are something that harbors clouds and pours rain on you, a chair lift is a lazy man's way of getting to the top of a snow-covered mountain so that he can slide down the thing on his two greased boards and then repeat the process all over again. Sans a busted leg or an argument with a tree in the meantime, of course.

The new Hoodoo lift is designed to carry 300 persons per hour to the top of the ski bowl, approximately 1200 feet up. You mount a platform and the two-passenger chair glides up to you. Merely step yourself into it and away you go on wheels a reasonable gem of a trip to the top. An attendant helps you hop off upon arrival. You can then do one of three things. Either skis your way back down to the bottom (one fellow did it in a minute and 17 seconds the other day), take one of the ski trails which allow more leisurely descent or hop the next chair and ride back down.

Having never been on a pair of the slippery and unpredictable skis, and having no hankering whatever to adjust our record, you can imagine how we got back down. A coward perhaps, but we'll never die from being split up the middle.

The chair lift is a beauty, however, and a wonderful addition of pleasure for those who like their winter sports in the Santiam Pass area. Sure as heck beats walking . . .

## Gotcha



## 'Cat Ballers Start Drills

### Nine Lettermen Back For Diamond Action

Stymied by snow through their opening week of drills, Coach John Lewis and his Willamette baseballers hope to make up for lost time this week—weather permitting.

The Bearcat diamond crew launches their 21-game schedule April 4th against Oregon at Eugene.

Lewis has nine lettermen back to form the nucleus of his club. Four of the returning monogrammers are pitchers. They are right-handers Lou Scrivens, Mike Glenn, Frank Gatchell and Southpaw Claude Northcutt.

Three lettermen outfielders return in person of Dick Brouwer (also a first-sacker), Chuck Bowe and John Markoskie. Infield vets back are Second-sacker Dave Pearlman and utility man Cliff Girod.

The freshmen ranks offer some promising talent. Among the top frosh prospects are Pitcher Alva Brown and Infielders Duane Shields, Dick Stewart, Ken Benshoof and Dick Petzholtz.

On paper the Bearcats' pitching and outfield picture look fair but the infield and catching departments remain question marks.

Weather is a particular worry to Lewis since the gym is unavailable for workouts because of Freshmen Glen and this week's State B Hoop tourney.

## Santiam Skiing Said Excellent

SANTIAM LODGE (Special)-Skiing conditions are reported excellent in the Santiam area this weekend with 158 inches of snow, six of it new. The new chair lift and rope tows will be in operation at Hoodoo Bowl. Roads are wide with packed snow on the surface and the road into Hoodoo Bowl is open. Chains should be carried however. Ample parking space is available.

## Trout Planting Operation Slated

PORTLAND, March 10 (AP)—A quarter million 6 to 10 inch yearling trout will be liberated in western Oregon streams before the trout season opens April 14 in zones 1 and 2, the state game commission said today.

R. C. Holloway, in charge of fish liberation, said 2,000,000 yearling trout have been raised in state hatcheries for release throughout the state this spring.

He said 115,000 fish would be released in the Rogue watershed. Some 50,000 silver salmon and 40,000 spring chinook have been released in the Rogue basin below Grants Pass. The Umpqua river has been stocked with 51,000 spring chinook and 20,000 silvers. Another 61,000 silvers will go into 12 other streams.

### PRO-AMATEUR DATE SET

PORTLAND, March 10 (AP)—The 1951 Pacific northwest pro-amateur golf tournament will be played at Columbia-Edgewater country club here Sept. 17-18, Richard Glasgow, club manager, said today. The annual tournament, sponsored by the PGA will be a 36-hole medal play meet. Pros will compete for \$1,500 in cash and amateurs for \$750 in merchandise prizes.

## Strike Threatens Meadows Opening

SAN MATEO, Calif., March 10 (AP)—Demand for a 10 per cent salary increase by pari-mutuel clerks at Bay Meadows race track has not yet been settled. The track is scheduled to open next Tuesday.

Bill Kyne, Bay Meadows general manager, has rejected the clerks' demands. Track officials and officers of the pari-mutuel employees guild (AFL) met again today but reached no decision.

### SUDS LICK ANGELS

FULLERTON, Calif., March 10 (AP)—Seattle's pitching was too good for Los Angeles again today, and the Rainiers trimmed the Angels, 5-2, in a Pacific Coast league exhibition. Only four Los Angeles batsmen were able to solve the slants of Jodie Phipps, once an Angel himself, and Vern Kinsdaster, a Seattle holdover from last season.

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## Prelims Set for Jones-Stojack Title Mix

The appetizers for the main course at the armory Tuesday night have been named by Mat Macscoy Elton Owen, and as a result the crutch clientele will sit in on three prelims before the Coast junior heavy title belt brawl between Champ Frank Stojack and the negro billy-goat Rowdy Rufus Jones.

Bulldog Clements, onetime protégé of Bulldog Jackson and now one of the topmost mat fighters on the Coast, will appear in the special with Doran O'Hara, a first-liner himself. Clements is being brought in from Washington points where he has been listed as one of the most sought-after operators in the business.

Scouty Eddie Williams, who looked so good in his mix with Ivan Gorky here this week, gets



BULLDOG CLEMENTS

newcomer cleanie out of Mississippi, will appear in the 8:30 o'clock opener with Arnie Skaaland. Both of these matches will be single fallers, but the special will be 2-of-3. So will the main event.

Wall (Success) Achis will again be the referee, according to Owen.

Owen had to put up an extra \$200 purse for Stojack to appear Tuesday, as the former Washington State football All-American, licked by Rowdy Rufe here two weeks ago, didn't want any part of risking his coveted title belt. Seems that the matadors have a distinct dislike for getting their heads thumped by Rufe's granite-like noggin. Head-buttling is Jones' foremost "hold."

## Loder Owns WU Point Mark



Ted Loder, Willamette university's lanky, sharpshooting forward from Milwaukie, cools his feet (above) in the wake of a torrid performance this season which saw him crack the all-time WU point mark for four seasons—and, amazingly enough, Ted did it in only three seasons. Loder built his total to 1012 points, topping the 825 markers which gave Bill Anton a record back in 1939. As Loder gives his dogs a welcome soaking, Mentor John Lewis (left) studies some of his star's scoring accomplishments. (McEwan-Statesman photo.)

## Forward Tops Anton's Record

The all-time Willamette hoop scoring mark for four seasons has splintered before the onslaught of Ted Loder, the dead-eye forward from Milwaukie—and Loder accomplished the feat in only three seasons.

Bill Anton, the erstwhile record-holder, wound up his Bearcat career back in 1939 by upping his four-year total to 825 points.

As the curtain ran down on the 1950-51 campaign Loder had swelled his Bearcat point collection to 1012, far above the former record.

The Milwaukie flash got over the hump with 374 points this season. He had 873 for the 1949-50 season and in his freshman year hit 265 points.

The 1950-51 season has seen Ted reach his peak. He tossed in 151 field goals in 358 attempts for a white-hot .421 shooting average—much the best on the squad. With 374 points in 26 games this season, Loder had an average well above 14 per game.

Next to Loder in this season's scoring race was running mate Doug Logue with 283. Center Larry Smith totalled 255 and Hugh Bellinger had 223.

Others over the century mark were Lou Scrivens with 186 and Chuck Robinson with 151.

Logue and Bellinger also were in the 400 department in shooting. Logue hit 104 buckets in 249 attempts for .418 and Bellinger had a 401 mark off 82 field baskets in 207 shots.

As a team the Bearcats boasted a fine .362 shooting average with 595 baskets out of 1645 attempts.

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## But Stalemate Seen

# Monday Confab Decides Fate of Ball Chieftain

By Joe Reichler  
MIAMI BEACH, Fla., March 10 (AP)—Monday's epic conclave of the major league club owners to decide the fate of Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler will result in a stalemate, a canvass of baseball executives indicated today.

From reliable sources, it was learned that each faction—pro and anti Chandler—has lined up five solid votes to block the other's move. Twelve of the 16 voters are required to elect a commissioner.

Only one thing can break the hopeless deadlock and stir the moguls to action in naming a man to succeed Chandler when his term expires April 30, 1952. That is for J. Edgar Hoover, a "dark horse" candidate, to decide to accept the position.

A member of the four-man screening committee, who declined use of his name, said Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, had been approached by club owners but has declined "reluctantly."

"There still is a chance he might change his mind," the committee man said. "I believe if he decided to be a candidate, Hoover can win the unanimous consent of the club owners."

A stalemate would leave Chandler still in the driver's seat with an option of either remaining in office until the expiration of his term or buying out his contract which still has 13½ months to go.

Separate meetings of the National and American leagues were scheduled for tomorrow where it was expected a decision would be reached to delay indefinitely the naming of a commissioner to succeed Chandler. More time needed for study of possible candidates will be the reason given.

The 'Cats converted 443 of 709 charity shots for .625.

## Ferrier Nabs Tourney Lead

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., March 10 (AP)—Big Jim Ferrier battled par, a stiff east wind and plenty of competitive pressure today to latch on to a nervous one stroke lead in the \$10,000 Miami Beach open golf tournament.

The San Francisco veteran, in spite of a 25 mife per hour wind off the Atlantic ocean that frequently coaxed his ball into the sand traps, managed to tour the Normandy Isle course in 70, two strokes under par, for a 54-hole total of 204.

It was a performance just barely good enough to withstand the challenge of Chuck Klein of San Antonio, Texas, who matched the course competitive record of 65 to clamber all the way from 18th place to the runner-up spot at 205.

### 122 DERBY NOMINEES

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 10 (AP)—Most of the juvenile racing stars of last season were listed today among the 122 nominees for the next Kentucky derby. The list, announced by Churchill Downs, includes four fillies, 15 geldings and 103 colts. Judging by past records, not more than a dozen or so of them will parade to the post for the 77th running of the derby on Saturday, May 6.

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