

Bearcat Cagers Shoot for Title

L-Clark Final Foe; Here Tonight

With the issue now entirely up to them, Willamette's Bearcats shoot for their fifth straight Northwest Conference basketball championship this week end, the last in circuit action. Coach Johnny Lewis' team, given no chance whatever for the 1953 title in the beginning, are nonetheless poised to wrap it up if they can dump the Lewis & Clark Pioneers in the two remaining clashes.

Here's the picture: Eldon Fix's Pioneers are now atop the heap with nine wins, four losses. Willamette is a game behind at 8-5. A split of the two games won't do it for WU—it has to be double or nothing as the '53 race crosses the wire.

Final in Portland

First game of the super-crucials is to be played here tonight at eight o'clock in the Bearcat gym. The finale is booked for Saturday night at Lewis & Clark in Portland, also at eight.

The Bearcats are not planning on doing anything but winning both. But should they happen to split, while Pacific U takes a final over Linfield Saturday night at McMinnville, the Bearcats and Badgers will wind up in a tie. Or, should Pacific be able to beat Linfield Saturday while WU is losing to the Pioneers, Willamette will wind up in third place.

The Cats are in top trim for the big games. So are the Pioneers for that matter. A bid to the NIAA playoffs later on will doubtless go to the league champ, which can be no other than either Willamette or Lewis & Clark.

Starters Named

Lewis' starting lineup will consist of Dick Mass and Dick Hoy at forwards, Pete Reed or Bill Colvard at center and either Duane Shield, Jack Scrivens, Dave Gray or Jerry McAllister at guards.

The Pioneers, who beat the Bearcats in their first and only meeting this season to date, will open with 6-5 Ken Servas and 6-11 Mill Schroeder at forwards, 6-6 John Feus at center and 6-0 Duane Brady and 6-10 Gary Jackson at guards. They'll be considerably bigger than the WU's whose "top" is the 6-3 belonging to Reed.

Freshman teams play tonight's prelim, starting at 6:15 o'clock.

Cherberg Looks For Grid Aides

SEATTLE (AP)—The University of Washington's new football coach, Johnny Cherberg, was on his way east to Chicago and New York Thursday to talk with candidates for backfield and line coaching jobs.

He will pick four assistants. One was proposed for an assistant's job has been Alex Agase, former University of Illinois guard and Cleveland pro player and more recently Jimmy Phelan's line coach at Dallas, Tex.

Athletic Director Harve Cassill, just back from an Eastern trip, said he had talked with three or four prospects, but he is to return Wednesday and is due back this weekend.



Gary Jackson, above, veteran Lewis & Clark star who faces the Willamette Bearcats tonight in the WU Gym. The Northwest Conference cage title is the big issue between the two teams this weekend.

Canuck Circuit Growing Rival NFL Discovers

WASHINGTON (AP)—Jack Scarbath, the University of Maryland's All America forward passer, said Thursday he's toying with the idea of doing his professional football playing in Canada.

But his prospective employers in this country, the National Football League, didn't appear unduly concerned.

Officials of the Washington Redskins, who grabbed off Scarbath in the college draft last month, seemed quite confident that the gentleman from Baltimore would do his professional passing for the Redskins.

And, remarked George Preston Marshall, owner of the Washington club, "we'll pay him what we think he's worth, and no more. We would not get into any bidding contest with any other club."

Canadian football seems to be getting more and more popular with this country's footballers. Not long ago, Billy Vessels, Oklahoma's All America halfback, scorned the NFL to sign with Edmonton of the Canadian League. The Baltimore Colts had drafted Vessels.

Scarbath and Dick Modzelewski, a topflight tackle from Maryland, said Thursday they have received a pro offer from Canada, but they wouldn't name the team.

Modzelewski was Washington's No. 2 draft choice; Scarbath was No. 1.



Go in after 'em...

Steelheaders finally got their long awaited few days of good fishing weather and water over the past week end and on into the early part of the week. Quite a few fish were reported as being on the dark side and a few spawn-outs have been caught. There are, however, quite a few fresh, bright fish, in most of the coastal streams. A hot rain-bow angling may still be had before the final day on March 15.

The Nehalem continues to lead in the size of the fish given up if not the quantity. We heard of a party of anglers who nailed eight fish from that stream over the week end and the eight fish averaged 16 pounds. As far as this column is concerned that is one whale of an average for eight steelhead.

Elton "Bud" Lafky of 1325 N. 21st St., Salem was on the Nehalem over last week end and came home with two beautiful bright steels. One of the fish weighed a shade over 13 lbs. and the other a mite on the heavy side of 14 lbs. Both fish were taken on spinning tackle and artificial lure.

Jim "Red Rag" Stovall hit the Nestucca River last Monday for a bit of bank spin fishing and grinn'd his way home at the end of the day with a bright 13 lb. female (fish) just fresh from the salt. Stovall was using artificial lures for his catch, also.

We'll be on the Nestucca the day after this is being written and it is more or less a foregone conclusion that our ever-fishing wife will probably beat the ears off us. The least we can hope for is good breath of clean air fresh up from the sea.

Wenatchee Sportsmen Prove They're On the Ball

The Wenatchee Valley Sportsmen's Council up in the State of Washington recently displayed the most UN-sports-like acts we have had the pleasure to hear of in many a day. Seems that the Columbia River along the mouth of the Wenatchee Valley on the Washington side is a waterfowl refuge. On the Oregon side of the river it is not. There has been much trouble with hunters from the Oregon side of the river crossing over in boats and taking a whack at the geese on the refuge side of the river and then bi-tailing it for home in great haste. Very few arrests have been possible and most of the arrests that have been made have been in court.

The Wenatchee Sports Council was asked to vote on whether the Washington side of the river should be open to hunting inasmuch as it certainly was not a refuge on the sense of the word. Glory be—the council voted against opening the refuge claiming that it was sorely needed and that—perhaps the hunters on the Oregon side will eventually realize the importance of the refuge and refrain from poaching.

Could Have Gone the Other Way So Easily

Too often in situations such as the above the opposite view will be taken with the attitude—"We may as well do away with the refuge. If poachers are going to shoot the place up we may as well get in on the shooting and bag our own share of the birds."

The "Go in After 'em" hat is definitely doffed to the Wenatchee Valley group for its calm display of good common sense and realization that the birds need the refuge.

Seems to be a lot of smoke rising on the waters of the northern over the continuing leasing up of the waters of Slick Rock Creek and the Salmon River over on the coast. It is amazing how some logging operations can continue to drag logs across spawning beds

Walcott Plans To Quit Soon

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Jersey Joe Walcott was quoted by the Milwaukee Sentinel Thursday that "no matter what happens in my fight with Rocky Marciano I am going to retire from boxing."

Ray Grody, Sentinel boxing writer, said in a by-lined story that he had an exclusive interview with Walcott Wednesday in Chicago when the former heavyweight champion signed for his April 10 bout there with Marciano.

"I feel it's time to call it a day—that is, after I beat Marciano to become the first heavyweight fighter ever to regain a championship," Walcott was quoted by Grody.

Jumping Aces Aim for Title

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich. (AP)—Young Jim Ritsnaes, Norwegian skier unbeaten in seven American appearances this winter, was tabbed the man to beat Thursday in this weekend's North American Jumping Championships.

The youngster, now a freshman at the University of New Hampshire, will face probably his toughest competition of the season from five members of the 1948 United States Olympic team.

The quintet includes Art Tolle of Chicago, who won the 1953 national championships a fortnight ago; Art Devlin of Lake Placid, N. Y.; Billy (The Kid) Olson of Denver, Colo., and Joe Perrault and Ralph Bieltla of Ishpeming, Mich.

Greys Fatten Junior Lead

The Parrish Greys added another half game to their lead in the Junior High School basketball campaign Thursday night with a 63-45 decision over the West Salem Giants on the Parrish floor.

It was the seventh straight for the Greys and put them 2 1/2 games above the second place Parrish Cardinals.

The Greys rolled to a 32-19 half-time margin over the Giants and held a substantial margin throughout the second half.

Big men in the Greys' attack were Loy with 17 points and Carl with 15. Bales hit 16 for West Salem.

Junior high games on tap tonight put the Parrish Pioneers against the Parrish Cardinals and the Leslie Blues opposite the Leslie Golds. Both tilts are set for 4 o'clock.

Parrish Greys (6) (44) West Sal. Carl (15) Loy (12) Bales (10) McCormack (8) Baker (7) Weaver (3) G. (10) Baker (10) Greys (7) Davis (6) Greys (5) Greys (5) Scriber 3, McDonald 4, Gilbertson 3. Halftime: Greys 32, W. Salem 19. Officials: Cooper and Scrivens.

Manhattan Upset

NEW YORK (AP)—Little Iona College of New Rochelle, N. Y., upset tournament-bound Manhattan 66-59, Thursday night at Madison Square Garden.

The victory put Iona in line for one of the remaining spots in the National Invitation Tournament.

Selvy Sets New 2-Year Mark . . .

Furman Cageman Takes Lead in Scoring Race

NEW YORK (AP)—Frank Selvy of Furman, in a tight race for the 1953 major college basketball scoring honors with Seattle's Johnny O'Brien, went into the books Thursday with a new record.

His 45 points Wednesday night as Furman trimmed Wofford, 104-78, gave Selvy 677 for the season and a two-year total of 1,268. This is the highest on record for any major player in his first two years of varsity competition, the NCAA Service Bureau disclosed.

Selvy, who got 15 field goals and 15 free throws against Wofford, broke the two-season mark of Bob Zawoluk of St. John's, Brooklyn, with 1,242 in the 1950 and 1951 seasons.

Bowling Scores

LADIES CITY LEAGUE
CAPITOL ALLEYS
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING (2)—Pogonich 280, Oney 280, Loken 280, Jones 431, Albrich 408. ISAAK REALTY CO. (2)—McEhany 396, Evans 393, Pugh 394, Black 426, Kennedy 426.
BIDDLE OIL (1)—Angove 440, Huff 394, Brundidge 419, Stalder 390, Vandell 392. SHATTUCK CHATEAU (3)—Chamberlain 487, Folsky 427, Curtis 421, Frim 420.
BOB LAWLESS (3)—Thrush 426, Lawless 442, Whaley 460, Carr 397, Landerhook 392. CUPBOARD CAFE (2)—Frim 478, Halsey 373, Pease 392, Glott 371.
SALEM NAVIGATION (6)—Miller 388, Mackey 388, Loken 388, Gallatin 388, Penny 478, BRADLEY MEATS (4)—Doerfler 418, Lowry 391, Bunde 428, Bradley 399, Little 424.
STATSMAN (2)—Bower 388, Kitzmiller 429, White 391, Upston 427, Rich 428. SENATOR HOTEL (1)—Scott 382, Gartner 428, Adolph 428, Mueller 392.
MASTER BREW (1)—Merrill 392.

COMMERCIAL NO. 1
University Bowl
SALEM IRON WORKS (4): Corlier 286, Hartman 284, Kolby 280, Oberman 286. PRICE WARGAMENTS (8): Pease 417, Brown 528, Roberts 518, Knedler 426, Rounds 423.
BIDDLE OIL (2): Wilberg 590, Mull 495, Ireland 540, Dierks 441, Miller 519.
WILLAMETTE VALLEY BANK (1): Eckstrom 519, Ashley 478, Nopp 497, Merrill 442.
RAMAGES (4): Miller 428, Moore 392, C. Morris 462, Elgin 418, D. Morris 418. V.F.W. (2): W. Woolen 378, Simons 443, Wodzewska 498, Low 461.
WESTERN PAPER (1): L. Kuebler 497, Kuebler 419, Morris 470, Pearl 451, Low 400. NAVAL AIR FACILITY (4): Basal 490, Yoder 543, Holman 399, Merrill 442.
SALEM MERC. PATROL (3): Tempier 597, Donnewirth 397, Black 429, Kitcher 214, Gilmore 428. KAY WOOLEN MILLS (1): Peterson 508, Kay 378, Johnson 440, Reid 508, Preoline 428.
PUMBLITE BLOCK (1): Fynch 421, Pynch 421, Pynch 392.

Bevos, Webfoots in Final Tilts; District 11 Tournney Opens Tonite

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Foxes, Preps, Eagles Cards to Open Action

The annual District 11 basketball tournament, which could be correctly called a fruitless bid by seven other teams to unseat the Salem Vikings as a representative in the state Class A tournament at Eugene, opens its lengthy double-elimination run tonight at the Vik Villa.

And as usual the resident Vikings are rated head and shoulders over the other entries despite the facts that this year's Salem team doesn't match those of other years in ability and that the other seven teams will double efforts in an attempt to kayo Harold Hauk's outfit.

Foxes, Angels Start

Silverton and Mt. Angel, a pair of Willamette Valley League teams will open proceedings tonight at seven o'clock. Milt Baum's Silver Foxes were an in-and-out entry in the WVL, finding it tough to be a first division team through the regular season. Gene Barrett's Preps finished far down in the chase and lost a lopsided nod to Silverton last week.

Tonight's second mix, starting at approximately 8:30, will have a pair of Capitol League outfits at it, Stayton and Sacred Heart Academy. Stayton won the league race with seven wins, one loss. Leo Grosjacques' Cards finished in a tie for second place with Cascade Union, each with 5-3 records. In their two league games during the season Joe Boyle's Eagles twice toppled the Cardinals.

More Games Saturday

The other four district teams play Saturday night. At seven o'clock Johnny Selvy's Cascades play Marshall Barbour's Woodburn Bulldogs, who for much of the season amounted to a WVL flag threat. At 8:30 on Saturday the Vikings make their first splash, playing Don Reed's North Marion Huskies, who finished fourth in the Yawama League derby.

All teams must be defeated twice before being eliminated in the playoffs. The meet will continue throughout next week, all games at the Viking gym.

Houston Lead Shared by Pair

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Cary Middlecott of the Memphis dentist, sank a 40 foot putt on the eighteenth green Thursday to tie Al Beselink, Grossingers, N. Y., for the first round lead in the \$20,000 Houston Open Golf Tournament.

Each had a five under par 67 for the 7,150-yard, par 72 Memorial Park Course.

Son for Hemphill

A five-pound, 12-ounce baby boy was a new arrival in the Jack Hemphill family in Oakland, Cal., according to word received Thursday from the Salem Senators pitcher. The boy has been named Robert Kendall Hemphill.

Father Jack is expected to sign his 1953 contract shortly and pitch with the Senators team again the coming season. He formerly lived in Silverton.



Webfoot Guard Up 'n At 'Em



CORVALLIS—Guard Bob Hawes of the U of Oregon Ducks shows his agility in this shot as he readies for the two Oregon-Oregon State cage finals for 1953 this weekend. The two rival teams play in Gill Coliseum Friday night and at Eugene Saturday night.

Top Honor for Husky, Seattle Aces . . .

O'Brien, Houbregs Land On Colliers Star Team

NEW YORK (AP)—Little Johnny O'Brien of Seattle, Bob Houbregs of Washington, and three players from Eastern colleges have been picked for Collier's 1953 all-star basketball team.

The other three are Ernie Beck of Pennsylvania, Walter Dukes of Seton Hall and Tom Gold of LaSalle.

More than 300 members of the National Association of Basketball Coaches took part in the balloting. A second team was made up of Bob Speight, North Carolina State; Dick Knostman, Kansas State; Bob Pettit, Louisiana State; Joe Richy, Brigham Young; and Don Schlundt, Indiana.

Eagles, Cards Put 2 Players On Star Team

The champion Stayton Eagles and Sacred Heart's Cardinals each landed two men on the Capitol League all-star basketball team picked at a Thursday night meeting of the circuit's coaches at Sacred Heart.

Bill Thompson of Sacred Heart, Gene Small of Stayton and Lee Metcalfe of Cascade were unanimous choices on the first team. Others on the six-man first team are Dave Nettling of Stayton, Vince Matt of Sacred Heart and Don Sprout of Cascade.

The second team includes Ed Small, Stayton; Virgil Fadenrecht, Salem Bible Academy; Vance Cooney, Sacred Heart; Bob Mulkey, Philomath and Ron Chaddick, Cascade.

Other business included work on a new constitution, necessitated by the acceptance of Central Union High School into the league. A dinner meeting is slated for March 12 at which time a schedule will be drawn up for the grid season.

Clowns, YMCA Victors

Close to 1,000 fans turned out at the Senior High School gym Thursday night to watch a hoop twinnbill, feature of which saw the traveling Harlem Clowns put the barnstorming House of David quint 47-34. In another contest the City League All-Star dropped a 58-54 decision to the YMCA five.

The Clowns and Davids turned in their share of comics during their tussle. The Clowns had a 20-13 halftime edge.

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Huskies Play Idaho Quintet

Northern Division Race Hits Finish

By The Associated Press

The Northern Division basketball race ends this week end with Oregon and Oregon State getting together for single games at Corvallis Friday night and Eugene Saturday night, and Washington playing the Idaho Vandals at Moscow both nights. Washington State completed its schedule last Tuesday night.

The Ducks and Beavers split their first two games of the regular season, OSC winning at Eugene and Oregon winning at Corvallis. Coach Bill Borchers' Ducks are currently in second place in the standings with eight wins and six losses while Idaho is a full game behind in third place with an even 7-7 count.

Huskies Seek Record

Washington has yet to be beat in conference play and will be after two wins over Idaho so as to become the first team in conference history to go through a season undefeated. They are apt to be hard to get from the Vandals on their own floor.

Oregon State has been able to win only four times in 14 tries. Washington State finished with three wins, 13 losses.

The Ducks will be at full strength for the final two games with Oregon State. Led by Chet Noe at center the Webfoots will open with Keith Farnam and Ed Halberg at forwards and Barney Holland and Ken Wegner at guards. Oregon State, crippled by the back injury to Tony Vlastelica, could start a number of combinations including Forwards Tom Whiteman, Jim Sugrue and Al Patzel, Centers Bob Edwards and Ted Romanoff and Guards Bill Toole, Ron Robbins, Danny Johnston, Reggie Halligan and Johnny Jarboe.

Washington's starting lineup will consist of Bob Houbregs, Doug McClary, Mike McCutchen, Joe Cipriano and Charley Koon. For Idaho, Dwight Morrison, Bill Ma-ther, Hartely Kruger, Bruce McIntosh and Tom Flynn will be the starters.

Houbregs Rejects All-Star Offer

SEATTLE (AP)—University of Washington basketball star Bob "Hooks" Houbregs said Thursday he had turned down an offer to play with a college all-star group this year.

The all-stars are being formed to tour the country in a series of games with the professional Harlem Globe Trotters.

The 6-foot, 7-inch center, one of the nation's outstanding players, said he declined the offer for fear of endangering his amateur status.

Houbregs intends to enter AAU competition after his college career ends this season.

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