

HIGH CLIMBER

By DICK STRITE

Bruce Hamby, director of the University of Oregon athletic news bureau, returns from San Francisco and a three-day meeting of Pacific Coast Conference publicity men, bubbling over with news. Most of the stuff is really revolting, but the most interesting part to the sports-loving public is being kept under cover until the changes are assured.

There was considerable elbow bending and the publicists attending a (banquet is the nice word for it) at the S. F. Press club attended by Henry McLemore, Grantland Rice, Maxie Baer, Guy Kibbe and the general run of Bay Region hot-shots—but there was also lots of work accomplished by the "ghost writers" of a good many news stories and columns appearing in newspapers up and down the coast.

One of the things the bureau directors decided upon was the standardization of all "dope sheets" and a deadline date for their release. . . . There were a few other things, such as having each school releasing mats and pictures to the press.

The boys had an interesting session with Commissioner Ed Atherton at which time they went into the new conference code thoroughly. . . . In the future releases from Atherton's office will come through the local collegiate news bureaus. . . . At the same time Atherton announced that an athlete declared ineligible at one school "could" transfer to another conference institution without the loss of a year of eligibility—upon Atherton's recommendation. . . . Each case would be handled separately and if the commissioner was convinced the athlete was honest and that he had not "shopped around" for offers he would make that recommendation—such as Bob Jones, an Oregon freshman, being declared ineligible, could move to Oregon State and play football the following year as a sophomore and with three years of varsity competition.

At a special meeting of northern division writers, Hamby was selected to handle all basketball and baseball statistics, and the official scoring and batting records will be released from the Eugene office. . . . While there was lots of horse-play, witness the stories on the meeting that came out of San Francisco naming all those in attendance either presidents or first vice-presidents, there was still considerable work accomplished that will no doubt reflect on the future of Coast Conference athletics.

If Bill Borchers fails to show the style of basketball he played against Oregon State college in the coming Washington State and Idaho series, don't blame the big, burly North Bend boy. It will be all our fault. We gave the lad too much credit for the Beaver beating he didn't look too hot in the last Oregon practice session, according to Hobby Hobson.

Fact of the matter is, we gave Bill credit for something he didn't do, or wasn't supposed to—guarding John Mandie—Hobby says the task was assigned to Wally Borrevik and he thinks the big Reedsport boy did a fine job. . . . However, we distinctly remember Big Bill covering the rough and tough Oregon State center on several occasions and for that reason we had trouble determining the style of Hobby's defense. Don't get us wrong, Hobby thinks Borchers played a great game. . . . We feel sure all of Bill's "notoriety," as a fishing pit of ours would say, will not effect him and that he'll be able to match the backboard work of either Washington State's Paul Lindeman or Idaho's Otis Hilton.

Maybe it was our mistake, but we certainly had no intention of saying that John Warren wasn't as capable a basketball coach as Idaho's Forrest Twogood. . . . Last week we mentioned a rumor that John has been contacted regarding the Vandals coaching post and the rumor still stands up despite Honest John's denial and mentioned that he probably couldn't stack up with Toogie as a baseball coach but would be every bit as talented a basketball mentor and football assistant. . . . In print the word "baseball" was basketball, giving a meaning entirely different than intended. . . . As for baseball, Toogie's major-league experience makes him top choice in that department, but we feel certain the former Astoria high coach could work the Vandals into the first division of the basketball race at least once every few years.

Eugene will see an independent basketball "tournament" of high calibre next month when teams from Coos, Douglas and Lane counties compete for berths in both the "A" and "B" divisions of the Oregon association, Amateur Athletic Union championship playoffs in Portland February 25-March 1.

Lane county teams eligible for the local meet are: Rubenstein's Oregonians, McKee Bakers, Helliwell Men's Toggery of Cottage Grove, Vaughn Independents, Lorane Townies, Booth-Kelly Wendling Cardinals, Miller Lumber of Monroe, Baptist Church and Methodist Church.

Managers of the teams will be called together soon to determine the type of playoff wanted, but regardless of the setup there will be plenty of good basketball. . . . Any one of the teams will give the Rubes and Bakers, 1934 state AAU "A" and "B" champions, respectively, stiff competition.

Heart Attack Is Fatal to Jack Leivelt, Seattle Suds Player

35 Year Veteran In Baseball Wars Make Plans For Third Coast League Pennant

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—(AP)—John Frank "Jack" Leivelt, 53, reputed to have been one of the highest paid managers in minor league baseball, died last night two hours after he was stricken with a heart attack while watching a basketball game.

Leivelt, who piloted the Seattle Pacific Coast league baseball club to two successive pennants and was preparing to bid for a third the coming season, seemed in good health when he went to the game.

But before play had ended, he became ill and was taken by Roscoe Torrance, vice president of the Rainiers, to the Washington Athletic club for first aid. He was then removed to a hospital where he died.

His widow, in southern California, was notified immediately by Emil Sick, president of the Seattle baseball club.

Leivelt arrived here two days ago from their three-acre estate in the San Fernando valley to send out player contracts marking the start of his fourth season as manager of the Rainiers.

Before affiliation with the local ball club, he had gained national recognition for molding some of the most outstanding teams in minor league history while piloting Los Angeles of the Pacific Coast league. When a disagreement ended his management of the Angels, he decided to retire, but re-entered baseball as a scout for the Chicago Cubs.

Leivelt spent more than 35 years in a baseball uniform. In his playing days he ranked high at bat for Washington, New York and Cleveland in the American league. He held down first base and outfield positions.

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When his playing days ended, Leivelt managed teams in the American association, the Western and Texas leagues before entering Pacific coast baseball.

Kovacs, McNeill In Net Tourny Finals

ORLANDO, Fla., Jan. 21.—(AP)—Frank Kovacs of Oakland, Cal., will attempt to win his second straight tennis title when he meets National Champion Don McNeill of Oklahoma City for the Florida state championship.

Kovacs, winner of the Dixie tournament at Tampa, moved into the final yesterday with a 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 victory over Jack Kramer of Oakland, Cal. McNeill defeated Elwood Cooke of Portland, Ore., defending champion, 10-8, 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke of Brookline, Mass., won the women's singles title by beating Doris Hart of Miami, Fla., 6-3, 6-4.

Ramblers Beat Millers Lumbermen, 42 To 38

MONROE, Jan. 21.—(Special)—The Ramblers, one of Eugene's leading city league quintets, defeated Miller Lumber of the Lane independent league 42-38 here Monday night. The Ramblers staged a drive in the last six minutes that broke a 34-34 deadlock to win by four points. Miller's led 34-32 in the third quarter.

Tex Gatlin led the winners with 18 points as the Ramblers took a 25-21 halftime advantage.

Jim Kirk Scores 21 As Drain Beats Reedsport

DRAIN, Jan. 21.—(Special)—Lanky Jim Kirk, 6-foot-1 forward, led the Drain high hoop aggregation to a 40-33 victory over Reedsport here Saturday night. Kirk, former Eugene Junior Legion baseball pitcher, scored 21 points, eight field goals and five freethrows.

REISELT CUE LEADER

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Otto Reiselt, Philadelphia forged ahead of five other leaders in the world's three-cushion billiard tournament Monday by defeating Herb Peterson, St. Louis, 50-26 in 53 innings. It was Reiselt's fourth victory in as many games.

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JOHN GEE, Pittsburgh Pirate pitcher (left), turned to his old college coach, Ray Fisher of Michigan, at Ann Arbor for help on a projected comeback. Ray Roberts (center), Michigan trainer, will work on GEE's sore arm. GEE, baseball's tallest player, is six-feet-nine.

Feller Expected To Sign For \$30,000

CLEVELAND, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Bob Feller paid Cleveland a one-day visit today to sign his 1941 contract with the Cleveland Indians at a salary expected by everyone to be about \$30,000, making him the highest-paid pitcher in the history of baseball.

Feller came in by airplane early this morning and expected to return to his Van Meter, Ia., home after this afternoon's dotted line formalities.

The boy wonder, a baseball veteran at the age of 22 years, never has been difficult for vice-president C. C. Slapnicka to sign. His salary has been raised every year.

Last season Feller's salary was estimated variously from \$25,000 to \$27,000. His performance of 27 victories led American league pitchers.

Louis, Godoy Signed For Los Angeles Match

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Titleholder Joe Louis and Arturo Godoy of Chile meet in a heavyweight championship bout for the third time April 15 in Los Angeles, the state athletic commission revealed last night.

Promoter Tom Gallery, local representative of Mike Jacobs of New York, who has the two men under contract, is staking the match. Louis won a 15-round decision over Godoy in their first meeting while in the second, he knocked out the Chilean in the eighth.

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Eugene Sand & Gravel Keglers Warm Up for National Tourney

Eugene will be represented in bowling's "world series" this season. The Eugene Sand & Gravel kegling quintet, state association champions, will compete in the national championships of the American Bowling Congress at St. Paul, Minn., April 15.

The five local keggers making the jaunt will be Lee Bonney, Ken Battleson, Ed Johnson, Jerry McKay, and Fred White. In the first of a series of tune-up matches Sunday at Salem the state champs defeated a formidable Salem aggregation composed of Don Polin, Walt Cline, D. Young, Joe Coe and M. Steinbock. The Eugene team won, 2742 to 2596 with White leading the contingent with a 572 series. Other series scores were: Bonney, 560; McKay, 540; Battleson, 537, and Johnson, 533.

Battleson, with a 638, and White, with a 561, won the open doubles competition with an aggregate 1199, eighty-seven pins better than the second-place Cline-Roulin tandem.

Battleson won the singles with 625.

The Scherer Buicks, state women's champions, also made the Salem journey and defeated the Capital Bedding Co., 2268 to 2124. The victory was sparked by the kegling of Ferry Shull who rolled a 183 single and 519 triple.

'Hee-Haws Of 1941' At Junction City High Wednesday Night

JUNCTION CITY, Jan. 21.—(Special)—Local basketball followers will see something different in the way of hoop contests here at the high school gym Wednesday night when Jack Bartlett presents his "Hee-Haws of 1941," a donkey basketball game.

All players will be mounted on soft-shod donkeys, the teams being made up of local men. The teams, City Slickers vs. Country Dudes.

There will also be a "circus" along with the feature contest.

Hoop Schedule

● TUESDAY ●
Collegiate Basketball
Oregon at Washington State.
High School Basketball
Springfield-UHS, Igloo.
Junction City vs. Eugene.
Pleasant Hill at Thurston.
Oakridge at Coburg.
McKenzie at Mohawk.
Elmira at Lorane.
Creswell at St. Mary's.
Crow at Triangle Lake.
Junior Rubes at Harrisburg.
Independent Basketball
McKee's at Vaughn.
Lorane at Wendling.
National City Basketball
Guard vs. Logan's.
Western Flyers vs. Ramblers.
Giants vs. Cloverleaf.
Church Basketball
NCC "A" vs. N. Y. A.
Baptist Gladiators vs. Evangelical.
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Independents Roll Up Impressive 60-29 Win

STANDINGS	W	L	Pct.
McKee Bakers	6	0	1.000
Cottage Grove	5	1	.833
Wendling Cardinals	3	2	.600
Miller Lumber	3	3	.500
Vaughn	2	4	.333
Lorane	2	4	.333
Triangle Lake	2	4	.333
"Triangle Lake"	0	7	.000

*Game unreported.

BLACHLY, Jan. 21.—(Special)—Helliwell Men's Toggery basketball team from Cottage Grove remained a full game behind the unbeaten McKee Bakers of Springfield for the Lane county independent league leadership today. The Trovros hung up their fifth victory of the season here Monday night by defeating the Triangle Lake Townies, 60 to 29.

With Walt Robertson scoring most of his 16 points in the first half, Triangle trailed by only an 11-point margin at halftime, 26-15. But the invaders turned the contest into a walkaway in the final periods with Glenn Swanson and Curtis French leading the attack. Swanson and French collected 16 and 13 points, respectively.

Cottage Grove's next test comes Wednesday when they play host to the University of Oregon freshmen in an infantile paralysis game at the Cottage Grove armory.

Summary:

HELLIWELL'S (60)	(29)	TRIANGLE LK.
Swanson 16	F	16 Robertson
Butterworth 8	G	10 Owens
Tracy 7	C	6 Bruce
Minor 2	G	4 Wolfe
Sokolien 2	G	3 Miller
Peck 1	G	3 Miller
Grimes 4	S	3 Miller
French 13	S	3 Miller

St. Mary's Plays Creswell Quintet

The Lane county 'B' high school basketball league will play their second "double" weekly schedule of the season Tuesday night with both Thurston and Triangle Lake quintets favored to retain their leads in the American and National divisions, respectively.

Thurston has the stiffest test of the two, entertaining Pleasant Hill's Hillbillies. The Panthers gained the top spot in the circuit last week by upsetting Oakridge. Other American division games Tuesday send Oakridge to Coburg and McKenzie to Mohawk.

Triangle Lake meets a soft touch in Crow, but the second-place St. Mary's Gaels meet a formidable opponent in Creswell. Elmira plays at Lorane in a neighborhood battle.

The Creswell-St. Mary's game, ranking along with Thurston-Pleasant Hill as for basketball calibre, will be played on St. Mary's hall court.

Bombers Beat Lions 3-2 For Second-Place Tie

(Associated Press)
The Spokane Bombers went into a second-place tie with the Seattle Olympics in the Pacific Coast Hockey league campaign by defeating the league-leading Vancouver Lions 3-2 in an overtime period in Vancouver Monday night.

Uni High Meets Springfield

Eugene, Junction City Also Battle Tonight

Eugene high school leading Axemen will meet the major attention school basketball teams today night when Eugene's "Big Purple" takes on Tiggers on the Eugene high school basketball court. Attention is given to Tiggers and Miller's game. Two teams are evenly matched and the loser will be shunted from the District 6 crown—and tournament berth that league winner.

Second-team preliminary will open the hoop war both the Igloo and Eugene starting at 7 o'clock.

The Axemen have only one start, defeating previously undefeated Junction City, in the only test for the Probable starting lineups. Junction City, Elvin Finner, Mortensen, forward; Earl Cheezem, center; Earl Everett Gravelle, guard; Ray Blatchley, forward; Wally shall, forward; Bob center; Bob Deller and ins, guards.

Springfield, despite Eugene, will be a slight against Uni high—five scores. The University of Oregon Coughs to Grove by two points UHS lost to Grove by first league loss for two seasons.

Oregon, WSC Meet Tonight

The University of Oregon and Washington State college basketball teams open their final series of the season at Pullman Tuesday night, the Cougars holding a two-game edge by virtue of twin wins scored at Eugene several weeks ago.

Three broadcasts of the game have been listed by Associated Oil and the Associated Press. Associated Oil announced that the game will come through the facilities of KWSC (1212 kc), Pullman, and from KWJJ (1040 kc), Portland. The AP announced that KFIO (1120 kc), Spokane, would broadcast the two contests. Game time has been announced at 8 o'clock.

The Tuesday and Wednesday games against W. S. C., and the coming week-end series against the University of Idaho at Moscow will be of vital importance to Oregon's title hopes. The Webfoots have defeated Oregon State's defending champions since dropping two to the Cougars. Washington State has defeated Idaho in one game besides the two wins over Oregon since losing two to O. S. C. at Corvallis in the opening series of the season.

Coach Howard Hobson is expected to use the same starting combination that scored a 41-31 win over the Beavers last week, namely, Bill Borchers and Hank Anderson, forwards; Wally Borrevik, center; Porky Andrews and Vic Townsend, guards.

Joe Bargar Sets In Fraternal League

Keglers representing the C. I. O. annexed straight Fraternal league at Eugene Recreation night to lead three teams by four full games. CIO team defeated the Elks, and the American over the Eagles. Double over defeated CIO 24-13 other league match.

Joe Bargar of the new league record series, 49 pins better Walker's previous mark. Single game was also high evening.

Results:
CIO 233
Moore 200
High Single—Pike, CIO, 100
High Series—Pike, CIO, 200
Douglas Lumber 85
CIO 244
High Single—Heigel, 100
High Series—Heigel, 200
Engineers 200
Elks 100
High Single—Bargar, 100
High Series—Bargar, 200
American Legion 100
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High Single—Walker, 100
High Series—Dillon, 100

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