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Bend, Redmond Teams to Get Test of Strength

The Bend Lava Bears will travel to Redmond this evening for a "king's X" game that may well set up a favorite for district honors for this season.

Although the Bears defeated Panthers 13 to 7 in a 10-minute quarter at the hoop jamboree early this month, most fans believe the Redmond squad's veteran lineup will give the Bend five a tough time tonight.

The game will be the final chance for local fans to see the Bears in action until January 11, when the Redmond team will come to Bend for a district game. In the meantime, the Bend squad will play a number of games on the road.

To Play Roseburg
On December 28 a game is scheduled with Jack Newby's Roseburg team at Roseburg. On December 29 and 30, Russ Acheson will invade his old home country for games with Marshfield. On January 4, the Bears will open their Big Six schedule at Corvallis.

The Redmond team this year combines the speed of Veri Hamack, Clayton Bliss and Ed Kribs with the height of Ken Fairchild and Jim Riggs. The team's chances for district honors were greatly bolstered by the return of Riggs, who did not turn out for football and had not been expected to turn out for basketball. In their early games, the Bears have appeared strong with Larry Standifer and Doug Hogland controlling both backboards. The team's fast break offense has clicked at times and set plays have moved through both zone and man-to-man defenses. Defensively, the team appears much stronger than in former years.

Pacific Lutheran Wins Rough Game

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 21 (AP)—Pacific Lutheran's Gladiators won a rough 40 to 31 victory over Pacific university's Badgers in an inter-league basketball game here last night. A total of 59 fouls were called in the contest. Hal Whitbeck of Pacific led the scoring with 13. Del Schafer led the winners with 9.

Sport Parade

By Oscar Fraley
(United Press Sports Writer)

New York, Dec. 21 (AP)—Drooping attendance and poor officiating today concerned mid-western basketball coaches visiting the east as they pulled no punches against the ills currently affecting college basketball.

Husky Jack Gardner of Kansas State and lean Bruce Drake of Oklahoma took a healthy swipe at those ills. And then they added that perhaps basketball is scheduling too many games per team; that television is becoming an increasing problem and that maybe they and other coaches are teaching the wrong type game.

Gardner, whose team just completed a cross-country jaunt, was particularly outspoken. Commenting on plans everywhere to build larger field houses, he said:

"We may have seen our heyday as far as crowds are concerned. The people just don't have the money and aren't spending."

Gardner also was bitter about officiating generally.

"It's been pretty poor and the only answer is that we need younger men to handle our games; men just out of school who recognize contact."

One of the "two big" spots, according to the Kansas State coach, was the San Francisco Cow palace.

"It's so big there that it clouds up and rains inside," he chuckled. "Joe DiMaggio is about the only guy who could throw a baseball up to the roof."

Having played across the nation, Gardner had things to say which might not please the fans in St. Louis. He insisted that San Francisco and Santa Clara were as good as highly-touted St. Louis and that Ed McCauley, star of the St. Louisans, couldn't "carry the shoes" of Kentucky's Alex Groza. Drake, the Oklahoma pilot, emphasized that courts coaches

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Webfoots Settle Down at Dallas

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 21 (AP)—Oregon's Webfoots took off their new 10-gallon hats today and settled down for some rugged football in preparation for their Cotton bowl date with Southern Methodist on Jan. 1.

Oregon arrived last night and after a welcoming committee, headed by SMU co-eds, gave the players Texas-style hats. Coach Jim Alken broke up the reception by ordering an immediate light workout under the lights. Alken said his 37-man squad was in good shape.

probably are too offense minded now but asserted that this probably is the last year for such type play.

"Personally, I don't believe that the coaches are spending enough time on defense," he charged. "But I am certain that after this season you will see a tapering off of the offense. The difficulty is that we have had a great number of returning service men who were polished ball players. So we could go out and try to out-score the other guy."

Harry Brecheen National's Best

New York, Dec. 21 (AP)—Southpaw Harry Brecheen of the St. Louis Cardinals today was given the official stamp of approval as the National league's outstanding hurler for 1948.

The determined little 34-year-old veteran fashioned both the league's best earned run average and won-lost percentage during last season.

Brecheen won 20 games for the first time in his seven year career, lost only seven for a .741 percentage, and turned in an earned run average of 2.25, according to league statistics. In addition, the 5-foot 10 inch, 160-pound veteran from Broken Bow, Okla., racked up the most strikeouts, 149, and paced the circuit in shut-outs with seven.

FIGHT RESULTS

(By United Press)
San Francisco (AP)—Pat Valentino, 186, San Francisco, outpointed Turkey Thompson, 200, Los Angeles (15).

Portland U. Upsets Idaho

Portland, Dec. 21 (AP)—Portland university scored its first win over a northern division basketball team last night, defeating University of Idaho, 57 to 40.

Portland's Bob Pickel sank a free throw at the game's start and though the score was tied 6-all and 8-all in the first period, the Phots never trailed.

Top scorer was Fred "Happy" Lee, Portland guard, with 14 points.

CALIFORNIA DEFEATED

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 21 (AP)—The University of British Columbia last night defeated the University of California, 4-3, in an exhibition hockey game before 2,000 fans at the forum.

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Salem, Dec. 21 (AP)—The Oregon Young Republican club has invited the National Young GOP to come to Oregon for its next convention, Jim Collins, Salem, national committeeman for Oregon, said today. The next convention will be in May or June.

BRIEF FREEDOM

Salem, Dec. 21 (AP)—Freedom was brief for Cecil Pease, 33, who walked away from the state prison farm yesterday. He was found by guards 10 hours after he escaped and was apprehended without difficulty, Warden George Alexander reported.

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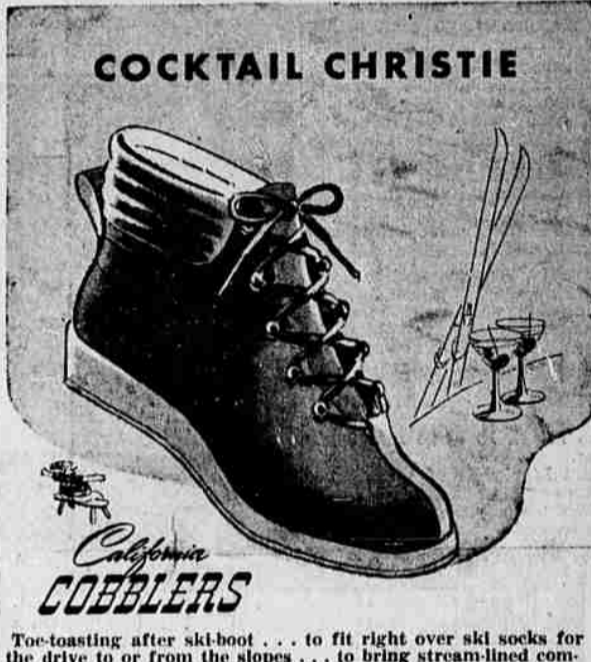
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