Salem Senators Make No Player Deals at League Session

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FLIP OF COIN WORTH 7 POINTS

We've had a rare story tucked away in the back of the mind ever since Gus Dorais, the famous Notre Dame graduate, died. Dorais, known as the 1913 passer to Knute Rockne and who popularized but by no means invented the pass, also coached at Gonzaga university.

This tale came to us by way of a former Idaho coach, James A. "Babe" Brown, who played in a 1922 game between Idaho and Gonzaga. Stockton, a Gonzaga halfback, was tackled near the goal line and the ball squirted over the goal where Sib Kleffner of Idaho fell on it. A long argument resulted over whether it was a touchdown for Gonzaga or a touchback (which gives no points but would have given Idaho the ball on the 20).

FRANK LEAHY
. . . friendly pessimist

In one of sports' most unusual moments, a game was decided by the flip of a coin, Dorais' team winning the toss and the game, 14-7.

No one has said whether it was heads or tails. That Kleffner is is the father of Flip Kleffner, Idaho's outstanding fullback of today.

LEAHY, GOING BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Frank Leahy will have to be pessimistic about something besides Notre Dame's football fortunes, now that he has revealed his retirement. One fall, for example, he declared soberly he didn't see how the Irish could make a first down, so they proceeded to have an unbeaten season.

Leahy was found to be the gratious type, when, some time back he granted an interview in Boise—courteous, sharp and easy to talk with. Culled from his conversation are the following bits of "Notre Dame-ology":

Material doesn't just pour into South Bend because boys dream of playing for the Irish. "We can get all we want of what I'll call the Class B boys," good boys but not great like the kind of greats needed to win at Notre Dame. The university really goes out after 22 freshmen each year, but not being able to offer as much as other big time schools, Leahy asserted, saying there were only 22 scholarships available.

About 80 per cent of Notre Dame players are Catholics. There are five assistant coaches to help handle the squad of 100 which dwindles to 75, and Leahy claimed his squad had one of the highest general I.Q. in the nation. No one can enter Notre Dame unless he is in the upper third of his high school class, and that applies to athletes, too, Leahy asserted.

STRONG SALEM BOY AT O.S.C.

George Meyers of Salem has been listed by Oregon State coaches as one of the two Rook gridders with the best chance of playing varsity next season. Meyers, a big tackle, also is a heavyweight wrestler and shot putter who placed second in the state prep meet last spring. The other frosh mentioned was Leon Hunter of Central Catholic . . . Spotted in Wagner's restaurant in Corvallis: A 7-foot-3 picture of Swede Halbrook on a poster to promote the March of Dimes campaign. A tube for dimes runs the full length of the picture, with a capacity of 1,827 dimes . . .

NO SOFT SCHEDULE FOR SALEM

A season's record to date of 8-6 doesn't sound like much unless one analyzes Salem high school's schedule. Probably no other team came up with such a stoney path. The Vikings have lost to Milwaukie, rated No. 1 in the last state poll; Corvallis, rated No. 2; Marshfield twice, rated No. 3; Roosevelt (split in two games), No. 4; Eugene, No. 5; and tomorrow night will play Corvallis again and Grants Pass, rated No. 7, here Friday and Saturday.

Does that end the misery? No, then comes Lebanon, Albany (rated No. 6 before Salem skunked them), Eugene and Milwaukie again, with lowly Springfield thrown in. That represents seven of the top 10. Coach Harold Hauk doesn't believe Roosevelt belongs as high as No. 4.

STRAY STRAWS

PCC football schedules of 1957 and 1958 were released last week, in case one is keeping his date book, and it shows Oregon State opening against USC both years; Oregon opening against Idaho each time; both Oregon teams play all eight members (only Oregon, OSC and WSC do); and Idaho plays only three each year . . . When Lebam, Wash., played at Salem Academy recently the opposing coaches were former teammates at Salem Academy—Bob Funk and Lowell Mikkelson. They played on the team that won the Marion-Polk County league in 1948 . . . Bob Mathias, the Stanford athlete, has a little brother, Jim, who is a 201 sophomore at Occidental college who can hit 50 feet in hte shot put even now . . . Donn Moomaw, the former UCLA grid ace, was to leave today for London to join Evangelist Billy Graham, and will return to U.S. in the fall to attend Princeton's divinity school.

No Chance To Add to Club Power

Salem Senators made no player deals at the Western International league directors meeting at Lewiston over the week end because offers of trades would not have helped the Salem baseball team.

That was the report brought back Sunday by Hugh Luby, general manager, and Bruce Williams, Senator club president. The 10 clubs all were wanting to strengthen their teams but deals probably won't jell until along toward spring training, Luby ssid.

Raised Salary Limit

In other official action, directors tentatively approved a 154-game schedule to open April 29; raised the monthly salary limit by $600 to $6000 for all players; voted to keep all home gate receipts; removed the limit of 12 on number of veteran players on the roster; raised the roster total from 16 to 17, excluding National Defense Service players who are allowed at the rate of one per four others; decided that games rained out in the first half would count in the second half standings; abolished the transportation pool.

Salem opposed removal of the veteran limit, keeping of all the home gate instead of 60 per cent as before and ending of the transportation pool, but was outvoted on each issue.

"Salem won't suffer," Luby pointed out, "because we feel the Senators will be well supported by home fans. Our reason was to protect clubs going on the road with meager funds." Voting with Salem were Vancouver and Tri-City.

The transportation pool formerly was built up from one cent from each admission going to the league pool, which was divided at the end of the season according to miles traveled. The change will cost Salem about $300 a season, the general manager noted.

While the veteran limit will be used by some to pick up oldtimers, Salem intends to have mostly limited service and rookies, Luby observed.

Schedule Changes Due

Yet to be altered on the split season schedule adopted is the adding of games on May 31 (after Memorial day) and July 5 (after Independence day) and to arrange for all July 4 and 5 games to be played in the United States. That, Luby pointed out, was because those dates mean little in Canada.

The keeping of all home gate receipts will mean that each club must concentrate on home promotions, for teams which draw poorly at home will have less income.

Opening games will find Edmonton at Salem, Wenatchee at Lewiston, Calgary at Tri-City and Victoria at Vancouver.

Calgary said it hopes to begin building a new, larger ball park in 1955. Minimum admission prices for home games will be retained at 65 cents for bleacher seats and 90 for the grandstand.

Big vs. Little Pins The big, or standard, bowling pin all-star team above conquered the duck pin specialists (below) in a special set of matches the past two week-ends to see which team was more adaptable in the changeover. The duck pin lads won by 324 pins on their own alleys, while the big pin team overcame this deficit in their first two games on the regulation alleys. Above, left to right, are Tom Brennan, Ray Gunn, Don Poulin, Benn Valdez and Bob Ryan. Below are Bill Campbell, Herb Neinast, Arnold Meyer, Glen Blanton and Jerry Davis.

'Big Pin' Bowlers Rally To Beat Duck Pin Stars

For the first time in two years, the big ball artists of the Capitol Alleys managed to come through with a win over the duck pin all-stars as the final block of four games was rolled Sunday afternoon.

Faced with a 320 pin deficit as a result of the first four game block at the B&B Alleys, the big ball boys turned loose anchor man Tom Brennan who fired a big 830 series for the four games to lead his team to a 300 pin victory. Tom shot games of 225, 221, 207 and 177 for his big total. He was supported by Benn Valdez 790, Ray Gunn 691, Don Poulin 734, and Bob Ryan 719.

High trundler for the B&B gang was Jerry Davis who tallied 640 for the four games which edged Arnie Meyer's effort by 6 pins. Others shooting were Bill Campbell 593, Herb Neinast 568, and Glen "Digger" Blanton with 586.

The match was much more one sided than it should have been as the Duck pinners were off their games at both houses and would have made it much more interesting had they been shooting their normal game.

A return match is now being planned for the future.

Dallas Defeats Stayton 77-56 Out of League

DALLAS — Stayton's Eagles, in second place in the Capitol league, ran into the Dallas Dragons for a 77-56 defeat at Dallas Saturday night.

The Dragons, leading the Willamette Valley league, had a scoring demonstration by their forward, DeWayne Hoffman, whose 31 points highlighted big first and third quarters for Dallas.

Dallas held quartertime leads of 25-11, 41-21 and 66-36.

High for Stayton was Wayne Minten, with 17. Dave Neitling had 14 and Neilson 10 for the Eagles. The preliminary was won by Dallas jayvees.

Stayton (56)		(77) Dallas
Neitling (14)	F(8)	Ray Domasey
Neilson (10)	F	(31) Hoffman
B. Gohl (4)	C(9)	Rex Domasey
Minten (17)	G	(10) Brandli
Willardson (0)	G	(4) Holdorf

Reserves Scoring: Stayton — Key (2), B. Gohl (2), Wallen 16). Dallas—Wildt (4), Read (4), Hinds (1), Davis (5), Colburn (2), Moser (1). Officials: Kolb and Beard.

Stayton	11	21	36	56
Dallas	25	41	66	77

Silverton Tops Estacada Five; Tied for Second

SILVERTON—Silverton and Estacada played themselves into a second place tie in the Willamette Valley league here Saturday night as Silverton outfoxed Estacada, 54-43. The game made up for the postponement last Tuesday because of snow.

Silverton's next WVL battle Tuesday will be crucial, being at Dallas against the league pacers.

The Rangers were in contention going into the third quarter trailing by only four points, 23-27, but the Silver Foxes opened the gap to eight points at the end of the third, 38-30.

Fred Kaser, Silverton's consistent center, scored 17, as did Gary Ames of Estacada. The preliminary went to the Silverton jayvees, 53-41, in an overtime.

Estacada (43)		(54) Silverton
Marshband (10)	F	(10) Copple
D. Kiggins (9)	F	(13) Wolf
R. Kiggins (4)	C	(17) Kaser
Ames (15)	G(8)	Umbenhower
Dmytryk (2)	G	(4) Black

Reserves Scoring: Est. — Hayden (1), Silv.—Hochendorf (11). Officials: Sirnio and Valdez.

Est.	6	22	30	43
Silv.	14	27	38	54

EX-PLAYER DIES

RICHMOND, Calif. (AP — William Cleveland Lane, 61, holder of the Pacific Coast League lifetime record for stolen bases—468—died Sunday.

Lane stole 61 bases in the 1919 season with Oakland, and 60 in 1922 with Seattle.

Mt. Angel Falls To St. Francis

MT. ANGEL—Mt. Angel of the Willamette Valley league couldn't hold its halftime lead and lost to St. Francis of Eugene, 46-43, here Sunday afternoon in a basketbal game.

The Eugene quintet trailed 12-13 at the first stop and 23-26 at the halfway mark before zipping into the lead, 41-34, at the end of the third quarter. A nine-point Mt. Angel effort fell short although St. Francis was held to five in the final stanza.

Bob Welsh, St. Francis center, led with 18 and Jib Zauner of Mt. Angel netted 13. St. Francis jayvees won the preliminary, 42-39.

St. Francis (46)		(43) Mt. Angel
Robertson (4)	F	(13) Zauner
Cerkoney (4)	F	(10) Traeger
Walsh (18)	C	(7) Hitz
Tiski (11)	G	(7) Buchek
Jans (6)	G	(4) Warva

Reserves Scoring: St. Francis — Barrisson (1), Cable (2). Mt. Angel—Frey (6). Officials: Beard and Kolb.

St. Francis	12	23	41	46
Mt. Angel	13	26	34	43

Ducks, With Division Lead, To Host WSC 2 Nights

NORTHERN DIVISION	Won	Lost	Pct.
Oregon	6	2	.750
Oregon State	5	3	.625
Idaho	4	4	.500
Washington State	2	4	.333
Washington	1	5	.167
SOUTHERN DIVISION			
California	4	0	1.000
Southern California	2	2	.500
Stanford	1	3	.250
UCLA	1	3	.250

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Pacific Coast Conference Northern Division basketball chase headed into its second half Monday and only one thing was certain—the eventual outcome still is uncertain.

The University of Oregon Ducks have the inside track at present, leading the five loop members with a 6-2 record and a chance to widen the breach Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

The Ducks host on those nights the Washington State Cougars, who, for the most part, have been completely ineffective this season.

Oregon State, the second-place team at 5-3, takes over host chores for the Cougars Friday and Saturday nights. At the same time, Idaho, in the No. 3 spot with 4-4, travels to Seattle and a two-game series with Washington.

Washington State holds down fourth place with a 2-4 record, while Washington's Huskies bring up the tail-end of the standings at 1-5.

Oregon State, pre-season favorite to cop the division title, found prosperity too hard to take after last Friday night's 52-41 victory over Oregon and dropped a 42-40 decision in the second game of the series Saturday night.

The Ducks took control of the final game of the series early in the first half and managed to stay ahead the rest of the way, although the Staters pushed the Ducks all the way. Oregon's Max Anderson topped individual scoring with 18 whole OSC's Wade (Swede) Halbrook was held to 10.

Idaho and Washington State were idle Saturday night following WSC's 71-61 victory over the Vandals Friday night.

Washington, taking on an intersectional foe, won its second victory in 16 starts Saturday night by outlasting Brigham Young, 55-51. The hapless Huskies dropped the opener of the series, 89-79 in overtime, Friday night.

Karl Voegtlin was the big gun in the Huskey attack as he netted 18 points, four better than BYU's top individual effort by Nick Mateljan.

The Huskies started fast and held a 30-20 advantage at the intermission. But the Cougars of BYU caught fire at the start of the fourth quarter and narrowed the gap to one point, at 50-49, with less than three minutes left.

Washington started a successful stall and took advantage of Brigham Young gouls to run the margin out to four points before the final buzzer

Oregon State	G	F	P	T	Oregon	G	F	P	T
Dean,f	1	5	1	7	Hberg,f	3	2	3	8
Whman,f	3	0	2	6	Wener,f	0	2	2	2
H'brok,c	3	4	3	10	Anson,c	7	4	3	18
Vlaica,g	4	2	1	10	Hland,g	2	3	2	7
Toole,g	1	1	3	3	Page,g	1	1	1	3
Romoff,c	1	0	1	2	Bell,f	0	1	0	1
Halgan,g	0	0	1	0	Ross,f	1	1	3	3
Robins,g	1	0	2	2					
Jarboe,g	0	0	0	0					
Totals	14	12	16	40	Total	14	14	14	42

Oregon State	14	3	15	8—40
Oregon	15	8	12	7—42

Free throws missed: Oregon State—Dean 2, Vlastelica, Toole, Robins. Oregon—Halberg, Wegner, Anderson 3, Holland, Ross. Officials: Batmale and Mercer.

Versatility Needed for Hoop Stars

Great high school basketball players who don't click in college competition probably lack one or two fundametnal abilities which make them easy targets, the Salem Breakfast club was told this morning at the Senator hotel.

Al Lightner, Pacific Coast conference referee and sports editor for the Oregon Statesman, explained that a player must be an all-around performer—if not tall and husky, at least a dynamo, a long shot specialist, play maker and feeder.

Lightner, whose talk covered prospects of Northern division teams, added that perhaps a lad who was a prep star has only one good shot, can't dribble with both hands, is easily checked or can't handle defensive assignments.

A Shrewd Bunch

"These Northern division coaches are a shrewd bunch who play every game as though it was a national championship contest," he said. They "sit up nights" charting new defensive or offensive patterns, Lightner concluded. It's one of the toughest leagues in the nation, he asserted.

So far, Washington has done the best job of stopping Swede Halbrook, the 7-foot-f Oregon State center, Lightner believes. The Huskies put a big center behind Halbrook to keep the Swede away from the basket, and another in front. Idaho tried only one and Halbrook scored more than 120 points in four games.

Strong zone defenses have kept scores down in the Oregon-OSC meetings, Lightner observed, and all OSC opponents have made Halbrook earn his points. WSCS upset of Idaho has made Oregon and OSC coaches perk up, he said.

Every player's weakness is becoming known around the division, the speaker assured, which is one reason Tony Vlastelica, Ron Robins and Ron Fundingsland (injured Friday) were not used more. Vlastelica is not a defensive star and Robins can be checked, he pointed out.

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Oregon Collegiate Conference	W	L	Pct.
Eastern Oregon	4	2	.667
Oregon Tech	4	4	.500
Oregon College	3	3	.500
Portland State	1	4	.200

Saturday Results:
Oregon Tech 71, Portland State 63
Eastern Oregon 88, OCE 73

MONMOUTH—The tables were reversed on Oregon College when Eastern Oregon evened up the series Saturday night, 88-73, and climbed back on top the Oregon Collegiate conference.

Dr. Bob Livingston's Wolves were tied with EOCE with a 3-2 record after Friday night's 76-61 victory.

Bobby Frantz and Larry Pryse carried on a scoring race, that part of the battle being won by OCE's Frantz with 26 to 24 by Pryse, but Pryse had more support elsewhere as four Mountaineers hit 16 or more points.

EOCE was in front at all rest stops, 21-18, 41-37 and 60-50, really stepping it up with 28 in the last quarter while OCE added a respectable 23.

Next game for OCE will be Portland State in Monmouth.

EOCE (88)	fg	ft	pf	tp	(73) OCE	fg	ft	pf	tp
Pryse,f	9	6	1	24	Grover,f	1	2	3	4
Wekow,f	7	3	2	17	Cnain,f	6	0	3	12
Adrain,c	8	2	5	18	Frantz	11	4	4	26
Burton,g	3	3	5	9	Pinon,g	5	4	3	14
Sewitz,g	6	4	3	16	Davis,g	11	3	3	11
Baum,f	0	0	1	0	Hberg,f	0	1	1	1
V. Svge,f	1	2	3	4	McKrz,f	0	5	0	5
Huston,g	0	0	0	0	Sanly,g	0	0	1	0
					Bman,g	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	20	22	88	Total	27	19	22	73

Free throws missed: EOCE—12, OCE 12. Officials: Lightner and Kelly.

EOCE	21	41	60	88
OCE	18	37	50	73

JOE PALOOKA — By Ham Fisher

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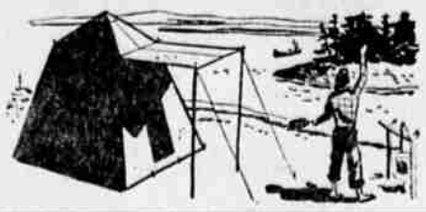

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