

Salem Closes Schedule Tonight Against No. 1 Milwaukie

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THE MAIL COMES THROUGH

Letters from our readers are always appreciated, and we are happy to note that such letters to this column are becoming more and more frequent. Two recent communications gave us food for thought.

One of from Mr. William O'Neill, of Gardner Road, Salem, who mentions the fact that coast streams are not what they once were. In art, he writes: "The removal of timber, fires, more farm land, has permitted faster run-off of water, scouring of gravel bars, exposing of solid rock instead of gravel, settling of mud and silt in eddies, covering spawning beds, on nearly all coast streams. . . . Years ago it took a few inches of rain to muddy a stream, now a good shower will do it."

Mr. O'Neill inquires why it would not be a good idea to build up streams on the west slope of the Cascades to support steelies, streams such as the Clackamas, Molalla, Santiam and McKenzie rivers. Our answer is that it would be an excellent idea, and in fact, progress has already been made in the direction of improving west slope streams. We don't know too much about the Molalla, but we do know that there are runs of fish in the Clackamas and North Santiam. As for the McKenzie, we have never heard of steelhead that far south.

Someday, tributary streams of the Willamette may hold excellent steelhead runs.

PROGRESS AGAINST POLLUTION CITED

Our second letter helps explain this. It's from our friend, Dr. Kermit Peterson, Ore. State Veterinarian. Kermit comments on a recent article of ours about stream pollution, and enclosed a copy of the Oregon Health Bulletin. The Bulletin has this to say about progress being made to eliminate pollution:

"Adequate sewage treatment systems will be serving about 90% of Oregon's total sewer population when projects now under construction are completed, according to a 1953 progress report issued by the State Sanitary Authority. The report contains many impressive statistics, revealing the progress we are making to clean up sewage disposal problems.

Now the matters of sewage disposal and the improvement of streams for steelhead are tied closely together.

FISH AND PEOPLE NEED OXYGEN

Fish need oxygen in the water in order to live. Pollution in streams robs the water of this life-giving element. During the summer months, especially, the Willamette has been practically an open sewer for much of its distance. At Portland, the oxygen has been so lacking during these periods that fish could not survive. What this means, is that in the past, migrating fish have had a tough time running the gauntlet of this deadly water. This has been a factor that has strongly contributed to the elimination of runs of steelhead and salmon up the Willamette and its tributaries.

Thus, if pollution is largely eliminated, fish again will have a chance to migrate successfully. Then it will be possible for the game commission to work effectively to restore runs of migratory fish to our western Cascade streams. While all this talk of sewage disposal may sound pretty dull to a lot of folks, to the angler it means fish on the line—days of fun and relaxation, not only to him, but to those who come after him. Everybody has a stake in making the waters of Oregon clean again.

Lindsey Assured of No Fast Count From Ref

With the fast-counting referee out, Luther Lindsey will have one obstacle missing to a revenge victory over Ivan Kameroff and his bruising bear hug in the main wrestling event tonight at the Salem Armory.

Lindsey, if he hasn't found a way to escape consistently from being squeezed like a lemon, still faces power almost equal to his own even with referee Harry Elliot of Portland replacing Tony Ross.

"I was just getting my second wind when Ross said the match was over," the Negro complained last week as Kameroff was awarded the match.

Eric "The Great" Pederson is back in Salem, rougher and more arrogant than ever after appearing before the television cameras often in Portland. If he has learned any more rough stuff, it will be up to Gene Nigro to absorb it in the semi-main event.

Pepper Gomez, a crowd pleaser in ex-football, is back on his feet, will show how to handle George Drake, the Catalina Island grappier, in his quest for higher billing in the Northwest.

Gomez, a personable lad, received compliments from several fans a month ago when he put on a clean "attle."

The opener will match Jack Rush against Chester Wallace, who whipped O'Rourke last week in a close match.

Bob Turley, promising young pitcher for the Baltimore Orioles, won 23 games for Aberdeen, S.D., in 1949, his first year in organized baseball.



BOB BROWN

Milwaukie Beat Viks On Jan. 5

The Salem high Vikings close out their regular season schedule tonight with a non-league contest with the strong Milwaukie Mustangs, rated the number one team in the state with 19 wins and one loss. Salem will be gunning for an upset win to add to their win over Eugene Friday.

Salem although they dined high ranked Eugene, dropped to ninth in the recent poll, mainly because of a loss to Albany. The Vikings have a 13-8 record, with all the losses to teams ranked in the top six. They have beaten fourth ranked Roosevelt, third ranked Eugene, sixth ranked Albany, and tenth ranked Grants Pass.

Lost Earlier 75-63 Harold Hauk's Vikings lost earlier in the season to the Mustangs, 75-63, at Salem but their fighting spirit will be hard to stop. Salem will start Jim Knapp and Gordy Domogalla at the guards, Bob Wulf at center, and Phil Burkland and Tom Pickens at the forwards.

Milwaukie is composed of a veteran squad, including fine backboard men Elmen Bloedel and Bill Fredericks. They are fast and large. Their lone loss was at the hands of seventh ranked Gresham.

The Mustangs were the only new team on Salem schedule this year. Salem will play in the large new gymnasium tonight which was not ready until midway in the season.

In the junior varsity game tonight Lee Gustafson's Salem high JV's meet the Milwaukie JV's. Salem will be after their second straight win over the Milwaukie junior varsity.

SALEM VARSITY

Tom Pickens, forward
Phil Burkland, forward
Bob Wulf, center

Jim Knapp, guard
Gordy Domogalla, guard

SALEM JUNIOR VARSITY

Don Zeh, forward
Marv Rhine, forward
Dale Jones, center
Bob Tom, guard
Bob Foreman, guard



High Flying Yankees Jerry Coleman, left, and two other Yankees' rookies see some fun at club's training camp at St. Petersburg, Fla. Coleman is expected to fill the gap at second should Billy Martin have to go into service. (AP Wirephoto)

Duquesne Holds Poll Lead Over Kentucky, Indiana

NEW YORK (UP)—Duquesne's unbeaten basketball forces continue to lead in a battle of ballots with Kentucky—also unbeaten—for top national honors.

The Dukes from Pittsburgh, for the second straight week, captured the No. 1 spot in The Associated Press poll of sports writers and from Lexington close behind.

The first six teams, in fact, held their ground from the previous balloting with Indiana, Western Kentucky, Oklahoma A&M and Notre Dame following the leaders.

Holy Cross jumped to seventh place from ninth, George Washington, the Southern Conference pace-setter, remained in the No. 8 spot, Seattle dropped two notches to the top ten this week, supplanting Duke, the lone newcomer

Adolph Rupp's Kentuckians came up with 27 firsts and 853 points.

Both teams now own identical 22-0 records.

The leading teams on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 point basis (first place votes and won-lost records in parenthesis):

1. Duquesne (32) (22-0) 934
2. Kentucky (27) (22-0) 853
3. Indiana (21) (17-3) 691
4. Western Kentucky (6) (26-1) 606
5. Oklahoma A&M (11) (21-2) 529
6. Notre Dame (3) (17-2) 449
7. Holy Cross (6) (21-1) 304
8. George Washington (14) (18-1) 281
9. Seattle (4) (24-1) 227
10. Duke (2) (18-5) 158

The Second Ten

11. Maryland (2) (21-5) 148
12. Louisiana State (16-2) 142
13. LaSalle (1) (20-4) 133
14. Wichita (24-3) 86
15. Oklahoma City (14-5) 85
16. Dayton (22-5) 77
17. Kansas (14-4) 71
18. Colorado A&M (2) (20-4) 36
19. UCLA (18-3) 35
20. Iowa (15-5) 29
21. Illinois (15-4) 29

Others receiving more than 10 points: Niagara 22, Furman 20, St. Francis (Brooklyn) 18, Louisville 17, Loyola (New Orleans) 16, St. Francis (Pa.) 15, Colorado 15, North Carolina State 14, Northwestern 13, Oregon State 12, Northwestern 12, St. Louis 11.

Beavers Obtain Pitcher Logue

PORTLAND (UP)—Frank Logue, who formerly pitched in the Western International and Central Leagues and American and Southern Assn.'s, Monday was signed on a "look" basis by Portland of the Pacific Coast League.

General manager Bill Garbarino said the Beavers obtained the 26-year-old right-hander's contract from the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Logue makes his home at Bremerton, Wash.

Gavilan to Box Jno. Cunningham

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (UP)—Weller-wire champion Kid Gavilan meets Johnny Cunningham of Baltimore Tuesday night in the first of two ten-man fights before the gas after Bobo Wynona's mid-flight crown April 2 in Chicago.

The 10-round non-title fight at the Miami Beach Auditorium will not be telecast or broadcast.

Milwaukie Is Solid No. 1 Choice; Salem in Ninth

(By The Associated Press)

For the first time of the season, Milwaukie is the unanimous selection as the No. 1 team in the weekly Associated Press poll on high school basketball in Oregon.

Milwaukie, which now has 19 victories in 20 games, has been the No. 1 team all season, but never before was it able to corral all the sports writers' votes for first place.

No new teams appeared in the top 10 this week, but the others were shuffled about as several upsets were scored.

Eugene Drops One Eugene tumbled before Salem, 57-51, and fell from second to third place. Corvallis scored two more victories and moved back to

second place, a position, it held until last week's displacement.

Roosevelt of Portland managed to hold on to the No. 4 spot, despite a loss in city play, and Marshfield continued in No. 5, district play.

For the remaining positions the voting was closer than ever. Only eight points separated Albany, which wound up in the No. 6 spot, and Grants Pass, the No. 10 team.

This week the order from 6 through 10 was: Albany, Gresham, Baker, Salem and Grants Pass. Last week it was Baker, Salem, Gresham, Albany and Grants Pass.

Albany's climb stemmed from a 54-49 victory over Salem, which

also accounted for Salem's fall to ninth place. Baker also lost one game over the week-end, and fell two places in the poll.

The poll, with season records for each team:

Team	Points
1. Milwaukie, 19-1	110
2. Corvallis, 18-2	97
3. Eugene, 15-4	73
4. Roosevelt, 16-3	64
5. Marshfield, 17-7	63
6. Albany, 15-6	36
7. Gresham, 15-3	34
8. Baker, 13-7	31
9. Salem, 13-8	29
10. Grants Pass, 15-5	28

Others: La Grande and Burns 10, Clatskanie 6, Benson of Portland and Hillsboro 2, Medford, Dallas, Ontario and North Bend.

Gold Gloves Event Gets To Finals

SEATTLE — Top Pacific Northwest amateurs battled Tuesday in the semi-final round of the 19th annual Golden Gloves boxing tournament here.

Champions will be crowned in 10 divisions Tuesday night and the Golden Boy, No. 1 fighter of the two-day tourney, will be named Wednesday.

One upset marked the opening round Monday night.

Gerry Boucher, of Vancouver, B.C., flyweight champion in 1953, lost a close decision to Rod Graddon, of Seattle, a finalist in the recent Tacoma Golden Gloves tourney.

Joe Bethea of McChord Air Force Base, who won the welterweight title here last year and went to the national finals at Boston, got by the opening round with ease, stopping Carlton Lincoln of Portland in the second round. The referee stopped the fight after Bethea caught Lincoln in a corner and punished him unmercifully for almost a minute.

Fred Robinson, former University of Washington football player now in the Army at Fort Ord, Calif., took a decision over Bud Hamilton of Whidbey Island, Wash. Naval Air Station in the night's top heavyweight bout.

UP Poll Puts Salem Ninth, Albany 18th

PORTLAND (UP)—Milwaukie high school's powerful basketball team, sporting a 19-1 record, again took first place in the Oregon Journal's weekly coaches poll today.

Milwaukie picked up all but two first place votes for a total of 78 points. Roosevelt of Portland, ranked fourth, and Burns, ranked eighth, got the other first place ballots.

Gresham moved into the first five, replacing Marshfield which dropped to sixth place.

The standings:

Team	Points
1. Milwaukie	78
2. Corvallis	66
3. Eugene	57
4. Roosevelt	55
5. Gresham	33
6. Marshfield	31
7. Grants Pass	25
8. Burns	16
9. Salem	14
10. Benson	9

Others: Cleveland and Baker 8; Lincoln, Redmond and Ontario 7; Hillsboro 6; La Grande 5; Albany 4; Central Catholic 3; The Dalles 1.

Pioneers Tromp Whitman, C of I Falls to Pacific

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lewis and Clark smothered Whitman 102-78 Monday night to tighten its hold on first place in Northwest Conference basketball standings.

The win at Portland coupled with Pacific University's 90-71 defeat of College of Idaho dropped Whitman out of a second place tie with Willamette. Pacific University took over the berth, ahead of Willamette, on the strength of the victory at Forest Grove.

Norm Hubert of Pacific topped the point production in the two games with 31. Ken Servas of Lewis and Clark was next with 28, followed by R. C. Owens, of College of Idaho, 22, and John Robinson of Whitman, 19.

OSC, California 24th in UP Poll

NEW YORK (UP)—Oregon State tied with California at six points apiece for 24th spot in the United Press college basketball ratings made by coaches on performances through last weekend.

Seattle University found itself in 18th spot with 22 points in the selection that placed Duquesne as top team in the nation with 324 points.

Top team on the West Coast was UCLA with 25 points in 11th place.

Fights Last Night

BROOKLYN — Gene Smith, 127, Washington stopped Dave Gallardo 128-9, Los Angeles 3.

HOLYOKE, Mass. — Gerald Dryer, 150, South Africa stopped Johnny Bowman Brown, 156, New York 4.

BUTTE, Montana — Damon Thycareno, 145, Los Angeles decisioned Billy Sudduth, 147, Topeka, Kan. 10.

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THE AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY JUST PHONED US THIS NEWS ABOUT THE URANIUM STRIKE IN ARNHEM LAND.

WEEK HAS PASSED SINCE THE PALOOKA-MCFARLANE FIGHT. JOE IS ENJOYING REST.