Third Saxon Joins Sick List; Viks Loom

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Sports Report

By CHUCK BOICE

Elgin Baylor Is the Greatest

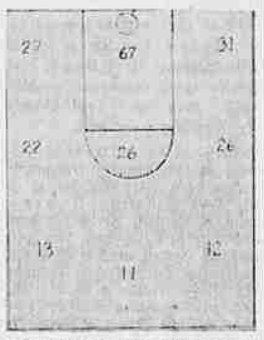
Emmett Watson, the much-quoted sports columnists for the Seattle PI, pretends to be a man not easily convinced.

Everyone is saying, "Elgin Baylor is the greatest basketball player I have ever seen." That is, everyone except some of the leading coaches whose words would pack the most meaning. Without this authoritative corroboration, Watson delays getting on the bandwagon for a couple of paragraphs and then joins in . . . all the way.

Watson, who has sold a number of national mag sports articles and has the wonderful quality of being a serious young man who takes himself not at all seriously in print, came across some highly significant evidence to help him join the mob voting for Baylor.

Knowing full well how the Seattle U publicity department feels about getting this sort of evidence spread far-and-wide, we reveal it in the picture-puzzle above.

The Chieftain drum beaters call this a half a basketball court. The numbers represent the number of field goals hit by Elgin from these approximate locations. He has 67 from close in by the basket but plenty from elsewhere, too. It's little wonder they hand him the ball near midcourt when they want that long one in a hurry.



BAYLOR'S PERCENTAGES
. . . hits from everywhere

Writer Watson, a former WIL catcher, is right in not waiting for Tippy Dye of Washington Huskies to start pitching for Baylor. The chart represents 23 games and it's very doubtful if another big backboard power such as Baylor ever wrote one like it.

Hunt Is Grade A From Class B

Long Shots from Here 'n There:

Of the numerous "sure-fire" college basketball prospects cavorting in the state, one of the hottest is in the B ranks at Knappa high. Bob "Pudgy" Hunt (he's a rawboned 6-5 and must have picked up that much used nickname at a very early age) is the lad and will be remembered as a great freshman and sophomore performer in the state B tourney at Willamette.

Being a first cousin of ex-OSC flash Tony Vlastelica, he probably comes by the best hook in the high school ranks quite naturally . . . and he's been pumping them in to the tune of about 30 points per outing. Against Corbett a few weeks back he had a very poor first half—two field goals in 13 tries. He warmed up in the second half, however, with 13 for 16! He finished with 41 points.

Last week against Banks, an A-2 school, he and the other regulars played only the first half but it was enough for him to tally 57 points. The Loggers led 49-14 at the intermission and won 86-41 to close out the regular season with a record of 22 wins and no losses.

College coaches from some distance likely will make it to the B tourney in Bend.

Talent Coming for the A-2

They won't be apt to pass up a look at the outstanding collection of A-2 teams that will be in town March 11-13 regardless of who wins in some of the districts yet to be decided.

In the 7 A-2 sub-district playoff, following a pair of impressive wins over Burns, are the Madras White Buffaloes who now have a record of 17-0. Coach Ole Johnson apparently has another dandy such as advanced to the semi-finals in the A-1 show three years ago.

He has excellent height in 210-pound Dick Weiser at 6-6 (he averaged 15 points as a junior in '56), Eugene Harris and Murray Newton at 6-3 and 6-2 Paul Stine.

Eddie Grossenbacher, Willamette's freshman guard, won't be all through for the Bearcats this year when the last ball is bounced next month.

The Milwaukie freshman is rated as one of the top baseball prospects around. As a junior on the Mustangs' top-flight tourney prep team of two years ago, he was named all-state second baseman.

Grossenbacher's basketball sub of a year ago at Milwaukie is quite the rage of the Metropolitan league. Little (5-7) Con Pekkola is averaging 17.3 points per. In a ragged loss to Beaverton, he scored 26 of his team's 36 points and, in one ball-stealing spree, scored three baskets in 10 seconds.

Scoring Leaders From 5-9 to 7-Feet

The nation's leading basketball scorers run in all sizes. The newest sensation, South Carolina's Grady Wallace, is six-four. Above him there's Wilt Chamberlain at seven feet and way below is Chet Forte of Columbia at five-nine.

This obvious difference in approach at putting the ball through the hole makes the opposing coaches' pet defense a little tricky this year. The favorite method of the big-time coaches for stopping such game-winning characters is by legislating more rule changes. As has been said, basketball men come up with more regulations and plans than the federal agricultural people.

Oregon's Steve Belko isn't much for these fancy changes but he would like to see a rule whereby all reserves of first division teams could be drafted by the bottom clubs.

When St. Louis' Bob Pettit, the greatest scorer in professional basketball today, was checked right into a cast for the balance of the season by one Jim Loscutoff, it brought back thoughts of more hectic (and winning) days at Oregon. Right now Belko would love some of those extreme headaches brought on by the likes of Messrs. Loscutoff and Bob Peterson.

Borcher Busy While Others Worry

Come to think of it, there doubtless are nights when Slats Gill would like to be worrying along with Big Swede.

One of those who got away from it all, ex-Duck boss Bill Borcher, always was one with a great deal of drive and go and is right in the thick of it at Roseburg. Eugene sports editor Dick Strite says that Borcher is with U.S. Plywood in public relations and labor relations, in a wholesale business with former U of O teammate Paul Jackson, officiates basketball, plays on an independent basketball team and, as anyone would bet who knows Borcher, has his horn blasting away with a local dance band. Hardly enough time left there to miss coaching.

Tonight the Surroz Motors local AAU champions go after a state tourney berth in the final playoff game at North Salem high gym. Coach Jack Dancer, the ex-Willamette stars and the "transfers" from the strong Paddock's team of Eugene have done a great job, only losing to Portland Outdoor and one-of-three to the Willamette jayvees.

Pro Tennis Very Much Alive

Tennis may be a practically dead game in this country according to some, but these pros do very well. In ten matches in Australia, the Jack Kramer troupe, featuring Pancho Gonzales and Ken Rosewall grossed $127,000 of which a net (the long green variety) of $84,000 went to Kramer and his four hired hands. And they're just getting started.

It's a first class operation. Upon arriving in San Francisco by air from "down under," they had to fly immediately to New York for an engagement, then to Dallas, Tex., the next night and back to San Francisco the following evening. It's nice to know they can afford it.

Favorites Win Around State

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

All the favorites won in Oregon high school basketball play Tuesday, but Grant of Portland had to go into overtime to do it.

Grant finally squeezed out a 44-43 decision over Cleveland to maintain its lead in the Portland League. Second-place Lincoln also won, downing Roosevelt, 74-52.

Benson of Portland moved alone into third place with a 74-37 trouncing of Franklin. Jefferson, previously tied with Benson for third, was idle.

Grant is ranked No. 6 in the state, Benson No. 9 and Lincoln No. 10.

Scores 52 Points

Others of the top 10 were idle, but among other highly regarded teams South Salem downed Dallas, 51-44, and McMinnville defeated Tigard, 53-48.

Virgil Merrill scored 52 points as he led Drain to a 70-37 win over Pleasant Hill. That ran his total to 521 points in 20 games. Close behind him in that same league is Jim Martin, who tallied 33 for Elmira in a 69-59 victory over St. Francis of Eugene. Martin now has run up 107 points in the last three games.

Dragons Shaded, 51 to 54

Russell, Moore Back; Lewis Turns Ill

By JOHN HARVEY
Capital Journal Sports Writer

South Salem Coach Dick Ballantyne, already buried under by problems, faces a new one today, although his Saxons broke a three-game losing streak Tuesday night by beating Dallas, 51-44, in a non-league game at South Salem.

Ed Lewis, a 6-2 senior forward, became the third Saxon to go on the sick list when he came down with the flu Tuesday afternoon. It appears doubtful if the regular forward will be ready for Friday night's crucial game against North Salem at North Salem.

Weak in the Knees

Ron Russell and Dan Moore both saw limited action after being sidelined with the flu for a week, but both were not at top strength although Russell was high scorer with 13 points in his brief stint. With these three not in best condition things look bad at South Salem.

South coasted to its victory over the Dragons with Ballantyne substituting liberally in the hope of finding a combination that will be able to stop North Friday night.

The Saxons were shorter than their opponents but still they controlled the boards, 41-25. North Salem, however, is taller yet and will be a tough customer for the weakened Saxons to handle.

Dallas Led Once

Dallas led once and that was for 12 seconds in the second period. The Saxons took a 10-8 first quarterlead, but Claude McLean hit on a jump shot with 3:05 left in the second period to put Dallas ahead 16-15. Larry Thompson came right back with a long one-hander to put the Saxons ahead to stay. By halftime they had taken a 22-18 lead.

The Saxons made the first four points of the second half and from there on in they weren't threatened seriously. They led 34-29 at the start of the final stanza and led by as much as 12 points.

Russell couldn't miss with his hook shot as he hit on four of them. Stan Anderson had nine points to follow Russell in the scoring. Moore played 13:27 and Russell saw action for 14:59.

South Jayvees Win

Dave Marsters, Dave Henry and Jack Bernier all hit for eight points to tie for scoring honors for Gordy Kunke's Dragons.

The South Salem JV's scored an amazing 44 points in the second half to whip the Dallas JV's 62-43. After trailing 24-18 at halftime, the junior Saxons got red hot and couldn't miss. Jerome Goertzen had 20 with all but two of those points coming in the second half. Johnny Brown trailed Goertzen for the Saxons with 16. Phillips led the losers with 18.

Dallas (44)	fg	ft	pf	tp	(51) Saxons	fg	ft	pf	tp
Claus	2	1	1	5	Brunelle	2	0	1	4
Marsters	3	2	2	8	Burres	2	3	0	7
Henry	3	2	2	8	Robinsn	0	0	0	0
Parsons	0	0	0	0	Bayne	0	0	1	0
Bernier	3	2	1	8	Scott	3	0	0	6
McLean	2	0	1	4	Moore	1	1	0	3
Fast	0	1	2	1	Russell	5	3	2	13
McBee	2	2	2	6	Andersn	4	1	0	9
Nash	2	0	3	4	Trelstad	0	0	1	0
Frey	0	0	0	0	Coon	1	0	1	2
					Watkins	0	1	0	1
					Thmpsn	2	2	1	6
Total	17	10	14	44	Total	20	11	7	51

Free throws missed: Dallas 5, Saxons 7. Officials: Wickert and Tosti.

Dallas JV (43)		(62) Saxon JV
Wall (10)	F	(16) Brow
Phillips (18)	F	(2) Johnson
Sherman (6)	C	(8) Calaba
Berkey (4)	G	(0) Marr
Blank (3)	G	(20) Goertzen

Reserves scoring: Dallas — Birkholder 2, Saxons—Rath 2, Hartman 8, Evans 6. Officials: Anderson and Tosti.

Albany Romps At Roseburg

ROSEBURG (Special) — Albany High School, behind center Buz Wilfert's 19 points, blasted the Roseburg Indians, 48-31, in a non-conference basketball game here Tuesday night. Albany earlier in the season had defeated the Indians, 53-38.

Albany led, 25-17, at the half.

Wilfert's total was tops for the evening. Wes Jackson had seven for the losers.

Roseburg won the Bee game, 49-29.

Albany (48)		(31) Roseburg
Close (2)	F	(4) Sloan
Prohaska (10)	F	(7) Jackson
Wilfert (19)	C	(2) Barrong
Wilson (10)	G	(0) Montgomery
Rohrbough (4)	G	(6) Cripps

Reserves Scoring: Albany: Mullen (1) Zander (2) Roseburg: Skeets (2) Caudill (4), Hoenisch (2), Fray (4). Officials: Borcher and Cole.

Salem Officials To Be Referees In State Events

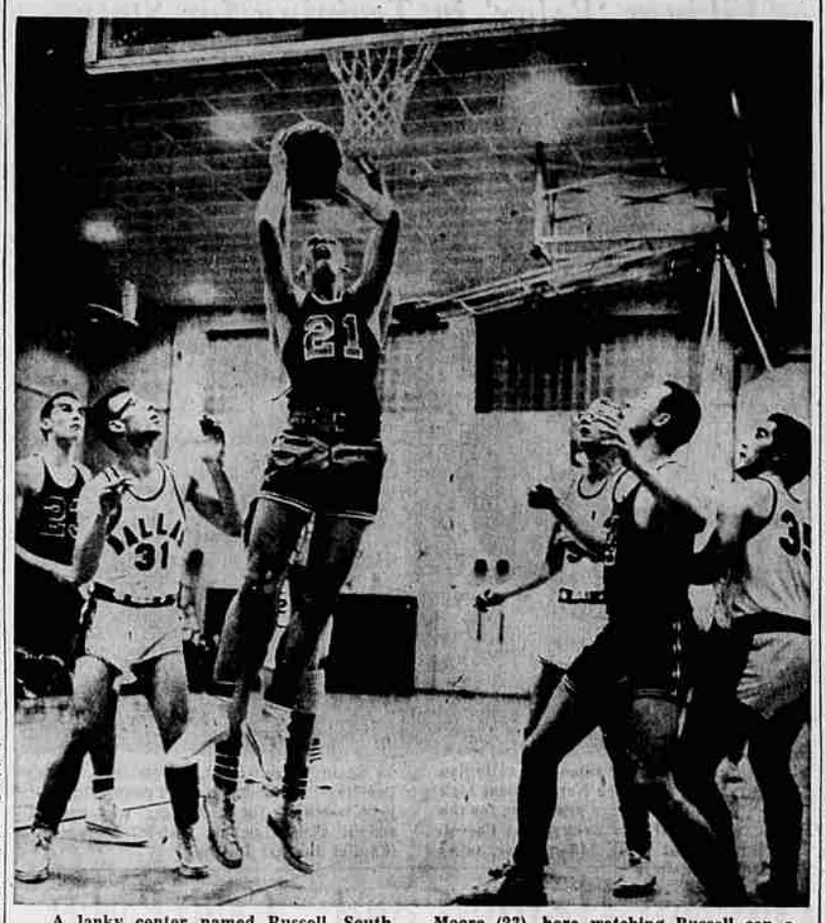
PORTLAND (AP) — Referees for the state high school basketball tournaments next month were picked Tuesday by the Oregon School Activities Assn.

For the A-1 tourney at Eugene March 12-16 they will be Bill Borcher, Roseburg; Carl Kligel, Pendleton; Lee Flink, Medford; Joe Proulx, Redmond; and Dan Jones, Bill Gatch, Pat Patterson and Bob Howell, Portland.

For the A-2 meet at Salem March 11-13: Jake Leicht, Roseburg; Charles Humble, Coos Bay, and Don Vandervort and Murl Anderson, Salem.

For the B tourney at Bend March 7-9: Bill Beard, Salem; Robert Cole, Roseburg; Carl Weisinger, Hood River, and LeRoy Childers, La Grande.

Russell Returns to Lead Saxon Win



A lanky center named Russell, South Salem's Ron (21), was over the heads of his teammates and the Dallas Dragons Tuesday night as he returned from a battle with the flu bug to lead the Saxons to a 51-44 win. Returning with him was Dan Moore (23), here watching Russell can a lay-in along with South's Jerry Brunelle (4) and Dallas' Dean McBee (31), Merlin Fast (33) and Jim Nash (35). Russell was high point man with 13. (Capital Journal Photo by Jerry Claussen)

Basketball Scores

OREGON PREP RESULTS

South Salem 51, Dallas 44.
Albany 48, Roseburg 31.
Serra 46, Stayton 40.
Cascade 53, Gervais 33.
Woodburn 64, North Marion 51.
Silverton 54, Mt. Angel 53.
Salem Academy 77, Banks 30.
Willamina 51, Sheridan 33.
Sherwood 63, Amity 60.
Dayton 66, Philomath 37.
Sandy 67, Canby 44.
Molalla 44, Estacada 36.
Perrydale 55, Oregon Deaf School 47.
MacLaren 48, Chemawa 47.
Colton 52, Sublimity 45.
Jefferson 65, Scio 47.
Santiam 61, Shedd 41.
St. Paul 38, Gaston 36.
Valsetz 96, Eddyville 43.
Milwaukie 63, Gresham 48.
Forest Grove 54, Oregon City 44.
Ontario 49, Vale 36.
Toledo 59, Coquille 46.
Siletz 72, Monroe 56.
Hood River 57, Wy'East 48.
Cascade Locks 45, Corbett 38.
Oakridge 45, Willamete (Eugene) 42.
Creswell 58, Junction City 55.
Scappoose 91, Troutdale 67.
Seaside 50, Vernonia 39.
Elmira 69, St. Francis (Eugene) 59.
Drain 70, Pleasant Hill 37.
Beaverton 59, Hillsboro 57.
Parkrose 47, Douglas (Portland) 44.
McMinnville 53, Tigard 48.
West Linn 54, Oswego 46.
St. Helens 71, Newberg 33.
Sutherlin 53, Riddle 32
Myrtle Creek 51, Oakland 20

Portland League

Grant 44, Cleveland 43 overtime.
Benson 74, Franklin 37
Lincoln 74, Roosevelt 52.
Washington 62, Wilson 28.

COLLEGE RESULTS

Oregon Tech 71, Southern Oregon 57.
Santa Clara 72, Fresno State 51.
St. Martin's 72, Seattle Pacific 65.
North Carolina 86, North Carolina State 57
Georgia Tech 87, Tennessee 85
Virginia 90, Duke 81
South Carolina 85, Furman 77
Dartmouth 73, Holy Cross 69
Southern Methodist 71, Texas A&M 55
Rice 82, Arkansas 69
Harvard 69, Williams 66

NBA

Boston 112, New York 110
St. Louis 96, Fort Wayne 83

BLUES J.V. WINS

Leroy Haven scored 11 points to lead the Leslie Junior High Blues jayvee team to a 31-24 victory over Keizer grade school Tuesday. Jim Shephard was high for Keizer with seven points.

Padres Asked About Tanselli for Solons

Brenner Gets No Word Yet of George

Manager Bill Brenner of the Salem Senators has contacted the San Diego Padres about availability of shortstop Gene Tanselli this summer.

Brenner said today that he has asked the Padres how they will dispose of him if he decides not to report, and if he could be optioned here. Tanselli played with Tulsa in the Texas League last season after several seasons with the Senators.

Tanselli and two others, outfielder Jack Dunn and infielder Mel Krause, are coaches in Portland high schools and would not be on hand except for home games.

Brenner also said that he has received no word from Andy George, the strong righthanded Senator pitcher who led the Northwest league in earned-run averages last year. It was rumored this week that George would stay in New Jersey and work.

"Of course we're hoping he'll come back and we'll expect him unless we hear otherwise," Brenner added.

Harper Loses To Lou Joseph

LONGVIEW, Wash. (AP) — Lou Joseph, 152-pound Seattle slugger, gained a seventh round TKO over Maurice Harper, 149, Oakland, Calif., in the main event of a boxing card here last night.

Joseph, ahead on points all the way, opened a gash under Harper's right eye and the doctor ordered the bout stopped at the end of the round to prevent further injury.

Bruce Olson, 266 pound behemoth from Eugene, Ore., stopped Billy Wright, 198, Seattle, in the third round of a scheduled six round semi-final.

Teddy Hall, 135, Seattle, decisioned Jackie Moreno, 140, Seattle, in six rounds.

In the opener, Tuffy Hayden, 165, Vancouver, B. C., stopped Ralph Colvin, 166, Portland, Ore., in three rounds of a scheduled four round go.

The card was witnessed by 500 persons.

Class A-1 Tourney Forming

10,000 Applicants For Tickets to State Sent

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene (Special) — Preparations for the 39th annual Class A-1 high school basketball tournament were well under way here this week as more than 10,000 ticket applications for the prep cage classic went in the mail.

The 16 top A-1 teams go into action here March 12 and the champion will be crowned on Saturday night, March 16, after 12 sessions which include 26 games. Franklin of Portland is the defending champion, but the Quakers have run into tough going this season and apparently are eliminated from contention.

No Price Changes

There have been no changes in the ticket prices for the 1957 classic, with adult reserved seats priced at $10 and student tournament tickets again selling for $4.

The adult reserved seats for the tournament are currently on sale and ticket office officials have announced all fans who desire the same seats they have held in the past will have an opportunity to order until Feb. 23. After that time the tournament tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis and all tickets ordered in advance will be mailed to fans on March 3.

The Active Club of Eugene, which has been a co-sponsor of the tournament along with the Oregon School Activities Association and the University of Oregon, again will plan many of the activities for the students attending the tournament and handle housing for visitors. The 1957 Active Club chairman is Ted Mohr and the tournament headquarters for the club have been set up in the Eugene Hotel.

Spieser Likely To Box Moore Early in April

DETROIT (AP)—Chuck Spieser, in line for a crack at Archie Moore's light heavyweight title, is a college-educated, two-time Olympic fighter so prone to cuts that he once seriously considered quitting the game.

The contract isn't signed and all the details haven't been worked out, but indications are that the 27-year-old ex-GI will take on ageless Archie at Detroit's Olympia April 5 or 12.

Spieser has averaged only about half a dozen fights a year since he turned pro in late 1952. Last year he had only four bouts, and he had to go to the heavyweight ranks each time to earn a paycheck.

With only 24 fights under his belt, his top payday was about $10,000 when he dropped a 10-round decision in New Orleans last May to heavyweight Willie Pastrano.

Winning 19 fights, Spieser has lost four — two of them by technical knockouts because of cuts about the eyes — and fought to one draw. Fourteen of his victories came on knockouts. He has been off his feet just once.

TICKETS ON SALE

Reserve seat tickets went on sale today at the South Salem high school main office for one dollar for Friday's North-South basketball game. Harold Hauk, director of athletics, said that the season's largest crowd is expected. Last year 1763 attended the game in addition to 650 South Salem students.

Johnson Snares 38 for Valsetz

VALSETZ (Special)—With Ernie Johnson showing the way, the Valsetz Loggers bounced Eddyville, 96-42, in a Tri-County League basketball mix here Tuesday night.

Valsetz led, 39-21, at the half. Johnson poured in 38 big points to take game honors. Buddy Clark canned 14 for the visitors.

Valsetz copped the Bee prelim, 49-42.

Eddyville (42)		(96) Valsetz
Smith (5)	F	(26) Ferren
Clarke (14)	F	(11) Pederson
Burnham (11)	C	(38) Johnson
Lamb (0)	G	(2) Dodge
Foster (12)	G	(0) Davidson

Reserves scoring: Valsetz—Alstott 5, Millburn 14.

North Carolina basketball coach Frank McGuire could play a team that average 6-foot-8.

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