

Researchers Study Scales Of Steelhead

Portland—"Steelhead are in"—a magic phrase that galvanizes steelhead anglers to feverish action. During the winter months, thousands of ardent fishermen head for favorite streams, and the very worst weather is no deterrent in their quest for this huge, mysterious sea-run brawler.

Mysterious indeed is this big fish, and although much is known of the life history, large gaps remain in existing knowledge of steelhead life. In order to fill in the gaps in the story of the steelhead, an extensive study is now being conducted by the Oregon Wildlife Research unit in cooperation with the Oregon Game Commission. This organization is located at Oregon State college and is supported by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Wildlife Management Institute, and the Commission.

Steelhead runs throughout Oregon are being sampled and studied by means of scale analysis. Scale patterns, like the rings in a tree cross section, show the age and periods of growth. Such data as length of fish at each winter of life, age and length at migration to sea, patterns of growth in fresh and salt water, and the number of spawnings can be obtained by the calculations from scale measurements. A large number of samples is necessary to the success of such a study.

Alsea Selected
For more specific work, the Alsea river has been selected as a representative coastal stream, and a program has been set up to secure all possible information about its steelhead runs.

Research unit and game commission personnel will make a comprehensive check of anglers throughout the winter months to secure scale samples of the steelhead caught. In addition, a program of trapping, marking, and scale sampling of downstream juvenile migrant steelhead will be conducted.

All steelhead fishermen who fish the Alsea river have been invited by the Commission and the research unit to participate in the study by taking scale samples from the fish they catch and thereby help in the effort to improve their future steelhead angling.

NORTHWESTERN AIDE
Evanston, Ill. — (U.P.) — Paul Shoultz today was named backfield coach at Northwestern University. He served in the same capacity at Miami (Ohio) university under Ara Parseghian, who recently was named head coach of the Wildcat football team.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

PCC, CBA Title Campaigns Underway This Week End

By HAL WOOD
Los Angeles—(U.P.)—The wide-open Pacific Coast Conference, and the closed-door California Basketball Association races open this week-end as the cage sport finally gets around to taking over the spotlight from the draw-out football campaign.

In the PCC, it is anybody's race. UCLA and Washington have been voted the teams "most likely to succeed," but California and Stanford are sporting the finest records. And Southern California is just starting to show good form.

But in the California Basketball Association race, the battle is strictly for second place. No one, but no one, expects to beat out University of San Francisco.

In fact, even the PCC race looks kind of hopeless, because for the first time in history, the winner must meet directly the CBA champion for the West Coast title in the NCAA playoffs. Previously, CBA teams were listed as "at large" clubs.

No Split
This is the first year that the PCC has campaigned as a non-

dividend organization. In past years, the Northern Division was made up of teams in the loop from Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The four California teams played in the Southern Division. The winners of each division then met for the conference crown.

Only one title is at stake this year. The defending champion is the Oregon State Beaver club, but Coach Slat Gill doesn't appear to have the talent to repeat.

UCLA, Southern Division winner last year, looks to be coming along after a slow start. The team went to the finals of the Holiday Festival Tourney in New York—only to be slaughtered by USF. In Willie Nulls, the Bruins have one of the best basketball players in the country.

Stanford is the only unbeaten member of the PCC. The team now has won seven in a row, including double victories over Washington. But Coach Howie Dallmar fears his club lacks the height to go all the way. His tallest man is Carlos Bea, who is only 6 4 1/2—a mere midget these days.

Height Problem
California, after dropping its first game to St. Mary's, has rolled to seven straight wins. But here again lack of height puts limitations on the club.

Idaho, with two veteran guard, and a flock of good sophomores, may develop. Oregon and Washington State are expected to be also-rans.

In week-end games Southern California plays two at California; UCLA entertains Idaho for a pair; Stanford visits Washington and Oregon State invades Washington State. Oregon plays Portland University in a non-conference tilt Saturday.

The unenviable task of stopping USF goes to Pepperdine College as the CBA opens competition for the first time as an eight-team league. Santa Clara meets San Jose and Loyola tangles with Fresno State in Friday games. On Saturday, St. Mary's plays Pepperdine, Loyola tangles with College of Pacific.

Riverside, Calif.—(U.P.)—The Riverside campus of the University of California is participating in an extensive study to find methods of determining aptitudes for speaking and understanding foreign languages.

Raiders Play At LaGrande

By UNITED PRESS
Oregon Collegiate conference 1956 basketball play opens tonight with two games scheduled. Portland State, defending champion and winner of last year's district 2 NAIA title, meets Oregon, which finished second last season, opens against Southern Oregon at LaGrande. The same teams meet again Saturday.

Oregon College of Education meets Seattle Pacific tonight and Saturday at Seattle, and opens its league play Tuesday by hosting Portland State at Monmouth.

Eduardo Lause Fights Savage

New York — (U.P.) — Middleweight contenders Eduardo Lause of Argentina and Milo Savage of Salt Lake City, Utah, will meet tonight in a fight that may be the last at Madison Square Garden for an indefinite period.

Not until the "ban-riff" between the Boxing Guild of New York and the N.Y. State Athletic Commission is settled can fans expect for sure another fight-show at the famous punch emporium.

Lause, the most spectacular middleweight slugger since Rocky Graziano, is favored at 17-5 to beat slam-bang Savage in their TV-radio 10-rounder and register his 32nd straight victory as he opens his campaign for a 1956 shot at the title.

Basketball

THURSDAY COLLEGE SCORES
East
St. John's (N.Y.) 79, Providence 59.
Colgate 92, Univ. Puerto Rico 69.
Pittsburgh 72, Columbia 58.
South
St. Louis U. 110, Louisiana St. 79.
Tulane 72, Georgia 56.
Maryland 62, Geo. Wash. 48.
Newberry 81, Citadel 56.

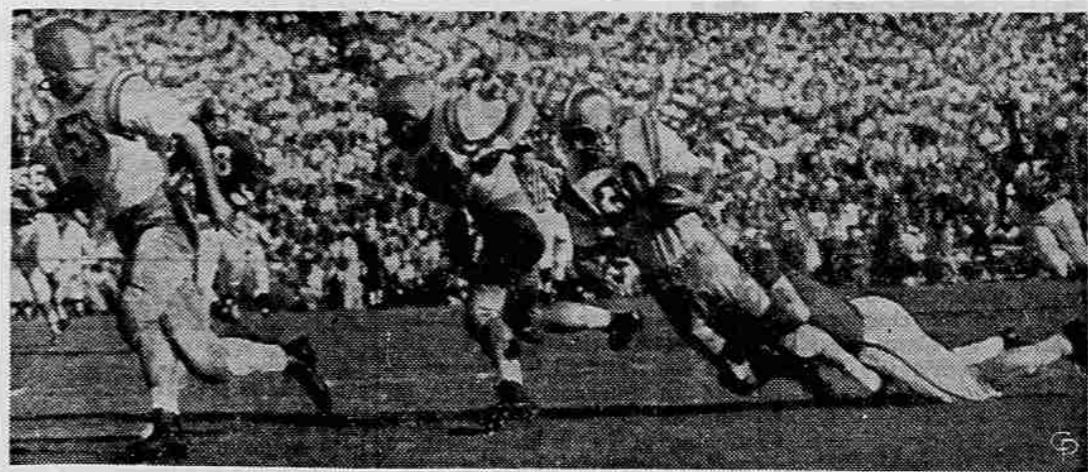
Senior Bowl Tournament (Championship)
Springhill 69, Memphis St. 65. (Consolation)
Clemson 98, Miami 96.

Midwest
Dayton 68, Duquesne 52.
West (Modesto Tourney)
Stockton College 75, Long Beach City College 51.

Seattle 89, Gonzaga 72.
Whitworth 81, Central Washington 79 (overtime).

DODGERS SIGN NEAL
Brooklyn — (U.P.) — Second-baseman Charley Neal has signed his 1956 contract with the Brooklyn Dodgers, it was announced today. The much-sought Brooklyn farmhand batted .274 and hit 15 home runs last season with Montreal in the International League.

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FOLLOWING PLENTY OF INTERFERENCE, Jim Decker appears headed for touchdown until he is hauled down from behind after intercepting Michigan State pass on

first play after kickoff. Crowd of more than 100,000 saw Pasadena contest. (International)

Angling Rules Walton Subject

The 1956 Oregon fishing regulations will be a subject before members of the Jackson county chapter of the Izaak Walton League at a meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 10.

Hight's real estate office, 221 North Central ave., will be the meeting place. An 8 p.m. time has been announced.

The angling regulations will be discussed by Cole Rivers, Grants Pass, Oregon Game Commission fish biologist. An Alaskan movie also will be shown.

Sports Broadcasters Will Present Plaques

New York — (U.P.) — Welterweight champion Carmen Basilio, pro football great Otto Graham and President John Reed Kilpatrick of the New York Rangers Hockey team were voted plaques of merit today by the Sports Broadcasters association.

President Don Dunphy said they will be honored Feb. 2 at the annual dinner of the radio and television sportscasters in New York. The dinner also will feature presentation of Graham McNamee Memorial awards to Babe Dirlikov Zaharias and Manager Walter Alston of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

ANNOUNCEMENT POSSIBLE

Chapel Hill, N.C.—(U.P.)—University of North Carolina Athletic Director C. P. Erickson and Jim Tatum were expected to arrive here today from Miami where they have been dickering about the vacant post of head football coach. It had been reported a decision on whether Tatum would succeed George Barclay as Tarheel coach would come either Thursday or today.

Mount Singalang in central Sumatra gets 320 days of rain a year with a mean relative humidity of 93 per cent.

Celtics, Pistons Triumph in NBA

By UNITED PRESS
The Boston Celtics closed in on first place in the Eastern Division of the National Basketball Association today but it's still a Fort Wayne runaway in the Western Division.

The Celtics moved to within a game and a half of the lead Thursday night when they defeated the New York Knickerbockers, 92-87, while the first-place Philadelphia Warriors bowed to Fort Wayne, 92-81.

Fort Wayne's victory put it four full games ahead of second-place

Walker Says Again He's Through With Football

Honolulu—(U.P.)—Doak Walker said today he will "talk" to Southern Methodist university officials who say they want him as their backfield football coach.

But Walker, in town for the Hula Bowl game, didn't seem enthusiastic about the offer. He repeated what he had said earlier: That after the Hula Bowl and later the Pro Bowl game, he is "through with football."



LEAPING HIGH IN AIR, Stanford's Barry Brown (22), is mite closer to ball than teammate Carl Isaacs and Stan Stewart (20), of St. Mary's. Stanford edged out Moraga team 51-50 in thriller played at Palo Alto. (International)

Miami, Fla.—(U.P.)—Bobby Ussery and Willie Hartack are conducting an interesting duel for the Tropical Park jockey championship. Following Thursday's program Ussery had 39 winners, one more than the 1955 national champion.

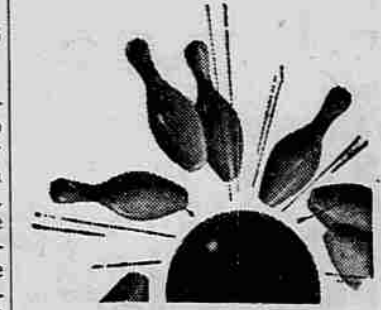
Taxpayers Reminded To Secure Statements

Portland—Taxpayers are reminded to secure withholding tax statements from employers before filing income tax returns. R. C. Granquist of the Portland district has announced.

Granquist said employees should also secure withholding statements from former employers if they have changed jobs within the past year. Withholding tax statements should be secured prior to Jan. 31.

CHURCH GROWTH

Berrien Springs, Mich.—(U.P.)—Membership in the Seventh-Day Adventist Church has passed the 1,000,000 mark, officials of the church's Emmanuel Missionary College here reported. The church was founded 92 years ago at Battle Creek, Mich.



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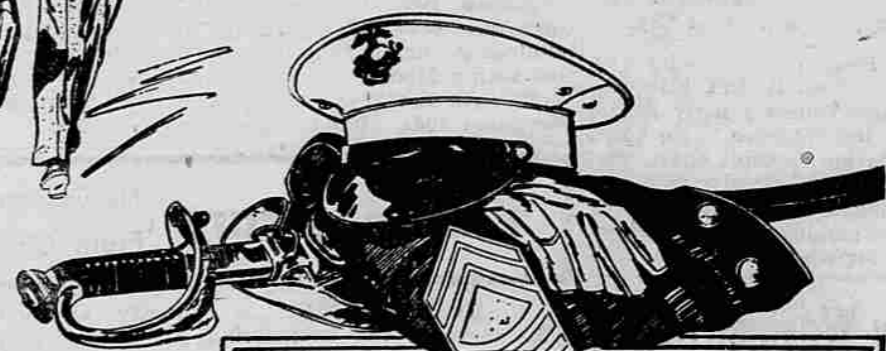
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