

Fish Season Opening Day Outlook Told

Portland (U.P.)—Thousands of Oregon trout fishermen will flock to streams for the opening of the 1955 season Saturday. The State Game commission said today that streams generally are in good shape west of the Cascades but that snow runoff has caused murky water in many areas east of the mountains.

In the northwest area, the commission said nearly all streams were in good condition except the Sandy, Clackamas and Molalla where snow runoff has caused water to be a little off color. Streams in the Willamette valley and along the coast are in good shape.

Rogue Slightly High In the southwest, the North Umpqua river is murky and the main Rogue is slightly high although water temperatures are improving.

Good results are expected in central Oregon. Rivers in the upper Deschutes area are in good shape. Wickiup reservoir is full. The Little Deschutes is out of its banks but water color is fair. The lower Deschutes below the Crooked river mouth is muddy from snow runoff. White river and 15-mile creek are good bets in this area.

Most streams in the northeast are high and muddy from the snow melt. Smaller streams appear the best bet in the Blue and Wallowa mountains. In the southeast, many streams are murky because of melted snow.

Southwest: Striped bass fishing in Isthmus slough over until fall; trout fishing should be fair to good in both forks of Millcoma; trout angling on south fork of Coos river and tributaries should be good; Coquille river should be good; bait probably best except flies in upper south fork.

Salmon fishing has been slow on lower Rogue but may improve; trout stream water conditions good with Chetco and Elk rivers good bets; Garrison and Floras lakes also should be good.

In upper Rogue area, streams are high and cold for this time of year with spinners and worms good bets; main Rogue slightly high; bait recommended; Applegate river in good shape above mouth of Little Applegate river; some creeks high but color good. Fish lake road in Jackson county opened last week to the resort; Willow creek reservoir in excellent shape; road and camping spots good; north and main Umpqua rivers cloudy by melted snow; prospects fair to good; Smith river, lower Umpqua and lakes in good shape.

Central: In general, water and road conditions will be good in Bend area; Deschutes above Bend to Wickiup dam is low and water clear except near Little Deschutes; from Bend to mouth of Squaw creek Deschutes in good condition but from Squaw creek to mouth of the Deschutes, water is high and murky; bait fishing will be best; Metolius clear and conditions excellent; Little Deschutes over banks; road to Blue lake closed by snow; Suttle lake accessible at east end at resort;



GIVING COLLEGE TRY in effort to break up double play, Gil Hodges, Brooklyn, goes into second base flying but the Phillies' Kazanski, ball in hand, is ready to fire it toward first to get Jackie Robinson. Action occurred in sixth inning. Dodgers won, 6-1. (International Soundphoto)

OSC Gridders Open Spring Drill Friday

Oregon State College, Corvallis—Another spring football session at Oregon State will begin Friday, with 18 returning lettermen from the surprising 1955 team expected to be on hand.

Coach Tommy Prothro, who led the Beavers to a second place finish in the Pacific Coast Conference race last season, will conduct another young squad through 20 sessions over a 30-day period. In 1955, OSC won six and lost three, with a 5-2 conference mark.

Prothro's staff remains the same and is composed of Clay Stapleton, first assistant; Bob Zelinka, line; Bob Watson, backfield; and Dick Twenge, freshman. Watson spurned an offer this winter from Jim Sutherland to join the new Washington State college staff. Also helping out with spring drills will be John Thomas, OSC captain in 1951, who is on the campus working towards a master's degree, following military service in Japan.

Lost via the graduation route, or other means, were 11 lettermen—six of whom won three varsity awards in their stay here. No longer available are Ron Siegrist and Howard Buettgenbach, 1955 co-captains, and Dick Mason, Bob Riggert, Andy Skief, Larry Stevens, Vern Sampels, Arlo Wenstrand, Homer Williams, Ray Westfall and Dan Naranche.

Letter-winners back from the 1955 squad are Bob DeGrant, Norm Thiel, Dwayne Fournier and Leon Hittner, ends; John Witte and Dave Jesmer, tackles; Vern Ellison, Ron Daniels and John Shiffen, guards; Bob Habraba and Dick Corrick, centers; Ted Searle, Gerry Laird and Frank Negri, blocking backs; Joe Francis and Bernie Bruce, tailbacks; Sam Wesley, wingback, and Tom Berry, fullback.

1955 reserves who did not letter include Sterling Hammack, Bob Henthorne, Bob Lee, Chuck Marsh, Bob McKittrick, Frank Pellegrino, Bob Sutton and Ernie Zwahlen. Bob Clark and Jack Hogan, who both missed last season because of shoulder operations, also will be on hand, in addition to one of the largest sophomore crops in years.

The 1956 Beavers will continue to use the balanced line single wing style of play, identical to that employed by UCLA. The Bruins and Beavers finished 1-2 in PCC play in 1955.

OLSON RESUMES Santa Monica, Calif. (U.P.)—Former middleweight champion Carl (Bob) Olson resumes training for his title bout with champ Sugar Ray Robinson today. Olson took Wednesday off to relax at comedian Lou Costello's ranch. He'll work out with sparring partner Ernie Green of Oakland today.

which has a chance for the crown. Crater has clinched a titular tie and the Eagles need to sweep the Friday-Saturday series to earn a playoff for the laurels.

The Rogue champ will claim the subdistrict toga and will play on its home field against the northern division winner for the District 6 prize. District outcome must be settled by May 15.

In the air above the earth's surface every acre has 34,500 tons of nitrogen.



SECTIONAL CHAMP—Pictured above is Margaret Taylor, Central Point, who won the national junior sectional smallbore rifle championship last week end at Roseburg. She is a member of Medford Junior Rifle club. Miss Taylor fired a score of 188. Jerry Cumpton, Roseburg, had the same total but Margaret edged him by one count in the off-hand event to win the top trophy.

Medford Junior Rifle Shooter Could Rank High

Margaret Taylor, Central Point, who last week end won the national junior sectional rifle shoot at Roseburg is rated as having a chance to rank among the top six girl shooters in the country this year.

A score of 189 was tops for girls in 1955. Margaret, 15, started shooting with the Medford Junior Rifle club in 1950 and has had regular attendance since. Her sister, Phyllis had the high girls' score at Roseburg last year with 181.

The two girls and William Goldin and Jim Fawcett made up Medford's third place team this year at Roseburg. Margaret had a 184, Phyllis a 177, Goldin 177 and Fawcett 161.

Medford marks in the individual shooting included:

John Fawcett 96-81—177, Jim Fawcett 98-74—172, Phyllis Taylor 95-76—171, James Shaw 89-76—165, Ken Kumasawa 95-68—163, Goldin 99-64—163, Kent Ballard 95-65—160, Eddie McGrew 99-60—159, Sandra Wilson 84-72—156, Carol Ballard 98-57—155, Jerilyn Smith 92-54—146, David Brown 91-51—142, Leslie Little 94-40—134, and Robert Jones 74-38—112.

Sports Broadcast

Radio station KYJC will carry both Portland Beaver home opening day baseball games at Multnomah stadium on Friday. The broadcasts are set for 1:45 and 8 p.m.

BAKER, HOLMAN SLATED

Miami Beach, Fla.—(U.P.)—Bob Baker of Pittsburgh, currently ranked third in the heavyweight division, and Johnny Holman of Chicago, ranked fourth, meet in the first of a series of heavyweight elimination bouts Wednesday, May 9, at the Miami Beach Auditorium. The 12-round bout will be telecast nationally.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 9:30 previous day.

OSC Golfers, Tornado Vie

Two ex-Medford high golfers will be in Medford on Friday to compete against their prep alma mater.

The two are Warren Deakins and Larry Copple, now freshmen at Oregon State college. A five-man OSC team will meet the Black Tornado. One other member of the Rook squad is expected to be Leighton Tuttle, ex-Eugene high star athlete.

Four positions on the Medford squad tomorrow are to be filled by Tom Hamlin, Gary Harrington, Dick Copple and Jim Materie, according to Coach Paul Evensen. Fifth spot will be occupied by Phil Mongrain or Bill Foote.

B Leaguers Mix Friday

St. Mary's high of Medford and Talent will go after their fourth counting victories of the season in Friday scraps in the Jackson County B Baseball League.

The two are still unbeaten in the race.

Talent has a date at Rogue River and St. Mary's goes to Jacksonville. Prospect plays at Butte Falls in the other league scramble. Should the Crusaders of Medford and Talent both come through this week their game at Talent on May 4 will be the decider in the pennant campaign. The clubs are playing a five-game league schedule.

Talent has won the crown for the past two years and has been a state tourney entry both seasons. St. Mary's was Jackson champ in 1953. The two schools

Promoter Says Kick-Back Asked To Stage Fight

New York (U.P.)—Government's anti-monopoly suit against the International Boxing club brought forth charges today from Sam Becker, a Cincinnati promoter, that he would have been forced to pay a \$150,000 "kick-back" fee to gain a heavyweight title fight for his city.

Becker, who was accompanied by a husky bodyguard when he appeared in federal District Court to speak his piece, said he especially wanted the Ezzard Charles-Jersey Joe Walcott title fight in 1949 because Cincinnati was Charles' home town and he was convinced there would be a sell-out crowd.

He came to New York, he said, and approached James Norris, the head of the IBC.

"Norris told me that the IBC owned both Charles and Wal-

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Ottawa—(U.P.)—Don St. John and Francis Sweeney of Xavier University of Cincinnati, have signed professional football contracts for 1956 with the Ottawa Rough Riders of Canada's Big Four Union.

cott and that if he wanted to promote a fight involving them it would cost \$150,000," Becker told the court.

The suit was recessed until Friday after the Wednesday testimony.

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BEAVERS OPEN FRIDAY ON MULTNOMAH FIELD

Portland (U.P.)—The Portland Beavers, playing in their big new home at Multnomah stadium, hope to establish a new Pacific Coast League attendance record when they clash with the Sacramento Solons in a day-night doubleheader here tomorrow to open their home season.

Multnomah Stadium, where the Beavers are moving from ancient Vaughn street ball park, has an announced seating capacity of 28,870. Bill Mulflur, assistant general manager, said today that 15,000 tickets have been sold for the afternoon game and about 13,000 for the night contest.

Hope for Sunshine This would assure beating any PCL marks for home openers this season, the largest to date

Wickiup reservoir accessible from main road and east river road along the Deschutes; Wickiup reservoir full and fish scattered; Odell lake accessible only at the east end at Odell lake resort; campgrounds under snow.

Kokanee fishing expected to be good at Odell lake which has some ice at east end; Crooked river tributaries high and murky; Ochoco river and lower portions of tributaries should be good; Klamath county should be fair but most streams high and roads at higher levels closed by snow; Wood and Williamson rivers don't open until May 26.

being 20,035 in Seattle for its day-night opener Tuesday. What Beavers officials hope is that they will be blessed with sunshine and an afternoon turnout which will beat the PCL record for one game of 23,603 set in San Francisco in 1946.

Mulflur said the Beavers' poor showing so far has not hindered ticket sales.

Last night Portland brought its record to 6-10 for the season by downing San Diego 2-1 behind Bill Werle's pitching.

Bob Alexander will pitch the afternoon game and Rene Valdes the night game for Portland tomorrow.

Crater Eyes Rogue Toga

Crater high's Comets will be out this week end to cinch the Rogue League baseball championship and the District 6 A-2 southern division banner.

The Comets are host to Eagle Point at Central Point on Friday. On Saturday the two teams vie at Eagle Point. Phoenix plays Illinois Valley at Cave Junction on Friday and entertains the Cougars on Saturday.

So far in the circuit, the Crater club boasts a spotless record over four games. The week end action will end the week end regular season for the loop and Eagle Point is the only club

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