

Sport Parade



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New York—Major league basketball expansion to the West Coast still is two or three years away, National Basketball association President Maurice Podoloff said today, but is as certain as the move just made by big league baseball.

The next additions in the NBA will be Chicago, Baltimore and Pittsburgh as the league works toward an eventual 15 to 18 teams in three separate divisions. Podoloff thinks it probable that Chicago will be in next season.

Talent is no problem but cities which have large enough playing arenas are the big stumbling block.

"That's the major problem on the West Coast," Podoloff explains. "The Cow Palace in San Francisco is adequate but we have to wait for buildings in Los Angeles and Portland. The difficulty is that they aren't off the ground yet."

Two a Minimum

The little Napoleon of pro basketball figures that the West Coast can get into the pro basketball race when it comes up with a second adequate building.

"We can start with two as a minimum on the West Coast," he says in his staccato voice. "But actually they need four or five teams to compose their own division. Then we can have Eastern, Midwestern and Western divisions."

The grand scheme, when such a setup finally is evolved, would accent local rivalries and cut down on intersectional travel. There would be a certain amount of intersectional play under the three-division plan but the main accent would be on intra-divisional rivalries.

"This is a national sport just as much as pro football and baseball," Podoloff explains. "There are 20 cities with a population of more than 500,000 people and we plan to move in on most of them."

From a shaky beginning, pro basketball has become a sure-fire proposition and the general reconstruction of what will eventually be a strong three-division circuit was started this season.

STEINER'S SCORE LONGEST

Chicago — The longest scoring play produced by a Big Ten team during the 1957 football season was Ron Steiner's 94-yard run with an intercepted pass for Wisconsin against West Virginia.

when the Rochester and Fort Wayne franchises were moved to Detroit and Cincinnati.

Myron Root, Guard Win

Myron Root company recorded its second verdict and Headquarters company of the National Guard put its first win of the campaign in the book in Medford Independent Basketball league conflicts on Wednesday.

Myron Root tripped Hawkinston Tire Treat 56 to 46 with platoon-style basketball. Bob Serak with 15 points and Dick Wootton with 14 paced the attack. Fred Johnson and Dale McCay each had 10 for the Tiremen.

Headquarters pounded Standard Stations 88 to 29 with Bob Holbrook scoring 30 counters and Bruce Bateman putting in 16.

LINE-UPS: Root, Hawkinston's 46
F 3 Bateman, Thorne 7
F 9 Smith, F. Johnson 10
F 4 D. Wootton, Clark 5
C 14 R. Wootton, Stacy 7
G 4 Atterbury, McCay 10
G 15 Serak, D. Johnson 6
Substitutions—For Myron Root: Shores 2, Wilkinson, Conner 2, Kaster 6; for Hawkinston's Young 1, Salting 2, Cavanaugh 3, Thompson 2.

88 Hdqtrs. Co. Standard 29
F 8 Bateman, Thorne 7
F 9 Lyons, Anderson 7
C 30 Holbrook, Hobbs 6
G 16 B. Bateman, South 2
G 10 Walls, Green 2
Substitutions—For Headquarters: Cooksey 6, Cox 4, Kellington 8, Kussell, Standard, Crum 2, Christian 1, Morgan 5, Williams.

Harry Mondale Bear Selection

Berkeley, Calif.—The Michigan State placed three men on California's all-opponent football team today, dominating the team selected by the Bear squad.

The three Spartans were end Sam Williams, guard Dan Currie and halfback Blanche Martin.

The leading vote getter, however, was Oregon's pint-sized guard, Harry Mondale, who polled 32 votes.

The Team Ends — Williams, and Gary Van Galder, Stanford; tackle — Ted Bates, Oregon State and Bill Leeka, UCLA; Guards — Mondale and Currie; Center — Bob Reifanyder, Navy; Quarterback — Bob Newman, Washington State; halfbacks — Martin, and Charlie Jackson, Southern Methodist; fullback — Chuck Shea, Stanford.



ACCEPTING PAY CUT, Roy Campanella signs 1958 contract with Dodgers at Los Angeles under direction of General Manager Buzz Bavasi. At left, Duke Snider, who also took a cut, and Mrs. Snider, aren't unhappy. (International)

BOWLING

Eight men and two women won birds in the turkey roll concluded earlier this week at Medford Bowling lanes. Ray Speer was 574 and Jim Morgan with 569 had top men's scores and Vera Cummings with 488 and Gertie Riggs with 483 led women. Other men's winners are Dick Spain, Ray Wise, Jim Sutton, Art Allen, Riley Appelgate and Bill Newland. A red head-pin tournament was conducted.

JACKSONVILLE HIGH LEAGUE

Jacksonville High School league is now bowling on Monday afternoon. The loop has the following officers: Dennie Owens, president; Karen Frohs, vice-president; Robin Wyatt, secretary; Marjorie Edens, publicity chairman; Ricky Zimmerman, sergeant-at-arms. Team and top individual averages established last Monday were:

Team One (Karen Frohs 132) 451; Team Two (Linda Hardy 134) 458; Team Three (Clara Anderson 97) 258; Team Four (Marty Wyatt 72 129 Team Five (Ricky Zimmerman 135) 285.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

Standings: Patterson's Bakery W. 37 L. 19

U.S. Considering Ambassador Group

Washington—The United States is studying a proposal to create a standing group of allied ambassadors in Washington to improve consultations among North Atlantic Treaty allies, in formed sources said today.

Some thought also is being given to expanding the group later to include ambassadors of nations in the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO), Baghdad Pact and Organization of American States (OSA). This would serve to link the several Free World alliances loosely so each will know more about the other's activities.

The ideas are among many being considered by the administration for the scheduled North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) meeting in Paris Dec. 16-18.

President Eisenhower's illness for a time cast a cloud over the meeting which was planned as a chief-of-state gathering to seek ways to strengthen allied scientific and military cooperation.

The White House and state department at first said the President's illness apparently ruled out his attendance. But the White House Thursday left the door open in view of the Chief Executive's apparent swift recovery.

Presidential Press Secretary James Hagerty said the President's doctors "will decide later" whether he can make the trip. He said if Eisenhower does not go Vice President Richard M. Nixon will go in his place.

The NATO allies agreed unanimously Thursday to go ahead with the meeting in either case.



RETURNING to Washington from conference with President in Augusta, Ga., Defense Secretary Neil McElroy meets press at the airport. (International)

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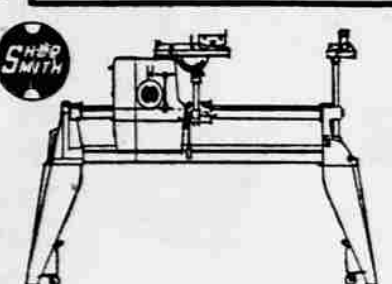
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