

San Francisco Hoop Squad Boasts Depth, Experience

(This is another in a series on the outlook of West Coast basketball teams.)

By SCOTT BAILLIE
San Francisco — The University of San Francisco Dons, loaded with experience and bolstered by a deeper bench than last season's NCAA title contenders, look like a sure-fire tournament hotshots again this year.

But don't say that to Coach Phil Woolpert, who refuses to look ahead to next March and the college classic.

"There are too many rivers to cross," says the thin man who has directed the Dons to a pair of NCAA titles and the semifinals in the last three campaigns.

He agrees, however, that the team is further along at this early point in the season than was last year's squad at the same time.

Four Starters Return
The Big Four who are returning from last season's quintet which finally went out to Kansas and Wilt (the Stilt) Chamberlain in the NCAA includes center Art Day (6-9), forward Mike Farmer (6-7) and guards Gene Brown (6-3) and Al Dunbar (5-10). All are case-hardened seniors with the exception of Day, a junior.

Add to this group the so-called "Fabulous Freddie" Lacour and you have quite a ball club. Lacour, a sensation at St. Ignatius High school, averaged 19.4 points per game last season for the USAF Frosh. He stands 6-5 and has a fine assortment of shots. He can play forward or guard.

The only trouble is that Lacour appears to have been pressing a little in his early outings with the varsity but Woolpert is certain he will loosen up.

Other veterans on hand are Bill Malen, who is a sturdy veteran of the Bill Russell-K.C. Jones era, guard Dave Lillewand who is a top rebounder although "only" 5-10, guard Bob Radanovich who steadily improved as a soph last year and Charles Russell, Bill's brother.

First Five Experienced
The starting five is loaded with power as well as experience. Many consider Farmer the best defensive man in the nation. Others hail all-around Gene Brown who made the NCAA all tournament team in March. Day, who can hook shot with either hand, learned defense the hard way last year—as the team went into a slump after posting a record of 60 straight wins.

And when things got a little bleak, they still had Dunbar to give them that lift in his natural role as a floor leader.

All in all, USAF figures to be just as rugged as ever. And another appearance in the NCAA tourney seems more than likely.

Dodson Takes Ashland Shoot

Ashland — Jim Dodson, Prineville, was victor last week end in the Ashland Gun club's sixth annual small bore rifle tourney. Dodson and Archie Haskins, Ashland, each fired 774 but Dodson had the better accuracy in the standing position. Clinton Charlie, Ashland was third with 772.

Ashland Gun club won the team shoot with 3048 and Rose VanBuskirk, Ashland, was high lady with 763. Mike Mills, Yreka, Calif., was high junior with 734 and Ruth Wyant, Ashland, high girl with 718. Ashland with 2791 was junior team winner.

Bill Jones, Roseburg, won the prone match with 200-3x. Haskins the sitting event with 200 and the kneeling with 196 and Charley was standing victor with 184.

Eugene — Preference ticket buying for the Rose Bowl game will end Saturday, Oregon officials said today. All persons desiring tickets were urged to mail their orders immediately.

Athletic Director Leo Harris said the general public classification is still open. He said "we are still confident we can offer tickets to any person in the state of Oregon who desires them."

Tickets are priced at \$5.50. Orders should be sent to the athletic department at the university. No over the counter sales will be made.

COWBOYS SLATE 10

Laramie, Wyo. — University of Wyoming announced today it will play a 10-game schedule during its 1958 football season with inter-sectional battles including Kansas State and Oregon State.

Barnstorm Clubs Wow Hoop Fans

Just as entertaining as ever. That's the Harlem Clowns, mirthful magicians of the maple court who appeared on a Medford floor last night for the first time in three seasons.

The Clowns displayed their comedy and basketball and skill while the House of David quint, which has plenty of talent itself, played straightmen before a sizable crowd last night at Hedrick Junior High school gym. The gym was not full but the crowd was large considering the fog.

Score, if you're interested—it was really just a side issue—was 77 to 71. It favored the Harlemites.

The Clowns, seldom very far ahead of the Davids, established their lead for keeps in the opening period and concentrated on their amusing capers and banter throughout the "contest." They provided both amusement and an exhibition of skill from the start, going into a magic circle of fancy and intricate passing right after the introductions.

Woods Leads Comedy
Bob Woods, a 6-3 cager with twinkling eyes and grinning teeth, was both the comedy leader and the main point maker for the game. Along with his clever faking, pivoting, passing and cutting up under the hoop, he poured in 44 of the Harlemites points, frequently dunking the ball.

Woods was one Clown who couldn't wait to be introduced. Action sometimes had to be held up while he came down the floor to take his position. Once, when a shot did not go in, Woods jumped, grabbed the ring and pulled himself up to see why. Another time, when a foul was called on him he threw the ball out into the hall.

Fred Pearson of the colored team gave an exhibition of the art of dribbling the ball. One of the bearded Davids managed to swipe it from him but Pearson stole it right back.

Uncanny Ability
The Clowns showed they are used to anything. When, during their "baseball game" the ball was batted into the balcony and a youthful spectator was hesitant to return it, they simply sat down and waited.

Uncanny ability to pass the ball around and to work or weave it in for shots was shown by the Clowns who passed up a number of good opportunities to score just to provide another chance to cut-up or show their skill. The Davids played a generally alert tussle, being quick to take advantage of chances to put the ball in the hoop.

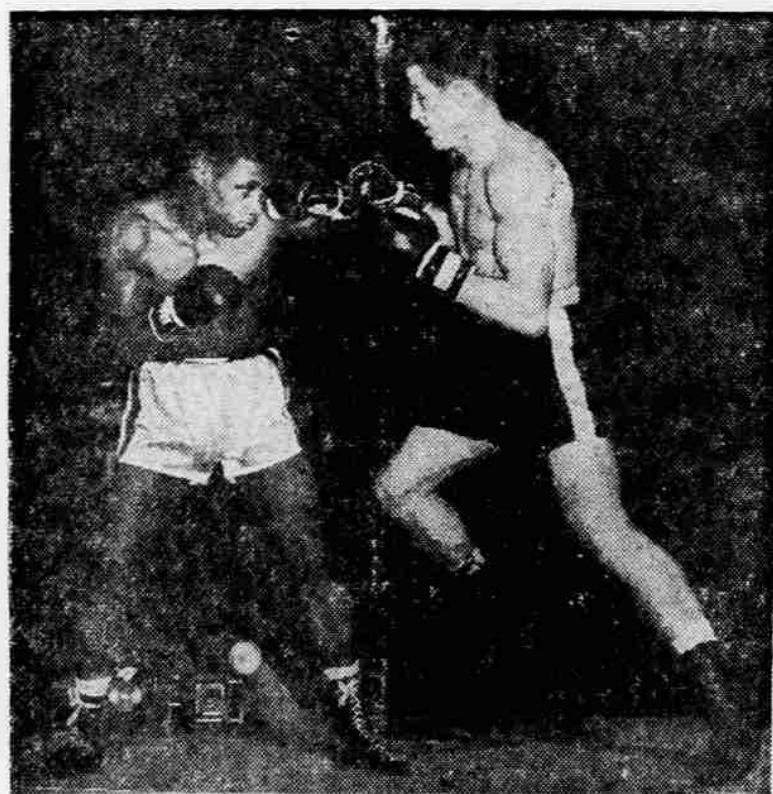
Ron Gould was tops in the scoring for the Davids with 16 counters.

LINE-UPS: Clowns 77, Woods 44, McBride 4, Barber 10, Pearson 9, Eessons 10, Substitutions—For Clowns, Luck, for Davids, Gatzek 10. Davids 71, Wheeler 10, Grecius 11, Moroski 12, Gould 16, Litke 12.

Ashland Man Injured In Sawmill Accident

R.J. Dozier, 28, of 216 Weightman ave., Ashland, was hospitalized at Ashland General hospital Wednesday after being injured in an accident in the sawmill at Kogap Lumber Industries, Medford.

Dozier, who was taken to the hospital by Medford Ambulance, was reported in fairly good condition by hospital officials Thursday morning. He is reported to have suffered a broken shoulder blade and possible back injuries.



OFFENSIVE — Southpaw Kenny Lane (right) puts his whole body behind his punch as he lunges toward Luke Easter during their scheduled 10-round lightweight bout in San Francisco. Lane won on a TKO in the eighth.

SPORTS

Bears, Dons Vie Tonight In Hoop Mix

By UNITED PRESS

The California Bears and the University of San Francisco Dons meet tonight for the first time since the Dons defeated the Pacific Coast conference basketball champions in the NCAA western regional finals last year at Corvallis, Ore.

San Francisco, with the same starting lineup that took third place in the NCAA last year, is expected to take care of the Bears again—this year as representative of the new West-Coast Athletic conference.

USF won the California Basketball association title last year, but the CBA gave way to the WCAC when Fresno State withdrew.

Bears, USF Unbeaten

Both Cal and USF go into tonight's games at San Francisco's Cow Palace with perfect records. The Bears have won three straight and the Dons have taken two.

Four other PCC teams also see action tonight. UCLA entertains Depauw, Idaho plays Nevada, Washington hosts Oklahoma State and Washington State visits Montana.

Other games scheduled include: Santa Clara vs. San Francisco State, College of Pacific vs. Arizona; Pepperdine vs. Arizona (Tempe) State, Sacramento State vs. Lewis & Clark, Humboldt State vs. Pacific Lutheran, Chapman vs. Chico State, San Diego State vs. Whittier, Long Beach State vs. Riverside, San Jose Frogs vs. Hartnell.

Three promising west coast teams saw action Thursday night—and the one considered most promising took a beating.

Seattle university, ranked 13th in the United Press poll, was beaten, 63-55, by the Beavers of Oregon State.

The University of Southern California Trojans hit almost 50 per cent of their shots to trim Loyola, 79-60.

Gonzaga university, which features the world's tallest collegiate player—7 feet, 3 3/4 inch Jean Lefebvre—won its fourth straight by defeating Whitworth, 76-49, in the 10th annual Cage bowl.

Police Won't Permit Aerial Ducat Release

San Francisco — The police department, with last Saturday's riot over the sale of general admission ducats in mind, has refused to allow a local auto dealer to release some 40 tickets to Sunday's San Francisco Forty Niner-Green Bay Packers football game tied to balloons.

The department, in turning down the plan Thursday, said the publicity stunt was "interesting" but it feared a riot might result.

Pro football fans rioted at Kezar stadium last Sunday in an effort to buy last-minute tickets to the Colts-Forty Niners game. This week end's game appears to be another sell out.

Prothro Plans To Stay at OSC

Corvallis — Coach Tommy Prothro said today "I'm definitely planning to stay at Oregon State."

This was Prothro's only comment to reports that he has been offered the head football coaching position at two schools whose names were not disclosed.

Oregon State athletic officials said the threatened breakup of the Pacific Coast Conference wouldn't influence Prothro's decision to stay here. They said they saw no problems in completing a nine-game schedule even without a conference tieup.

Third Game In Row Won By Tar Heels

By MILTON RICHMAN

National champion North Carolina moved a bit farther ahead of the pack by running its winning streak to 35 games today even as some of the country's lesser basketball lights hoped to increase their own stature in three holiday tournaments starting tonight.

The Tar Heels, who won 32 games in a row last year, nailed down their third straight victory of the current season by defeating Furman, 91-74, at Charlotte, N.C., Thursday night.

In the first round of the Cincinnati invitational at Cincinnati, Ohio, St. Bonaventure opposes Cincinnati while Xavier of Ohio faces Marshall.

Tourney Opens Tonight

The Steel Bowl tournament at Pittsburgh also opens tonight with Duquesne meeting Miami of Ohio, and Pittsburgh tangling with George Washington.

And the Birmingham classic tournament gets underway at Birmingham, Ala., with Mississippi State playing Miami (Fla.) and Auburn facing Texas Christian.

Pete Brennan, six-foot, six-inch senior from Brooklyn, and sophomore Lee Schaffer of North Carolina dominated the backboards Thursday night. Brennan had 31 points and Schaffer had 28.

Detroit Rallies To NBA Triumph

By UNITED PRESS

Most National Basketball association observers expected Detroit's "tired old men" to fade fast this season, but the old gaffers demonstrated Thursday night they still can come up with a last-minute effort.

Holding only a two-point lead with less than seven minutes to play, the Pistons, paced by 31-year-old Dick McGuire and 28-year-old George Yardley, spurred for 12 straight points to wrap up a 101-96 victory over the Philadelphia Warriors.

Bob Pettit scored 23 points as the St. Louis Hawks defeated the Boston Celtics, 97-94, in the only other game played.

THIS IS NEWS?

Washington — Rep. H. R. Gross (R-Iowa) was puzzled today by a government publication on food preparation and dish-washing which offers this advice: "Dishpans should be large enough to hold the dishes but not too large for the sink." "This is news?" Gross asked in a newsletter prepared for voters back home.

Webfoots Have Contact Drill

Eugene — Coach Len Casanova sent his Oregon Webfoots through a contact drill here Thursday as they prepared for the Rose Bowl game Jan. 1.

The Ducks also spent considerable time on offense. Jack Crabtree looked sharp in passing.

Jim Shanley and Ron Stover missed Thursday's practice. The halfback and end were picked on and went to Los Angeles for special ceremonies accorded the Bruins' opponent stars each year.

Casanova said Oregon was studying pictures of Ohio State's games with Purdue and Iowa.

"Ohio State presents some mighty tough problems and we'll need every trick we have to move the ball against them," Casanova said.

Brunswick stew originated in Brunswick County, Virginia.

Gonzaga Whips Whitworth Five

Spokane — Gonzaga tuned up for its Saturday night battle against Oregon State in Corvallis by wallopping Whitworth 76-49 here Thursday night.

Gonzaga, with its big 7-3 1/4 inch center, Jean Lefebvre, dominated the backboards.

Lefebvre scored 8 points and had 15 rebounds.

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Before a warrant is served by police, a phone call is placed to the owner of the car warning him a parking meter warrant has been issued. If the violator pays within 24 hours after being notified by phone the fine is \$3 plus the meter fee.

If a warrant is served, violators must pay the cost of the warrant, \$5, in addition to \$1 for each ticket overdue. Regular meter fines are 50 cents if paid within 24 hours after being issued. Fines paid after the 24-hour period up to one week are \$1, officials said.

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