Black Tornado Basketball Success Hinges on How 'Big Kids' Come Along

Most of the big kids are juniors. If they develop, the Black Tornado will be tough.

That's the outlook as Head Coach Frank Roelandt sees it as preparations get into full swing for the Medford High School varsity basketball season.

Roelandt has just three lettermen back from the squad which fought an uphill battle last season to tie for Southern Oregon Conference championship and went on to take fourth place in the Class A-1 state tournament.

He thereby considers his squad pretty green. He does, however, have a 6-3 transfer letterman from Klamath Falls.

The Tornado lettermen are Larry Vowell, who was a regular at the end of the season, Mike Barnes, who saw some starting service, and Bill Houston. All are seniors.

Holman Transfer

The transfer is Hal Holman, also a senior. He started 17 contests for the Pelicans last season.

Hoop drills got into full swing Tuesday when candidates who have been out for football appeared on the court. Some 27 aspirants are out, 95 per cent of whom played varsity or sophomore football this fall.

As of Tuesday evening Roelandt declared squad positions wide open. He indicated a cut to the varsity crew at the end of this week.

Drills this week include fundamentals and offensive patterns.

In pointing to the role of the development of the young "big kids," Roelandt brought out the importance of the play under the backboards in winning ball games.

New Way Learned by LoVetere

By NORMAN MILLER

NEW YORK (UPI)—Big John LoVetere allowed today that he had to learn to play a "thinking man's defense" when he came to the New York Giants.

For four seasons with the Los Angeles Rams, LoVetere catapulted his 280-pound frame through opposing lines recklessly and with no purpose but to get his hands on the man with the ball.

Sometimes he did and sometimes he failed, but it never mattered too much because the Rams weren't going anywhere.

That free-wheeling defense, calling for linemen to put on the persistent rush on the passer, is one way of playing pro football. The Green Bay Packers have used it successfully. The Rams obviously did not have the Packers' talent.

And so when LoVetere was traded to the Giants this season, he had to learn a new way of earning his living as a tackle.

"It took a bit of adjustment," the powerfully-built Californian explained. "The Giants play a team defense. We help one another out. I've never been on a team like this before. It's a great feeling.

Play Containing Defense

"We put on the pass-rush when we feel it's called for," LoVetere continued. "But for the most part the Giants play a type of 'containing' defense. When the linemen move forward, we have to learn, almost sense, whether the play is a run or a pass before making the big move.

"You have to think more in playing this type of defense," he went on. "You have to learn not to look into the opposing backfield and to concentrate on beating the blockers opposite you to get into good position for stopping the play.

"I learned more about defense during pre-season training with the Giants than I did in my four earlier years of pro football," he added.

Ironically, when Harland (Swede) Svare, a former Giants defensive coach, took over the Rams, he tried to install the New York style of defense, but let LoVetere go because he didn't think big John could fit ino that pattern.

LoVetere was traded for Roosevelt Grier in what shapes up as another master stroke by Giants General Manager Wellington Mara.

Football Briefs

ANDERSON TO START

BERKELEY, Calif. (UPI) — California tackle and team captain Jim Anderson will be a definite starter Saturday in the Big Game against Stanford.

Coach Marv Levy said Anderson's rib injury, suffered two weeks ago, has healed adequately.

THURLOW BACK

STANFORD, Calif. (UPI) — Wounds healed fast among Stanford's Indians as kickoff time approached for Saturday's Big Game.

Coach John Ralston said today halfback Steve Thurlow, who suffered a thigh injury against Washington State last week end, was back in uniform and injured linemen Chuck Hartwig and Tom Ross should be in good shape for California.

COREY CAN KICK

EUGENE, Ore. (UPI) —Oregon worked on passing and goal line defense Wednesday in preparation for Saturday's contest against Oregon State here.

The status of sophomore guard Mark Richards and end Buck Corey remained doubtful because of injuries, but coaches said Corey would be able to do the Ducks' kicking in any case.

PROTHRO SILENT

CORVALLIS, Ore. (UPI) — Coach Tommy Prothro remained silent today on the physical condition of his Oregon State Beavers.

The Beavers, who suffered several injuries against Southern California last weekend, play Oregon Saturday at Eugene.

BIG CROWD PREDICTED

LOS ANGELES (UPI) —The UCLA Bruins went through their final workouts at Spaulding Field today before meeting University of Southern California's Trojans Saturday.

Athletic Director J. D. Morgan predicted that a crowd of 85,000 to 90,000 will show up for the game in the Coliseum "if the weather is good and the interest high."

Possible PSC Entry Will Be Discussed

PULLMAN (UPI) — Possible entry of Portland State college into the Big Sky Athletic Conference will be discussed at a conference meeting at Ogden, Utah, next week.

Conference Commissioner Jack Friel said today that a delegation from Portland State would attend the meeting Monday and Tuesday.

"I talked with a group at Portland State when I was in Portland some time ago," Friel said. "There is an interest in the conference there, but I don't know how much."

Portland State has a full athletic program, including football. The Big Sky, just finishing its first football season, has six members, but Gonzaga University does not play football.

Portland State now is a member of the Oregon Collegiate Conference.

Basketball

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
By United Press International

Eastern Division

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	12	1	.923
Cincinnati	10	8	.556
Philadelphia	8	8	.429
New York	6	12	.333

Western Division

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	10	7	.588
Los Angeles	9	7	.563
San Francisco	8	7	.533
Detroit	5	9	.357
Baltimore	3	10	.231

Wednesday's Results
Detroit 124, Cincinnati 118
Philadelphia 118, New York 101

Kidd Enters Harrier Run

NEW YORK (UPI) — Bruce Kidd, a long-distance running sensation when just a teen-ager, will try to prove he hasn't passed his peak at 20 when he takes part in the National AAU cross-country championships on Nov. 30.

Kidd, of Toronto, burst on the international scene in spectacular fashion three years ago with a string of victores in important long-distance events, a sport usually dominated by older runners.

The current long-distance champion of Canada won the American crown in Louisville, Ky., in 1961, and will be seeking to make it two-for-two at New York's Van Cortlandt Park. The event will be run over a 10,000-meter course (6¼ miles), and will mark the first time the cross-country championship has been held in New York in over 25 years.

Ducks Enter Seven In Cross-Country

EUGENE (UPI) —Oregon will enter a seven-man team in the NCAA cross-country championships Monday at East Lansing, Mich., coach Bill Bowerman announced Wednesday.

The squad includes veterans Keith Forman, Archie San Romani, Mike Lehner, Clayton Steinke and Dan Tonn and sophomores Ken Moore and Bruce Mortenson.

CAJUN CLASSIC STARTS

LAFAYETTE, La. (UPI)— Ten of the top money winners on the professional golf circuit teed off today in the $22,500 Cajun Classic golf tournament.

The favorite is big Jack Nicklaus, who is seeking another $1,010 to make him the second man in history to win $100,000 in one year on the professional golf tour. Arnold Palmer is the only man to do so up until now.

COVERS NET — Vancouver Goalie Marcel Maille (1) covers entrance to goal as Portland's Bill Saunders (7) gets in close for a shot in Western Hockey League game last night at Portland. Others shown are Vancouver's Dale Anderson (2), Ron Hutchinson (12), Les Hunt (3), and Portland's Tommy McVie (19) and Gerry Goyer (27). The teams tied 1-1. (UPI)

MEDFORD TRIBUNE

SPORTS

BOWLING

VICTORY LEAGUE

Delah Timber (33½-14½) 2, Ruby Eddings 446; Jim's Shell (28-20) 2, Ruth Holloway 446.

Hillyer Oil (30-18) 3, Judy Barnum 484; U.S. Bank (26-22) 1, Ruth Osborne 459.

Town House Cafe (26-22) 4, Arlene Hoffman 490; Knight's Inn Motel (21-27) 0, Vida Miller 466.

So. Ore. Dry Kiln (22-26) 3, Shirley Mitchell 550; Viking Sewing (20½-27½) 1, Wanda Vorpahl 498.

Capri Motel (22-26) 3, Doris Harris 496; Silver & Stamps (20-28) 1, Carroll Peterson 436.

Big Y Signal (21-27) 3, Dot Nease 502; Eads Transfer (20-28) 1, Ruth Thurman 456.

Shirley Mitchell 202, Wanda Vorpahl 190, Rose Everson 187; Town House Cafe 2229.

ROLLING PIN

Hi Martin (28½-15½) 3, Vivian Rodgers 495; White's Midway Service (17½-26½) 1, Marion Nobbs 497.

Butte Falls General Store (25½-18½) 0, Phyllis Irwin 475; Bill's Lady Bugs (25-19) 4, Nita Sutton 458.

Little Dutch Launderette (18½-25½) 3, Peg Anderson 482; Bud's Texaco (18½-25½) 1, Louise Bohl 416.

Garrett Brothers (17½-26½) 2, Gert Winningham 407; B & B Auction (25-19) 2, Juanita Brenner 442.

Marion Nobbs 200, Marilyn Gascon 190, Vivian Rodgers 180; Little Dutch Launderette 1044.

MAJOR LEAGUE
(Winner of first third Asko Supply)

Asko Supply (34-10) 3, Bud Van Hoy 558; Western Oil and Burner (23-21) 1, Larry Blunt 583.

VFW (33-11) 4, Keith Maryott 579; Thunderbird Lodge (27-17) 0, O. McCoy 512.

R V Country Club (24-20) 4, Lee Ziesmer 610; Desert Service (19-23) 0, Roy Sarver 547.

The Rogues (23-21) 4, Mel Hagert 588; Cal-Ore Ranches (20-24) 0, Roger Weiss 573.

Standard Oil (20-24) 3, Ken Patterson 487; Rotary (20-24) 1, Harvey Field 493.

Jim's Repair Shop (17-27) 4, John Laden 542; Burton Logging (4-40) 0, Vi Hasting 520.

B. Van Hoy 246, D. Baylor 245, M. Hagert 237; Asko Supply 2812.

MEDFORD CLASSIC LEAGUE

Bohemian Club (4-0) 4, Lemasters 586; North's (0-4) 0, Thrun 539.

Rogue River Paving (3-1) 3, Weber 575; Don's Hideaway (1-3) 1, King 547.

Medford Merchants (3-1) 3, Farrell 682; E. H. Mann Co. (1-3) 1, McKenzie 579.

Roxy Ann Lanes (3-1) 3, Stockdale 620; A and W (1-3) 1, Lemieux 567.

Hillyer Oil (3-1) 3, Lloyd Knapp 592; Medford Lanes (1-3) 1, Daigle 607.

Grants Pass (2½-1½) 2½, Coston 602; Sambo's (1½-2½) 1½, Hawley 559.

Dick Farrell (257-220-205) 682; Walt Daigle Jr. 246, Ray Wise 236; Medford Merchants 2767.

TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED

Tigers (23-13) 3, Mac McEwen 473; Nine Pins (7-29) 1, Fred Beyer 482.

Four Ws (15-21) 1, Bill Castell 427, Ernie Dukeshier 427; Pin Pals (22-14) 3, Deane Hukill 476.

See Saws (22-14) 0, Duane Ross 477; Rooftoppers (22-14) 4, Lyle Kuyper 441.

Walt's Saw Shop (23-13) 4, Era Bush 444; Diamonds (10-26) 0, Jim Kalista 408.

Pin Pals 750-2134.

STARFIRE LEAGUE

Weeks and Orr (3-1) 3, Ted Thompson 581; Walker's Texaco (1-3) 1, Frank Mathews 540.

Dental Lab. (3-1) 3, Bill Wertz 553; Mail Tribune (1-3) 1, Jim Osborn 564.

Larry's Lineup (3-1) 3, Berle Thornton 509; Olson-Lawyer Lbr. (1-3) 1, Darrold Barritt 530.

Simmonds Const. (3-1) 3, Harold Vessey 563; American Veneer (1-3) 1, Gary Colton 520.

Rogue Valley Vending (3-1) 3, Fred Coleman 516; Delah Timber (1-3) 1, Allan Radulski 547.

Insurance Mart (3-1) 3, Hugh Jennings 531; Pinnacle Orchards (1-3) 1, Plink Barr 500.

Harold Vessey 234, Ted Thompson 223; Weeks and Orr 2598.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

Bate's Wholesale (26-13) 2, Coe Brown 600; So. Ore. Trophy (21-18) 1, Ivan Wolff 539.

Lamport's (24-15) 1, Andy Anderson 637; Olsen's (19-20) 2, Lloyd Knapp 655.

O.K. Market (23-16) 1, Jim Anderson 543; Kim's (21-18) 2, Jim Knapp 800.

Beck's Bakery (23-16) 3, Riley Appelgate 602; Wooden Shoe (18-23) 0, Dick Phillips 527.

Alexander and Brown (20-19) 1, Ralph Davis 552; Mechanic's Laundry (10-29) 2, Frank Martin 547.

Brave Bull (19-20) 2, Dick McKenzie 585; Frito Kids (18-23) 1, Gene Gemaehlich 330.

So. Ore. Dry Kiln (19-20) 2, Mel Mager 571; Medford Lanes (16-23) 1, Len Thrun 524.

ene Gamaehlich 241, Riley Appelgate 235, Lloyd Knapp-Coe Brown 233.

Bates Wholesale 984; Olsen's 2772.

(Bate's wholesale winner of first round).

ELKS INDUSTRIAL

Whitney Olds (4-0) 4, Scotty Robinson 510; Go Boys (0-4) 0, Stu-Forbes 521.

Naumes Equip. (3-1) 3, Vince Lobock 543; Overhead Door (1-3) 1, Bob West 534.

Kogap (2-2) 2, Chas. Miller 513; Spoilers (2-2) 2, Lew Miles 540.

Fluhrer's (2-2) 2, Norm Neathamer 541; Gypos (2-2) 2, Loyd Huston 550.

Sea Dogs (2-2) 2, Lee Surles 551; Aligators (2-2) 2, George Bara 543.

Tigers (2-2) 2, Merritt Hite 483; Lively Five (2-2) 2, Bob Sutton 528.

Vince Lobdell 242, Ron Mathieson 226; Bob West 222.

EMPIRE LEAGUE

Stone's TV Service (27-17) 2, Joyce Kraus 558; Western Thrift Drug (23-21) 2, Esther Offord 512.

Nu-Way Cleaners (25-19) 1, Melba Jerden 522; Cascade Sports Marina (19-25) 3, Irma Shroy 472.

Ren Taylor Insurance (23½-20½) 2, Peggy Melsted 532; Albers Feed & Farm (19-25) 2, Delores Hawley 540.

Oak Grove Service (22-22) 0, Dorothy Nease 508; Fitts Seafood (19-25) 4, Teressa Short 490.

United Meat Products (21½-22½) 2, Georgia Coggins 441; Olson Mack Sales (21-23) 2, Helen Dey 514.

Joyce Kraus 201, Delores Hawley 198, Esther Offord 193; Ren Taylor Insurance 1496.

EVERGREEN LEAGUE

Bateman & Sons (10-2) 3, Bruce Bateman 518; Hires Root Beer (4-8) 1, Clarence Byrd 502.

Big Y (9-3) 4, Cordy Huttner 514; Lawyer Venger (3-9) 0, Dick Brown 499.

Coca Cola (8-4) 0, Art Nielson 476; Local Loan (7-5) 4, Ernie Dukeshire 540.

Ore. Wash. Tele. (8-4) 2, Larry Ellis 522; Medco (5-7) 2, Bill Moore 583.

Redmen Lodge (5-7) 4, Jr. Hammond 550; IOOF 193 (1-11) 0, Al Bohannon 485.

Bill Moore 236, Earl Jones 213, Larry Ellis 207.

SATELLITE LEAGUE

Bearing Sales and Service (26-10) 4, Dolores Pierce 416; Burelson's (10-26) Velia Higday 420.

Stones TV Sales and Service (22-14) 1, Irma Shroy 401; ONC Motor Freight (18-18) 3, Barb Shugart 426.

Bill Wright Real Estate (22-14) 1, Winnie Geddis 483; Village Variety & Garden Store (18-18) 3, Lucy Sawyer 474.

Team Five (20-16) 3, Iala Thompson 408; Gressett's Drive-In Cleaners (13-23) 1, Joyce Smedley 392.

Winnie Geddis 176, Lucy Sawyer 171, Dolores Pierce 160; Village Variety 1469.

ROXY ANN LEAGUE

Graham Cabinet (25-15) 3, Sonny Hilkey 559; Medford Radiator (24-16) 1, Don Wells 511.

O.N.C. (23-1) 3, Herb Vallee 526; P.M.T. (15½-24½) Les Mason 520.

Buskirk Const. (22-18) 1, Larry Schrecher 478; Timber Products (21-19) 3, Dave Shurts 523.

Cogswell's Mkt. (20-20) 2, Harold Boen 591; Mark's Groceteria (18-22) 2, Dave Morris 617.

Willamette Valley (19-21) 3, Norm Vorpahl 531; Graham Electric (17½-22½) 1, Leo Bohls 508.

Cal Pac Utilities (19-21) 3, Art Kobald 493; Hoskins Const. (14-26) 1, Lyle Davis 470.

Dave Morris 247, Steve Minneci 235, Leo Bohls 224; Mark's Groceteria 2931.

ZEPHYR LEAGUE

Modern Tile Co.(32-8) 3, Wilma Logan 517; Burk's Awnings (17½-21½) 1, Wilma Long 432.

Medford Ambulance (25-15) 4, Corky Jones 502; Wainscott Drugs (22-18) 0, Alice Fields 410.

Medford Honda (19-21) 4, Grace Hunter 485; Landis Studio (18½-21½) 0, Billie Beale 451.

A-1 Telephone Answering (14-26) 2, Meredith Besonette 417; Rogue Boarding Kennels (12-28) 2, Pat Winner 426.

Corky Jones 187, Rayma Burger 184, Wilma Logan 182; Modern Tile Co. 1898.

Giants, Indians Bill Exhibitions

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—The San Francisco Giants and Cleveland Indians will practice their time-honored policy of togetherness as usual next spring when they meet in 14 exhibition games.

It will mark the 31st season that the Giants and Indians have tangled extensively in spring training. They open their series this time at Tucson March 7 and conclude it at Sacramento April 12.

The Giants also have seven exhibition games listed with the Chicago Cubs, and Boston Red Sox, five with the Los Angeles Angels and one against their Tacoma farm club.

Training camp is slated to open Feb. 24 at Casa Grande, Ariz., with the team moving to Phoenix on March 4.

The Giants start the National League season April 14 at Candlestick Park against the Milwaukee Braves.

Area of Rogue River Listed High, Muddy

PORTLAND (UPI) — The weekly report on fishing conditions prepared by the State Game Commission:

Southwest: Tenmile Creek salmon angling slow; lower Umpqua steelheading fair; Smith River slow; Coos and Coquille systems have been high; Rogue in the Grants Pass to Graves Creek area high and muddy.

MSU Leads In Rushing Defense

NEW YORK (UPI)—The Big Ten's big one for the conference championship at East Lansing, Mich., Saturday, represents a stern challenge for the Illinois attack against the Michigan State defense.

Illinois must try to move against a team that has been the stubbornest defender playing all major opposition and the stubbornest rushing defender against all opposition.

Michigan State's Spartans are tops in this week's NCAA Service Bureau rankings in rushing defense, having allowed the opposition 71.3 yards a game, while being the only team among the majors that has allowed less than two yards per rushing play and one of two (with Mississippi) that has limited the opposition to less than three yards on all plays. They also have been the fourth toughest to score against.

Other team defense leaders this week are repeaters — Mississippi in total defense and defense against scoring, Texas Western in pass defense and Southern Methodist in punting.

This is the fourth straight week that the rushing lead has changed hands between Mississippi and Michigan State. If the pattern continues, Mississippi will be on top again next week, after which both teams will have played their final games. The Rebels also show up in punting (third) and pass defense (fourth), making them the all-around defense leader.

Only One TD Pass

Memphis State, third in total defense, but not among the top ten in pass defense, is the leader in one pass defense category. Th Tigers have had only one touchdown pass thrown against them, making them the only team in the country whose goal line has been crossed by a pass receiver less than twice.

Buffalo is the leader in pass interceptions with 21, followed by Navy and Texas, each with 18. Syracuse has been most passed against (217), but followers of Princeton find it difficult to believe all they read about the increased use of the pass this year. The Tigers are not only ninth in pass defense, having allowed 71.5 yards per game, they have thrown fewer passes than any other major team (68), for 57 passing yards per game.

Those who have been wondering why Miami, Florida, passer George Mira is so far from the individual passing leader, can get an answer from the schedule. Last week, Mira tried his artistry against North Carolina, ranked seventh in pass defense. This week he goes against eighth-ranked Florida.

Army is the team leader in punt returns with an 18.1 average, while Cornell, paced by individual front runner Gary Wood, is also on top in team kickoff returns with a 28.4 average for 30 runbacks.

HOCKEY

WESTERN LEAGUE
By United Press International

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.	GF	GA
San Fran.	9	8	2	20	54	57
Seattle	9	7	1	19	57	51
Los Ang.	9	7	1	19	54	58
Denver	8	6	1	17	62	48
Portland	6	9	3	15	50	57
Vancouver	6	10	2	14	63	69

Wednesday's Results
Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 0
Portland 1, Vancouver 1 (tie)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	12	2	4	28	66	37
Montreal	8	3	4	20	53	47
Toronto	8	6	2	18	47	47
Detroit	6	8	2	14	34	44
New York	5	11	1	11	44	53
Boston	3	10	3	9	32	48

Wednesday's Results
Boston 1, New York 1 (tie)
Chicago 5, Detroit 2
Montreal 3, Toronto 1

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Eastern Division

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.	GF	GA
Providence	7	6	3	17	66	58
Hershey	8	9	1	17	59	66
Baltimore	8	10	1	17	49	56
Quebec	7	12	0	14	61	69
Springfield	6	9	0	12	48	59

Western Division

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	14	3	0	28	62	37
Rochester	9	7	0	18	63	59
Cleveland	8	8	0	16	55	44
Buffalo	6	9	1	13	41	59

Wednesday's Results
Cleveland 3, Hershey 1
Pittsburgh 3, Quebec 1

Loss by Fouls Shows Value Of Robertson

By United Press International

Perhaps the true value of Oscar Robertson to the Cincinnati Royals can best be measured by one of his off-nights.

The leading playmaker in the National Basketball Association as well as one of its top scorers, Robertson ran into foul trouble Wednesday night and had to leave the game late in the fourth quarter. In just a matter of minutes, the Detroit Pistons rallied for six straight points to win the game, 124-118.

Robertson managed to score 22 points to share team honors with rookie Jerry Lucas, but it was his ejection from the game that turned the tide against Cincinnati. With the Pistons leading, 111-110, Robertson fouled Don Ohl for his sixth of the game and then was assessed a technical foul for protesting the call. Detroit converted all three foul shots to pull away for good.

Gambee Hurt

Ohl led the Piston offense with 34 points and Bailey Howell added 27.

In the only other NBA game Wednesday night, the Philadelphia 76ers took a 12-point lead in the first period and coasted to a 118-101 decision over the New York Knickerbockers. The victory may prove costly, however, since Philadelphia forward Dave Gambee suffered a possible fracture of a bone in the left foot and was taken to a hospital for X-rays.

Lee Shaffer scored 36 points for the 76ers and Art Heyman had 20 for New York. Seven Knicks scored in double figures.

Mississippi State May Have Fight This Season To Break Even on Court

(The following is another in a series of dispatches sizing up college basketball prospects in various sections of the country.)

By DAVID M. MOFFIT

ATLANTA (UPI) — There's one startling change on the Southeastern basketball scene this season; Mississippi State which won three straight SEC titles, may have a fight on its hands even to break even.

Four players who were starters on State's championship teams of 1961-62-63 are gone and only a couple of regulars return.

This, coupled with the moaning of Kentucky's Adolph Rupp who insists he won't be fielding a champion this winter, adds up to the refreshing promise of a wide-open race in the Southeastern Conference and some new faces at the top.

However, it's not wise to discount Kentucky. Rupp is famous for singing the blues and he's got some pretty fair talent on hand, including Cotton Nash, the '61-'62 scoring leader, who will be a senior this time. With the lies of Nash, Ted Deeken and Charlie Ishmael back, Kentucky looks plenty strong from here.

But those who believe Rupp's wailing, say the 1964 SEC race will be a four-team free-for-all between Auburn, Georgia Tech, Tennessee and Vanderbilt.

Three Starters Return

Auburn, 18-4 a year ago, gets back three starters and a host of sky - scraper reserves. All-Conference center Layton Johns is gone but there are three men on hand who are 6-feet-7 or better.

Georgia Tech, which finished second in the SEC last winter while posting an over-all 21-5 mark, is hinging its hopes for another fine season on the academic eligibility of 6-feet-7 holdout Jimmy Tumlin. The three clutch - playing sophomores who starred last year are improved juniors and one, Jim Caldwell, has grown to 6-feet-10.

Tennessee Coach Ray Mears, a fiery competitor, is well again and can be expected to instill some of his drive into the tall and talented Vols who have three returning starters at 6-feet-7 or better and lots of depth.

Vanderbilt, 16-7 last year, has 6-feet-7 Bob Grace and steady 6-feet-3 Roger Schurig back. Coach Roy Skinner disagrees with those who call the Vols a contender, insisting they are still a year away.

In a year of better balance, there are several other teams which could move into contention. Florida has a fine guard duo in Brooks Henderson and Tom Baxley and might be tough if its newcomers develop rapidly.

Has One Senior

Alabama was 14-11 last year with only one senior on the squad. And Tulane, led by SEC rebounding champ Bob Davidson a 6-feet-7 senior, appears improved despite the loss of Jim Kerwin who won the scoring title last year with a 23-point average.

This leaves only Georgia, Louisiana State, Mississippi — and Mississippi State — among the teams written off for this season.

Mississippi State lost Joe Dan Gold, Leland Mitchell and Red Stroud, all of whom made the All-Conference team at one time or another during their three-year span, and alternate center Bobby Shows.

State Coach Babe McCarthy, who seldom concedes anything, insists he'd settle for a .500 record this year. However, Babe is already talking about his new freshmen just as he was about the just - departed foursome in 1960 when the Bulldogs were only 12-13. That was the year after All - American Baily Howell led them to a 24-1 record.

Rupp talks about maybe not even having a winning season. But no one takes that kind of talk serious from the Baron of the Bluegrass who has won the SEC title 20 times in 31 years and whose 16-9 mark last year was his worst ever.

Duck Hunting Poor To Fair In Valley

PORTLAND (UPI) — This weekend's hunting outlook, prepared by the State Game Commission:

Southwest: Duck hunting poor to fair in Rogue and Umpqua valleys. Elk hunting improving in Rogue unit.

Stanford Suspends Sprint Champ for Dormitory Prank

STANFORD, Calif. (UPI) —A dormitory prank will keep Larry Questad, the national collegiate 100 yard dash king, off the Stanford track team this year.

It was disclosed Wednesday that Questad, a 20-year-old junior, had been suspended from school for a full year as a result of a prank in which he set off a burglar alarm attached to a hi-fi set. Speakers located throughout the dormitory blasted residents from their sleep.

Live By Rules

Stanford track coach Payton Jordan admitted he was disappointed at losing the fastest sprinter in the school's history, but said "we've got to live by the rules. Larry admitted his error and said he guessed he'd have to start growing up."

Although he will not be eligible for reinstatement until January, 1965, Questad said he planned to get a job in Palo Alto and work out under Jordan's supervision in preparation for the 1964 Olympics.

Questad had times of :09.3 and :20.6 in the sprints and also captured the sprints in Moscow in the U. S.-Russia meet.

Dodgers To Meet Cards in Opener

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — A season opener at night against the St. Louis Cardinals. . .nine relatively short home stands. . . 60 night games in 81 Dodger Stadium contests—those are the highlights of the Los Angeles Dodgers' 1964 home schedule.

The Dodgers, who opened on the road last season, will begin the defense of their National League pennant in Dodger Stadium April 14 and 15 against last year's runner-ups, the Cardinals. The Dodgers also close out the campaign at home with four games against the Cubs and three against the Houston Colts.

Whereas the Dodgers had seven home stands last season, the games were spread out to cover nine periods — the longest stand at 13 games, according to an announcement Wednesday by the Dodgers.

As announced previously, the National League race will begin and end five days later than last season.

Four doubleheaders are included in the Los Angeles home schedule. The New York Mets will play here in a Fourth of July twin-bill.

UNDER CONSIDERATION

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (UPI)—Illinois, Michigan State, Navy, Pittsburgh and Texas are the five schools still in contention for the 1963 MacArthur Bowl, presented annual by the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame.

The bowl, along with an $8,800 silver trophy, is presented to a college football team for outstanding performance against top-flight competition during a regular campaign. It does not necessarily go to the team with the best won-lost record.

GRAHAM VOTED TOPS

NEW YORK (UPI) — Otto Graham, who led the Cleveland Browns to three National Football League championships in six years, today was named the greatest pro quarterback of all time by a panel of the country's leading sports writers and sportscasters.

Graham coached the Coast Guard Academy to its first perfect season this year. He was followed in the balloting by Sammy Baugh.

2-TD Edge Cause of Grey Hairs

By JOHN R. LONG

SEATTLE (UPI) — Washington is a two-touchdown favorite in Saturday's forthcoming big football traditional with Washington State and that should cause a few grey hairs to sprout in the heads of loyal Husky alumni who will be returning for Homecoming Day.

Besides being tabbed the favorite, there also is talk about Washington going to the Rose Bowl.

The last time the Huskies were favored by two touchdowns and there was talk about Rose Bowl trips, the opponent was UCLA. There was a two-touchdown margin in that game but only a person with a sadistic sense of humor would dwell further on what happened when the Huskies took the field against the Bruins.

Squad Shaken

The Washington squad has been shaken up no end by Coach Jim Owens this week as the head man of the Huskies worked frantically to keep the UCLA history from repeating itself.

Fullback Junior Coffey and halfbacks Ron Medved and Dave Kopay were demoted to the second string at the start of this week's practice.

Center John Stupey joined Coffey, Medved and Kopay, while guard Rick Redman was sent to the Outer Mongolia of the third string.

Owens' new No. 1 team has Al Libke and Don Safford at ends, Jerry Knoll and Mike Briggs at tackles, John O'Brien and Koll Hagen at guards, Fred Forsberg at center, Dick Westerauer and Steve Bramwell at halfbacks, Charlie Browning at fullback and Bill Douglas at quarterback.

Kearney State Playoff Choice

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI)— The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Wednesday selected Kearney State (Neb.) College as the second of four teams for the semifinal playoffs for the NAIA football championship.

St. John's (Minn.) University, with an 8-0 record, was named last week as the host team for the eastern playoffs, scheduled for Nov. 30 at Metropolitan Stadium in Minneapolis.

Winners of the playoffs advance to the NAIA championship game in the Camellia Bowl. The bowl game is scheduled for Dec. 14 at Sacramento, Calif.

The NAIA said other teams under consideration for the playoffs include Lewis and Clark (Ore.), 8-0, and Central Washington State, 9-0.

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