

City Hoop League Muddles On

Enthusiasm among Directors at the Start of the Season Drops Down After Two Weeks of Play; Emmons to Leave; World Record Holder Plays for Henley.

By JOE PIGNEY
The city basketball league, producing some excellent players and interesting contests, "muddles through" the early weeks of its schedule despite the trivial "civil wars" running adjacent to the ranks of its members and directors.

This is the second year of life for the conference, but if it winds its way across two double headers as it has done in the past the whole organization will be fortunate to finish the schedule in a satisfactory manner.

The league, eager for publicity in the Klamath Falls newspapers, selected a press agent when the conference organized several weeks ago. The publicity man was right on the job for a time, and a then disappeared. Half a dozen members of the conference took upon themselves to see the public was properly informed of the activities of the basketball race. Most of these gentlemen were sold on the excellency of their individual outfits, hence prejudice.

But the league Saturday promised to behave itself in a more congenial manner. A "conference" was elected with promises to give every member of the loop a "square deal."

There is only one suggestion to this league: Play basketball first and confine unpleasant talk within the limits of the meeting of directors. The sport is for the amusement of the players and the public, not the medium for expression of ill feelings.

The city league will lose one of the best basketball players, Keith Emmons, in the state when this young man is transferred by his company to Kelso, Wash. Emmons was one of the finest prep-school stars in Oregon, and then became a leading contender of a forward position on the University of Oregon team. Injuries and eligibility rules followed him through college, and prevented his becoming one of the big-time performers of the northwest.

One of the most brilliant track athletes in the country has signed with the Henley team. This was Ralph Hill, holder of world's intercollegiate mile record. Hill, who is making no exaggerated pretensions toward basketball ability, has bolstered the Henley quintet with his work as a guard.

Hill won the world mile record in Eugene two years ago by conquering the great Rufus Kiser, University of Washington, in the most spectacular run ever staged on Hayward field—the same Hayward field over whose cinder paths the most brilliant track and field men in the northwest have competed.

Hill chose his own race that windless May day, and dogged the Washington title-holder until the last 220-stretch. The ex-Oregon man then pulled out in front and finished several yards ahead of his vanquished rival. Kiser collapsed at the tape, and then came back to defeat Hill in two more meets that year. But Hill's Eugene record still stands and it may be a long time before another miler is developed equal to him.

Hill has ambitions to enter the Olympic games at Los Angeles this summer.

Oregon State supporters in the Klamath region complain the Orange don't get an even break with Oregon on the sports pages. It is an old cry. First it comes from the Webfoot fans and then from the Beavers.

Oregon State has produced some of the most tantalizingly interesting basketball teams on the coast, and has fallen short of championships only by one or two games.

Bob Hager, ex-Oregon State basketball coach who preceded "Slats" Gill, invented a "percentage" system of play that for a time crossed the country. Gill still uses that style in a modified way. It is fascinating because its offensive breaks take such an indefinite time to get under way.

The system is almost exclusively a zone play, both attacking and defending. Often it becomes slow and tedious for it is built around the old athletic maxim, "wait for the breaks."

Oregon and Oregon State offer two extreme contrasts in basketball play on the coast. The Webfoot system used by Bill Reinhart breaks swiftly in a short-passing, swifly mov-

Championship Will be at Stake Monday Night

WELTER CHAMP PUTS UP BELT FOR MAT CARD

If there are any skeptics in Klamath Falls—any "Doubting Thommys" wondering about this world championship wrestling match between Robin Reed and Sam Romaine—step over to the Legion hall Monday night and view the highly decorated belt carrying the story of Reed's upward fight from the amateur ranks to the foremost position in the welterweight wrestling division. The climb was a difficult one, and the ex-Olympic games champion won't give up his honors to the Detroitier without a scrap.

Reed has everything to lose in the bout Monday, and Romaine has everything to win. If the welterweight championship of the world changes hands at the Legion hall, Klamath Falls will become a brief capitol city for the athletic world.

Herb Owen, watchmaker, was in town Monday and announced that Ray Frieble of Medford will referee the program.

"All the boys on the card are speedy, clever, and know wrestling thoroughly. Robin Reed is perhaps one of the fastest men to ever enter the ring," wrote Owen.

Art O'Reilly, University of Oregon student, will drop his studies in Eugene for the trip to Klamath Falls to meet Curly Dutton. O'Reilly is a young man of contrasts. In the ring he becomes fierce as a tiger, yet at the university his studies are devoted to art and architecture.

Pete Becker, boxer-wrestler, and one of the cleverest ringmen ever to fight here, will put on his first wrestling exhibition against Jimmy King of Wisconsin. Becker, hoping to make a permanent home in Klamath Falls, has become determined on victory simply because he must win to become a lasting attraction. If Becker's cleverness on the mat equals his boxing ability, the odds will be in his favor for the semi-windup.

Tickets for the championship match have been placed on sale at the Waldorf, Mecca and Smoke Shop. The ring has been raised one foot, and if the advance sale indicates a more than capacity house, 250 more seats will be installed Monday.

Alf Engen Claims Ski Tournament

MINERAL, Calif., Jan. 18, (AP)—Rolling up 257 points in two jumps, Alf Engen of Salt Lake City, who claims the world championship ski jumping title, won a professional tournament here yesterday. Points were awarded on a basis of one for each foot, and from 1 to 20 on form. Engen's longest jump was 115 feet, which set a mark for the day.

CANTON, S. D., Jan. 18, (AP)—Troy Mikkelson, young jumper from Chicago, scored an upset in the first half tryouts for the United States Olympic ski team by outperforming the National champion, Caspar Oimoen, on the Sioux Valley ski slide here yesterday.

Jumping in almost perfect form, Mikkelson, who represented the Norge ski club, Chicago, marked up leaps of 157 and 160 feet for a total of 317 feet, exceeding by one foot the 156 and 161 totals of Oimoen, appearing for the Sioux Valley club.

KITZ ENGAGED
EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 16 (AP)—The engagement of John Kitzmiller, former star halfback of the University of Oregon football team, and Augusta Gerlinger, was announced today. No date for the wedding was set.

ing offense, and the defense is constructed on individual defending.

The Beavers have become the dark horse of the northern division this year, and already have upset the championship Washington team. With Oregon coming out of its dumps, and Oregon State going ahead there still is some possibility of the championship returning to this section.

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Romaine After Reed's Belt



Sam Romaine, Detroit welterweight wrestler, has become confident he will wear the world's championship grappling belt after his match with the title holder, Robin Reed, at the Legion hall, Monday night. A picture of the champion is engraved on the buckle.

COUGARS AND BEAVERS LEAD HOOP CIRCUIT

SEATTLE, Jan. 18 (AP)—Washington State college and Oregon State were tied for first place honors in the northern division Pacific Coast conference basketball race today after clean sweeps of their week-end two-game series has shoved Washington's Huskies and the Idaho Vandals into a tie for the cellar position. Oregon, the only team not to see action, was midway between top and bottom of the standings.

Washington State won its top-ranking tie with a pair of wins over the University of Washington, northern division titlists for the past four years, and last season's Pacific Coast conference champion. Friday's game was a close-fought, 23-27 battle that was decided in the last minute of play, but the Cougars ran wild in the second half of Saturday night's fracas, and walked away with a 49-22 win.

Oregon State used practically the same process in downing Idaho twice in a row. The Webfoots barely eked out a 33-31 decision Friday, but came back the following night to pull out a decisive 35-25 victory.

All teams will see action this week in five contending games. Idaho's Vandals tackle the University of Oregon quintet at Eugene tonight and tomorrow, and the Washington Huskies meet Oregon State on the Corvallis floor Friday and Saturday. Wash-

ington State and Idaho are slated for the fifth game of the week when they meet at Pullman Saturday.

The standings:

	Won	Lost
Washington State	3	1
Oregon State	3	1
Oregon	2	2
Washington	1	3
Idaho	1	3

Trojans in Lead

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18, (AP)—The 1932 basketball championship race of the southern division of the Pacific Coast conference entered its third week today with the Trojans of Southern California present favorites to annex another title.

By defeating Stanford in two games last Friday and Saturday, the Trojans ran their string of conference victories up to four, and U. C. L. A. Bruins are the only cage artists in the southern section who have not received a drubbing from the men of Coach Sam Barry. The teams have not met this season, but will do so next Saturday.

The victories that put Southern California in the favored position pulled Stanford down to even terms with the University of California Beavers, who were twice victorious over U. C. L. A. The Beavers appeared to have hit their stride, winning easily in the first Bruin game and outlasting the Southerners in an overtime battle 26-25 Saturday. The game at Stanford Saturday also was an overtime affair, with the Trojans finally registering a 28-24 victory.

The comparative scores show teams to be evenly matched, and the U. C. L. A. quintet is the only one with a handicap difficult to overcome.

	Won	Lost
Southern California	4	0
University of California	2	2
Stanford	2	2
U. C. L. A.	0	4

BROOKLYN PITCHER REFUSES TO SIGN

HOMOSARBA, Fla., Jan. 18, (AP)—Arthur (Dazy) Vance, speedball pitcher, told the United Press today he would return unsigned the 1932 salary contract offered him by the Brooklyn Robins.

received the document this morning. "There will have to be some dickering about the terms before I sign."

Vance refused to divulge the salary offered him, but said it was "about the same cut as was given Bill Terry."

Terry, heavy-hitting first baseman of the New York Giants, was asked to accept a salary reduction of 40 per cent. He declined the offer and asked that he be traded.

Virginia has about 3000 miles of navigable fishing waters.

Giant Outfielders Accepts Contract

NEW YORK, Jan. 18, (AP)—The New York Giants announced today that Mel Ott, outfielder, had agreed to accept the 1932 contract offered him by the club. It had been reported previously that Ott was dissatisfied with the terms and would return the contract unsigned. Giant officials declined to make public the terms of the contract.

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