

Pelicans In Sporting Defeat

Dwight French, Klamath Basketball Coach, Adheres to Athletic Code. Chiloquin Enters Just Protest.

By JOE FIGNEY

There has been sufficient evidence recently to describe Dwight French as one coach in this athletic world whose ideals in sport and team cooperation have not been lighted by the all-crushing desire for "victory at any price." Because French adhered strictly to the athletic code, the Klamath basketball team was scattered Friday night in defeat.

Don't think for a moment French didn't want to win that first game of the Ashland series, but, although his patched-up lineup struggled bravely, the contest went down on the wrong side of the record for a team which has had mighty few reverses this season.

Actually, the game was lost by the two young men sitting on the bench, Ray Allen and Dick Sheets, rather than the reverse team on the floor. Sheets and Allen, both regulars, broke the rules of the game with the Klamath Athletic club, also known as the Klamath All-Stars last Monday against Bonanza.

The boys, perhaps unintentionally, jeopardized their eligibility for interscholastic competition. The fact that they were held from the first game against Ashland was justifiable discipline.

French was astounded when he learned a pair of his outstanding players had jumped the team, and, although he was pretty certain of defeat if he withheld them from the lineup, he felt a loss under those circumstances was worth more than indifference to ethics.

Chiloquin doesn't believe it has had its right place in the basketball sun. It is quite confident its quintet is better than the Pelicans. And since that may be thoroughly correct, it is hoped the Klamath high school will have an opportunity to prove its superiority.

Bend has been Klamath's only major rival in the regular district schedule, and if that appears unjust it will be balanced off in the county tournament to determine the outstanding teams to represent the region in the district championship play-off at Redmond. The winner of the district tourney will go to the annual state interscholastic basketball championships at Salem in March. Klamath and Chiloquin, two of the leading teams in the county, probably will meet in the county tourney.

Because we are eager to see Chiloquin go ahead in basketball activities we reprint something of an editorial protest appearing in the Chiloquin Review:

"We must call attention of the sporting editor of the Klamath News to the statement that Klamath Falls team, undefeated, is going to Bend this week to play that team, which is also the leading contender for the state tournament from its district. Klamath Falls is probably the leading contender in this hoop district alright, but only on paper. She has not yet played a single contest with any team in this county nor any Lake country team, which comprises her 'hoop district.' On the other hand Chiloquin has played practically every team in this county and won every start by a wide margin. Chiloquin also played Medford to a standstill losing in the final minutes of the game by a four point margin, which is quite a contrast to the ten point beating Klamath took at the hands of the peer pickers.

"We would also call attention to the fact that Chiloquin defeated Grants Pass rather easily as did Klamath Falls. So by way of comparison and number of games played and potential strength of the two teams Klamath Falls has no right to make such exaggerated claims for the county hoop title. We harbor the faint suspicion that when she does eventually get into the game with Chiloquin she may find a worthy foe and a stumbling block for her unfounded claims of superiority.

"This correction is offered our worthy contemporary in a spirit of fair play, that teams like Chiloquin can give their just share of credit."

WILLAMETTE WINS

SALEM, Feb. 15, (AP)—Willamette university gained another point in the Northwest conference race by defeating College of Puget Sound 43 to 23 in a conference basketball game here Saturday.

ELIMINATION OF INJURIES IS SOUGHT

HANOVER, N. H., Feb. 15, (AP)—The National football rules committee announced six drastic modifications of the playing code today.

In an effort to check the tendency toward increasing injuries, the committee decided:

1.—To restrict the formation of the team receiving the kickoff by requiring that five players of the receiving team remain on their 40-yard line until the ball is kicked; and to allow the kickoff to be made either by place-kick, punt or drop-kick.

2.—To forbid players on the defense to strike an opponent on the head, neck or face with hand, wrist, forearm or elbow.

3.—To liberalize the substitution rule to allow a player withdrawn from the game to re-enter once in any subsequent period.

4.—To forbid use of the flying block or tackle.

5.—To make the ball "dead" when any part of the ball carrier's body except his hands or feet touch the ground.

6.—To amplify the rule regarding padding of hard and unyielding substances with felt, foam rubber or other soft padding at least three-eighths of an inch thick.

Blame Open Game

These changes were termed by Chairman E. K. Hall the "most important, in making the game safe for the players, since the modifications of 1926 and 1927." Although it had been found that the "so-called fatality list" continued to increase and that the "flying wedge" form of interference, with five men of the receiving side required to remain on their 45-yard line, there will be much less chance for an effective "flying wedge" to form about the receiver.

The rule also provides that the receiving team will be given the opportunity to make a fair catch without interference by members of the kicking team, even though the latter are on side. Although public agitation last fall over football deaths centered on the "flying wedge" as the principal offender, Hall said "the facts show this is not the case."

Penalty Reversal

The new rule regarding the use of the hands by players on the defense was adopted to meet the protests of some coaches who said players were delivering weakening and dangerous "rabbit punches" on the necks of opposing linemen. Violation of the new rule calls for disqualification of the player and the loss of half the distance to the offending team's goal-line.

The liberalized rule on substitutions was adopted with the idea of allowing tired players to rest without losing their place in the game.

The new rule further provides that the team making a substitution is to be charged with a "time out" unless time already is out for some reason or unless the substitution is made for an injured player.

"Dead Ball" Rule

The danger of the flying block or tackle, the committee found, involves principally the blocker

OREGON WINS TWO STRAIGHT OVER COUGARS

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 15, (AP)—The University of Washington basketball team, defending champions, was within striking distance today of the leadership of the northern division Pacific Coast conference race, thanks to Oregon's surprising two game week end sweep of its series with Washington State college.

The league leading Cougars have three games this week, however, with Oregon State on Monday and Tuesday nights at Corvallis, and with Idaho Friday night at Moscow, in which to redeem their double defeat, while Washington remains idle. The loss of two of the three games with the Cougars would send the Huskies to the top. Oregon's 24 to 21 victory Saturday night followed its victory of Friday night, 34 to 32, both close and hard fought games.

Meantime, the Huskies swept its first two games of the year with the University of Idaho Vandals at Seattle, 47 to 34 last night and 49 to 35 the previous evening.

The Huskies will not play again until a week from tomorrow night when they open a return two game series with the Vandals at Moscow. The only other game this week will be a meeting between Oregon and Oregon State at Corvallis, on Saturday night.

Washington and Washington State meet in a two game series here on Feb. 26 and 27, in games which may decide the championship. The closing games of the season.

The standings:

Table with 2 columns: Team, W. L. W. S. C. 8 3, Washington 8 4, O. S. C. 6 5, Oregon 6 7, Idaho 2 11

Webfoot Frosh Win Over Rooks

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 13 (AP)—The University of Oregon frosh swimmers barely nosed out the Oregon State college rooks here tonight in a Frank Merritt well finish that gave them a one point margin. The final tally was 43-41.

The rooks led, 33-37 until the medley relay, final event, which the frosh took. Paul of Oregon and Vic Smith of Oregon State were high scorers with 13 points each.

PENDLETON WINS

LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 15, (AP)—Playing heads-up basketball, Pendleton high school defeated La Grande here Saturday, 25 to 23, in an overtime period.

United Press Writer Gets Personal Glimpses of Jack

BY GEORGE KIRKNEY

DETROIT, Feb. 15, (AP)—A few personal glimpses of Jack Dempsey taken at random on his barnstorming tour:

In a hotel parlor at Milwaukee with a pack of cards in his hands and a big smile on his face.

"Jack, did you win any rounds in your two fights with Gene Tunney?"

"Not a one," he answered. "Come on, let's play cards."

"What about the seventh round at Chicago?"

"I don't know about it. I do the fighting. You fellows do the writing."

On a rubbing table in a dingy corner room in a Chicago symposium, with Jerry the Greek massaging his naked body with liniment concocted by him from a variety of 37 different ingredients.

"How'd you get that scar on your right shoulder there, Jack?"

"A dog bit me there when I was a kid. He bit me here, too," pointing to another scar on his arm. "I was playing baseball in my home town of Manassa out in Colorado, and was running after a fly. I got the ball first and the dog got sore and bit me."

Stoefen Wins Open Title In Los Angeles Play

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 15, (AP)—Lester Stoefen, listed as No. 15 in the national tennis rankings, was holder today of the Los Angeles open singles title.

Stoefen, playing sensationally yesterday, decisively defeated Ellsworth Vines, the national singles champion, 6-4, 8-7, 6-2, and 6-4. It was the national title-holder's first defeat of the season, and one of the few he has experienced during the past few years.

Mrs. Ethel Burkhardt Arnold, former Pacific Southwest Women's champion, annexed the women's singles by defeating Miss Elizabeth Deke of Pasadena, 6-4 and 6-2. The matches were witnessed by approximately 3,000 persons who braved rainy weather to see the finals.

A negro "mammy" down in Mississippi claims she is 197 years old, and has been picking cotton for one hundred years, and is still picking it. Isn't it too bad that poor silk has to cut out the business of an industrious soul like that?

Women are amazing.—Mahatma Gandhi.

AMERICA WINS OLYMPIC GAMES WINTER TITLE

By HENRY McLEMORE

LAKE PLACID, N. Y., Feb. 13, (UP)—The third Olympic winter games—first international extravaganza entertained by the United States since the St. Louis carnival of 1904—came to a close tonight with America official winner of the unofficial championship.

When Count Baillet La Tour of Belgium, president of the International Olympic committee, stood in the snow-swept stadium and pronounced the games at an end, 13 of the 34 scheduled events had been completed and America had scored 85 points, 25 of which were won with first places in the four speed skating events and the two-man bobsled races.

Extension Granted

The four-man bobs races—will be held tomorrow and Monday, the international committee having granted permission to extend the games two days.

The unofficial 10-5-4-3-2-1 system of scoring gave Norway second place with 77 points, and Canada third with 49. The remainder of the nations finished in the following order:

Sweden, 35; Finland, 25; Austria, 15; France, 10; Germany, 8; Hungary, 7; Switzerland, 6; Roumania, 3; Poland, 2; Italy, 1; Belgium, 1; Czechoslovakia, 1; Great Britain, which entered only the women's figure skating, and Japan, were the only nations to fail to score a point.

Norway Wins Three

Norway was runner-up to the United States in the matter of individual championships. Austria, Sweden, Canada, France and Finland furnished one champion each.

The two events contested on the closing day saw Canada clinch the hockey championship by battling the United States to a 2-2 tie in an overtime game, and Finland picked up 15 points when Veli Saarinen and Vaino Liikkanen finished first and second, respectively, in the grueling 80-kilometer cross-country ski running race.

The U. S. hockey team, faced with the necessity of winning if the Olympic title was to be kept out of Canada's hands for the third time, waged a desperate battle, so desperate, in fact, that veteran hockey expert left the Olympic arena convinced the game was one of the finest amateur battles of all time.

KLAMATH HIGH BEATS ASHLAND BY 21-18 SCORE

BY JIM SLUSSER

Klamath Hi Correspondent

With their high-scoring captain, "Big Ox" Howell, held in check, the Lithians of Ashland lost a close 21 to 18 hoop battle to the Klamath Pelicans Saturday night.

The scoring was led by Big Hill Estes, Pelicans forward, who sunk up a total of nine points for the tilt. Darling led the Ashland scoring with six to his credit. Ray Allen found time enough between times of guarding Howell to also score six tallies.

Pelicans Take Lead

Starting out as if they meant to win in a hurry, the Pelicans got first blood. The only Ashland scores in the first period of the tilt were made on conversions by Howell and Page. Play was continued in the second quarter as in the first, with the half ending 11 to 5 in the locals' favor.

Table with 4 columns: Team, P. G. P. T. P. T. Klamath (21) 3 2 0 8, Ashland (18) 2 1 2 4, Beoot, f 2 0 0 4, Gearhart, f 1 0 1 2, Howell, c 2 2 1 4, Mabbutt, g 0 1 1 1, Page, g 0 1 0 1, Darling, s 3 0 0 6, Total 8 5 6 21

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Referee: Frank Tarr.

Dempsey Faces Severe Test In Comeback Try

NEW YORK, Feb. 15, (AP)—Jack Dempsey steps into the ring at the Chicago stadium Thursday night for the most important battle of his long exhibition tour.

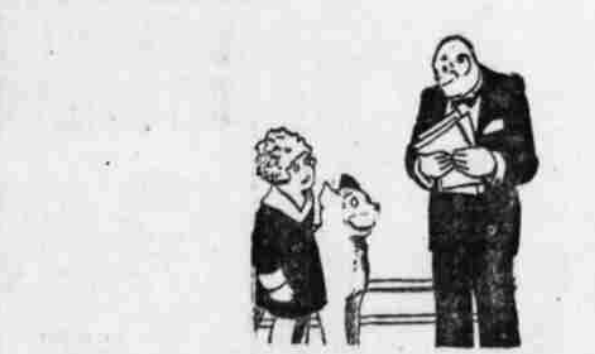
He will meet one of the most dangerous of the younger heavyweights, King Levinsky of Chicago. Levinsky, a solid thumper when he connects, should give Dempsey a brisk workout in the four-round match. Out of the go may come some indication of how far Dempsey can travel the comeback trail.

Dempsey will start the week at Flint, Mich., tonight, boxing two rounds each against Pat McLaughlin of Racine, Wis., and George Kohler, Chicago.

We cannot silently watch the annihilation of our marines.—Foreign Minister Yoshitawa of Japan.

HERE are the famous characters in the comic strips brought you daily in The Klamath News.

Each one a different type—each one the best of its kind—each one giving you a laugh a day throughout the year.



Little Orphan Annie

Here is "Little Orphan Annie" with her Daddy and her pet "Sandy." She has tasted life in an orphanage and as the daughter of a rich man. Right now she is home in luxury, but it probably won't be long before she will be off on another adventure. Watch for it.



Our Boarding House

What! None other than the mighty Major Hoople ("mighty" according to his own statement.) Mrs. Hoople has a terrible time with her lazy husband, but you will enjoy watching the eternal battle.



The Newfangles

Chic and Gladys are a newly married couple experiencing all trials and joys of life. Here you see Chic teasing Gladys about a lamp she purchased from a peddler. Big events were started by this lamp.



Salesman Sam

Sam Howdy, the chief character of Small's great comic strip, is a salesman without peer. He is now a member of the army of unemployed. This is a picture one seldom sees—all the main characters together—Sam, Gus, Kitty and Red. Don't miss them.



Tillie The Toiler

It looks as if Tillie is a little provoked at Mac today. Poor Mac does have a terrible time. Tillie has Mac around her little finger and just gives him enough encouragement to keep him in hot water.