

KUHS PELICANS FACE GRANTS PASS HERE TONIGHT

From Midfield

By BOB LEONARD

PUG PLUG

Tom Watters, who sells pieces of insurance and parcels of property in and around town and has been a local fight fan since years back, came up Friday with a pug for Pelican leather pushers and a question about the slim house which watched Klamath high's smoker against Medford last week.

Says Tom: "Ten boxing matches and thirteen wrestling matches, approximately sixty rounds of excitement for twenty-five cents. That was the program at the Klamath Union high school Friday night in the meet between Medford and Klamath Falls.

The first three-round fight between two fast well-matched boys was worth \$1.00 of anybody's money and so on down the line through the whole evening, whether it was boxing or wrestling those boys really meant business and went at it as if they intended to tear each other apart, but as soon as the bout was over and the decision given they shook hands and patted each other on the back and left the room with their arms around each other.

"Snowy is doing wonderful work with these youngsters and deserves to have a much larger crowd than he had Friday night. I am wondering whether the small crowd was due to the fact the admission price was only twenty-five cents and the general opinion being that for 25 cents you would not see much of a show.

"I know there are a lot of boxing and wrestling fans in Klamath Falls who would have enjoyed seeing this show very much, so am writing this article in the hopes the next time one of these smokers is put on there will be a full house."

The reitor makes a point or two worth considering. This column was there last weekend and thoroughly enjoyed every round of both wrestling and boxing.

The mitt events without an exception set the crowd roaring and all of Snowy's lads appeared to be well coached. In the heat of the slugging some of them forgot their teachings but the brawling that followed only added to the battle.

Mat events, in contrast to the show put on by the grapple-forgo boys, were only accidentally spectacular, but in each case the preppers were giving all for good old KUHS.

Partisan enthusiasm shown by the predominantly high school crowd gave the whole thing a pleasantly amateur flavor.

In remarking on the scanty house, Snowy the other day attributed it to Richard Crooks' appearance that night and believed that a repeat performance would undoubtedly show better results.

WEBFOOT CAGERS CARD HAWAII TRIP

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 21 (AP)—The much-traveled University of Oregon basketball team, which has already made a transcontinental tour this season, will sail for Hawaii next month.

Coach Howard Hobson said last night the Webfoots would embark March 28, play at least six island teams, and leave Honolulu on the return trip April 11.

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Lost River, Baptists Edged Out

Post-Season Playoffs To Decide Championships Of Basketball Leagues

By BOB GLENNON

Two more fast, thrill-packed hoop contests were witnessed by an enthusiastic audience last night at the Klamath armory as First National Bank cagers of the Commercial league posted a 30-28 triumph over Lost River's Dairymen and Latter Day Saints of the Church circuit edged out the Baptists, 26-25, for second round victories of the post-season playoff series that decides the championships of the respective casaba leagues.

Maurice Moore, LDS forward, staged a one-man show in the Thursday night opener in leading his team to victory over the pre-game favored Baptists. All he did was to tally 19 of the Saints' 27 markers, direct his team on offense and defense and in general drive his rivals frantic trying to check him.

LDS Has Edge
Latter Day Saints, No. 4 club of the Church league in final rankings with five wins and a like number of defeats, now have a slight advantage over the Baptists who must take both of the next two playoff tilts, scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday of next week, to annex the title. The LDS lads need only to take one of the two games to take the 1940-1941 crown.

Led by Moore who hit the iron ring five times for 10 points, the Saints grabbed a 13-9 margin at the intermission of last night's first game. They clung to that lead up until the last three minutes of the battle when the Baptists began to narrow the breach. Score at the end of the third quarter favored the Saints, 21-17.

Off Form
The Baptist quintet, seemingly off form, were unable to manufacture points when they were needed like they did Monday night against the Lutherans. Frank Michaelson, second high scorer of the Church league during the course of regular season action, potted only one bucket for his lowest game performance of the year, two points.

Center Vern Michaelson of the Baptist quint was next to Moore in the scoring column with eight counters. Guard Virgil Horn and Forward Rex Vowell tried vainly to aid the Baptist cause with six points apiece.

Ernie Bishop, clever First National guard, sparked the bank crew to victory over a plucky Lost River five in the second game of the doubleheader program with a 16-point total, three markers higher than that garnered by Harold Eitheim, Dairy forward, who slid through with 13 tallies.

No Subs
Playing without substitution Lost River's opening five men fought the bankers on even terms up until the fading moments of the melee when Bishop's baskets, five of which came in the last half, put the First Nationals out front with a fairly comfortable six-point lead.

Twice during the contest the score was knotted up, once in the first period, 13-13, and again right after the rest period, 17-17. The bank club led, 17-15, at halftime.

Activity in the playoff series will be resumed next Wednesday evening on the armory court with the same four teams slated for a repetition of last night's pairings. The Baptists and Latter Day Saints will clash in the 7:30 p. m. engagement while First National and Lost River will tangle in the other billing about an hour later.

Summary:
LOS (25) Pos. (23) Baptists
Moore, 19 F. 2 F. Vowell
Huffaker, 2 F. 2 F. Michaelson
Neteker, 1 C. 2 S. V. Michaelson
Kiddell, 2 G. 2 G. Sundberg
Oviate, 2 G. 2 G. Horn
Jones, 2 S. 2 S. Ballard

1st Nat'l (30) Pos. (23) L. River
Stover, 4 F. 10 Eitheim
Scroggin, 4 F. 6 Mayhew
Bellotti, 2 G. 2 Cooley
Shoy, 7 G. 2 G. 6 Mathis
Bishop, 16 G. 1 Cody
Mahaney, 1 S. 3 Ballard

Refer: Buck Hammer, Umpire: Harold Hendrickson.

The Sumatran slow loris hangs suspended when resting or sleeping.

Fish in some German rivers were killed off by excessive summer heat during 1939.

The escalator in Leicester square underground station, London, is 161 feet long, the longest in the world.

The first thing most people do with a new car is wonder why the county doesn't fix the roads.

Lead S. P. Bowling Tourney



Jimmy Madden, left, Arnold Houghton, center, and Al Montague, officers of the San Francisco S. P. Bowling club, are in charge of the ABC-sanctioned pin tournament which will be held in Klamath Falls Saturday and Sunday. 175 maple marksmen from up and down the coast will be present for the mammoth railroad bowling show.

Zale, Greek Meet Tonite

Steelworker Puts Middle Crown on Block at Chicago

By ARNOLD DERLITZKI

CHICAGO, Feb. 21 (AP)—Tony Zale, the hard punching middleweight from Gary, Ind., puts his seven-month-old National Boxing association crown within reach of young Steve Mamakos tonight in a 15-round bout at the stadium.

And if the title depended on reach alone, the 22-year-old Greek would have it. Comparisons show Mamakos has a 73-inch reach, four and a half more than the champion.

Bettors are not overlooking this technicality, nor the manner in which the Washington, D. C., battler extended Zale in an overweight bout earlier this year. They are reminded, too, by Matt Twomey, Mamakos' manager, that the challenger never has lost a return match.

The interest thus drummed up for Chicago's first middleweight title fight since 1929—when Mickey Walker successfully defended his championship against Ace Hudkins—has prompted Promoter Bill Rand to predict a crowd of 12,000 persons and a \$30,000 gate.

Zale, making the first defense of his crown since dethroning Al Hostak last July, has been established an 8 to 5 favorite.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21 (UP)—Jimmy Webb of St. Louis is the 11 to 10 favorite in heavy betting to beat Tommy Tucker of New York tonight at Madison Square Garden in the opening of an elimination to determine Light Heavyweight Champion Billy Conn's successor.

Winner of tonight's 15-round bout will be matched with the May 2 victor between Anton Christoforidis and Gus Lesnevich, with the ultimate survivor taking the crown.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21 (AP)—With the winner promised a crack at Joe Louis' heavyweight title, Bob Pastor of New York and Turkey Thompson, California's ruler of the dreadnaught division, meet in a 10-round match here March 17.

Promoter Tom Gallery signed the match and obtained official approval for it from the state athletic commission after the proposed third meeting between Louis and Arturo Godoy fell through.

This item ought to start some nice arguments. A jury in Beaver Falls, Pa., decided a fur coat for the wife was a necessity.

We're still wondering how many of Hitler's admitted 724 mistakes were Mussolini.

Painter was fined for slapping a girl in Chicago. Maybe he just wanted to see if the paint was dry.

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Engen Seeks New U. S. Jump Record

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 21 (AP)—A raw-boned Norwegian-American was expected to set out today in quest of a national ski title but his main interest was in the possibility of regaining the American jumping record.

Alf Engen, Sun Valley, Idaho, slick slat ace, was listed as an entrant in the cross country race which—weather permitting—will launch the national combined ski tournament here today.

On Sunday, he jumps on Ecker hill to complete the tournament combination and with hopes of wresting from Torger Tokle the national mark.

A week ago Sunday, Engen, who won the national jumping championship last year at Berlin, N. H., leaped 267 feet at Iron Mountain, Mich., to better his own record. Two hours later, at Leavenworth, Wash., Tokle set a new mark of 273 feet.

Ecker hill was laid out for a 300-foot jump and Engen has beaten Tokle's mark twice from that same jump. In 1934 he was credited with 296 feet in a measured practice jump. In 1933 he jumped 281 feet in practice. A year ago he won on distance but was beaten on form.

Pros Name Cherry Hills

DENVER, Feb. 20 (UP)—The 1941 Professional Golfers association tournament will be played over the Cherry Hills Country club course where Ralph Guldahl won the national open in 1938, it was announced today.

Tom Walsh, president of the PGA, notified the Denver Junior chamber of commerce from Miami that it had been successful in outbidding San Francisco and Milwaukee for the nation's second ranking tournament, which will be played July 7 to 13.

The tough Cherry Hills course normally has a par of 72, but one stroke was sliced off for the national open and par probably will be 71 for the PGA meet.

DUCK DIAMOND ACE GETS ANGEL TRIAL

EUGENE, Feb. 21 (AP)—Elmer Mallory, University of Oregon student and former Junction City high athlete, left here today for Ontario, Calif., where he will join the Los Angeles Angels in spring training season when the Coast league club opens its sessions Monday.

Mallory, who played with the Angels at the start and close of the 1940 season, was the leading batter of the circuit with a .393 average. Mallory is the outstanding candidate for the regular second-base position with the Angels this season.

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French Will Start Regular Quintet against Invaders; Wildcat Tilt Opens Card

By BOB LEONARD

The Klamath high Pelicans, who haven't lost a game in district 3 competition, meet the Grants Pass cagers, who haven't won a game in district 4 competition, tonight on the KUHS floor and Dutch French's boys are confident—like they were before the first Medford game a few weeks back.

The local lads shouldn't have any trouble—but then they shouldn't have had any trouble with Grants Pass last fall. Grants Pass shouldn't win—and probably won't.

Regulars Start

Nevertheless Pelican fans will finally see a ball game; it will be the first since January 24 and only the fourth home contest all season.

French said Friday he would start his regular first string lineup of Erlandson and Reginato at forwards, Moses at center, and Boechi and Love at the guard slots. The valleyites will start five men, all of whom have had some practice. Both sides will use the same referee.

Defense has been stressed all week in local practice with the idea of letting the Pelican attack, which has so far either clicked admirably or failed abysmally—never in between—take care of itself. Grants Pass has mixed practice with a dash of hope and a short prayer all week. It will be shaken well tonight and the results inspected at about 10 o'clock.

Medford Next

Saturday night the Pelicans will return to the wars after their brief pause for Grants Pass edification and buck the in-and-out Medfords who seem to have improved since KUHS handed them a 32-16 plastering on January 18. As recently as last Tuesday the Kittens won a game. They nipped an off-the-beam Ashland Grizzly five on that occasion when Captain Fred Gunnette looped in a prayer shot from five feet away in the final seconds.

Tonight's soiree begins with an Ashland Junior-Wildcat tilt at 7:30.

By MATT R. KRAMER

Associated Press Writer
Salem took a one-game advantage over Astoria 40-32 in their annual feud last night, but will share the spotlight in Oregon high school play tonight (Friday) with the state's two hottest basketball districts.

In eastern Oregon, Hood River, The Dalles, Pendleton and Milton-Freewater engage in playoffs that will eliminate two teams. Pendleton, by virtue of a surprising 35-11 victory over Milton-Freewater Wednesday, could reach the finals by winning tonight. A third game will be required Saturday if Milton-Freewater wins. A game at The

Arrangements locally are being made by Harvey Teal, secretary of the Klamath SP club and Frank Peyton, president of the organization. Credit for the tourney, an annual SP affair, goes to Jimmie Madden, secretary-treasurer of the San Francisco SP Bowling club. Working with Madden are E. W. Irwin, fourth vice president of the American Bowling congress; Al Montague, San Francisco Bowling club leader, and Arnold Houghton, vice president of the bay area SP maple marksmen.

Trophies and cash awards totaling \$200 will be awarded at the conclusion of the weekend. Two cups in the all-events division will be presented by the two Klamath alleys and others donated by local merchants.

The railroaders will be quartered at the Elk and Willard hotels and a variety of entertainment has been scheduled for keggers and their wives beginning with a banquet Saturday night at the Willard and a dance at the Legion hall.

Maplemen's wives will be taken to Crater lake Sunday and entertained at a bridge luncheon at the Elk at 2 p. m.

BOXING

By The Associated Press
PITTSBURGH — Ev. Sarlin, 174, Pittsburgh, knocked out Len Oms, 180, Detroit, (1).
FALL RIVER, Mass. — Joey Stack, 126½, Philadelphia, outpointed Al Mancini, 126, Providence, E. I. (10).
ELIZABETH, N. J. — Frankie Duane, 132, Elizabeth, stopped Freddie De Jesus, 133, Puerto Rico, (3).
WATERBURY, Conn. — Eddie Dolan, 147, Waterbury, stopped Eddie Carroll, 144, Ottawa, Ont., (7).

WRESTLING

By The Associated Press
HARTFORD, Conn. — Joe Cox, Kansas City, defeated Sammy Menacher, Boise, Ida., two out of three falls.
READING, Pa. — Max Krauser, 232, Poland, threw Elmer Slagle, 250, Van Buren, Ark., (2-0).
ST. LOUIS — Ray Steele, 218, St. Louis, defeated Lou Thess, 232, St. Louis, straight falls.

Stanford Refuses To Concede Title

Final Examinations May Prevent Indians From Meeting North Champ

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif., Feb. 21 (UP)—Al Masters, Stanford graduate manager said Thursday Stanford would refuse to concede the Pacific Coast conference basketball championship although it appears unlikely that a playoff between northern and southern division winners can be arranged.

Stanford is an almost sure winner in the southern division and Washington State college, with nine wins, two losses and five left, has a stout lead over the nearest rival, Oregon State, which has won six, lost four and has six left.

Final Exams

Stanford will be unable to play the championship series the weekend of March 15 as it would conflict with final examinations. The northern division does not finish its regular season until March 8.

Masters said Stanford would not waive its right to compete in the NCAA tournament at Kansas City beginning March 21, to

which the coast conference winner is invited.

Masters said the responsibility for arranging suitable playoff dates rests with the northern division winner, since Stanford gave notice before the season opened it would refuse the March 15 weekend if it won the southern title.

If Washington State can clinch the northern title next weekend, Masters suggested, it might cancel its last week's games and play the series on the March 8 weekend. The southern division race ends March 1.

This year's playoff goes to the northern division, and if WSC is able to play, the series will be at Pullman March 7, 8 and 10.

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