

Men Drop First Tilt Lava Bears, 31-23

Pelicans Falter In Final Stretch; Homer Again Paces Klamath Attack

Pelican cagers faltered in the final stretch last night in the first of their two-game tilt with the Bend Lava Bears. The Pelicans were out of the game in the 23rd minute.

Skies, UO Make Close Game Tilts

The Associated Press. Universities of Washington and Oregon rode atop the Pacific coast conference standings today but both are weak.

Seattle five narrowly edged out a 46-45 win over the State, and Oregon came behind for an even 24-24 triumph over Idaho. The teams will meet again tonight.

A close finish as ever marked a conference game between Washington and Oregon. Freshman forward Norwood scored three shots to shoot the team out to a 45-39 lead after they had been deadlocked for five minutes.

Oregon victory over Washington came on a last minute play by Hays, six-foot seven-inch, to boost the victors to a 40-34 lead, after they had from a halftime advantage.

Portland veteran Len Payne led an Oregon pass with 12 points, one less than Idaho's center, John Taylor.

Contests were played at the conference's new five-mile Taylor, the Idaho center was the lone eviction of the game with Payne of Idaho, Sertic and Washington's Lan each having four points.

Spokane, paced by the 28-point Forward Norm Hendrix, piled up its highest count in a year to defeat Whitman 75-58. Darnton of Whitman called 19.

The southern half of the conference, USC's towermen of Troy had a field in racking up a 53-25 win at the University of California, Los Angeles, Rangy Jack Cole, a University of Washington transfer, potted 17 points in his center post to lead the victors. USC clocked up 20 points after trailing at 10-0.

Major League Agreement Will Be Offered at Meeting

By JIMMY JORDAN. CHICAGO, Jan. 6 (AP) — A more or less secret document setting a new major league agreement, and not including a recommendation for any individual as successor to Kenesaw Mountain Landis, a commissioner of baseball, will be offered at a meeting in New York February 3.

The agreement, somewhat tentative in nature, was drawn up yesterday at a meeting of a seven-member committee representing both leagues. Stated in the terms, it was turned over to legal attorneys for transfer into legal language.

The committee will meet in New York on February 2, to bring the agreement as drafted and to pass on it. It is presented to the two leagues.

The committee will be given the morning of "Friday, February 2," with Harridge, president of the American League, and a member of the group, today. "Our recommendation will be passed on to members of each league that afternoon. If they agree, or if they seek changes, their recommendations will be presented to a joint session of both leagues on February 3."

of the Bend quintet with sheer speed.

The Pelican hoopsters jumped off to an early lead and were out in front 5-4 at the end of the first period. The Klamath five maintained its slim lead during the second canto and the half ended with the Pelicans holding a 12-11 advantage.

Bend drew ahead of the Klamath in the third quarter by one point, leading 18-17. In the final frame the deadly marksmanship of Harold Smith, backcourt man for the Lava Bears, began to tell and the home club rolled up 13 points while holding the Pelicans to six counters to make the final tally 31 to 23.

Smith held high scoring honors for the evening by potting 13 markers for the Bend five, while Jim Palmer paced the Pelican attack with eight points followed closely by Jerry Thorne with seven.

Coach Marble Cook has apparently not yet found the right combination for the Klamath cagers. The fact that the Bend court is much smaller than the hardwood at KUHS was a handicap to the Klamath boys as their fast-breaking offense was not as effective as it might have been.

Rivalry will be resumed tonight with the Lava Bears in the final game of the series.

Summary:

Klamath Falls (23)	Bend (31)
Palmer, 8	Murphy, 3
Poppe, 4	F, 1
Thorne, 7	C, 0
Perkins, 1	Higgins, 13
White, 1	G, 8
Wirtz, 8	

Subs: Klamath Falls, Zarosinski 1, Biehn 1, Bussman, Redkey; Bend, Hawes 2, Brogan 1, Rasmussen 1, Moore 2, Plath.

Portland Eagles Lead Hockey League

PORTLAND, Jan. 6 (AP) — For the first time since the season began, the Northern Division of the Pacific coast hockey league today had other than a Seattle team at the helm.

The new leaders are the Portland Eagles, whose 7-win over the San Francisco Shamrocks last night broke a three-team deadlock among the rose city six and the Seattle Ironmen and Stars.

Joey Dolan Gains Nod Over Lindsay

SPOKANE, Jan. 6 (AP) — In a set-to fraught with action from start to finish, Joey Dolan, Spokane claimant to the Pacific coast featherweight championship, last night edged out a decision over Ken Lindsay, 124, of Vancouver, B. C., the Canadian bantamweight titlist.

There were no knockdowns. It was the final appearance in a fight ring as a civilian for Dolan, who soon will enter the army.

JUST NO USE!

SALIDA, Colo., Jan. 6 (AP) — Salida high school Coach Nearl Mehring used everybody but the water boy in a basketball game against Cotopaxi high last night but it just wasn't any use.

Big Ten's Big Shot



Dick Ivie is principal reason why Iowa is Ohio State's principal challenger for Western Conference basketball championship. Sophomore topped Big Ten scorers as freshman with 208 points, set individual single game record at 43.

From Midfield

HANLEY HERE

Through the courtesy of Major Clyde Roberts, executive officer at the Marine Barracks and coach of the Leatherneck grid squad this past season, we were able to converse Friday with Lt. Col. Dick Hanley, former football mentor at Northwestern university, who is here on a brief inspection tour.

Dick turned out some great ball clubs back at Evanston, Ill., and we personally remember a few of his teams that boasted such stars as Pug Rentner, Jack Riley and "Eggs" Mankie. He also coached the East in the East-West classic a few years ago.

At present, Hanley is head football coach of the El Toro marine eleven, one of the strongest service men's teams on the west coast. Big Frank Ramsey, former KUHS mentor, plays right guard on the marine aggregation, and Dick said that Big Frank shows plenty of stuff. The El Toro boys had a successful season this past year and will be one of the big grid threats on the Pacific coast next year.

He attended the Rose Bowl tussle at Pasadena and Dick's opinion was that Jim Hardy was the old difference between the two elevens. Dick thought the Vols showed a woeful lack of experience and that their strategy was bad.

Buster Stephens looked good on end sweeps and cut backs, he said, but made the mistake of attempting too many delayed backs through the middle slot that the huge Trojan forward wall easily thwarted. Stephens is a potentially fine ball player and may develop into an all-time football great, he declared. Dick should know as he coached more than one all-American in his reign at Northwestern.

In the second canto the Vols dropped two passes that were certain touchdowns with no Trojan defensive men within taxi-cab fare of the receiver, he observed, and the Tennessee eleven was very definitely in the ball game until the final frame when the superior weight and power of Southern Cal began to tell.

The Trojans, probably the best exponents of the famed T formation on the Pacific coast, fared much better when they ran

their plays from short punt formation, Dick concluded.

In making the rounds Friday we ran across no other than Duke Trotter, former UCLA grid star and present football and basketball coach of the Willamette Navycats.

Duke is now a chief in the navy and was passing through Klamath Falls en route to Salem after a leave. Duke saw the Rose Bowl tilt between Tennessee and Southern Cal and in questioning him, he said the Vol-unters were a well coached ball club and that the Tennessee freshman flash, Buster Stephens, was as good as any back on the field. Duke rated Buster and USC's Jim Hardy about even.

Stephens just missed breaking clear away in the first half three times, Duke said, and the Tennessee boys completely outplayed the Trojans through the first frame and were on even terms throughout the second quarter. The final half was a different story, however, with the weight of the Trojans making the difference.

The six points the Southern Cal eleven scored in the opening two minutes on a blocked kick was a big psychological boost for the west coast lads, but the Vols really came back fighting and were never in any danger of having another one blocked all during the game, Duke declared.

Considering the fact that Tennessee didn't have a football team last year, Duke thought Coach John Barnhill did a great job with the Vols.

Which reminds us, Duke had quite a ball player himself on the Willamette eleven in the person of Floyd Simmons, 210-pound fullback. The Willamette siege-gun was mentioned on the all-coast roster and will be remembered by Klamath grid fans as the boy who tore large holes through the Leatherneck line here in the opening game of the season for the marines.

This should just about finish up the pros and cons on the annual classic at Pasadena and, as far as we can see, the best team won.

Duke also said he had a

pretty fair basketball team up Willamette way. The Navycat quintet is fast but lacks height, Duke stated. Well, the marine five from the barracks should find out all about that tonight when they match buckets with the Navycats up at Salem.

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Great Minor League Pilot Passes Away

TERRELL, Tex., Jan. 6 (AP) — The man who sent Tris Speaker to everlasting baseball fame is dead and old-timers of the Texas league mourn the passing of one of the greatest managers the minors ever knew.

Ben Shelton, the Gentleman Ben of some of the game's greatest triumphs, passed on at a hospital here yesterday after three years of illness. He was 66.

It was in 1906 that Shelton, a great third baseman in his playing days before and after the turn of the century, looked over a rookie left-hander who couldn't get the other side out but who could hit when his turn came at the plate.

The Cloburn club was about ready to release young Tris Speaker, but Shelton, managing the team at the time, saw possibilities in the hurler who could pound the horsehide so he kept him on in order to teach Speaker the tricks of the trade.

Tris sped to the big leagues to become the greatest center fielder of all time.

Fritzie Zivic Scores Upset Over Arnold

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK, Jan. 6 (AP) — A return bout between youthful Billy Arnold, boxing's late sensation, and the veteran Fritzie Zivic of Pittsburgh seemed assured today on the heels of Zivic's upset victory over the previously unbeaten Philadelphia high school student who gained prominence with 28 knockouts in 31 bouts.

The 31-year-old Zivic, a 5 to 1 underdog, gained an eight round split decision over his 18-year-old opponent last night as Promoter Mike Jacobs opened the 1945 season at Madison Square Garden before 16,923 who contributed to a gross gate of \$57,578.

Arnold, who at 144 pounds gave away nine pounds in weight, carried the fight to Zivic throughout the eight rounds and in one round, the third, apparently had Zivic in a bad way. He punched Zivic's body and landed his right hand punch several times, but Zivic shook off its effects and came back strong.

Sammy Byrd, Jug McSpaden Pace LA Open

By RUSS NEWLAND

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6 (AP) — Out in front by a single stroke Champion Harold McSpaden and Sammy Byrd were the pace setters today as the field teed off in the second round of the 72-hole Los Angeles Open.

McSpaden now registered from Sanford, Maine, and Byrd, the ex-New York Yankee baseball player, now a pro at Detroit, Mich., tacked up one under par 70s to deadlock for the first round lead down the 7000 yard Riviera course in a par 35-36-71 test. McSpaden toured the layout in 35-36. Byrd reversed his rival's nine hole figures.

Breathing down the leaders' necks as the second round firing opened were the two tournament co-favorites, Byron Nelson, of Toledo, Ohio, leading golfer as well as high money winner of 1944, and Beltin; Sam Snead of Hot Springs, Va., the "people's choice."

Nelson and Snead, the latter winner of two of the last four tournaments of the current winter's links circuit, took first rounds 71's. So did six others, namely John Revolta, Evanston, Ill.; Tony Penna, Dayton, O.; Chick Rutan, Detroit; Ray Mangrum, Los Angeles, Claude Harmon, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., and Amateur Bruce McCormick, Los Angeles.

BASKETBALL Results

OREGON PREP

By The Associated Press

Bend 31, Klamath Falls 23.
Medford 39, Ashland 27.
Pendleton 26, Milton-Freewater 25.
University (Eugene) 38, Cottage Grove 32.
Junction City 39, Toledo 29.
St. Mary's (Eugene) 28, McKenzie 12.
Oregon City 42, Salem 26.
Parkrose 24, Hill Military (Portland) 8.
Gresham 39, Catholic Central (Portland) 33.
Estacada 23, Sandy 20.
Springfield 34, Roseburg 26.
Washington (Portland) 28, Roosevelt (Portland) 25.
Grant (Portland) 30, Benson (Portland) 23.
Jefferson (Portland) 46, Sabin (Portland) 11.
Commerce (Portland) 29, Franklin (Portland) 18.
Eureka (Calif.) 49, Grants Pass 30.
Columbia Prep (Portland) 38, Milwaukie 21.
Eugene 46, Albany 22.

Belcastro-Johnson Draw In Main Event at Armory

Gloomy Gust Johnson kept his record intact of never having been defeated at the Klamath arena last night, but he was held to a draw by Pete Belcastro, the Weed assassin, in a match displaying plenty of fireworks.

The two muscle men really went at it throughout most of the bout with both boys trying to gain surfboard holds. Each grappler was too cagey to be trapped into a position where this knockout hold could be applied, however, and settled by battering each other all over the ring.

Gloomy Gust took the initial tumble in the fourth canto by making Pete throw in the towel with a leg stretch. Previous to the fall, Belcastro had worked Gust over plenty but failed to make him quit.

No fall was gained in the fifth frame, but in the final round Pete evened the count with a full body slam that made the boards resound followed by a powerful body press and Referee Wally Moss declared the match a draw.

The entire affair was wild and woolly and was one of the best bouts witnessed in the Klamath biceps bin since the Kiser-Johnson match several weeks ago.

In the semi-windup Jack Kiser was given the nod over Tough Tony Ross by Moss after each grappler had grabbed a tumble. Tony used the ropes too much to suit Wally in the fourth heat after he had taken the first fall with a back-breaker and Jack had knotted the

count with his pet "alligator clutch." Tony howled loud and long over the decision and slammed his robe down in anger. In fact, Tony was so mad he could have spit. His raucous cries were to no avail, however and Kiser left the ring the winner to the plaudits of the fans.

In the curtain-raiser, tough Bulldog Jackson and Milt Olsen butted biceps to a draw with both maulers showing much more stuff than they did last week.

All in all, it was a slam-bang card and the boys of Bashed-Beak boulevard went all out in putting on three classy bouts for the patrons of Gladiator's gully.

LOOKING UP . . .

KIMBERLY, Idaho, Jan. 5 (AP) — Jean Parsons, Idaho's only woman basketball coach, really looks up to her squad members.

Players include two six footers, one five foot two inch boy and the Stronk brothers, Ted and Leland, 5 feet 6 inches and 6 feet 7 inches.

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