

Mexican Fishing

Back from a recent fishing trip at Guymas, Mexico, Marshall Cornett reports that the folks down where it's supposed to be always just before sup- perline are be- coming Ameri- canized enough now to hook foreigners fi- nancially and even the cli- mate down there this winter was raising g o o seeples on tropical skins.

But still Guymas and the Gulf of Mexico in the town's front yard is a dandy fishing spot and he and his party—Cliff Hogue of Klamath Falls and Harry Nichols and Oscar Kitredge of Adel—had a great time snagging mackerel, red snapper, grouper and something called cabrillo.

Cabrillo, Cornett says, are about like our rock bass and weigh up to in neighborhood of 150 pounds. However, the largest they caught scaled about a hundred. They used mackerel weighing 15-16 pounds for bait and enjoyed catching the bait as much as hauling in the big fellows.

They went up the gulf from Guymas about 35 miles but never got far offshore in a criss- craft boat rented in town.

The party flew down from here, starting on the ninth of this month. They had trouble from the beginning. Motor trouble delayed the take-off until about 10:30 in the morning and darkness forced the plane down in a sage field at Ashport, Ariz., the first night out. Ashport is some 5000 feet above sea level and the temperature was six below.

Next day they flew on to Nogales, Ariz., and spent a day and a half there trying to get permission and clearance to cross the line. Cornett says the Mexicans make much over the language barrier but understand American money fluently.

Anywhere from six to eight assorted officials had to look the party over and unravel quantities of red tape before allowing them to hop across the border and also did the same thing coming back.

While in Nogales, right on the line, they had snow and Guymas, 280 miles further south, was too chilly for a tropical paradise.

Veterans At Oregon

R. W. Leighton, dean of Oregon's school of physical education, who dropped in for a chat and a cup of coffee a couple of days ago, believes that the Ducks are going to benefit greatly by the return of ex-servicemen to the campus in the next year or two.

He expects to have about 50 veterans in physical ed next year, compared to 17 now and only three last year, and in that group will be many who decided while in the army or navy that athletics was their best spot in life.

The vets he considers to be cooler, more level-headed in competition than younger fellows and that observation naturally swung the conversation around to Veteran Jake Leicht, the hands-on-hips boy who was one of the coolest customers in coast football last season. Jake could play a whole game at halfback without getting his hair mussed.

When Jake finished high school in Sacramento, Leighton relates, he looked up Alonzo Stagg, the venerable gentleman of the College of the Pacific, to inquire about his football chances in the PCC.

Stagg told him none at all, too small. What about at College of the Pacific, Jake asked. Come on in, Stagg told him, you'll make it.

But Jake wanted to play in the coast conference so he mullied over Alonzo Stagg's remarks and decided that one of the smaller schools in the league was his best bet. Therefore he passed up Southern Cal, California and UCLA and came to Oregon.

He received another jolt after he went into the air corps. Set-

Oregon Prep Cage Races Moving Into Stretch

Washington High, Defending Champs, Only Undeclared Team In Portland

By A. R. BURNS

The Oregon prep basketball scene began moving into focus today, as the 74 class "A" squads rolled down the main stretch toward berths in the state tournament and league laurels.

Baker was riding far ahead in the Blue Mountain conference, and held odds for a playoff spot against a Snake River valley team for the district 1 tourney berth.

The district 2 picture, whose five teams will decide the berth by playoff, was still blurry. Redmond clung to its pedestal in district 3. Down in the Southern Oregon conference, district 4 had storm warnings posted against Medford's winning Black Tornado.

Myrtle Point was out ahead in the district 5 race, with Marshfield trailing close behind. Eugene, district 6 defending champion, rolled up another victory Tuesday to keep its unbeaten record in district play.

In the no-name league, however, where the Axemen have played only three games, Eugene stood in only third place, with the Corvallis Spartans far out in front. Corvallis, once beaten by powerful Lebanon in the district 7 contest, will be trying for its second district victory with a Friday tilt against Sweet Home.

Only clear detail in district 8, which contains four teams that don't all meet until a post-season tournament, was that McMinnville ranks way ahead of Newberg. McMinnville was running second in the Tualatin-Yamhill Valley league. Hillsboro, unbeaten in TYV play, appeared a cinch to take the district 9 berth from its other TYV opponent.

Astoria held one victory and Seaside one loss in the only district 10 game played so far. Salem, runner-up in the no-name league, looked strong for the district 11 contest to be decided by tournament with three Willamette Valley league teams.

Oregon City was roaring far in front in district 12. The district 13 situation, where the seven teams don't play each other until tourney time, was hazy. Rainier headed district 14.

Washington High of Portland, state defending champion, was the only unbeaten team in the Portland loop, with Commerce in second place. The two top squads will gain district 15 and 16 tourney berths.

Next game for the Klamath Pelicans, now riding along on a season record of 13 wins against a pair of losses, will be against the Grants Pass Cavemen on the high school court tomorrow night.

The Pels have one decision over the Josephine county lads already this season, beating them 50-21 in the final game of the Rogue River invitational tourney last December.

A second game is to be played here Saturday night. Preliminary to the varsity tilt tomorrow the Freshmen will play Ashland junior high at 7 o'clock. The Rooks are the only KUHS cage group as yet unbeaten this season.

Saturday night's Pelican-Cavemen scrap will follow a pair of prelims, the Frosh versus Chiloquin B's at 6 o'clock and the Wildcats meet the Chiloquin varsity at 7.

Ashland Cage Meet Dates Scheduled
ASHLAND—The annual Southern Oregon basketball tourney will be held at Southern Oregon college in Ashland March 13, 14, 15 and 16, the college has announced.

R. W. McLean, who first organized the tourney in 1928, will direct the meet. Invitations to this year's tournament are being extended to the 46 "B" high schools in Klamath, Douglas, Coos, Harney, Curry, Jefferson, Deschutes, Josephine, Lake and Crook counties.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT
By The Associated Press
AKRON—Pat Comiskey, 208, Paterson, N. J., outpointed Johnny White, 208, New York, (10).

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Joe Lynam Goes Overboard



The man on top but going down rapidly is Joe Lynam, and the fellow helping gravely along in furnishing moral power in Joe's trip to the aale is Pete Balcastro. This shot was taken during the main event bout between Lynam and the Weed Wildman at the armory Tuesday night and shows just one of Lynam's several tumbles out of the ring during the match. The referee is Wally Moss.

Golfers Will Use Synthetic Pellets Again Next Summer

CHICAGO, Jan. 24 (AP)—The average golfer will have to belt a pellet of synthetic rubber most of 1946 and chances are he will have to shod hard and long to replace that battered "duration" driver.

Representatives of two ranking athletic equipment concerns today sized up the golf supply situation and said those bouncy pre-war balls will not be on the market before August and perhaps not at all this season. The latest synthetic balls, however, will be "almost as good," they amended.

Production of clubs will be fairly brisk by May or June, but which an eye on the steel strike which may slacken manufacture of club shafts just when producers thought they had the manpower problem licked.

George Dawson of the A. G. Spalding and Brothers company said a "rumor" that crude rubber would be released this month by the government for golf ball manufacture was squelched when federal officials decided they

Huskies Edge Chiloquin In Overtime Play

Merrill's Huskies topped Chiloquin 39-37 in an overtime revenge match at Merrill Tuesday night. The Huskies won 31-11 at the close of the regular playing period.

Melvin Johnson, Merrill reserve who played most of the game but did not start, hit the basket for 19 points, and Hatcher had 16 for Chiloquin.

The game was a toss-up clear through. Chiloquin ended the first frame ahead by 12-9. Merrill led at the half 16-14 and raced ahead to finish the third quarter 26-16. Chiloquin plunged into the fourth quarter to knot the score at 31-31.

In the overtime Chiloquin had possession of the ball most of the time but the Merrill shooters were the better marksmen. This game was Merrill's 11th win of the season against a lone defeat, that to Chiloquin in an earlier game.

In a prelim the Chiloquin B's beat the Merrill B's 19-17. Friday night the Huskies play Gilchrist at Merrill.

Player Scores All But Five Points
Merrill Pos. Chiloquin
Kandra (3) F (16) Hatcher
Noonan (2) F (2) Hannigan
Fothering-
ham (8) C (4) Severson
Hammond (4) G (10) Suddiff
Walker (3) G (5) Barker
Substitutions: Merrill—John-
son (19) and Hunnicutt. Chilo-
quin—Luderman, Hatcher and
Gienger.

Seattle Ironmen Blank Portland

SEATTLE, Jan. 24 (AP)—The Seattle Ironmen last night blanked the Portland Eagles 8-0 for their first shut-out of the current Pacific coast ice hockey league season.

Eddie Dartnell led the Seattle attack, figuring as part of four Seattle scoring thrusts. Roy McBride and Bill Robinson figured in three each.

Webfoots In Critical Hoop Series

By The Associated Press

The University of Oregon's defending champions and the Washington Huskies open their critical four-game home-and-home series at Seattle tomorrow night while Oregon State, current northern division basketball leader, starts its swing through the Palouse country with a pair of games against Idaho.

Washington and Oregon play at Seattle Friday and Saturday, and resume their feud at Eugene exactly a week later. Washington is now in second place, half a game behind Oregon State, while Oregon is in fourth place after two losses to Oregon State and another to Idaho.

The Webfoots put in long hours of preparation for the Seattle series this week and were to depart for the north today. Capt. Bob Hamilton's leg injury hasn't improved the Oregon situation much lately. Washington meanwhile is in good condition and has been stressing ball-handling all week.

"Oregon can't score when we have the ball," Coach Hec Edmundson has been telling his club. Once again the Huskies will be up against a team which out-towers. The Huskies beat the Webfoots in the DePaul tourney some weeks ago, the only time they have clashed.

Oregon State, which lost an overtime to Oregon last week, only to come back the next night to win going away on Oregon's own floor, the series with Idaho will pit some of the league's storks against each other. Idaho has been coming fast since it opened the season by dropping a pair to the Beavers on the road, and in view of last week's split with Washington, might prove equally poisonous to OSC on the Moscow maple.

Victory Loop Cage Results

By JOHN LARSON
REEDERS OVER HIBBS
Dick Reeder's Victory league basketball entry trampled the Hibbs quintet 40-17 at Fairview school. Paced by Bill Hermant who scored 16 points the winners had little trouble in downing the smaller group although the count was knotted at 10-11 at the half.

Wayne Phillips led the losers' scoring with eight markers.

ARMY-NAVY DOWNS FORDS
In the second game last night at Fairview, the Army-Navy store five proved too powerful for a scrappy Baisger five, 26-15. The Fords took an early lead but weren't able to hang on. Roger Vanderhoff chalked up seven points for the winners while Dee Nelson and Willis Glidden made four each for Baisger's.

Tonight's Victory loop games will be played on the KUHS gym floor instead of at Fairview as scheduled.

Murphy's meet the DeMolay Blues at 7 o'clock and Rudy's play the DeMolay Golds at 8.

Lauds Schools



Dean R. W. Leighton of the University of Oregon school of physical education has praised the Klamath county school system for the way the state physical fitness program has been put into effect in schools here.

SPORTS

By Hale Scarbrough, Sports Editor

Boxing Industry Moguls About Ready To Make Peace

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 (AP)—Out of the New York Boxing Writers' dinner honoring the "James Boys"—James J. Walker and James J. Johnston—came the possibility today that the National Boxing association and the New York state athletic commission are about to put on the big kiss-and-make-up scene.

Now, this doesn't necessarily mean that all will be beer and skittles between the nation's long-feuding top two beak-busting bosses. But from what Abe Greene, long-time NBA head, told the writers last night, you got the idea that the two organizations at least are about to get together on single champions for all divisions.

Greene and Eddie Eagen, New York commission chairman, had their heads together during most of last night's dinner at which Walker, father of New York boxing, received the eighth annual Edward J. Neil Memorial plaque and Johnston, half-century veteran manager was tabbed for long service to boxing. The Neil award was bestowed in memory of last night's dinner sports writer and correspondent who was killed in Spain in 1938.

"We've about settled some things," Greene revealed later.

"We have nice plans for boxing—good news and important news." Asked to explain what he considered good and important news for the business of bustling beaks, Abe pointed out that the Ike Williams-Bob Montgomery lightweight title fight, set for March 22, is going to make one champion where two grew before, and that talks are now underway to bring together Willie Pep, New York-recognized featherweight champion, and Sal Barolo, who was the NBA blessing, to straighten out the kinks in the 127-pound pretzel.

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