



Headache Junked

The basketball rule prohibiting re-entry of any player in the last four minutes of a game, which was on the book only for last season and was a pure migraine headache to coaches, has been tossed out.

This news should elicit a boisterous hooray from Dutch French who this season saw his Pelicans play the final minutes of a tourney game with only four players.

Modification of that cage law was about the main business of the national basketball committee which closed a two-day session in New York Tuesday.

The rule now allows one re-entry per player in the last four minutes of a game and provides that the clock will automatically be stopped whenever the ball is dead during those four minutes.

Apparently that means a coach can run in one fresh player for each position, five in all if he wants to.

The committee also decided on these minor rule revisions:

1. Make the use of transparent backboards optional.

2. Make it mandatory to call a jump ball six feet in from the boundary whenever the ball goes out after having been touched by two opposing players simultaneously, or if the officials can't agree who touched it last or if the officials' vision was blocked and they don't know who touched it last.

Amend the running rule so that a player who comes to a legal stop with feet parallel can use either foot as his pivot.

All recommendations for rules penalizing extra-tall players, such as raising the hoop two feet and widening free throw lanes, were turned down flat.

Open April 20

The state game commission wants the news noised around that general trout season this year opens April 20 and not April 13 or April 15, as many anglers are apparently believing.

Until April 20 coastal waters are closed to all angling for trout, regardless of size, but the season is open for salmon and steelhead 20 inches or over in length.

Armed Put Up For Rich Race

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 28 (P)—Calumet Farm's Armed, handicapped star of the winter racing season in the south, heads the field of 40 horses which were nominated for the \$10,000 Clark Handicap to be run at Churchill Downs this spring.

The Clark Handicap, which is for three-year-olds and up at one and one-sixteenth miles, will be the highlight of opening day at Churchill Downs on Saturday, April 27.

Warren Wright, owner of Calumet Farm, was the leading nominator for the Clark, naming a total of five horses. In addition to Armed, winner of the Widener Handicap in Florida, the stable also named two of its 1946 Kentucky Derby candidates, High Shine and In Earnest; Pot o' Luck, second in the 1945 Derby, and the four-year-old Hall Victory.

Tall Players Still Unhampered

DETROIT, March 28 (P)—The biggest problem in basketball—that of the 6-foot-plus players who stand under the baskets and toss shots in with ease—is still unsolved.

So declared Lloyd Brazil, University of Detroit basketball coach, today as he reviewed recent proposals to curb activities of the "big fellows" of the basketball courts.

"I don't think any of the suggestions advanced at the recent National Basketball Coaches' association rules meeting in New York would prove very workable," Brazil said. "Admittedly something must be done to equalize things to give the fellows under six feet tall a chance, but the big question is what can we do that won't harm the game in some other respect?"

"As long as Bob Kurland of Oklahoma A and M, George Mikan of De Paul and Don Otten of Bowling Green were around and scoring a lot of points, there was bound to be a lot of agitation against them. They'll be gone next season, however, and most of the fireworks will disappear," the Detroit coach added.

"I saw Mikan stand under the basket and score 53 points against Rhode Island State, almost without moving more than two or three feet, simply because he's 6-foot 9-inches tall," Brazil reminisced.

Brazil said many coaches favor widening the free throw lanes, but pointed out that such a proposal would increase the effectiveness of the zone defense—something the coaches didn't want.

Beavers Getting Six Weeks Of Spring Grid Practice

CORVALLIS, March 28—

With the addition of three new assistants to Coach Lon Stiner's staff last weekend, preparations for spring football practice at Oregon State are complete.

Opening workout will be Tuesday, April 2 and five practice sessions a week for six weeks, with four intrasquad games near the end of the training period, are planned.

The three new assistants—all three of them are former Beaver grid stars—are Jim Kisselburgh, who will serve as backfield coach for the 1946 season; and the D-boys of Oregon State's 1941 Pacific coast conference champions, Don Durdan and

Bob Dethman, who will assist with the coaching of the backs in spring practice.

Stiner considers spring practice more important than usual this spring, because the Beavers will be returning to a full round-robin schedule in the Pacific coast conference next fall and will have less than three weeks in September to get ready for the opener against UCLA in Los Angeles on September 28.

Only 17 members of last fall's 50-man squad are expected for the spring drills. They are Dick Lorenz, Bud Gibbs and Harold Mattice, ends; Roger Anderson, Norm Martinson and Jack Cutsforth, guards; Hal Rudy, Bill Austin, Chris Wheeler, Bob Guber and Virgil Simon, tackles; Bob Krell and Les Kiessling, centers; Muri Anderson and John Karamanos, quarterbacks; Rob Reiman, halfback; and Bob Stevens, fullback.

Only three prewar football lettermen have returned to school so far. They are Martin Chavez, right guard and captain of the 1942 Rose Bowl team; Norm Newman, left guard; and Lee Gustafson, right halfback.

Several others are expected back this spring or by next fall. A number of new men in school, mostly freshmen and returned war veterans, also have signed for spring practice.

Bremerton Cuts Four Players

LEWISTON, Idaho, March 28 (P)—Release of Outfielders Robert Poltrock, Norfolk, Va., and

Robert Noah, Seattle; and infielders Lloyd Storm and Nick Gabor, Seattle, was announced by Sam Gibson of the Bremerton Bluejacks baseball team here yesterday.

While Manager Gibson began the job of trimming his team down to working size, he also announced four hurlers to take part in the intrasquad exhibition game on the normal school field during spring training this afternoon.

Hub Kittie, "Beak" Federmeier, Gus Pappas, and Curt Wilson were named to take the mound for the two teams.

Rowland, busy as PCL opens

LOS ANGELES, March 28 (P)—President Clarence Rowland of the Pacific Coast League is going to be a busy man as the circuit opens its season tomorrow.

Rowland said he plans to attend the Los Angeles-Sacramento opener at Sacramento in the afternoon, then drive to San Francisco to see the Seals play the Seattle Rainiers in a night inaugural.

Before leaving for Sacramento, Rowland made the following opening day umpire assignments:

At Sacramento, Gordon Ford, Ziggy Sears and Al Summers; San Francisco, Bill Doran, Bob Kober and Monte Heard; Hollywood, Jack Powell, Al Flores and Lon Warneke; San Diego, Bill Engeln, Ed Borski and Phil Mazzeo.

TOLEDO—Bill Parsons, 150, Danville, Ill., outpointed Pete Spott, 150, Pittsburgh, 10.

BROCKTON, Mass.—George Salamone, 145, Boston, TKO Billy Marcus, 146, Windsor, Conn., 6.

Aggies Top All College Hoop Teams

Kurland And Cowboys Won 31, Dropped Two For .939 Average

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK, March 28 (P)—The Oklahoma Aggies topped all college basketball teams in the United States during the 1946 season, an Associated Press tabulation showed today.

Based on a won-lost percentage, the compilation shows that big seven-foot Bob Kurland and his Cowboy teammates who beat North Carolina for the NCAA title Tuesday night, took the No. 1 spot with .939 on 31 victories against two defeats.

Kentucky's Wildcats, winner of the national invitation tournament at Madison Square Garden, finished in a tie with Yale for second place at .933. The Wildcats won 28 and lost two while the Eli finished their season in mid-February with 14 victories and one defeat.

The Aggies' two defeats came at the hands of DePaul and Bowling Green. Kentucky lost to Temple and Notre Dame, Yale's one setback was administered by Harvard.

Ranked fourth at .905 with a 19-2 mark is Kansas, twice defeated by the Aggies. West Virginia and Rhode Island State, both of whom pushed Kentucky to the utmost in the invitation tournament, ranked fifth and sixth, respectively, at .889 and .875.

Harvard at .870; New York University and Slippery Rock (KPA) Teachers, each at .864; The University of Indiana and Louisiana State, tied at .857; North Carolina at .853; Syracuse at .852 and Lafayette at .850 round out the teams with a percentage of .850 or better.

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SPORTS

By Hale Scarbrough, Sports Editor

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Saipan Runs Brilliant Trial Winning Partridge Futurity

WATERVILLE, Wash., March 28 (P)—The first annual Western

Hungarian Partridge dog futurity here was won yesterday by Saipan, a pointer owned by S. L. Koustner of Fresno, Calif.

The dog went through a brilliant 45-minute race in which he found three pairs of birds.

He was handled by E. Allen Sharpe, Willows, Calif., who also handled Smoke Puff, second place winner owned by Kenneth Ousley of Walla Walla, Wash.

Knighthood Pepper, owned by

Louis M. Beevar, Spokane, and handled by Ed Harrison, Yelm, placed third.

Some of the same dogs entered in yesterday's event will be among the 20 entered in the derby championship stakes opening today under sponsorship of the Pacific Coast Championship association.

Two More Cards On Ailing List

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 28 (P)—Two more victims of a flood of ailments which have plagued the St. Louis Cardinals this spring, catcher Ken O'Dea and pitcher Ernie White, were en route to St. Louis today.

O'Dea will be examined for back and leg trouble and White will have his teeth treated.

Browns Start Trek Back To St. Louis

ANAHEIM, Calif., March 28 (P)—With their California exhibition schedule completed, the St. Louis Browns were to break camp today and start their long trek home along with the Chicago Cubs.

The Browns' first stop will be Phoenix, Ariz., where games are scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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Janice Hansen, above, represents Miami Beach, Fla., in the nationwide contest for the title of "Miss Stardust, 1946." Originally from Union City, N. J., she represented her home state in the 1944 "Miss America" beauty pageant.

Canucks, Wolves Begin Playoff

HOLLYWOOD, March 28 (P)—Hollywood's Wolves play the Vancouver Canucks at Pacific auditorium tonight in the first of seven games for the Pacific coast hockey league title.

The Wolves soundly spanked Los Angeles' Monarchs last night, 10 to 1, in the seventh and final game of the southern division playoffs. Hollywood won the divisional title the hard way, dropping the first two and capturing the last three.

In justice to the Monarchs, it should be recorded that their ace scorer, Harry Black, sustained a broken hand during the playoffs, missed last Saturday's contest, and was not effective last night, playing with the bad hand taped.

Vancouver, winner of the northern division title, plays here tonight and Saturday night, then returns home for the rest of the series.

Los Angeles made it fairly interesting last night until the last period, but when Hollywood moved into a 4 to 1 lead, the Monarch defense fell apart and Goalie Clem Harnedy was lucky to escape with his hide as the Los Angeles rear guard left him unprotected.

WSC Has Crowded Diamond Schedule

PULLMAN, Wash., March 28 (P)—WSC Coach Arthur (Buck) Bailey reported the school baseball team will play six games in the next three days at Walla Walla.

Today the Cougars play the state penitentiary team in a nine-inning game. Tomorrow's schedule lists two seven-inning games with Whitman college and Saturday's three five-inning tilts with the missionaries.

Zags Expecting Good Ring Squad

SPOKANE, Wash., March 28 (P)—Hopeful he may have a squad to match some of the outstanding pre-war teams, Coach Joey August announced that Gonzaga's first boxing team workouts since 1943 are underway.

Roy Vetri, 132-pounder, is the only member of the '43 squad to report back so far.

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His Biggest Jump



George Mikan, DePaul University's 6-9 All-America basketball star, jumped to fame and fortune. Here he's signing \$60,000 contract to play professional basketball five years for the American Gears of Chicago.

Honeymoon Over For Wartime Ball Players

By GAIL FOWLER

SEATTLE, March 28 (P)—Most ball players who play in the bushes want to work their way up to faster company. But not Eddie Leishman, who got as far as the then class AA Pacific Coast league.

Eddie prefers the bush circuits—not as a player, but as a manager, that is.

Leishman returns to the class C Pioneer league this year as pilot at Idaho Falls. He had the Twin Falls entry back in 1939, and in 1940 he steered Spokane of the class B Western International league to the championship.

When the war shut down both circuits, Eddie caught on as a coach at Oakland. But as he jogged up and down the western slope on a catch-as-catch-can basis on the wartime gully-jumpers, he thought back longingly to his Pioneer and Western International days jumping from town to town in team-owned buses.

"It was a lot of fun," Eddie often said. "Especially in the Pioneer. The longest haul—Boise to Salt Lake—is only 300 miles. And we had a bunch of

fine young kids who loved to play ball. They were easy to handle."

Leishman contrasted that with the prima donnas who got into the game during the war years in Coast league.

"Players were scarce and the guys knew it, so they took advantage of it. The managers couldn't do much to fight the training violations or give the demands."

"But the honeymoon is over for those guys now. They're only here to fight for their own against the returning service, but the management isn't going to forget in a hurry the years."

LA Football Team To Be Named Dons

LOS ANGELES, March 28 (P)—

The Los Angeles professional football entry in the All-American circuit will be known as the Dons. General Manager Edward P. (Slip) Madigan announced today.

Madigan said the club had decided the name was the most appropriate because of the Spanish background and history of Los Angeles before the admission of California to the union. Incidentally, Don Ameche is the principal owner of the Dons.

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