

# Webfoots Leap To League Front

Oregon Edges Past Cougars; Huskies Pulverize Idaho In Opening Battles

By The Associated Press

Out in front today in the northern division Pacific Coast conference basketball race were Washington's hustling Huskies and Oregon's angular Ducks after victories in initial games of the season last night.

Washington outgunned Idaho, last year's northern division champs, 51-41, at Seattle while Oregon staved off a fighting Washington State college quintet 56-52 at Eugene. The same teams meet again tonight.

The Huskies, undefeated in seven pre-season encounters, were held in check during the first half by Idaho's tight zone defense,

but forged into a 25-19 halftime lead on a scoring flurry just before the end of the period.

In the second half it was all Washington, with Coach Hec Edmundson's crew dominating the backboard and out-hustling the Vandals. Center Jack Nichols paced the Huskies with 16 points, followed by Guard Bobby Jorgensen with 15. Idaho's starting forwards, John Evans and Fred Quinn, were high for the visitors with 13 and 10 points, respectively.

Oregon, which entered conference play with 11 impressive pre-season victories, had a battle on its hands in squeezing out its four-point win over Washington State. During the see-saw struggle the score was knotted 11 times and changed hands on 10 other occasions.

The Webfoots pulled into a 31-24 halftime lead on a late first period rally, increased their margin to 10 points during the first five minutes of the second half, and then were overtaken by the Cougars who spurred to a 46-44 advantage. Oregon tied the score at 51-all with five minutes to go and edged ahead in the closing minutes of the game.

Stan Williamson, Oregon guard, was high point man with 17. The Cougar attack was sparked by Center Gene Sievertsen with 13 counters.

## Mustangs Go Past Limit

MERRILL, Jan. 4.—The Malin Mustangs went overtime last night to defeat the Huskies, 33 to 30, after the count had been deadlocked at 30-30 at the close of the regular playing time.

The Mustangs looped in a basket and a free throw in the overtime, meanwhile holding Merrill scoreless. Snapp had 10 points for the Huskies and Trotman six, while Ellis, McAuliffe and Fields hit eight each for Malin.

Malin's B squad also came out ahead of the Merrill B's, 25-12. Merrill's next game is against an A school, Lakeview, Tuesday night.

Lineups: Merrill Pos. Malin O'Keefe F R. Anderson Snapp F Ellis D. Haskins C McAuliffe Trotman G Fields Simmons G McKoen Merrill sub — M. Haskins; Malin subs — T. Anderson and Ratliff.

## Chevs Knock Wool Cagers

Last night on the Altamont court the Ashley Chevrolet hoop team topped the Oregon Woolens, 33 to 23, and the Langell Valley Beavers skinned by the Four Star Merchants in a tight one, 31-30.

All teams are members of the Klamath Basin league and the games were practice sessions.

Bob Erlanson hung up 10 points for the Chevs and Mort Irving did the same for the Woolens in the initial game.

The aftermath was the more exciting tilt of the twin bill, teeter-totter all the way. Clarence Terwilliger was high point shooter of the evening with seven baskets and Dick Smith of the Langell Valley team accounted for four hoops.

On Monday night, also at Altamont, the Chevs and Oregon Woolen will play a return match.

## Dodd Undecided

ATLANTA, Jan. 4 (AP)—Football Coach Bobby Dodd is still undecided on an offer to leave Georgia Tech and go to Baylor university.

The Journal says Dodd's decision is at least a week away.



## Fish Regulations

The state game commission will consider the 1947 angling regulations, seasons and limits, at a session in Portland January 11, and in all probability will vote to keep the regulations in this immediate area just the same as they were last year.

There has been no organized agitation for any change and most sportsmen feel that the fish seasons and limits in Klamath and surrounding counties last year were okay.

Since the passage of the steelhead bill by popular vote last November, the game commission will probably devote most of its time at this winter meeting to considering the effects and work that must be done to comply with that law.

Undoubtedly the commission will be under all manner of pressure from all parts of the coastal area, so local sportsmen—although extremely interested in coastal fishing—are not going to go to Portland to do any pressurizing. However, the commission will be asked to notice that Klamath county ranks second in fish license sales, so merits more fish stocking.

The feeling here is that the commission will have to take a get-tough stand on coastal fishing this time and set definite limits on where salmon and steelhead can be taken.

The limits will be set far enough upstream to provide plenty of fishing room, but not so far as to interfere with the fish in their spawning grounds. The 5000 or so eggs a salmon fish in their spawning grounds, are of much greater potential importance to fishermen than the fish itself.

By way of an aside here, the steelies are reported biting good these days on the Rogue and other streams.

The regulations which the commission adopts at the January 11 meeting will be final and won't be altered except in an extreme emergency.

## BASKETBALL Results

Oregon Frosh 40, Benson (Portland) 27.  
Oregon Frosh 65, Battle Ground, Wash., 29.  
Hillsboro 37, Tillamook 31.  
Hood River 57, Milwaukie 36.  
The Dalles 38, Astoria 32.  
Stayton 32, Estacada 17.  
Albany 49, Taft 31.  
Junction City 32, Cottage Grove 28.  
Rainier 29, Seaside 27.  
McMinnville 44, Beaverton 28.  
Molalla 41, Silverton 27.  
Medford 39, Grants Pass 25.  
Eugene 49, Springfield 35.  
Salem 46, Bend 28.  
Newberg 52, Forest Grove 27.  
Lebanon 21, Sweet Home 20.  
Sandy 51, Canby 41.  
Amity 39, Valsetz 36.  
Vancouver, Wash., 33, Franklin (Portland) 32.  
Parkrose 34, Corbett 19.  
Pasco (Wash.) 50, Pendleton 28.

## Sports Streamliner . . .

# Seals Will Repeat In Baseball; Stanford's Indians Coming Up

By RUSS NEWLAND

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4 (AP)—Predictions for 1947, which involves the perilous pastime of crawling out on a limb:

The San Francisco baseball club will do a repeat by winning the Pacific Coast league pennant. Reason: The Seals are coming back with a club as strong, if not stronger than last year's. Larry Jansen, the League's leading pitcher in 1946, will be gone but the Seals get back Bob Joyce, 30-game winner the year before. Joyce can win in this circuit even if he couldn't for the New York Giants.

As one of the scouts who knows his job put it recently: "How can the Seals miss? They're set already. In Frank (Lefty) O'Doul they have the best manager in the minors and if he isn't as good as any in the whole business, I'll give

you my watch. The club also will get valuable help from the Giants."

The Seals will train in Hawaii again. That climate must have had something to do with it last season. Few, if any, picked them to take top honors. But they were up there, or thereabouts, from the start.

Stanford will be the No. 1 football team in the Pacific coast conference this year. And a better team than the University of California at Los Angeles club that made such a disappointing showing against Illinois in the recent Rose Bowl game.

Stanford laid off football during the war. Last season was its first. There was more green material than experienced on hand. Marchmont Schwartz turned in a remarkable coaching job with the personnel available. Schwartz

is a big league coach in every sense.

This prediction may occasion some surprise. Santa Clara will steal the spotlight from St. Mary's as the No. 1 independent west coast college football team. Santa Clara, like Stanford, returned to the sport after a war-years layoff and without benefit of spring practice made a surprising showing in 1946.

New Head Coach Len Casanova proved himself in convincing fashion. He, too, had green timber in considerable quantity with which to work. Watch Santa Clara and Casanova go next fall.

If a large enough bonus is dangled before him, St. Mary's Herman Wedemeyer, best half-back on the coast, will join the professional football ranks before the clubs go into training next summer.

## 400 m.p.h. Speed Goal On Salt Flat

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 4 (AP) British driver John Cobb planned few changes today in his Raltion racer with which he hopes to boost his world's land speed record close to 400 miles an hour. Cobb came to Salt Lake City to confer with Gus P. Backman, executive secretary of the Salt Lake City chamber of commerce, on the new speed run, planned for next August on the Bonneville salt flats 120 miles west of here.

The Britisher, holder of the present record of 369.74 miles per hour, said he would bring to America again the same car with which he set the mark in 1939.

After conferring with Backman and other authorities here, Cobb planned to leave for New York. He came here from the west coast.

## Frozen Bowl Thawing Out

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 4 (AP)—The nation's last bowl game will be played off today—a hang-over from New Year's when ice and sub-freezing weather caused a three-day postponement of the clash of Hardin-Simmons and Denver university in the Alamo Bowl.

They're expecting near-summer weather this afternoon when the undefeated, untied Cowboys swap touchdowns with the four-time losers from the Rocky mountains and a crowd of 10,000 is expected.

The game is being staged by the Elks club for the benefit of a crippled children's hospital at Ottine, Tex.

Denver, co-champion of the big seven conference, won five games, lost four and tied one during the regular season. Hardin-Simmons took ten straight.

## Georgia Stars Given Pro Bids

ATLANTA, Jan. 4 (AP)—Four football stars at the University of Georgia have been offered professional grid contracts, the Atlanta Constitution says.

All-America Charlie Trippi reportedly was offered \$60,000 for a four-year contract with the New York Yankees but did not sign. Halfback Rabbit Smith received a bid from the Chicago Cardinals. Tackle Bulldog Williams was approached by the Brooklyn Dodgers and End Joe Tereshinski by the New York Yankees.

## STARTS OFF WITH A BANG

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 4 (AP)—Frank Schiere's New Year greeting came belatedly and violently.

An automobile knocked him down as he crossed a street. The unidentified driver shouted: "Happy New Year, kid," and sped away.

Schiere suffered a slight leg injury.

## Spokane's Bud Ward Tied For Los Angeles Golf Lead

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 4 (AP)—With amateur golfers making their boldest bid in 21 years, the Los Angeles open moved into the second round today.

Former Amateur King Bud Ward of Spokane, Wash., setting the pace for the Simon-pures, tied for first round honors at 69—two under par—with Tony Penna, veteran Cincinnati pro.

Just a stroke behind the leaders was another ex-amateur titleholder, Frank Stranahana, Toledo, O., together with the favored Benny Hogan of Hershey, Pa., and Ed Oliver, Wilmington, Del.

Still another play-for-funner, Bruce McCormick of Los Angeles, posted a 71 to rank among the top 10 for the first 18 holes.

If the amateurs keep it up through the final 54 holes, it will surpass any of their performances in 20 previous Los Angeles opens. Only four players—the last was Johnny Dawson in 1940—have finished among the 10 leaders before, and never more than one in any year.

Professionals who matched par-71 figures for the 7000-yard Riviera Country club layout were Chick Harbert, Detroit; Eddie Joseph, Oakland; Ted Rhodes, Nashville, and George Fazio, Los Angeles.

## Hot Debate Expected When NCAA Opens Its Business

NEW YORK, Jan. 4 (AP)—Eligibility, subsidies and gambling are expected to be subjects of hot debate when the National Collegiate Athletic association and allied groups meet here next week.

NCAA leaders, gravely concerned with the effect of betting and the attendant evil of ticket speculation on big-time college sport, will resume Monday their "conference of conferences" which dug into these matters at Chicago last summer.

This conference will precede the annual general session of the NCAA, the American Football Coaches association and the College Physical Education association.

The Army-Notre Dame cancellation and disclosures that millions of dollars were wagered on college games every week have brought the gambling topic into sharp focus. While Army and Notre Dame authorities did not put the finger on gambling, it is believed that this and ticket speculation were the principal causes for breaking off the traditional series.

The problem of eligibility has caused considerable confusion in efforts by colleges to reconvert to peacetime activity. During the war, the freshman, transfer and three-year varsity eligibility rules were suspended and since then there has been no concerted move to return to the old order.

## Davis Trophy Heads Home

SYDNEY, Jan. 4 (AP)—The Davis cup, held here since the last prewar challenge round in 1939, will leave Australia tomorrow in custody of Captain Walter Pate and three members of the victorious American squad.

Pate, together with Jack Kramer and Ted Schroeder, heroes of the victory over the Aussies, and Frank Parker will take the big silver mug emblematic of world tennis supremacy on its first plane ride since it was placed in competition. They are due in San Francisco Jan. 8.

Three other members of the U. S. squad are remaining in Australia to play in exhibitions and tournaments. Tom Brown, Gardner Mulloy and Billy Talbert will play in the Australian doubles championships beginning here January 14. Mulloy and Talbert, U. S. doubles champions, will play together, while Brown will team with Billy Sidwell of Australia.

## Joe Faces Knife

NEW YORK, Jan. 4 (AP)—Joe Dimaggio, first of the New York Yankees to sign a 1947 contract, will undergo an operation here Tuesday for the removal of a bone spur in his left heel.

## Hawkins Kayoes Bigsby In Three

PORTLAND, Jan. 4 (AP)—Roy Hawkins, Portland, scored an easy third-round knockout last night over Leo Bigsby, Houston, Tex., in their scheduled 10-round main event. The Texan was down for the count of seven in the second round.

Hawkins weighed in at 192 pounds, Bigsby at 217. In the preliminaries Emmett Murphy, 180, Red Lodge, Mont., kayoes Tommy Campbell, 152, Vancouver, B. C., in the third round, and Frank Patter, 186, Portland, out-pointed Jim Nixon, 175, Klamath Falls.

## Maxin May Fight Bruce Woodcock

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4 (AP)—Joey Maxim, the youthful heavyweight title aspirant from Cleveland, may get a crack at Bruce Woodcock, England's champion, if he whips Jersey Joe Walcott in their 10-round bout at Convention hall here Monday night.

Tom Walsh of Chicago says he has been authorized to sign Maxim for a fight with Woodcock in London if the Cleveland leader "white hope" for the world championship crown now held by Joe Louis—is victorious. Maxim defeated Walcott last year.