

Salmon Run Rebuild Job Held Costly

Federal Treasury Asked To Finance Columbia Project

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16 (AP)—The Oregon legislative interim committee on commercial fishing had under consideration today a lengthy report of the state game commission listing \$3,284,701 as the federal government's share of rehabilitating salmon runs in the Oregon waters of the Lower Columbia and tributaries.

Arnie J. Suomela, master fish warden, told the committee the federal budget bureau has been asked to make that amount available as the government's share in building 11 fish hatchery stations and rehabilitating smaller streams as spawning grounds. He added that Washington state had asked for approximately \$5,000,000 for a similar purpose.

The federal government will also be asked to pay \$299,000 annually toward operating the Oregon stations and maintaining the Lower Columbia spawning areas, he said.

Suomela said the request for the government money was based on data compiled by the fish department of Washington, the Oregon commission and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service. In a digest of the report presented to the committee yesterday, Suomela said the joint report emphasized the following as the basis of the federal government's liabilities:

1—That 35 of 40 dams built by the government on the Columbia watershed between 1902 and 1942 represented total barriers to fish migration, destroying salmon runs above the dams.

2—Seventy per cent of the original Columbia river mileage has been lost to migratory fish because of the dams.

3—All of the most important up-river silver salmon runs have been exterminated; the spring chinook catch has been reduced to less than its original magnitude; the total Columbia river catch has declined about 50 per cent within the period paralleling federal power and irrigation dam development.

4—The Lower Columbia river runs have been maintained at a high level.

5—That six of the 14 large federal water diversion projects are screened to protect migrating young salmon and that with proper screen installation the loss can be considerably reduced.

Suomela said the annual income loss to the salmon industry caused by water diversions to reclamation projects is estimated at \$15,000,000. He added that the agencies charged with regulation and management of the commercial fisheries of Washington and Oregon are in accord in the general policies needed to rehabilitate the Lower Columbia salmon runs.

Volley Field Sliced Down

Fremont, Pelican and Mills remain in the running for the grade school class A volleyball championship after games of yesterday on the Mills school gym floor.

Riverside was eliminated from the competition by Fremont, 15-3, 15-9, two straight sets, while unbeaten Pelican gave Mills its first tumble in a pair of very close contests, 15-12, 15-13.

Wednesday night the pairing calls for Mills vs. Fremont, with the winner playing Pelican Thursday for the title.

The class B volleyball division is in action this afternoon at Mills school, with Fremont and Riverside tussling in the unbeaten bracket, and the once-beaten Roosevelt playing Pelican.

Volleyball is an in-between sport for the grade school league, before the start of basketball.

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Off-Told Tale Louis Bobbled Chance To Quit

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (NEA)—Like John L. Sullivan and every heavyweight champion before him except that paragon of Fistiana, Gene Tunney, Joe Louis went to the well once too often. While it's true the Brown Bomber luckily still retains his heavyweight crown, albeit at a cockeyed angle and his scepter is bent like a hairpin, the tinsel is worn off.

Friends of Louis a year ago begged Joe to consider retirement from active competition. He was then at his peak of greatness, although he was not at the top of his fighting ability.

In Honolulu, Armistice Day of 1946, when Louis was putting on an exhibition in Honolulu, he was swamped with offers of good money for similar exhibitions all over, from South America and Australia.

That's when he missed his great opportunity. He could have retired undefeated as heavyweight champion of the world, but he didn't. Now Louis can't retire—not until he erases what the late Kid McCoy termed a "blot on his scutcheon."

Frying To Erase A Victory

Louis is in the peculiar position of having to erase a victory rather than a defeat. His triumph over the aged Camden, N. J., sire, Joe Walcott, is a clouded one, though thoroughly official. And Joe Louis is too proud a guy to retire under those circumstances.

He trained for his last fight like he did for the first Max Schmeling affair in 1936. Eleven years ago Joe took his training into his own hands, mostly, and wound up on the canvas in the 12th round. He was not sharp for this last fight. Louis really has not had any competition for four years. Billy Conn gave him no action in their second meeting. Tami Mauriello was stiffened in a round after staggering Louis in the first few seconds.

And now Louis finds himself in the anomalous position of being regarded as his predecessors AFTER they had lost the title, even though he still retains it.

This Question Always Arises

The tumult and the squawking over the cracked decision in the fight with Walcott were still echoing when the fans began to dissect their erstwhile pugilistic idol. The age-old query which invariably follows in the wake of the defeat of a champion—"Who'd he ever lick?"—resounded through the land.

Tommy Farr went 15 rounds with him. Nathan Mann, Harry Thomas, a couple of mediocrities, fattened his record. Max Schmeling knocked him out before he was champion, but was a washed-up battler when he fell before Joe in their second meeting. Then John Henry Lewis, half blind; Jack Roper, a fifth-rater; Johnny Paycheck, a craven; Al McCoy, Red Burman, mere lambs to the slaughter; Big Abe Simon, Tony Musto.

Conn nearly licked him, but didn't, their first meeting. Buddy Baer knocked him out of the ring, the first time. In a return match he has always annihilated his opponent.

Joe Invariably Got Up Again

Louis has always gotten up after being knocked over—but the fault has always been with his opponent, for not finishing what he started. Joe has never been able to take a punch to the head, but always had offense enough to make the defeat seem negligible. It's not negligible any more. He should have retired a year ago.

Francis Bacoca Joins Western

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Francis Bacoca, end on the Washington State college football team, today was named to the West squad for the Shrine charity game here New Year's Day.

He replaced Wendell Williams of Rice institute, who will be unable to play because of a serious illness in his family. Bacoca stands six feet, two inches and weighs 196 pounds. He is from Everett, Wash.

Trojans Resume Grid Practice

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16 (AP)—The Southern California Trojans, who have an engagement with Michigan at Pasadena, January 1, resume practice Thursday at Boyard field, but there were strong indications Coach Jeff Gray might take his boys out of town at the end of the week.

San Diego, Santa Barbara and Riverside were named as possible practice sites where the Trojans could concentrate on the task of setting up defenses for the tricky Wolverine single wing attack.

T Formation At Its Peak In Colleges

Single Wing, Box Regain Favor With Gridiron Coaches

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—T-formation football is at its peak with variations of the single wing and Notre Dame box gain gaining favor in the opinion of a majority of the coaches and football writers participating in the annual Associated Press season-end poll.

Michigan's success with the single wing and occasional use of the T is given as an example of the new trend although Notre Dame, ranked No. 1 in the national poll, still employs the T exclusively.

Many coaches are merging the systems into such offenses as Lou Little's winged-T at Columbia, but the general opinion is that the defense still has not caught up with the T.

Offensive football enjoyed another fine season with increased interest in the forward pass, regardless of down, position of the ball or number of minutes to play. In that sense, the colleges were following the professional trend.

One of the best clubs in the nation, the Cleveland Browns of the All-America conference, employs the T with such efficiency that no defense has been able to stop it consistently.

Most of the T-teams have added flankers and many are making more use of the man-in-motion sequence, especially in passing. Instead of long touchdown-or-nothing passes, the tendency seems to be toward short shots into the flat zone.

The age of the specialist was hailed by most of the poll participants, many of whom bemoaned the free substitution rule.

The specialist trend reached a new high at Southern California where Tom Walker, a band leader, was called upon to kick its points after touchdowns. Walker wore no pads and was not used for any other purpose.

Midwest observers point out that Wisconsin and Iowa incorporated the Notre Dame box into their offense and Jim Tatum of Maryland thought he spotted a new trend toward the split-T. North Carolina, Duke, Southern Methodist, Pennsylvania and Penn State were single wing examples although some mixed in a little T.

Generally speaking, whatever trend there was away from the T was seen in the Midwest and the East.

As for 1948, most poll participants forecast a general increase in scoring with the accent on passing and wide open play.

More spread formations and wider use of the man in motion are expected from younger players as many of the war veterans with pre-war grid service will not be eligible next season.

Scalping---1948 Style



As scalpers' tickets to the Michigan-Southern California Rose Bowl football game on January 1, several Los Angeles bars equipped with television stepped into the business by advertising reserved seats before their screen for \$20. Standing room is \$10, refreshments extra.

RED RAIDERS TROUNCE OWLS IN DEBUT, 83-24

The Oregon Vocational school Owls failed to give much of a hoot last night on their home floor and were on the receiving end of an 83-24 drubbing from the Southern Oregon college Red Raiders.

It was the collegiate basketball debut for the Owls, who are independent of any scholastic league affiliation.

All the way around the night was bad for OVS. The preliminary game saw the SOV junior varsity drop the Owl juniors 42 to 24. The junior varsity Red Raiders played their full game and then half of the varsity contest.

In the Jayvee tilt the Owls made a race of it for the first half and were in the lead 15-12 at intermission. But in the third quarter the Raiders got the score tied at 19-19, then pushed across five straight baskets to start pulling away.

Coach Ted Schopf really has a casa machine in his varsity lineup, with six-foot-five Center Wes Peters being no small part of it. Peters played 20 minutes of the game against the Owls and racked up 19 points. If he'd been left in the contest he'd probably have dropped in fifty.

Peters had the height and consequently controlled both backboards. With him under the hoop to corral the strays, the Red Raiders just couldn't miss.

Dusette Accepts Dare

DUSETTE ACCEPTS 330 Georges Dusette will accept Whitey Whittier's challenge to handicap match for this Friday night at the armory, the French-Canadian musclee so informed Promoter Mack Lillard yesterday.

Whittier, always one not to hide his light under a basket, had boasted he could pin Dusette twice in one hour or he'd wrestle for free, so Dusette was contacted and accepted the main event spot on Friday's wrestling card.

The "handicap" business means that Whittier agrees to throw, or try to throw Dusette twice while Dusette is getting in one lick. If Dusette gets in one fall that's all he needs to win.

The fight will go an hour time limit, not chopped up into rounds. It probably will be the final wrestling card of this year as Lillard plans to fold up shop and take a vacation for a few weeks.

Picks Up \$1000

BOSTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Heavyweight Jersey Joe Walcott will receive a \$1000 fee as a guest referee of the Bob Montgomery-Joe Angelo lightweight boxing bout at the Boston Garden next Monday night.

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