

Game Biologist Clears Coastal Closure Order

Rogue, Siuslaw, Umpqua Open For Salmon

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The state game commission, which has the world's worst public relations set-up and consequently is constantly being roasted on one side or the other, today took another view of its recent and frequently-repeated announcement about the closing of coastal waters for salmon and steelhead fishing during March and April.

The waters primarily concerned with salmon and steelhead angling in this area are the Rogue and Umpqua and those rivers, together with the Siuslaw, are not included in the game commission's ban.

Last Tuesday, and on several occasions in recent weeks, the commission has issued blanket "warnings to anglers" that a "new regulation passed by the game commission closes the coastal waters to salmon and steelhead fishing during the months of March and April."

Single Former Pel In Rookie Lineup

Only one former Pelican will be in the lineup Saturday night when the Oregon State college basketball team comes to town for a King-N basketball game with Coach Wayne Scott's Klamath Union high school aggregation. The ex-Pel is Clarence Bussman, a 1947 football and basketball star.

The other Klamath grad who started OSC basketball, Jerry Thorn, is reported to have dropped off the team.

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In The 9-Pound Division



This young husky is one week old today and his old man can hardly wait to start teaching him the many art of self defense. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Simons and Loren, otherwise known as "Dutch," is wrestling coach at KUHS. The little guy's name is Steve.

Lute Scorer Pushes To Even 400 Points

SEATTLE, Feb. 13 (AP)—The slambang boys of the Pacific Northwest basketball slowed up a bit during the past week to catch their breath, but even so high Harry McLaughlin of Pacific Lutheran pushed his season total to an even 400 points for 24 games.

Dropping under his average of 17 per outing, McLaughlin counted 26 points in two games to remain contentedly in front of the pack. Well back still in second with 358 points was Bob Johnson of Willamette. Cliff Crandall of Oregon State headed the northern division contingent with 316.

In the northern division race itself, Washington's Jack Nichols stumbled in the week-end tussles with Oregon State but clung to top spot. For his nine conference games Nichols has 143 points, Roger Wiley of Oregon edged around Vince Hanson of Washington State into second spot with 125 counters to Hanson's 123.

Only Crandall, Nichols and Wiley figured in the over-all picture as small college aces continued to dominate the scoring race. Willamette and Portland each contributed two to the top 10, with one each coming from Whitworth, Central Washington and Pacific Lutheran.

In the division picture, Wiley could take over top spot by collecting 19 points in the Oregon-Idaho series tonight (Friday) and Saturday. Both Nichols and Hanson will be idle until next week.

The leaders through games of February 10:

ALL GAMES

McLaughlin, P.L.C. 24 129 122 400
Bob Johnson, Willamette 23 126 80 358
Cliff Crandall, OSC 20 103 119 316
DeVick, Portland 23 126 69 312
Nichols, Cent. Wash 21 123 91 297
Nichols, Wash 22 111 66 283
Mortimer, Whitworth 22 111 66 283
Wiley, Oregon 22 111 81 282
Groskaemper, Portland 22 116 48 281

Northern Division

Wiley, Oregon 9 41 41 123
Hanson, W.S.C. 10 48 27 123
White, Washington 10 33 24 94
Wilkens, Oregon 9 27 16 90
Crandall, OSC 9 24 29 87
Cary, OSC 9 26 11 83
Vandenberg, Washington 10 22 20 80
Williams, Oregon 8 20 40 80
Gardner, W.S.C. 10 20 20 76

Monte Signs For Tuesday

Monte Montgomery, Indian slugger who is probably the workhorse fighter produced by the local ring since the war, has been signed for the lower half of the double main event of Tuesday's armory fight card.

Montgomery, a lightweight, will meet the experienced Cal Robinson, a colored boy from Seattle, in the first 10-rounder of the evening.

The other 10-rounder and true main event of the card will be in the welterweight division and put Phil Sampson, kayo puncher from Reno, now making his home in Klamath Falls, against Kenny Sanderson of Crescent City.

Reserved seat tickets for the matches went on sale today at Matt Finnigan's sporting goods store on Main street.

Two other bouts, four-rounders, will be preliminary to the twin top bill.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

Philadelphia - Bill "Chicken" Thompson, 179 1/2, Philadelphia, outpointed Ed Franklin, 167, Philadelphia, 8.

Wilkes-Barre - Pete Mead, 158, Grand Rapids, Mich., TKO Cliff Hart, 152 1/2, Syracuse, 4.

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Ex-USF Coach Might Forfeit Rockets Post

McKeever's Blast May Follow Into Pro Circuit

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 13 (AP)—The football eligibility ruckus kicked up by Coach Ed McKeever at the University of San Francisco showed signs today of following him into professional football.

President Tony Morabito of the San Francisco 49ers is en route to Chicago with demands for an investigation by the All-America conference of the "white paper" on USF football which McKeever left behind when he became coach of the Chicago Rockets.

After coaching at USF for a year McKeever abruptly resigned last month to take the pro team job and wrote a widely circulated letter in which he questioned eligibility of 22 USF players and said money was paid to some of the Dons.

Morabito left last night for a week-end meeting of officials of the All-America conference, of which the 49ers and Rockets are members.

"I'll say plenty about this at the meeting," Morabito said.

He said he considered McKeever's action "my business and I don't like it."

"We're trying to build good will—not tear it down," Morabito added. "He is one of us and people can't help but ask: 'What kind of coaches do you hire?'"

Asked if he believed McKeever's job with the Rockets would be endangered, Morabito said:

"This certainly won't enhance it." University of San Francisco officials meanwhile returned a heavy fire of counter charges at McKeever. USF athletic officials charged McKeever had:

1. Told five players he brought here for the USF team to cover up the fact they had previously attended other colleges.

2. Stripped the athletic files of such papers as schedule negotiations, alumni letters on prospects and football plays.

3. Repeatedly exceeded budgets for grid games.

ONLY ONE OUT

Father Jerome Sullivan, athletic moderator, announced that only one of the 22 players named by McKeever—Phil O'Connor, formerly of Notre Dame and St. Louis university—definitely was ineligible. Only one other—Joe Macha, said by McKeever to have attended Pittsburgh, Bethany and Maryland—remains in doubt, Father Sullivan said.

He added that McKeever had "compromised" five players who failed to mention previous college attendance but that their names will be clear unless any opponent objects to their playing.

THE DUCKS STAGE SERIES WITH VANDAL FIVE

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 13—The Oregon Ducks open a long home stand here today and Saturday when the Idaho Vandals invade McArthur court for the final two games of the 1948 series.

The traditional Dad's Day program will highlight the game Saturday night. The game is the feature attraction of the day's week-end. In the first two games, played last week at Moscow, the Vandals and Webfoots traded wins.

Following the game with Idaho, the Ducks will play a home and home series the following week-end with the Oregon State Beavers. Then the Ducks return to McArthur court for two games with Washington State and one with Oregon State.

Last week in the Inland Empire the Ducks lost three of the four games and all but eliminated themselves from the 1948 northern division race. However, with games still to be played against the Cougars and Beavers, both very much still in the title picture, the Ducks may play an important role in deciding which team wins the 1948 flag.

Stojack is making his debut here. The other two battles will be four heats duration each. In the opener Milt Olsen goes to bat with Bob Cummings in what should be a cleanly life, and the middle bout puts Buck Davidson and Al Williams into what probably will not be a clean match but undoubtedly will be exciting.

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Three Event Brackets Scheduled For Trials

Final arrangements are being worked out for the Pacific Coast sanctioned retriever trials to be held Saturday and Sunday on the Klamath river three miles out of town toward Dorris, with three brackets of events scheduled.

Saturday at 9 a. m. the trials

begin with junior stakes for dogs under two years old. Non-winners' stakes will be run in 1 1/2 afternoon, starting at 1:30, while the main event—open all-ages—will start Sunday at 9 a. m. and continue all day.

Albers Milling company of Portland is sending down Jack Warner, a good field trial announcer, plus a special sound truck, for the Pacific Coast event, and also from Portland will come the judges, Jack Lambert Jr. and David Duncan. Lambert is president of the Oregon retriever trial club.

Dogs from all over the Northwest and from as far south as Los Angeles are entered in this meet, which is the second of its type ever held in Klamath Falls.

Included in the entries is Little Benjamin, an Irish water spaniel imported from Ireland. This dog is owned by Al Winters of Portland and handled by Lee Brant of that city.

Jericho Chief, owned and handled by Lee Brant, is another entry to watch. That black Labrador was No. 1 dog on the coast for 1947.

Other outside handlers who will bring in entries include Walt Woodward of Gilroy, Calif., and Herb Fleischacker Jr., old St. Louis university fullback of many years ago.

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