

RIDIN' HERD

THE ONLY consolation Klamath Falls and Redding could get out of Friday night's weird 58-58 tie basketball game is almost certain assurance that they'll be the only teams in modern hoop history to write a tie score in the record books.

It's a cinch that one will be hashed over for some time to come.

I wasn't on the scene—but official scorer it seems to me the official scorer in Redding must have been thinking of something else besides basketball.

One of the jobs of an official scorer is to keep the scorebook up to date.

Many times at Oregon Tech the official scorer has to inform the boys with the numbers on the scoreboard to change a score.

There's a place in official books for a running score.

It seems strange to me such a mistake could have been made.

And stranger still that the error wasn't noticed until after the game had gone home to celebrate an apparent Redding victory—and the players had had time to shower and put their clothes on.

THE OFF-SEASON cage lawyers can sit around and argue about who would have won for a long time.

They'll get about as far as debating who would have won a Jack Dempsey-Joe Louis fight.

Redding backers will point out that the Shasta five, with the exception of a close first quarter, led the rest of the way—and that big Phillip Jordan tall 6-8 of him scored 22 points.

But Pelican followers can also point at the last-quarter rally that gave the Klamath Falls quint the tie. They were on the chase and seemed hot enough to pass Redding in an overtime.

The argument will go on and on and reach just exactly nowhere. The game goes in the official books as a 58-58 deadlock.

THE INTERESTING sidelight of the whole affair was telephone reaction here at the Herald & News.

The majority of the callers wanted to know how the game came out greeted the announcement of a tie as casually as if you'd told them Notre Dame beat Podunk High in football.

I can imagine with some amusement the double-take some of them took after hearing, then mulling over the score.

Most of the callers probably figured the Herald and News reporter who relayed the score was drinking chicken wine again—and they'd just wait until the paper came out to get the real story.

Others, I imagine, figured a tie score was according to Hoyle.

I GUESS ABOUT the reaction of callers.

BUT I KNOW my reaction when Pelican Coach Paul McCall called from Redding.

It was about 11:30 p.m. by then. I had been up on the hill covering the Oregon Tech game, drinking chicken wine again—and I'd just wait until the paper came out to get the real story.

Neither report had come in by then.

In addition I was fighting the flu bug and trying to get home for a few hours shut-eye.

Then when McCall told me the game ended in a 58-58 tie, that was the pay-off to a hectic evening. I somehow restrained myself from telling McCall to either go back to his job or get another job, when he laughed and assured me he wasn't kidding.

I CHECKED OUT.

A tie basketball game on top of calling Portland points on the OTS-SOC game, receiving calls from three county games and trying diplomatically as possible to answer calls from customers celebrating the New Year early—together with the flu—was enough to prompt me to the guy who started the game with beach baskets. Dr. Nalaminth.

But instead I went home, growled at my wife, and let the boy mumble about the basketball games and guys like Joe Kahut who should go back to farming instead of boxing.

My wife was patient as she patted my head and just said, "There, there."

You gotta love newspaper work to stay in it.

And to think I passed up a Herald and News Christmas party to become pater to clattering telephones... and tie basketball games.

Linfield Next for Oretch Pels Drill for Springfield

Klamath Five Nips Shastans

The Pelicans are the center of basketball talk in the village today. Not because they beat the Shasta Wolves of Redding Saturday night, 42-39, but because they, together with the Wolves, put probably what will be the only tie game in this year's cage record books Friday night.

It ended 58-58 after the official scorekeeper found another point for the Klamath club. But by the time the error was found the fans were on their way home and the players were dressing.

SCORE WRONG

The scoreboard said 58-57 favor Redding at the game's end. Conceding Paul McCall of Klamath Falls and Harlan Carter of Redding decided to let it ride with an overtime period.

The overtime period Saturday night mainly because they put the shackles on Phillip Jordan, 6-8 Redding center, who dumped 22 in the 58-58 tie. He scored five Saturday.

But Ralph Carroll, Pelican pivot man, who tallied 17 Friday night, did even better Saturday night with 18 points on seven field goals and four from the gift line.

START FAST

The Pels started with a rush and built up a 12-2 lead, 12-4 at the quarter, having control of the board most of the time.

Redding's second-quarter comeback narrowed the count to 15-18 at halftime.

The Wolves kept the fire under their rally and at one time in the third frame held a 26-24 lead with John Thompson, who finished with 13, pacing the California quint.

SETTLE DOWN

But the Pels settled down to creep ahead 28-26 at the end of three chapters and outscored Shastans 14-13 in the fourth quarter.

The Klamath quint's rebound to 36-28 with just five minutes left, then stalled effectively enough the rest of the way.

The McCallmen took a 2-1-1 record against the Springfield Raiders Friday night in the opener of a Friday-Saturday doubleheader on Pelican court, king's-X outfits.

Box score:

KLAMATH FALLS	FG	FT	PF	TP
Horton, f.	1	0	4	2
Hell, f.	3	0	1	1
Carroll, f.	7	0	1	3
Johnson, f.	2	1	1	3
Reserve, f.	2	1	1	3
Young, f.	3	0	2	6
Horton, f.	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	2	16	30

SHASTA

SHASTA	FG	FT	PF	TP
Johnson, f.	1	1	1	3
Williams, f.	3	1	2	5
Jordan, f.	5	3	2	11
Thompson, f.	5	3	2	11
Little, f.	0	0	0	0
Reserve, f.	0	0	0	0
Brinkhoff, f.	0	0	0	0
Pearson, c.	2	1	1	3
Ellis, f.	1	0	2	2
Brewer, f.	1	0	2	2
Ferry, f.	1	0	2	2
Totals	16	7	16	30

Halftime score—Klamath 18 Shasta 15. Free throws missed—Klamath 11; Shasta 12. Fouls—Klamath 15; Shasta 12. Officials—Silva and Hagan.

MATHIAS BACK WITH INDIANS

PALEO ALTO, (AP) — Decathlon Champion Bob Mathias was due back in the Stanford lineup in a brief workout today before the Indians head south for their New Year's day Rose Bowl game against Illinois.

The fullback has been out with a pulled leg muscle. The offensive team had to call on defensive back Chuck Essegian of Los Angeles yesterday to score in a workout against the first string defensive team. It was the first clash of the season between the two squads.



SURE SHOT—Judy Sheer, 20-year-old Milwaukee miss, displays the first deer she ever shot, bagged while hunting in Florence County, Wis., with her father, who fired first and missed. The little lady brought the animal down with her third shot, complained later of a sore arm from the rifle's shock.

SPORTS

Van Brocklin's Pitch Beats Browns, 24-17

LOS ANGELES, (AP) — Pro football's three master passers met in Memorial Coliseum yesterday, but two of them ganged up on the third. As a result, the Los Angeles Rams are the new champions of the National Football League.

It was just about a standoff between Otto Graham of Cleveland's Browns and Bob Waterfield of the Rams. Between them, they had fashioned a 17-17 tie in the waning minutes of the tie game.

BREAK JUNK

Then young Norman Van Brocklin took over from Waterfield. And on one great toss, gathered in by Tommy Fears for a net gain of 73 yards, the Rams broke a long-standing jinx and whipped the Browns, 24-17.

It was the Rams' first victory over Cleveland in five tries, and their first championship since 1945—although they have been in the playoffs three years running. The Browns beat the Rams 30-28 in the playoff last year.

Despite a bruising clash which

left 59,475 spectators lump, the Rams still had a little left—enough to pack their 275-pound coach, Jumbo Joe Stydhar, off the field on their shoulders.

It was a game full of highlights and tense moments. The record crowd saw passing wizardry, line rumbling, a 52-yard field goal, a touchdown called back by a penalty, just about everything a football game can offer.

PROTECTION

But the payoff pitch was the big play of the day. Cleveland had just tied it up, and Van Brocklin had stepped in to give the tiring Waterfield a rest. With the ball on his own 27-yard mark, the lanky quarterback dropped back. He had perfect protection as Fears raced downfield, then veered toward the sidelines.

Two Brown backs were waiting. But Fears wasn't to be denied. He went into the air, took the ball away from both defenders, and came down at full speed. The goal was still nearly 40 yards away, but he made it without breaking stride.

RECEIPTS

Of the crowd, which topped the 58,346 who watched the New York Giants and the Chicago Bears play-off at the Polo Grounds in 1946, 37,540 were paid. Gross receipts, including nationwide television (except for a local blackout) and radio, hit \$325,970; the net was \$222,644 and the players got 70 percent, or \$156,551.

This meant \$2108 to each of the Rams, \$1482 to each of the Browns.

Snead Skips Winter Sports

MIAMI, Fla., (AP) — Professional golfers association champion Sam Snead plans to spend the winter in Florida and will not make the winter golf tour starting next month in Los Angeles, he said yesterday.

Owls Get Split In SOC Set

By RED HURD

Art Kirkland, whose Oregon Tech junior varsity team have lost just one game in 20 starts over two seasons, takes over the varsity helm this week when the Owls host a tough Linfield college team Thursday night on Oretch's lofty court atop the hill.

Kirkland takes over where Skeet O'Connell left off with a team boasting a 5-3 record.

The three setbacks have come at the hands of Southern Oregon college, the last one Saturday night when the Raiders won 52-49 to split the weekend series.

KEEPS JOB

O'Connell is stepping out of the cage instructor's job to win a large intramural program into shape. He will, however, remain as athletic director at OTI.

Bill McLean, SOC forward, who injured his ankle Friday night, did not help the Red Raiders much Saturday night on his limp leg and was pulled in the second quarter in favor of George Johnson.

It proved to be a good move by SOC Coach Ted Schopf. Because Johnson fixed his sights on a hard-to-stop book shot in the third quarter to push the Ashland live into a comfortable margin.

SLOW START

The game started slowly and the two teams were tied twice in the early going before the Owls ran up an 11-6 first-quarter lead. They made it 16-7 early in the second frame—then the Raiders went to work. It was tied three times late in the second quarter before Keith Johnson scored on a set shot simultaneously with the gun to give the visitors a 22-20 halftime lead.

The Owls managed to close the count to 29-42 midway in the third despite the work by George Johnson and Ken Kimura, the Hawaiian lad.

PERKS UP

But Hartley Weaver perked up in the shooting department for the first time in the series and, together with Johnson's favorite shot, the Ashlanders started widening the gap in the fourth, as much as 12 points on two occasions.

Home Duncan was high again for the Owls with 14. Don Sullivan had 13. George Johnson also scored 14. Kimura 12 and Keith Johnson 10 for SOC.

Box score:	FG	FT	PF	TP
Sullivan, f.	1	0	0	2
McLean, f.	2	1	2	5
Johnson, f.	2	2	4	6
Kimura, f.	4	2	5	10
Johnson, f.	5	2	4	12
G. Johnson, f.	7	0	2	14
O'Brien, f.	0	1	0	1
Totals	21	10	17	32

OREGON TECH

OREGON TECH	FG	FT	PF	TP
Pinkley, f.	2	1	2	5
Duncan, f.	5	4	2	14
Schubert, f.	0	0	1	0
Suplin, f.	5	3	1	13
McGregor, f.	1	1	1	3
Koch, c.	1	0	1	2
Humphrey, f.	1	0	1	2
Patterson, f.	0	0	1	0
Wyatt, f.	0	0	0	0
Holmes, c.	0	2	0	2
Totals	17	11	13	45

Halftime score—Southern Oregon 22 Oregon Tech 20. Free throws missed—Southern Oregon 9; McLean 1; Weaver 3; Keele 4; O'Brien 1; Oregon Tech 8; Duncan 1; Schubert 2; Suplin 2; Koch 1; Patterson 1; Holmes 1. Officials—Honey and Kennitzer.

Orange Bowl Festival Opens

MIAMI, Fla., (AP) — The colorful, thrill-packed Orange Bowl festival opened here last night for a 10-day run that will carry over into the new year.

Thousands poured into the greater Miami area to witness the pageantry that will be climaxed by the New Year's day football game between Baylor and Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl.

TIME OUT!



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Washington State 63	Montana 46
Wyoming 78	Oregon 71
Idaho 65	Oregon State 53
Idaho State 61	Eastern Washington 53
Washington 69	Central Washington 55
Portland 84	Whitworth 63
Kansas 76	Southern California 54
Stanford 74	Loyola (Cal.) 57
Brigham Young 69	Holy 32
UCLA 69	Denver 41
MIDWEST	
Washington 53	Minnesota 51
Illinois 70	DePaul 61
Miami 70	Nebraska 60
Indiana 60	Kansas State 55 (overtime)
Bradley 79	North Carolina 66
Marquette 51	Wisconsin 47
Washington St. 47	Fresno State 36
Drake 68	Iowa State 57
Notre Dame 83	Penn 78
NORTH	
NYU 78	Oklahoma 53
Fordham 60	Temple 43
Pitt 63	William and Mary 48
Cornell 50	Tulane 40
Seton Hall 70	Scranton 45
SOUTH	
Rice 64	Tennessee 53
Tulsa 69	Arkansas 57
St. John's 60	Vanderbilt 54
SOUTHWEST	
Murray State 63	Baylor 55
ROCKIES	
Utah 61	Ohio State 48
Nebraska 66	Santa Clara 61 (overtime)
HIGH SCHOOL	
Portland 11	Frost 55
Scappoose 37	Tillamook 70
Vernonia 26	Eugene 41
Marshfield 38	Lebanon 45
Astoria 40	North Bend 62
Willamette (Eugene) 57	Coquille 54
Ashland 44	Beaverton 67
Woodburn 31	Albany 59
Grants 27	Griffith Pass 45
Roseburg 38	Phoenix 47
Illinois Valley 37	Baker 55
Pendleton 41	

ILLINOIS IN DOUBLE DRILL

PASADENA, (AP) — The University of Illinois football team watched the Los Angeles Rams whip the Cleveland Browns for the pro title yesterday. The Illini paid their way into the game yesterday and they are going to pay again today.

Couch Ray Elliot gave his boys the day off. Today he doubles up. His squad was called out for a morning workout at 10 o'clock. Another drill was carded for 2 p.m.

Fain American's Batting Champion

CHICAGO, (AP) — First baseman Fain of the Philadelphia Athletics, who has been offered as trade bait by 1951 Jimmy Dykes, is the official 1951 American League batting champion with .344.

The Athletics, who finished sixth last season, also had the league's home-run and runs-batted-in king, Gus Zernial.

Big Gus, who left much to be desired when he was with the Chicago White Sox, caught fire under Dykes and batted out 33 homers and drove in 128 runs.

HOCKEY

By The Associated Press

Sunday Results
Detroit 4 Montreal 0
Boston 4 Toronto 2
New York 3 Chicago 2
American League
Cleveland 4 Buffalo 3
Syracuse 3 Providence 1
Cincinnati 3 Indianapolis 1
Pittsburgh 3 St. Louis 2
Pacific Coast League
Seattle 2 Vancouver 1
National League
Hershey 7 Cincinnati 2
Providence 3 Syracuse 1
Cleveland 4 St. Louis 2
Pittsburgh 6 Buffalo 2
Pacific Coast League
Vancouver 3 Tacoma 1
Victoria 4 New Westminster 2
Calgary 3 Saskatoon 4 (tie)

Huskies Bop Gophers, Wait for Top Billing

By The Associated Press

The Washington Huskies returned Sunday night from a triumphant road trip to wait out Christmas day and a feast at what Santa puts under the tree for them.

It should be a ranking right up near the top of the nation's basketball teams in the Associated Press weekly basketball poll.

The Huskies capped their road tour Saturday night by beating the Minnesota Gophers 55-51. It was their seventh straight victory. Best of them won on the road. Their only loss has been to Utah and that was in the first game of the season. Washington came back to beat Utah in the second game of that series.

SPLIT

Two other northern division teams didn't fare as well as the Huskies. Oregon and Oregon State settled for a split of two-game series with intercollegiate opponents. The Oregon Ducks bowed to Wyoming 78-71 and the OSC Beavers lost to California 65-63. Both Oregon teams had the won over the same opponents the previous night.

Washington State meanwhile beat the Montana State university Grizzlies 63-49 to capture three games to one, a home-and-home series of four games between the two teams.

Idaho on Sunday dropped a road game to the Peoria (Ill.) Caterpillars 70-43.

The week will see the northern division teams in a number of intercollegiate contests headed by two nights of doubleheaders in Seattle. The twin bill lineups pit Washington and Ohio State in Friday games. On Saturday, WSC meets Ohio State and Washington takes on Northwestern.

Oregon plays three games in California.

Mornia, meeting Wisconsin in San Francisco Thursday and Iowa there Friday. Saturday Oregon enters St. Mary's.

HOSTS BUCKEYES

Oregon State meanwhile entertains Ohio State at Corvallis Wednesday and Portland university Friday. Idaho enters the Oklahoma City basketball tournament, tangle with Wyoming in its first game Thursday.

Center Bob Houbregs sliced in 25 points to lead Washington to its win over Minnesota. Washington took over the lead at 22-21 in the second quarter was seven minutes later and never lost it.

California forward John Rickson was the top scorer with 23 points in the contest with Oregon State. Center Bob Edwards was high for OSC with 10. The game gave OSC a two-three won and loss record.

EARLY LEAD

Wyoming held the Ducks led against Oregon but the Ducks fell behind at 35-33 three minutes before the first half ended and never again led. Forward Dick Hagg sparked the Chet Noe with 19 points for Oregon with 13.

Washington State started from a 9-8 lead early in the game with Montana State and then piled up a heavy margin. Scoring was evenly divided among the WSC Cougars and the high was George Rosser's 11. Chuck Davis of the Grizzlies led scoring with 15.

The Caterpillars led all the way against Idaho. Center Hartley Krueger potted 10 points for the Vahdals' best scoring effort.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press

Today A Year Ago—The Cleveland Browns won the National football league championship, defeating the Los Angeles Rams, 30-26, on Lou Groza's field goal in the last 30 seconds.

Five Years Ago—Mrs. Babe Zaharias was voted the outstanding woman athlete for the year 1946 in the annual Associated Press poll.

Ten Years Ago—An Associated Press survey disclosed that \$317,382,107 was wagered at the nation's race tracks, an increase of more than 100 million over the previous year.

Twenty Years Ago—Knowledge L. (Snake) Ames, Princeton fullback on Walter Camp's first All-American team in 1939, committed suicide in Chicago.

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