IT'S AN OLD sports saying that goes something like this: "The best defense is a good offense."
The Owis seem to have switched it around in their basketball campaign.

They've won 9 of 15 games, not a bad record, and yet have averaged just 60.4 per game, not a fancy figure in these days of accelerated college basketball.

But look at their defensive record.

ord:
Combined Oretech foes have
averaged just 48.7 per game.
When a team's stop department
is working like that, it's not necessary to run its own score into
the 80's and 90's.

THE RECENT Eastern Oregon THE RECENT Eastern Oregon series was a good example of Oregon Tech's defensive ability.

The Mountaineers invaded Klamath Falls with a 65-per average in games to that time.

They scored 45 and 53 — a 49 average — in two losing games to the Owls.

Coach Art Kirkland flowers and

to the Owls
Coach Art Kirkland figures—and
it sounds sensible—that if the Owls
can maintain their defensive average and step up just a wee bit
offensively, they'll wage a strong
fight in the homestretch of the
Oregon Collegiate Conference race.
Of course, two big answers will
come tonight and tomorrow night
in La Grande, where the Owls are
facing Eastern Oregon College.

the city basketball league tossed some \$450 dollars into its sagging coffers from the Monday night Harlem Globetrotters basketball show at Pelican Court... the league needs it because it falls far short of supporting itself... at least the \$450 will be a backlog for future seasons... The mystery of the Associated Press high school basketball poll is why it took so long for Cleveland to be recognized. the Portland team, conquerors of Lincoln, haven't lost to a prep foe yet, their only losses coming in games with college freshmen teams...

reams win concer freshmen teams . . . Pelican Coach Paul McCall, who keeps a close finger on the high school teams around the state, told me to "watch Cleveland" when the season was launched . . . if the current trend continues, Central Catholic and Cleveland could well be the state tourney's cofsoories

THE WALCOTT - MATTHEWS huddles on a world heavyweight fight is just getting started ... it will likely be brewing in the aports news for some time ... Meantime, Ezzard Charles has the moral right to the first crack at the title he lost to Jersey Joe, if there is such a thing as a "moral right" in the fight biz ... Rocky Marciano will bob in and out of the conjectural picture, of course, and now Clarence Henry will be making loud overtures in that general direction ... His one-round chill treatment on Bob Satterfield, together with an over-all record that can't be over-looked, will put Henry very solidly in the jumbled heavyweight picture . . .

Two sluggers—Mel Ott of the New York Giants and Jimmy Foxx of the Philadelphia Athletics—were last year's nominees and no one was picked in 1950.

SHUFF STUFF
Wocus puffed its lead in the city
shuffleboard league with a 3-1 win
over Bill's Place last night.

The one game on last night's agenda ended this week's shuffing.
Next week's games will finish the (Rip) Collins, show in Merrill Sunday.

# Flu Rides With Pels on Comeback Trail Antlers,



lucky to get a split."

Grizzlies split with the Grants Pass in district play. So did the Pels.

TOSS UP
The flu-torn Pels can rate no better than a tossup against the Ashland five.

The junior varsity squad—minus Vern Keller, Matt Pinnigan and Phil Detroit, also victims of the flu—meet the Ashland jayvees in Saturday's preliminary.

LEWISTON, Idaho (P) — The nickname of Lewiston's entry in the Western International Baseball League this year will be the Brones.

The announcement was made Wednesday by Marvin Webb of the Lewiston baseball club's board of

directors. He was chairman of a committee which selected the name from nearly 200 suppressed by Tri-State area fans.

**Lewiston Gets** 

**Broncs Tag** 

# The Pelican cage squad, sagging under victous jolts from the flu bug, is in Ashland tonight for command attack are deubtful starters. They must be started attack are deubtful starters. They formed attack are deubtful starters. T



### **Dorris Gets** Iowa Ghosts

The famous Iowa Colored Ghosts are in Dorris tomorrow night to meet the Dorris Townies and the Jayhawks, Klamath Basin league

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# Mustangs **Victors**

Bonanza served notice on its Klamath County brethren last night that it won't give up the basketball title it won last year without a fight.

The Antlers stayed within shooting distance of league-leading Sacred Heart and Chiloquin last night with a resounding 75-46 win over Merrill

That gave Bonanza a 4-1 record

That gave Bonanza a 4-1 record in league play. Unbeaten Sacred Heart and Chiloquin scrap tonight at Chiloquin. In the other game that counted last night, Malin bounced over the Bly Bobcats, 56-45.

EVEN Merrill held Bonanza on even terms the first quarter, trailing just 18-20 going into the second quarter. But the Antilers bloated its lead to 38-28 at the half and kept on running to make it 54-38 at the end of three quarters.

Irwin Crume and Julian Hood lead the Bonanza binge, sharing equally 35 points of the Antiler total.

Even Franklin Hutchinson's 24-

Sophmore Ed Barron, stickout performer in last Saturday's win over Roseburg, is also wobbling on flu-weakened legs.

The flu hasn't touched Oakley Summers but the promising junior is nursing a shoulder injury.
That, in a nutshell, is why coach Paul McCall left this morning with a parting statement that "we'll be lucky to get a split." 26-25.

Box scores:
BLY (43)

Wemel 8 F 18 W. Rick
Lybrand 3 F 30 Fenters
Januyah 5 C 4 Stevenson
Dilayor 6 3 Paris
Bly subs — Cavon 4. Chronister, Martin, Malin subs—Mauney 6, Travis 3.

MERRILL (44)

Merrill subs—10 F 13 Crume
Sanders 14 F 10 Hubble
Winters 3 C 5 Chandler
Reeves 6 G 7 Wilson
Hendrickson 10 G 18 Hood
Merrill subs—O'Neil 4, Johnson, Walters.
Bohantz subs—Dye 6, Barney 2.

Givan, Luzo, Lawvec 2.

## ON TRIP In addition to the five whose duty against the Grizzlies will probably be limited, McCall had with him Calvin Gilmore, Jerry Johnson, Doug Pence, Ken Young, David French, Jim Fisher and the Flocchini twins, Stub and Les. Ashland puts weak 4-8 record against Klamath's 10-3-1. But the Grizzlies split with the Grants Henry Gets **Five Grand**

CHICAGO (A) — Clarence Henry anno received \$5,803.64 in scoring a first day.

TOM SCHUBERT, ex-Pelican star, looks serious about the chore at hand, that of dumping Eastern Oregon twice in a series that opens in La Grande tonight. The Owls must win both to keep alive their Conference title hopes.

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round technical knockout over Bob Satterfield at Chicago Stadium Wednesday night. Satterfield got the same amount. The International Boxing Club announced the distribution Thurs-

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# Herald and News **RED HURD! SPORTS EDITOR**

# La Grande



The Owls should win both and keep alive their title chances in the Oregon Collegiate Conference. The

The Mountaineers have lost 19 straight games. They haven't won one. Two of the setbacks were to Oregon Tech here.

But nonetheless there are a flock of "ifs" and Oretech Coach Art Kirkland has his fingers crossed but good.

First, psychology and the law of averages will work on Eastern Oregon's side. After 19 straight losses, the mountain boys will be swinging in earnest, with not a thing to lose and plenty to win.

In Oretech's Plans The Oregon Tech Owls are in They figure that one of these La Grande tonight for the first nights their loss skein will come of two games with Eastern Oregon Collage. it will be at the expense of the

> The Owls need a series sweep to give them a 4-2 conference record one game behind Vanport and Oregon Collage, tied for the top with 5-1 marks.

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