

TIME OUT!



"I'm new at this boys—what are the rules you both know?"

RIDIN' HERD

WHEN YOU'RE thinking of spring training camps in far-off, sun-bathed Florida and at the same time looking with some disgust at the mid-March snow here, it's bound to result in scattered thoughts while trying to bat out a sports column.

THE PELICANS' first-round foe in the class A state basketball tournament will be either Bend or Redmond.

That'll be next Wednesday, 1:45 p. m., on the University of Oregon's MacArthur Court.

Basketball fans planning to see the tourney are generally agreed the Pels will be around until at least Thursday, 7:30 p. m., for the championship quarter-finals.

But then the doubts start to pop up. Because, if Klamath Falls manages to breeze into the quarter-finals, it will get either Lincoln or Salem.

Either would be tough. From here it looks like Lincoln and seven-foot-plus Wade (Swede) Halbrook.

But Pelican cage followers take some consolation in the fact that Klamath Falls was the only team to derail Lincoln in last year's tournament.

IF BONANZA had out-distanced Rogue River for the State Class B state tournament title opens this afternoon, they would have gone from the frying pan into the fire.

The Rogues met Powers in the first round. (This is written Wednesday, the day before the tournament.)

Powers is unofficially picked to win the shooting match on Willamette's court, having ranked high among the also-rans in the first few class A weekly Associated Press polls.

BRIEFS from the sports file: The wire and mat service are doing nothing to aay our confused state of mind...

It's seldom one in this business gets the chance to give with "I told you so" so I take some consolation in the fact that in this column, Jan. 8, I picked the Pelicans to win the Dist. 4 basketball title...

Hoppe Rallies For Cue Win SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Willie Hoppe, the master cueist, gave one of his most persistent and dangerous challengers a heart breaking lesson in the World Three Cushion Billiard Tourney Wednesday night.

Joe Chamco, 1939 world champ and three-time runnerup, staged a great run rally in the 29th inning to take a 36-32 lead.

But the great Hoppe quickly banged the door in Joe's leathery brown face. He cut the gap to 37-38 in the 34th inning and closed it out 50-38 in the 43rd inning.

14 In Cage Fold Pilots Meet Hamline

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EUGENE (AP) — University High of Eugene became the 14th team to qualify for the State Class A basketball tournament, by defeating Junction City, 53-39, here Wednesday.

NIT Semis On Tonight

NEW YORK (AP) — Mighty Duquesne tests its 22-1 record against LaSalle's giant-killing Explorers in the semi-final round of the National Invitation Basketball Tournament at Madison Square Garden Thursday night.

A POOR PROPHET VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — You know those notes on walls in telephone booths? Well there's one on the wall here at Dodgertown. It says "Ralph Branca and Rex Barney will win 50 games in 1950." They accounted for nine victories that year.



DIXIE DANDY—Marguerite Williams, defending women's Dixie ski-jumping champion from Holland, Mich., zooms skyward on a tremendous leap during Mexican Invitational Water Ski Tournament at Acapulco.

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SPORTS

Powers, Rogues Open Class B Tournament

SALEM (AP) — The best of the small high school basketball teams in the state open their annual tournament here Thursday.

Hager Seeks Fight Rematch

BOISE (AP) — A Harry (Kid) Matthews-Danny Nardico rematch may be in the works for Boise.

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Portland Gets Over Memphis

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Portland University has drawn the stiffest assignment in the National Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament — trying to stop three-time champion Hamline, rated with Southwest Texas State as the best bet to reach the finals.

DEEP THINKER

Pittsburgh Manager Bill Meyer is lost in deep concentration as he studies the Buc roster. The veteran baseball strategist is pessimistic about the 1952 campaign, doesn't figure the Pirates to finish in the National League's first division.

STRAIGHT

The Texas team outclassed New Mexico A&M 69-52 to bring its season record to 23 successive victories. The Bobcats play Lawrence Tech of Detroit Thursday night.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press Chicago — Jimmy Carter, 136 1/2, New York, outpointed Luther Rawlings, 138, Chicago, 10 (non-title).

EXHIBITION BASEBALL

By The Associated Press St. Louis (N) 7 Boston (A) 6 (15 innings) St. Louis (A) 1 Chicago (A) 0, called end of 5th inning, rain.

HOCKEY

Pacific Coast Hockey By The Associated Press Saskatoon 3 New Westminster 1



Huskies Shatter Records

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Washington's Huskies, runner-up for the Pacific Coast Conference basketball championship, led the assault on Northern Division records in the season just closed.

Final statistics from conference headquarters Thursday listed the Washington center, Bob Houbregs, as the leading scorer and top shooter.

Houbregs missed three games because of injuries but scored 251 points in his 13 contests for an average of 19.3. It topped the old division mark of 19.0 points a game set by Jack Nichols, Washington, in 1948.

Washington's total points, 1,030, topped the division mark of 968 set in 1947 by Oregon State and tied by Washington last year.

Washington's 370 field goals exceeded the 365 registered by the 1951 Huskies.

The University of Florida's only shutout grid triumph in '51 was a 14-0 job over Wyoming. The only time the Gators were blanked was a 0-27 loss to Georgia Tech.

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