

By LINES from the SIDELINES

by CLAYTON HANNON

OUT OF THE Oregon Tech-Southern Oregon football game last Saturday came a few chuckles, questions and distant thoughts as far as this corner was concerned.

One particular part of the game that was hard to understand was how the officials, who did a good job of calling the plays, could get anywhere from 13 to 20 yards marked off for a 15 yard penalty.

On several occasions, when a major rule infraction was called, the referee would move the ball more or less than the designated distance. Maybe it was because the only five yard markers were between the two 40 yard lines, and they just counted the white stripes as they passed by.

Early in the first quarter, a penalty was marked off from the 15 yard line and when the pigskin was finally placed down on the 38, a 19 yard distance, four more than the penalty called for.

Another one of 15 yard infractions called was early in the fourth period when the official marched from the SOC 25 to the seven a distance of 18 yards, this time against the Red Raiders. Nothing humiliated about these officials, they miscounted for both sides.

Navy, Baylor, Mississippi Seek Bowl Bid

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Navy, Baylor and Mississippi hold the inside track to the Sugar Bowl, but must defend their favored positions against traditional rivals Saturday.

The rivals—Army, Rice and Mississippi State—have the talent as well as the desire that could dash the trio's hopes.

Once-beaten Mississippi can wrap up the Southeastern Conference championship and the host's role in the Sugar Bowl by downing Mississippi State, Mississippi rules a two-touchdown favorite to win its first SEC title since 1947, but State knocked the Rebels out of a bowl bid last year with a 7-7 tie and has shown power at times this season.

Navy's name bobbed up yesterday when a Sugar Bowl official, who asked to remain unidentified, said the academy has expressed keen interest in an invitation.

The official said, however, that the Middies must defeat the Army at Philadelphia.

A victory over Rice would give Baylor a share of the Southwest Conference championship with Arkansas, which is going to the Cotton Bowl.

The Sugar Bowl spokesman said that while Bowl officials like to have an SEC team as host, it is not necessary. The official said the bowl has always attempted to secure the best game possible, regardless of the teams' affiliation.

Flyweight Title Scrap Thursday

TOKYO (AP)—World flyweight champion Yoshio Shirai of Japan and challenger Pascual Perez of the Argentine wound up heavy training Tuesday for their 15-round title scrap Thursday night, with Shirai ruling a solid 1-2 favorite.

Beautiful autumn weather stirred the sluggish ticket sales for the outdoor fight. If the weather holds until fight time, the promoters' estimate of a 25,000 crowd may come true.

Officials in the press box just kept still and let things fall where they would.

Late in the first quarter, the officials, wondering how long the two teams had to play asked and were told that there was one minute remaining. Eight plays later, only one of these a pass, the official again ask how much time, this time it was said that five seconds remained, in turn, the official, one that is noted for his football experience, remarked, "long minute." Unknown to him, it was being kept on a pocket watch, not a stop watch which is usually used to clock sporting events.

The somewhat bitter taste came when it was discovered that the Ashland school had been kind enough to overlook reservations made for two Herald and News representatives, so this corner and his statistician stood the entire game, but we were allowed to stay in the press box, very hospitable of them, believe me. From the looks of it they had more spectators in the two roomy boxes than they had in the stands below.

WHILE WE are still on the OTI football scene we would like to bring out some more wood to throw on the already burned out fire of the OCE-OTI game two weeks back.

A letter written to head coach Rex Humaker of the Mile High Campus points out a fact that the local two-year college coaching staff noted when in Monmouth for the ball game, which could have meant the difference of a clear cut conference title for the Owls.

This Salem football fan (female) stated in her note to the OTI coach that she thought it was too bad that the teams didn't play on the practice field of the school, since it hadn't been played on or rained on as much as the regular field during the week preceding the big game.

This fan seems to think as we do, that if the Owls and Wolves tangled on a dry field, it could have been an all together different story. The mystery remains though, of how much more rain falls on the regular field than the practice field during that week.

It doesn't seem right that the Monmouth school would purposely water the regular field and practice on it to make it harder for the speedy OTI backs, so that lets out that possible solution.

WINTER SPORTS season is here and with it comes high school wrestling at Klamath Union High School, who produces a team in wrestling like OCE does in the OCE football race.

Coach Dutch Simons, who has coached wrestling for the past nine seasons at the local high school, has piloted his teams to five state championships, one runnerup spot and a fourth place in seven official state wrestling tournaments under the guidance of the OSAA.

Another good year should be in the future for the Pelican matmen and their coach as 11 lettermen are back for another crack at high school wrestling, out of these are two state champions from last year, Ron Conner and Larry Deering.

Only five of these 11 are seniors this year making the future look quite rosy for the amateur mat men, who are seeking to make it six out of eight and donate another trophy to the KUHS trophy case, something that has grown to be a habit with Simons and his team of the past.

The regular season won't be underway until the first of the new year, but on December 4, Simons will take his grapplers to Medford for a clinic to be conducted by Bill Hammer, University of Oregon wrestling coach. This should be especially interesting for the prep wrestlers as well as the coaches of the district schools.

OTI 1954-55 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
DEC.10-11- LASSEN J.C.
AT SUSANVILLE, CALIF.
DEC.17-18- OLYMPIC COLLEGE
AT BREMERTON, WASH.
DEC.20-21- MARTIN'S COLLEGE
AT OLIMPIC, WASH.
DEC.21- CLARK J.C.
AT VANCOUVER, WASH.
JAN.7-8- SHASTA COLLEGE
JAN.14-15 E.O.C.
AT KLAMATH FALLS
JAN.18- S.O.C.
AT ASHLAND
JAN.21-22 PORTLAND STATE
AT KLAMATH FALLS
JAN.28-29- OREGON COLLEGE
AT MONMOUTH
FEB.1- S.O.C.
AT KLAMATH FALLS
FEB.4-5- ST. MARTIN'S COLLEGE
AT KLAMATH FALLS
FEB.8- S.O.C.
AT ASHLAND
FEB.11-12- E.O.C.
AT LA GRANDE
FEB.18-19 OREGON COLLEGE
AT KLAMATH FALLS



1954-55 PELICAN HOOP SLATE
DEC.3- JAMBOREE AT GRANTS PASS
DEC.10-11- KUHS AT RENO
DEC.17-18- REMPPING AT KUHS
DEC.28-29- JEFFERSON AT KUHS
JAN.7-8- KUHS AT ASHLAND
JAN.14-15- GRANTS PASS AT KUHS
JAN.21-22- KUHS AT MEDFORD
JAN.28-29- KUHS AT ROSEBURG
FEB.4-5- OPEN
FEB.11-12- ASHLAND AT KUHS
FEB.18-19- KUHS AT GRANTS PASS
FEB.25-26- MEDFORD AT KUHS

Basketball Season Here For Pelicans, Ore Tech

Football is completely over as far as the local scene is concerned, and the indoor winter sport of basketball is gradually making its appearance at both Oregon Technical Institute and Klamath Union High School, and both schools boast new coaches this season.

On the Mile High Campus, the Owl hoopers will be under the guidance of Wally Palmberg, an all-American from Oregon State College basketball teams in the late '30s, while Don Peterson, a University of Oregon athlete and graduate, will be taking over the reins of the basketball job at KUHS for the first time.

Peterson, who has handled junior varsity basketball under Paul McCall for the past few seasons drew the assignment when McCall accepted a coaching position with Grant High of Portland last spring, has close to 35 candidates seeking spots on the varsity squad at this time, but only four of them re returning lettermen.

Dave D'Olive, Larry Yarnell, Guy Munsell and Denny Todd are the sole returnees from last season, making it an uphill climb for the new hoop mentor, who will probably go into the season as slight underdog to Medford and Grants Pass, both of whom have some big and fast boys returning from last year's club.

Peterson has a few big hoopers, but none that are overly large as D'Olive stands at 6-4, while Craig McCarty, Jim Blanchard and Martin Causey all scale near 6-3. Other backboard strength lies in the ability of Yarnell, Todd and Munsell all three reach close to 6-3 or over in height.

Going in just the opposite direction with the height problem, Peterson has several boys who are short on size, but speedy, and seem to be picking up on their outside shooting as Jack Sunitsch, 5-7 transfer last season from Bellingham, Dave Peppie 5-8 and Danny Lowe 5-9 are among the list of guard hopefuls in the turnout.

TURNOUT
Others that could possibly be in line for a varsity spot this season include Jerry Barker, Daren Martin and Oren Perkins, while the remainder of the turnout will be playing between varsity, junior varsity and Wildcats.

Assisting Peterson this season will be another U of O graduate Ray Coley, who will handle the duties of junior varsity coach when the season gets into full swing, with the jamboree opening

the year on December 3 at Grants Pass.

On the Mile High Campus, Palmberg is also short of experience, as he is only in support of two returning letter winners from last season as Gary Dorn and Don Hubble are leading the Owl turnouts towards their opener on December 10 against Lassen Junior College.

GRADUATES
With these two veterans are 15 freshmen, graduates of Oregon high schools, including all-state second string John James of Benson Tech in Portland.

Other top flight frosh prospects include John Fulton and Gordon

Fahlgren, the two tallest hoopers at 6-7 and 6-4 respectively, Billy Cole, Alvin Taylor and Wayne Anderson.

Besides these frosh hoop candidates, Palmberg will have others such as Richard Perkins, Terry Blair, Dennis Eckert, John McCutcheon, Ward Collinsworth, Bob Smith, Jerry Fasten and John Bothwell, a planning manager to work with this coming season.

Other than James, Fulton, Perkins, Eckert, Fahlgren, Collinsworth and Fasten won all-conference, all-district or B all-state honors in the fourth and final year of high school ball, giving Palmberg plenty of basketball savvy.

Herald and News SPORTS

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Mexican Road Race Moves Into Last Lap

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico (AP)—Just over a third of the original 150 starters roared over the final 222 miles of the Pan-American road race Tuesday, with the death toll standing at seven as the final lap began.

Leopoldo Olvera of Mexico was the latest fatality, making the toll equal to last year's record number. Olvera, co-driver with Argentine's Victorio Manghi, was killed Monday when their car overturned. Manghi was not hurt.

A \$117,300 pot of gold is waiting at the finish line in Ciudad Juarez, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Texas. The only hazard for the drivers on Tuesday's straight, level stretch was livestock, for this is rich cattle country and the animals have a habit of wandering across highways.

Barring breakdowns of men or machines, winners of four of the five classes were hardly in doubt, mainly a tossup, a mere 23 seconds separating first and second

Only the small sports class re-placed.

Umberto Maglioli of Italy seemed to have the big sports car race in the bag. He was 26 minutes ahead of Phil Hill of Santa Monica, Calif. Both were driving Ferraris, Maglioli's the more powerful of the two.

Another apparently certain winner—barring trouble—was Tommy Drisdale of El Paso, Tex., driving a Dodge in the U.S. small stock car classification. He leads Ray Elliott of Portland, Ore., in another Dodge by 15 minutes, 69 seconds.

Lincoln was running one-two in the big stock car class with Ray Crawford of Long Beach, Calif., ahead of Walter Faulkner of Long Beach, by about three minutes.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Ricks (Idaho) College 75, Western Montana 73

Expansion Seen For Major Leops

NEW YORK (AP)—Both major leagues actually are ready to make the move.

leagues will become 10-club leagues in two or three years with the National expanding west to San Francisco and Los Angeles and the American taking in Toronto and Minneapolis, St. Paul, a prominent baseball executive predicted Tuesday.

Although the executive refused to give permission for use of his name, he has a long association with the sport in several different capacities. He was in on the ground floor of the original talk of 10-team leagues several years ago.

The source explained that the National League already had the jump over the American on the Pacific Coast because Phil Wrigley owns the Los Angeles franchise and ball park. Bill Veck, former club owner, has been working for Wrigley for over a year, investigating the possibility of big league ball on the Coast. Veck, in fact, has an option to buy Wrigley Field in Los Angeles, if and when.

Another factor pointing toward the National was the recent announcement that Clarence Rowland would join the Cub organization, resigning as president of the Pacific Coast League.

San Francisco already has authorized a five million dollar bond issue to build a new ball park as soon as a franchise definitely is secured.

The Los Angeles park district also has earmarked 10 million dollars for a new park, giving the American League a possible entree and leaving Wrigley holding the bag with his old ball park.

"I think the National League will win the battle for those two Coast cities," said the executive. "Of course, both must go to the same league for scheduling and travel reasons."

"The majors should have taken this action years ago. How could they expect to continue as majors, ignoring the rapidly growing West Coast and other booming cities?"

"You can expect this to be denied on all sides. Naturally, they aren't ready to break the news yet. They can't afford to ruin any more minor league cities, talking about major league ball, until they

The National League discussed the West Coast situation informally Monday before their league meeting "on constitutional revisions."

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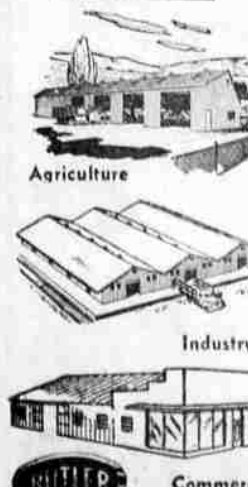
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