

Pelicans Open Home Cage Season Tonight

Redding Invades KU Court

Klamath Union High School basketball followers get their first glimpse of the 1954-55 version of the Pelican cage squad tonight as the Pels open their home schedule against the Shasta High Wolves of Redding, California. Game time is 8 o'clock.

Cosch Don Peterson, who has been hampered this past week due to injuries and sickness to his cage crew, will also be making his debut as head hoop coach of the local quintet.

The ex-University of Oregon athlete, in his first season as head mentor of the casaba team after taking the post after Paul McCall resigned to take a similar post at Grant High of Portland.

QUESTION — One definite question mark of tonight's cage battle is letterman Larry Yarnell, who has been troubled by a sore throat. The 6-2 senior missed part of the first Reno game Friday and all of the Saturday game.

Two others who are giving Peterson plenty to worry about on the eve of his opener are Craig McCarty, 6-3 senior and Dave Pepple, a junior guard. McCarty is having trouble with a twisted knee, while Pepple is another cager suffering from a sore throat.

Should Yarnell miss the Redding series, Orin Perkins or Denny Todd would take over a starting forward spot with letterman Guy Munsell. Todd is a returning monogram winner, and Perkins played junior varsity ball last season.

Big Dave D'Olio, who led the Pels' offensive game against Reno, will be at center, with Danny Lowe, Jack Sunitsch or Jerry Barker getting the two starting berths at the guard posts.

Others who will see plenty of action before the weekend is over include Daren Martin, Armand Olson, Marvin Causey, Jim Blanchard, giving Peterson a short 11 man squad to work with, should Yarnell, Pepple and McCarty be out of action.

ENCOUNTERS — This will be the third and fourth encounters for the Pels this season, and the red and white cage squad is still seeking its first taste of victory after dropping two games to Reno.

Redding, who lost very heavy via graduation last spring, had to build this year's basketball program without a single returning letterman, and coach Harlan Carter has had a tough row to hoe. With only Jayvees material of the past season to round out this year's squad, Carter's boys have dropped two of the three tilts they have played so far this season.

Probably the biggest loss to the Redding quintet is center Ron Preseault, who was deadly against the Pels in the past two seasons. The outfront shooting which stopped the Pels cold on several occasions in the past, was supplied by Ron Mancasola and Don Whelton. Both of whom are gone this year.

OPENING — Carter will probably open with 6 foot 5 inch Brent Leonard at the pivot spot, while Kent Carter and Dick Stuart should get the opening calls for the two forward posts. At the guard positions will be Ed Bigelow and Gene Severson.

The number one pre-season guard, Ron Denneche, a 6 foot 1



LENDING POTENTIAL to the Klamath Union High School Pelican basketball team this season will be senior letterman Dave D'Olio. The 6 foot 4 inch center paced the Pels in the Reno series last week, and proves to be a tough competitor for the Redding Wolves tonight and Saturday evening when the two high school cage teams meet. Game time is 8 o'clock at Pelican Court.

Cleveland, New York Leads All-Star Ballot

NEW YORK (AP) — Befitting their status, New York's world champion Giants and Cleveland's American League champion Indians dominated the 1954 Associated Press major league All-Star team, capturing six of the 10 positions.

Six of the 16 big league clubs, four in the National, were represented in the AP's ninth annual All-Star squad, selected by 422 baseball writers and broadcasters throughout the nation. The National League had six players to four for the American.

The Giants and Indians were the only clubs with more than one representative. Each had three. Brooklyn, St. Louis, Cincinnati and the New York Yankees had one each.

The All-Star team: (Batting averages in parentheses): First Base — Ted Kluszewski, Reds (.326)

Second Base — Bobby Avila, Indians (.341)

Third Base — Al Rosen, Indians (.300)

Shortstop — Alvin Dark, Giants (.293)

Left Field — Stan Musial, Cardinals (.330)

Center Field — Willie Mays, Giants (.345)

Right Field — Duke Snider, Dodgers (.341)

inch sharpshooter, could see action against the Pels this weekend, but a sprained ankle suffered last week in the first game of the Washington High of San Francisco series, could keep the hoopster out of this weekend's play.

The preliminary game of the evening will pit the two schools junior varsity teams in a 6:30 contest. Redding Jayvees will be here for both the weekend preliminary games.

Maureen Sees Return

By NORMAN BELL
SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — The former teen-age world's tennis queen, Maureen Connolly, now 20, expects to be back in tournament action by March.

She is working out almost daily and says the right leg which was injured in a horse riding accident last July 20 no longer bothers her.

The injury — a cracked bone and torn calf — prevented Miss Connolly from defending the United States championship at Forest Hills, N.Y.

Her heart had been set on capturing the title, which she first won when she was 16, for the fourth straight time. Now, she means to get it back.

"I certainly do," she declares, when asked if she intends to regain the crown from champion Doris Hart.

Miss Connolly also intends to defend her English and European championships. She had made the European tour and won the English title at Wimbledon for the third year before the accident.

She expects to start her 1955 campaign in California, at the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club's annual invitational tournament in March.

Miss Connolly, always known for her smashing game and determination, appears to have come through the ordeal of hospital surgery and convalescence.

Her romance with Norman Brinker, 23, former U.S. Olympic equestrian, would not interfere with her 1955 tennis plans, says Miss Connolly.

The announced their engagement a year ago but their marriage plans are indefinite. Brinker, who will be released from the Navy in January, expects to enroll at the University of California at Los Angeles.

At first, Miss Connolly, a brown-eyed blonde, limped in workouts but she was delighted to learn that her stroke and timing had not deserted her. Regular light workouts, plus tap and ballet dancing, have now replaced physiotherapy treatments.

Miss Connolly still rides her horse, Colonel Merryboy. It was when he became frightened by an approaching cement truck on a narrow road that Maureen met with her accident.

Benefit Boxing Program Planned

Two outstanding boxers in a 10 round main event and a warm hearted purpose will headline next Tuesday night's boxing card that promoter Mack Lillard has planned for the armory ring.

Teddy Hall and Jimmy Grow, two well known Pacific Coast fighters will meet in the 10 round card in one week. The Idaho champ knocked out Clarence Bruce in three rounds in a Boise fight last Tuesday evening for an Elks convalescent home in Boise, where young children are being cared for with the help of the Elks.

Tickets for this big ring program can be obtained at Dick Reeder's Store for Men anytime before the fight. It has been mentioned that general admission tickets as well as ringside reserved seats will be on sale. This is the public's chance to repay Weiser for what he has done for the Basin boxing picture.

PUSHING ROOM ONLY
MIAMI (AP) — This will stir envy even among some of the larger colleges and universities: A crowd of 40,061 turned out for a high school football game — Miami Senior vs. Edison — in the Orange Bowl Stadium.

All the money taken from this match except for the fighter's purses, the six per cent that always goes to the city for charity and the 10 per cent that Uncle Sam collects from the taxes, will go into this fund.

A trust fund will be established for the children and so much a month per child will be given out each month to help the mothers meet expenses for the children.

Lillard, who is not a member of this committee, stated in yesterday's meeting that he had been approached by several fighters who want to fight on this card and may make the bouts three rounds in length and have more of them, rounding out one of the best prospective cards in some time.

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NCAA Questions Oklahoma

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — The National Collegiate Athletic Assn. is questioning University of Oklahoma football players in an apparent followup to an investigation started last spring.

Several players were interviewed by an NCAA panel yesterday. They said their replies were taken on a wire recorder.

The investigators declined to discuss their probe. NCAA headquarters, following its regular policy on complaints against schools, has not disclosed who originated the complaints against Sooner football practices nor has given the nature of them.

This fall Oklahoma, a national football power in recent years, sent a 76-page documentary report to the NCAA. The report was in answer to a series of questions about Sooner athletic policy forwarded to the school last spring.

At least three players interviewed by the panel said they had not been enticed to Oklahoma by extra inducements.

The players said the testimony centered around these three questions:

1. Were any inducements made to bring players to Oklahoma?

2. Are players getting any assistance, financial or otherwise, now at Oklahoma?

3. Have any promises been made of jobs or aid following graduation?

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