

KUHS, Oregon Tech Open Basketball Season

Pels Host Four Team Conference Jam Play

Medford, Grants Pass, Ashland and Klamath Falls all collide tonight at Pelican Court in what is expected to be a colorful opening of the Southern Oregon Conference basketball season as the four prep clubs join in the third annual pre-season conference jamboree.

The first game will get the tip-off at 8:15. Two of the four teams will take warmups starting at 7:30 according to the schedule drawn up by KUHS Athletic Director Joe Peak. Price of admission is 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students.

Captain Don Peterson's Pelicans will act as host to their three conference foes as the teams meet

in a six-quarter game. Each team will play one quarter against the other three clubs. Klamath will meet Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass in three different quarters and so on, until all of the teams have tangled with each other.

Although Medford coach Frank Roelandt lost all of his 1954-55 standouts in last spring's graduation, he had a wide choice of talent from a once-beaten junior varsity team. Again the Tornadoes are favored to rule as king-pins of the Southern Oregon Conference, but another heater-ketter race is looming for high school basketball fans of the district.

Captain Peterson said he would probably open with 6-6 Glenn Moore at center, Eddie Tichenor and Orin Perkins at forward and Mike Runge and Butch Kimpston at guard. The Pelican hoop mentor indicated he will probably be doing lots of experimenting and switching in tonight's play due to the fact that this jamboree is just for fun and "means absolutely nothing."

Others who are expected to see plenty of action for the Whitebirds, and possibly start the second or third quarter games for the Pels include Donna Taucher, Lee McGill, Cliff Sutherland, Jerry Burke, Sutherland and Tichenor give the Pels plenty of height under the backboards. Besides Moore's 6-6, Sutherland stands just over the 6-4 mark as does Tichenor.

Roelandt is expected to open the first quarter's play for Medford with a smaller, but very fast quintet in a traditional Tornado "running" game. John Foust and Dick Coppie, 6-6 and 6-1 respectively are slated to draw the forward spots, with 6-2 Dick MacLaughlin working from the pivot post. In back court for the Medford club will be guards Bob Tichenor and L. J. Carley, both of whom reach to the 5-10 standards. Other late minute changes by Roelandt may find 5-9 Larry Perkins at a guard spot, while 6-2 Mike Stearns will be at a forward or center position.

David is expected to start play this evening with Bob Erickson, a two-year letterman, at one guard spot and either Allen Drews or Owen Winger at the other. In the pivot spot for the Cavemen will be 6-5 Larry Henderson, while Charles Miller, Jim McDonald, Larry Walker and Ron Taylor will supply the forward material. To go along with Henderson's height, Davis can call upon McDonald's 6-4 and Walker's 6-2 backboard strength to aid the Grants Pass cause.

Ashland, taken lightly in this district for several years may very well turn into the surprise team of the conference this year, as Simpson has four of his five '54-'55 starters back for another crack at high school basketball. Leading the Grizzly parade will be Phil Sward, Gene Parent, Harry Johnson and Stewart Baker, the four first-liners of last season. The other starting position will probably go to guard Lance Locke.

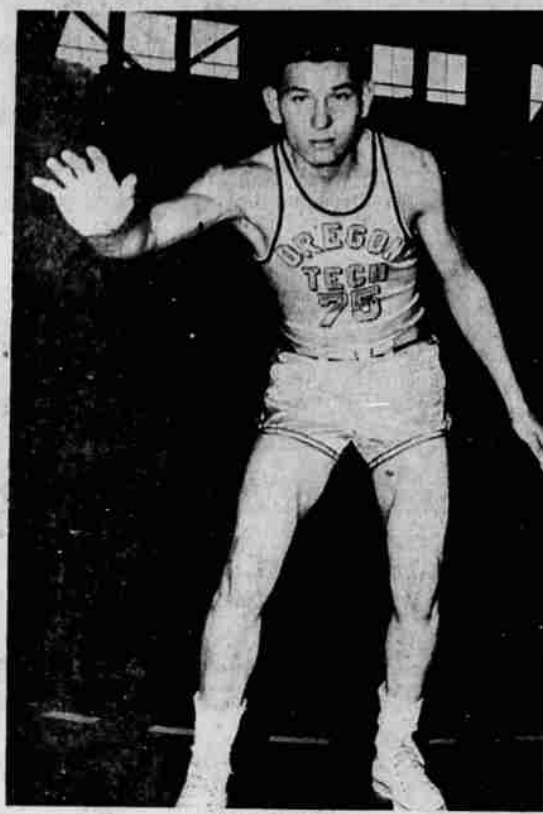
Shortscores:

Pos. Henry (26) Merrill (34)
P. Montgomery (7) Schell (24)
C. Perry (11) Moore (10)
F. Roberts (19) Thomas (10)
C. Cunningham (10) Lane (11)
C. Miller (10) O'Neil (12)
C. Sub for Henry: Arant (20) Owens (20)
C. Sub for Miller: Doby (10) Saunders (10)
C. Sub for Cunningham: Kennedy (10)
C. Sub for O'Neil: Sutherland (10)
C. Sub for Doby: Sutherland (10)
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MIKE RUNGE
... Pelican starter



LAFE HARRIS
... Ore Tech guard

Owls, Olympic Meet In Two-Game Series

Oregon Tech's Owls and the Olympic Rangers tip off the local college basketball season tonight at the Mile High Campus gymnasium in the first of a two-game weekend cage series.

Game time is 8 o'clock. Coach Wally Palmberg reported early today that his ballclub has responded from early-week sickness and injuries and will be at just about full strength for tonight's and Saturday's outing against the invading Rangers.

The Owls' Charlie Bogle, 6-9 hooper from San Mateo, California, has shaken off a knee injury which plagued him earlier this week and is expected to be ready to go at top speed against the Rangers. John McCutcheon, letterman forward, was still a little weak from a flu attack and may see only limited action tonight according to the Tech cage boss.

John Foster, 6-2 jumping-jack from Central Catholic of Portland, is definitely out for this weekend's frays and will not be able to enter into competition until completion of this semester's school work. Foster was short credited

when he entered the Mile High Campus but is expected to make them up at this time. The additional backboard strength that Foster carries will be a big boost to the Tech quintet when his return to the club is made.

If McCutcheon is ready for action, Palmberg said he would open with the former Willamette High of Eugene hoop star at one forward spot with Bob Frost, an Oregon City High product, at the other. Bogle will be at center to complete the backboard trio for the Owls.

Working at the guard positions for the Tech quintet will be Lafe Harris, the Montana Cheyenne basketball, and either Ted Fisher of Coos Bay or Richie Perkins, a returning letterman from the '54-'55 OTI squad. Harris seems to have one backcourt position filled, but the battle between the fast improving Fisher and Perkins is still wide open today.

Other Owls who are expected to be seeing action against the Rangers include Erwin Red Fox, Ron Hix, John Cavanah, Al Bailey and Jerry Fasten.

For the visiting Olympic cagers, coach Phil Pesco is expected to open with one of the top junior college basketball players in the Pacific Northwest at one forward spot as Bernie Findlay leads the Rangers into action at the Mile High Campus. Findlay, a 6-2 graduate of Onondaga (N.Y.) High School, tallied over 1,500 points in the four years of prep basketball, and only last season set a new mark by pumping 25 field goals through the nets in a single game. Findlay is reportedly one of the finest cagers to play under Olympic colors, and is only a freshman.

Working with Findlay at the other forward position will be Ordy Martin, a 6-0 Bremerton High graduate. The center duties of the Olympic club will be handled by Jerry Hathaway, who stands at 6-2. Hathaway is a transfer from Montana University where he starred on the Grizzlies' freshman club. The two starting guard spots will probably be given to Jack Evans and Don Smith, who range from 5-10 to 5-11 in height. The Rangers will be spotting the Owls a decided height advantage as McCutcheon and Frost are 6-3 and 6-2 compared to Findlay's 6-2 and Martin's 5-6. In backcourt it's about a toss-up with Harris standing 6-2 and Fisher 5-11, while Perkins is 5-8, but the center position with Bogle's 6-9 may prove to be a big factor in favor of the Owls if they can find some way of holding Findlay's dead-eye antics to a minimum.

This will be the fifth meeting between the two schools, and Oregon Tech holds a 3-2 advantage over the Rangers. Last year the two teams split with OTI winning 79-68, then losing 74-59. In 1953-54, Olympic led twice to the Owls by scores of 74-64 and 68-55. The first game was played between OTI and OJC came in 1952-53 when they met with the Owls taking the short end of a 76-53 battle.

There will be no preliminary game this evening because the Owl junior varsity is in Myrtle Creek for a game, but Saturday evening the Owl reserves will meet Central Oregon College of Bend in a prelim battle starting at 6:45.

Basketball SCORES

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Thursday's Results

FAR WEST

Utah State 68, Idaho State 64
Denver 61, Colorado Mines 55
Portland Univ 66, Portland State 53
Eastern Oregon 95, Whitman 80
Ricks 79, Western Montana 71
College of Pacific 63, Sacramento State 52
Redlands 75, Chapman 74
Los Angeles State 73, Laverne 71
Pasadena Nazarene 68, Pomona-Clement 61
San Bernardino 64, Antelope Valley 52

EAST

St. Joseph's (Pa.) 89, Fordham 71
LaSalle 81, Millersville 70
Seton Hall 93, Toronto 60
Muhlenberg 88, Kutztown 53
Lebanon Valley 77, Dickinson (Pa.) 67

NYU 91, NY State Maritime 51
Temple 67, Albright 56

SOUTH

Louisiana College 84, Louisiana State 79
Tennessee 86, Georgia 67
Richmond 81, Hampden-Sydney 39
N.C. State 88, Florida State 63
North Carolina 91, McCrary Eagles 67

South Carolina 80, The Citadel 50
Clemson 74, Southern State (Ark.) 61

Vanderbilt 84, Sewanee 45
Alabama 95, Jacksonville (Ala.) 55

MIDWEST

Detroit 77, Notre Dame 71
Dayton 75, Pepperdine 35
Missouri 71, South Dakota 46
Tulsa 48, Texas A&M 43
Butler 67, Wisconsin 63
Oklahoma City 63, Emporia State 44

DePaul 84, Illinois Wesleyan 66

SOUTHWEST

Southwest Okla 65, Arkansas 64
Texas Christian 91, Austin 79
Southern Methodist 82, North Texas 67
Howard Payne 51, Baylor 49
Texas 85, West Texas 73

Pitt Wins Lambert Grid Title

NEW YORK (UP)—The Sugar Bowl game, which will match Pittsburgh against Georgia Tech, took on added lustre today with the announcement that Pitt has won the Lambert Trophy as the "Eastern Football Champion" of 1955.

Pittsburgh, which closed with a rush to post a final season record of seven wins and three losses, received the first-place votes of 11 members of the 24-man board of selectors.

Navy would have won the trophy if it had beat Army, many of the selectors admitted. Until upset by Army, 14-6, last Saturday the Mids were figured to be a near-unanimous choice for the award.

Navy wound up second in the final balloting with eight first-place votes, followed by Army with four and Syracuse with one. Others receiving votes were in order: Yale, Colgate, Penn State, Princeton, Boston College, and Trinity, with honorable mention to Rhode Island, Holy Cross, Delaware, Cornell, Lafayette, and Juniata.

Navy whipped Pittsburgh, 21-0, during the season but several of the selectors believe the Mids couldn't do it again.

The committee voting the award was made up of eight coaches, eight newspapermen, and eight radio-TV commentators. Pitt received the first-place votes of five coaches, three newspapermen, and three commentators. Navy got the votes of two coaches, two newspapermen, and four commentators. Syracuse had the vote of one newspaperman.

Capture of the trophy climaxes a climb back for Pittsburgh to the heights it occupied in pre-World War II days under Coach John Bain (Jock) Sutherland. The success was accomplished under the coaching of Johnny Michelone, once a backfield star under Sutherland.

Trophy selectors picking Pitt pointed to the Panthers' steady improvement during the season, its tough schedule of top teams, and its strong finish. Pitt's only losses were to Oklahoma (the nation's No. 1 team), Navy, and Miami (Fla.). It beat California, Syracuse, Duke, West Virginia, Penn State, Syracuse, and Nebraska.

The battle is also working in conjunction with the Owl Hoops to meet a local all-star team at Oregon Tech's gymnasium on December 18.

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Upsets Rock Opening Of Basketball Season

By JOHN GRIFFIN

A round basketball can take bounces just as funny as an egg-shaped football, and so the college basketball season started with Mike Lynch led a St. Joseph's spurge that blew the game open. Lynch led all scorers with 25 points.

North Carolina State (No. 4 nationally) and Dayton (No. 6) scored easy wins as their giant All-America candidates tested out the new rule that widened the free throw lanes to 12 feet this season. N.C. State cruised to an 88-63 decision over Florida State. Wolfpack star Ronnie Shavlik, six-eight, seemed bothered by the wide lanes on offense and tallied only 10 points, half his usual total.

Gilchrist Victor

Gilchrist's Grizzlies opened the 1955-56 basketball season in fine fashion Thursday evening on their home floor by dumping LaPine 40-19.

The Grizzlies held quarter score leads of 8-4, 18-11 and 36-16 as they posted win number one. Art Warren led the winners with eight points, while Dennis Carter of LaPine was high point man of the evening with 12 of the 19 LaPine points.

In the preliminary game, Gilchrist's junior high team whipped LaPine's juniors 36-13.

Shortscore:

Pos. Gilchrist (49) LaPine (19)
F. Warren (8) Anderson (8)
F. Devine (3) Flannery (6)
C. Garner (6) Carter (12)
G. Larson (3) Fletcher (5)
G. Fogarty (2) Newton (2)
C. Sub for Gilchrist: Thompson (2), Crumb (2), Crowe (3) and Brewer (2)

Fordham, ranked 13th nationally in pre-season ratings by the United Press Board of Coaches.

Butler tallied five points in the last minute to beat Wisconsin on the losers' court. Bob Plump, high scorer with 18 points, made the key play with a minute left when he stole the ball for an easy layup that put Butler ahead and in charge, 64-61.

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City League Shaping As Plans Made

The Klamath Falls Basketball Association looks to be heading toward one of its most successful seasons. If last night's business meeting is indicative of the forthcoming season.

Bob Borney, city recreation director, reported that 10 and possibly 11 teams are entered in this year's City League play. Those teams listed for league action are the U.S. Naval Reserve, Battery D, National Guard (2 teams), Klamath Falls Creamery, the Klamath Jets, YMCA, Skeet's and three teams that are unsponsored at this time.

The league play, which starts next Tuesday, will be held at Alamo Junior High on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, will open with Klamath Jets meeting National Guard Number 2 at 6:30 and National Guard Number 1 testing Borney's No Sponsor team at 8 o'clock. In Thursday's games, Dreyer's No Sponsor meets Skeet's at 6:30 and the 8 o'clock game pits Naval Reserve against the Creamery. On Tuesday, December 13, YMCA plays Milligan's No Sponsor team in the first game and the Jets face Shallhorn's No Sponsor quintet in the late game.

The league is also working in conjunction with the Owl Hoops to meet a local all-star team at Oregon Tech's gymnasium on December 18.

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LADY BUG LEAGUE

Howard's Cleaners 32 16
Wong's Cafe 31 17
Shoop and Schullze 27 21
Griggs Foods 27 21
Little Sweden 25 24
J. W. Kerns 24 23
Al Schneck 23 22
Bunny's Fountain 23 22
KC Paints 21 20
A and B Paint 18 20
Peterson Drive Inn 18 20
Town Shop 16 15

Last night's results:

Howard's 4 Wong's 6
KC Paints 3 Peterson 12
Town Shop 3 A and B Paint 1
Bunny's 2 Little Sweden 2
Shoop and Schullze 3 Griggs Foods 2
Al Schneck 2 Little Sweden 2
High team game—Town Shop 81
High team game—Howard's Cleaners 248

High individual game—Lorraine Harris 236
High individual series—Lorraine Harris 872

CITY LEAGUE

Winema Elevators 35 13
Coca Cola 34 13
Robert's Hardware 33 13
Griggs Food 32 13
Luca Cafe 30 18
Car-Aid Co 30 18
KC Paints 30 18
Underwood's 32 26
Safeway Stores 16 32
Medo-Land 15 33
Dale's Barber Shop 15 33
Walkey Brothers 8 40

Last night's results:

Robert's 3 Griggs Foods 1
Dale's 2 Coca Cola 2
Car-Aid Co 3 Walkey 1
Winema 4 Coca Cola 9
KC Paints 3 Underwood's 2
Safeway Stores 3 Medo-Land 1
High team game—Winema Elevators 2045
High team game—George Chin 253
High individual game—George Chin 303

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