

OTI, St. Martin's Collide Tonight; Shasta J.C. Next

Oregon Technical Institute's Owls move into the final week of basketball before the Christmas vacation as they meet the St. Martin's College Runners in games this evening and Saturday night at Olympia, Washington, then next Tuesday and Wednesday they travel south to meet Shasta Junior College at Redding.

This weekend's tussle will be a tough one according to coach Wally Palmberg, as his club endeavors to draw back to the 500 mark after dropping last Tuesday's outing to the powerful Seattle Pacific College Falcons. Tech win - loss mark now stands 2-3.

Last year, which was the first time OTI and St. Martin's collided, the Runners won three straight from the Mile High Campus outfit, but all of the games were played on fairly even terms. St. Martin's widest spread was a 55-46 margin and the other two trysts closed with 58-54 and 63-61 finals.

Both clubs have added strength to their 1955-56 clubs, and another set of exciting cage battles is expected to unfold before St. Martin's follows this weekend.

These will be the only games scheduled between Tech and the Evergreen Conference member this year.

Palmberg said Thursday before leaving for the St. Martin's games he was taking a 16-man traveling squad, and would probably use the same road-team in the hunt to Redding early next week. Those making the trip will be Palmberg and manager John Bodwell including Roy Frost, John McCutcheon, Richie Perkins, John Cavaner, Erwin Red Fox, Ted Fischer, Jerry Pasten, Bud Stumpegen, John Foster and Charlie Bogie.

The mid-week outing against Shasta next Tuesday and Wednesday will be the final pre-conference game as well as the final game of the year for the Owls. The Knights of Shasta Junior College have been rolling along at a fairly fast clip so far this year and promise to give the Owls another solid test in basketball homework.

Last year the Owls and Knights split, Tech won 50-43 and the cagers from Shasta won 72-62. In four previous meetings prior to last year's series, the Owls had scored four straight victories over the Knights.

With Ron Mancanola as a guiding light, the Redding JC is favored with height and speed this year, and only one of last year's starters is missing for this season's play. Mancanola, former Redding high star, is coming with Klamath's Jack Sunitsch at the two guard positions for the Knights.

Following the Shasta series, Tech lays off until January 6-7 when they meet Portland State College in the first Oregon Collegiate Conference play of the year at Portland.

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EU "ROOKIE" CARTER, former Chicago High School basketball flash, has returned to the Harlem Clowns this year after serving a hitch with Uncle Sam, and has added a great deal of life and color to the clowning casaba crew. Carter and his teammates of the Harlem Clowns will appear here next Tuesday evening at the OTI gymnasium.

Klamath Basin Cage Fans To See Clowns

The Klamath Basketball Association and the Owl Hoots are co-sponsoring the Klamath Falls appearance of the fun-loving Harlem Clowns next Tuesday evening at the Oregon Technical Institute gymnasium in the first exhibition of "big time" basketball here this year.

Those hilarious clowns are on

the move again marking the 20th anniversary of this nationally famous basketball team and one of the country's greatest winter laugh producers.

Al "Runt" Pullins and his mirthful magicians of the basketball court will come to town to show their sleight-of-hand ball handling, lightning-like passes, comedy routines and impromptu horse play.

"These cats keep me laughing on the bench every night," says the ageless "Runt." "In 20 years with the clowns and a half dozen years before that with the Trojans, I have never laughed so much as at this year's gang. They are just a bunch of natural cup-cups and what a basketball team! I believe this is the best clown club in history."

Pullins explains that the happy combination of a fine player and a comedian is hard to find. Players get old and have to be replaced by new men so each year he must be on the lookout for new talent.

"We picked this year's team from a list of more than 50 applicants," says Runt. "This year we have big men, ball handlers and a couple of great comics."

When the Harlem Clowns play here fans can expect some high scoring plus fancy ball handling and comedy that many rate the best today among travelling basketball teams.

"We have the best," says Pullins. "Our team is big, young, enthusiastic and the boys have fun playing - it's really fun to make people laugh."

Tickets are now on sale at Hal's Sport Shop in Klamath Falls. Admission prices are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for OTI students.

BOWLING

LADY BUG LEAGUE	
Howard's Cleaners	24
Wong's Cafe	23
Shoop and Schulte	22
Bunny's Fountain	21
Little Sweden	20
W. Kern	19
Al Schneck	18
KC Paints	17
A and B Paint	16
Grigas Foods	15
Pelican Drive Inn	14
Town Shop	13

Last night's results:
Schneck 4 Howard's 0
Shoop-Schulte 3 Town Shop 1
Kerns 3 Pelican Drive Inn 1
A and B Paint 3 Wong's Cafe 1
KC Paints 3 Little Sweden 1

High team game - Al Schneck 954
High individual game - June Baxter 213
High individual series - LaRayne Harria 547

Hal Wood's Mid-Week Short Shots

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer
SAN FRANCISCO (UP) - Short shots:

Jack Kramer, the tennis impresario, rates 11-year-old left-handed Bobby Siska as a true coming great in the game of tennis.

"Bobby is destined to become one of the great stars of our game," Kramer told a luncheon group the other day. "At this stage of development, he possibly is the best I've ever seen."

The attendant figures for football clubs tell a "lie" in the opinion of George P. Marshall, owner of the Washington Redskins.

The San Francisco Forty Niners, who averaged 42,000 fans per game during the past season, charge a top price of only \$3.75 per ticket - lowest in the league - while some clubs, such as Washington, charge as high as \$6 for a box seat.

Therefore, the income of some of the clubs with smaller attendance is greater than the attendance leaders.

Maureen (Little Mo) Connolly could have made \$70,000 on the professional tennis tour if she hadn't been injured, says Kramer. "Ordinarily, she is a very big winner," he says. "But she is a professional, and she would have come out to see Little Mo."

Unless he is planning to retire, Don Paul of the Los Angeles Rams, can look for a lot of trouble next year. Paul popped off in a magazine article telling how in a magazine article telling how the "villains" of football work over some of the stars of the game.

"It is safe to assume that some attacks next year will be designed to 'run over' Paul," a football official says.

Eddie Joost, long-time major league infielder and one-year manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, has left for a vacation in Hawaii before taking over as manager of the San Francisco Seals.

"This will be my first vacation in 18 years," said Eddie as he left in company with his wife and children.

George Shaw, great Baltimore Colts quarterback, still is undecided on whether he should attempt a baseball career.

Shaw was a standout on the University of Oregon team last year, but big league scouts say that, while he is a fine fielder, he won't hit well enough to play in the majors.

Meanwhile, young George is vacationing in Oregon with his parents, weighing his chances in baseball next spring against going to work on a "big business" deal in the East this winter.

Gonzaga Wins 90-66

WALLA WALLA (UP) - Gonzaga University connected on 80 percent of its free throws Thursday night to beat Whitman, 90-66, in a non-conference basketball game.

The teams played an even series from the field but the Missionaries never could match the visitors at the charity line. Gonzaga led, 34-27 at the half.

Whitman's Max Johnson was high scorer with 17 points.

Nashua Sold For New High

NEW YORK (UP) - Mighty Nashua will be shipped to Florida next week to continue his sensational career after being sold for a world record price of \$1,251,200.

Executors of the estate of the late William Woodward Jr. sold Nashua yesterday to a syndicate headed by Leslie Combs II of Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, Ky.

This was the greatest single horse trade ever concluded, involving an unprecedented sale of a great colt still at the peak of his racing career.

Nashua, a 3-year-old son of Spendthrift, will take charge of the big 5-year-old again late next week.

Nashua, of course, was the big news in the dollars and cents part of the bargain. But for the sentimentalists the clink of hard cold cash did not outweigh the passing of the famous Belair Stud sire.

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L. Lightburn, Dupas Tangle

NEW YORK (UP) - Ludwig Lightburn, an invader from British Honduras and a recent graduate of the prelin ranks, is a surprising 13-10 favorite to beat lightweight contender Ralph Dupas of New Orleans in Madison Square Garden tonight.

It is the Garden main event debut for both youngsters.

NBC will broadcast and telecast at 10 p.m. EST.

The odds are strange because Dupas, a seasoned veteran of more than five years of pro battling at 20, figures to have too much experience for the promising, 21-year-old Lightburn.

Dupas has fought better fighters and is working on an unbeaten string of nine, including victories over former lightweight king Paddy DeMarco, Frankie Ryff and Cisco Andrade. His overall record is 57-6-5 with 10 knockouts.

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Basketball SCORES

COLLEGE BASKETBALL
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Thursday's Results

FAR WEST
Whitworth 71, Eastern Washington 59
Willamette 68, Whitman 58
St. Martin's College 83, Weber 59

EAST
Skagit Valley J.C. 87, Lower Columbia J.C. 85 (overtime)
Gonzaga 80, Whitman 56
Arizona State (Tempe) 66, L. Angeles State 57
Pasadena Nazarene 88, Arizona State (Flagstaff) 77

SOUTH
Tufts 84, Harvard 76
Yale 97, Wesleyan 36
Marshall (WVa) 87, Ohio Univ 71

MIDWEST
Oklahoma 69, Arkansas 59
Tulsa 67, Western Kentucky 56
Kansas State 92, Los Angeles Loyola 66
Oklahoma City 65, Wyoming 59
Drake 72, South Dakota 67

SOUTHWEST
Kentucky Wesleyan 68, Harding-Simmons 60
East Texas 83, David Lipscomb (Tenn) 56
Western (Colo State) 73, New Mexico Western 54
West Texas 77, Okla Baptist 64

Age Improves Snead's Golf

SANFORD, Fla. (UP) - Sam Snead is like wine, he seems to get better with age.

The Slammer from White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., is 43, and for a professional golfer that's up in years. But Sam isn't conceding Father Time a thing. He's looking, feeling and playing as well or better than ever.

In successive competitive rounds, he has turned in two record performances. As a result of his latest record-smashing effort, he started today's second round in the \$15,000 Sanford Open Golf Tournament with a two-stroke lead over his nearest competitors.

Snead's opening round 33-31-64, a 6-under-par effort, wiped out the old mark of 65 for the Mayfair Inn Country Club course set in the late 1930s by amateur Jim Spencer of Sanford.

And it put him two strokes ahead of D. W. Finsterwald, Bedford Heights, Ohio, one of the younger pros, and veteran Ted Kroll, Bethesda, Md.

Seven others deadlocked for fourth spot with 67s as 37 of the huge field shattered par and nine others matched it in the opening round. Par for the 6,205-yard course is 36-34-70.

Mike Souchak, former Duke football star who registers out of Grossingers, N. Y., was one of those with a 67.

LOS ANGELES - Art Aragon, 147½, Los Angeles, outpointed Don Jordan, 142, Los Angeles, 10 Beny Artist, 136, Brooklyn, outpointed Bobby Woods, 135, Spokane, 10.

Kentucky Nips Terps On Desperate Freeze

By JOHN GRIFFIN
United Press Sports Writer

The amazing evidence continued to pile up today that the Kentucky basketball team may have been badly over-rated.

Loaded with height and high-scoring veterans, this was supposed to be one of the best teams turned out in recent years by Coach Adolph Rupp, the highly-successful "Baron of the Bluegrass."

But a 62-61 victory over Maryland Thursday night, saved only by a desperate "freeze," was the Wildcats' third poor showing within six nights.

First, last Saturday, it was Temple that stunned the court world by whipping the Wildcats, 75-61, in the biggest upset this season. On Monday night, DePaul nearly did the same thing, losing, 71-69, only on Jerry Bird's basket for Kentucky with six seconds left.

Thursday night, at College Park, Md., the Rupp-men seemed to be finding themselves last as they slipped to a 39-31 margin over the unranked Teraps. Then, suddenly, Kentucky was in trouble again as Maryland staged a rally led by forward Bob Kessler. For the final 10 minutes, the lead bounced back and forth like a hot potato.

Finally Kentucky got a chance to freeze out the clock with its one-point lead and that was the game. Kessler took scoring honors with 25 points and guard Gerry Calvert led Kentucky with 19.

COMING UP
If there's something seriously wrong with the Wildcats, they're in for plenty of trouble very quickly. They return home Saturday night to play host to Idaho, a

HOCKEY
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Thursday's Results
WESTERN LEAGUE
Saskatoon 8, Edmonton 4
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Montreal 2, New York 0
Detroit 4, Toronto 0
Boston 4, Chicago 1

BLUE-GRAY
The Blue - Gray tournament at Montgomery, Ala., also a two-night affair ending Saturday night opens tonight with Texas facing Auburn and Eastern Kentucky playing Mississippi in first-round games.

Utah and Dayton, getting set for their appearance in Kentucky next week, take over Idaho State and Cincinnati, respectively, in other games tonight, while Brigham Young, ranked ninth nationally, hosts Colorado, the team that upset Iowa last Saturday, and UCLA, ranked 20th, visits Nebraska.

In other leading games Thursday night: Kansas State dumped Loyola (Calif.), 92-66; Oklahoma City's height proved decisive as Wyoming suffered its fourth loss in five tries, 65-59; Tulsa ran its record to 5-1 by beating Western Kentucky, 67-50; Yale crushed Kentucky, 67-50; Yale crushed Kentucky, 67-50; Yale crushed Kentucky, 67-50.

Wesleyan, 97-38; Tufts upset Harvard, 84-78; Tennessee trounced Springfield, 67-33; and Oklahoma downed Arkansas, 65-58.

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visitor from the Pacific Coast Conference, and then Tuesday night they meet Minnesota in the opening round of the Kentucky Invitational tournament, followed the next night by a clash with either Utah, the nation's No. 2 team, or fifth-ranked Dayton.

San Francisco, the nation's No. 1 team, opens its seven-game national tour tonight at Chicago, risking its 29-game winning streak against Marquette in the opening round of the DePaul tournament.

It's the biggest test so far for the national champion Dons, for Marquette is ranked 13th nationally and has a top-notch six-eight center in Terry Rand who figures to stage a tough battle with All-American, six-10 Bill Russell. Duquesne, ranked No. 8 nationally and winner of last season's National Invitation Tournament and this year's Steel Bowl tourney, meets De Paul in the other game, with tonight's winners clashing Saturday.

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Saddler Signs For Title Defense

SAN FRANCISCO (UP) - World featherweight champion Sandy Saddler has turned to defend his crown against Flash Elorde, champion of the Orient, in the San Francisco Cow Palace Jan. 18, according to promoter Bennie Ford.

Elorde whipped the champion in Manila earlier this year in a wild 10-round non-title bout.

Ford said the title bout will be televised nationally with a 150-mile blackout in the San Francisco area.

Elorde is already training here, Ford said, and Saddler is scheduled to arrive Dec. 27.

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