

# Pels, Owls Open Conference Action



TWO NEWCOMERS to the KUHS basketball scene this year talk over shooting styles as Glenn Moore, right, and Cliff Sutherland, left, get together during practice. Moore, 6-6 sophomore, played as a freshman last year at Bly, and Sutherland was a member of Malin's B squad last season. Both will be seeing action as the Pels face Grants Pass in games tonight and Saturday evening on the Cavemen's home court.

## Cavemen, Vikings Cage Foes

Pelican Court and OTI arenas may be dark this weekend, but the Klamath Union High School Pelicans and Oregon Technical Institute Owls have important assignments awaiting their attention on foreign soils as the 1955-56 conference season opens for both clubs.

The Pelicans of coach Don Peterson will vie in a Friday and Saturday night series with the Grants Pass Cavemen as Grants Pass to kick off the Southern Oregon Conference and District 4-A-1 race. Wally Palmberg's Owls from the Mile High Campus are over-taking Oregon Collegiate Conference play for the first time this year as they tangle with the Portland State College Vikings in a weekend series at Portland.

In tonight's fracas with the Cavemen at Grants Pass, coach Peterson said he would juggle his starting lineup in hopes of finding eddies and scoring power as the Whitebirds began their long march towards the state tournament which comes at the close of the season. Dave Peppie, one of the two lettermen back this year, will move into one of the outside positions for the Pels along with Don Taucher and either Butch Klinton, Lee McGill or Orin Perkins. The two positions will be the same with Glenn Moore and Earle Tichenor drawing the nod.

Other Pelicans making the trip and who are expected to see action tonight or tomorrow night include Mike Ruff, Bill Hamblin, Ken Douglas, Cliff Sutherland and Jerry Burke.

Coch Ray Davis will probably use the same starting "five" that have carried the Cavemen to an even-up 44 win-loss record so far this season. Ron Davis, no relation to coach Ray, and Tom Bennett are expected to draw the forward berths, while 6-3 Larry Henderson will be at the pivot post. The two guard positions will be handled by a pair of scrappy and ball-hawking senior lettermen, Chuck Nevi and Allan Drews. Last minute changes by Davis may find Chuck Weller at a forward spot and Owen Winger at guard.

For the Oregon Tech Owls, the Portland State trip will mark a rough and tough opening for the local collegians as they take on the defending conference champions. And again this year, coach Shockey Nelson hoophoopers are favored to walk off with the crown for the second straight season.

The Owls were recently bolstered by the addition of three cagers, two of whom are lettermen from past seasons, but the Vikings offset the Hoot Birds' growth by adding two sparkplugs of last year's championship team, Ron Nenow and Jack Viskov. Viskov and coach Nelson had a personal conflict, but that has been patched. Nenow laid out school the first term and is now back attending PSC class rooms. These two hoopers will be remembered by state high school basketball followers as part of the "Galloping Ghosts" of Cleveland High in Portland.

Palmberg said early this morning, before departing for Portland, he would open with Charlie Bogle at center and he will be flanked at the forward spots by Johnny Foster and John McGuicheon. The OTI guard problem will be carried by Richie Perkins and Ted Fischer. Al Cunningham, Terry Blair and Bobby Whitman, the three letter-comers to the Tech squad, are all making the trip to Portland and should see plenty of action. The other two members of the 10-man squad are forward Bob Frost and center Jerry Fasten.

Portland State will start with 6-7 Fletcher Frazier at center, Viskov 6-3 and 6-4 Jack Parker at forwards. The two Viking guard slots will be given to Paul Poetsch, 5-10 floor leader of the Portland State team, and 5-8 Ron Koski. Ray Coley's KUHS junior varsity is making a Saturday trip to Grants Pass. The cagers who will be packing their bags for a preliminary battle tomorrow night are: Tom Ankeny, Ron Croxford, Dave Robinson, Ted Yuen, Jerry Bramwell, Jan Cox, Joe Tawney, Cal Tichenor, John Green, Doug Van Buskirk, Danny Shaw and Bob Niles.



LEADING OREGON TECH point maker, Charlie Bogle, will see plenty of action tonight and Saturday evening at Portland when the OTI Owls meet the Portland State College Vikings. To date, the six-foot-nine inch pivotman has dumped in 181 points in nine games.

## Herald and News Sports

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### ChiSox, Nats Claim Top Rook Candidates

By OSCAR FRELEY, United Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK (UP)—The Cleveland Indians took rookie of the year honors with a streakout which named Herb Score and the chatter around the hot stove league today is that they'll be up there in the 1956 freshman race against strong bids by Chicago and Washington.

The Indians have high hopes for another pitcher and a blasting outfielder, but the White Sox will have three strong contenders for rookie honors and the Senators are tallying a young outfielder who hits big.

Practically every other club in the league looks to be strengthened by young blood but the Indians, White Sox and Senators may have the prime packages.

Cleveland likes six foot, four inch Hank Auzire, who was only 11-9 at Indianapolis but came up at season's end and beat Boston and then Detroit on a three-hitter. Also drawing raves is Rocco Colavito, with 29 homers and 104 RBIs at Indianapolis. Cleveland says it could have obtained Mickey Vernon if it threw Rocco in on the deal.

The White Sox are booming shortstop Luis Aparicio, outfielder Ed White and pitcher Joe Dahike. Aparicio, 21, is a sure fielder whose speed led the Southern Assn. 51 Memphis with 48 stolen bases. White, a 29-year-old former Alabama grid ace, hit 342 at Memphis with 107 RBIs. Dahike, 25, looks like a potentially great relief man. At Memphis he paced the Southern Assn. with a 1.85 ERA, posting a 19-5 mark and refusing to give up a home run in 44 games.

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The Yankees, equipped as well as they are, may have to make room for shortstop Jerry Lumpe and first baseman Marv Throneberry, 21, who led the American Assn. with 36 homers and batted in 117 runs at Denver. Lumpe, 22 and six feet, two is a "Marty Marion type" shortstop who hit 301 at Birmingham.

Best looking prospect among many in the A's camp is pitcher Glenn Cox, who had an 11-5 mark at Montreal. This 24-year-old is the pitcher for whom the A's gave Brooklyn \$40,000.

There are, naturally, many other rookies who will get their shot next spring and many of them are fine prospects for stardom. But these are the ones counted on to really blossom in 1956 and from their midst probably will come the American League rookie of the year.

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FREE THROW CHAMPIONS were declared during the recent vacation basketball clinic sponsored by the City Recreation Department. Shown above the five division champs check their scores with Roy Harris of the Recreation Department and one of the supervisors of the holiday program. From left to right, Gene Webb, 11-year-olds, Harris, Steve Binney, 14-year-olds, Henry Herrera, 12-year-olds, Jim Johnson, 15-year-olds, and Bert Putney, 13-year-old winner.

## Guild Votes To Stand Pat, NY's Big-Time Boxing Out

By JACK HAN

NEW YORK (UP)—Big-time boxing in New York is dead. Final services will be held Jan. 16.

The Boxing Guild of New York last night voted unanimously not to dissolve its membership as ordered by Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, who set a Jan. 16 deadline. The guild said it had the full support of the 16 other guild affiliates.

"We've done nothing wrong," said Charlie Johnston, president of the International Boxing Guild, of which the local guild is an affiliate. "We're ready to fight in New York right now. But if Helfand takes our licenses away, we'll resigning."

Helfand isn't backing down either, from the tone of his press conference yesterday afternoon. He blasted the Monday night television fight promoters who decided to move to Baltimore, effective Jan. 23, and called one of the Baltimore promoters with whom they will work "Frankie Carbo's representative." Carbo, according to Helfand, is a notorious police character with a powerful influence in boxing.

"I state from the most unimpeachable source that Benny Troita (who promotes in Baltimore with his son-in-law Angelo Munafo) is Carbo's representative in the city of Baltimore," said Helfand. "In the last three weeks, previous to this deal (moving the televised fights from St. Nicholas Arena in New York to Baltimore) Frankie Carbo and Benny Troita, whose real name is Benny Magliano, met in the city of Baltimore to engineer the deal."

Helfand said he would hold a hearing to see if disciplinary action was necessary against Tex Sullivan and Willie Gilzenberg, the St. Nick's promoters. Under New York law, a license can be revoked for persistent association with a known criminal. He said Troita and Munafo have records of arrests.

The two Baltimore promoters weren't available for comment but

Nick Troita, Benny's brother, denied any dealings between his brother and Carbo and added that Munafo was a liquor licensee in Baltimore, saying, "In Maryland, a criminal can't get a license."

Helfand obviously was upset by the fact that the Maryland Athletic Commission, whose chairman J. Marshall Boone had promised to support his fight against the guild, had let him down. In Maryland, Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin ordered a "full and immediate" investigation of boxing in Maryland and called on Boone for a "full and complete report" on the Monday night transfer.

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## Uclans, UW Favored As CC Season Opens

By HAL WOOD, United Press Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES (UP)—The wide-open Pacific Coast Conference, and the closed-door California Basketball Association races open this weekend as the cage sport finally gets around to taking over the spotlight from the drawn-out football campaign.

In the PCC, it is anybody's race. UCLA and Washington have been voted the teams "most likely to succeed," but California and Stanford are sporting the finest records. And Southern California is just starting to show good form.

But in the California Basketball Association race, the battle is strictly for second place. No one, but no one, expects to beat out University of San Francisco.

In fact, even the PCC race looks kind of hopeless, because for the first time in history, the winner must meet directly the CBA champion for the West Coast title in the NCAA play-offs. Pre-

viously, CBA teams were listed as "as large" clubs.

NO SPLIT  
This is the first year that the PCC has campaigned as a non-divided organization. In past years, the Northern Division was made up of teams in the loop from Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The four California teams played in the Southern Division. The winners of each division then met for the conference crown.

Only one title is at stake this year. The defending champion is the Oregon State Beaver club, but Coach Slats Gill doesn't appear to have the talent to repeat.

UCLA, Southern Division winner last year, looks to be coming along after a slow start. The team went to the finals of the Holiday Festival Tourney in New York—only to be slaughtered by USF. In Willie Naulls, the Bruins have one of the best basketball players in the country.

Stanford is the only unbeaten member of the PCC. The team now has won seven in a row, including double victories over Washington. But Coach Howie Dallmar fears his club lacks the height to go all the way. His tallest man is Carlos Bea, who is only 6-4—a mere midget these days.

HEIGHT PROBLEM  
California, after dropping its first game to St. Mary's, has rolled to seven straight wins. But here again lack of height puts limitations on the club.

Idaho, with two veteran guards and a flock of good sophomores, may develop. Oregon and Washington State are expected to be also-rans.

In weekend games Southern California plays two at California. UCLA, certainly Idaho for a pair. Stanford visits Washington and Oregon State invades Washington State. Oregon plays Portland University in a non-conference tilt Saturday.

The unenviable task of stopping USF goes to Pepperdine College as the CBA opens competition for the first time as an eight-team league. Santa Clara meets San Jose and Loyola tangles with Fresno State in Friday games. On Saturday, St. Mary's plays Pepperdine, Loyola tangles with College of Pacific.

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