

# Pels, Medford Open Series Tonight

## USF Dons Face Last Hurdle

### Champs See Cage Mark Tie

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Only a miracle—in the form of a major upset tonight—can keep the nation's number one University of San Francisco basketball team from becoming the third team in collegiate history to ring up 39 consecutive victories.

Potential victim 39 is Fresno State, a team with a 6-3 record compiled against opposition generally inferior to that which the Dons have upended in winning their first 12 games this season.

If San Francisco whips Fresno State at Fresno tonight, and even the staunchest Fresno fan doubts that the Dons will drop this one, it jointly will share honors as the dominant college team along with the 177 Long Island University club and the 1942 Seton Hall five.

And the Dons reckon to accomplish this feat in two seasons where as their predecessor pair took three. LIU's streak spread from 1938 through 1937, including a 26-0 unblemished record in the 1935-36 season.

Seton Hall's mark spanned 1939 through 1942 and included a 17-0 season in 1940-41.

USF dropped its third game last year, a loss to UCLA which was later reversed, and then went on to win 26 straight including the NCAA championship. This season's 12 today include ridiculously easy conquests in the loaded Chico Invitational and New York's annual Holiday Festival.

The Dons stand to become the first to make it 40, 59-1.

Two weeks from tomorrow night, following a two week layoff for mid-year exams—San Francisco resumes the torrid pace in what could be the toughest game of them all, that with the vastly improved University of California quint.

The game will be played in Cal's gym where the Bears seldom lose even in an off year.

**SLIGHT SETBACK**  
San Francisco got into tonight's game suffering somewhat of a psychological setback. Coach Phil Woolpert received word Wednesday that the NCAA, in an arbitrary move, refused to give their captain K. C. Jones another year of NCAA eligibility.

Jones, the man who kept the great Tom Gola in check in last year's 77-63 NCAA championship victory over La Salle, underwent an emergency appendectomy after the first game of the 1955-54 season and missed the remainder of his junior year.

The California Basketball Association, as well as the Pacific Coast Conference, granted Jones an additional year of eligibility under a "hardship" case ruling. The NCAA, meeting in Los Angeles, refused to do likewise, meaning that the spirited Don floor leader will sit out the NCAA championships—if the Dons qualify for a repeat as expected.

But this "setback" could have a reverse twist effect, igniting the red Dons to an undefeated season. This could run the victory string into the high 60s.

### KF Gun Club Slates Shoot

Another practice shoot is being planned by the Klamath Gun Club for all interested shooters this Sunday starting at 10:30 at the Wocus Traps.

Last weekend, a good turnout of spectators and gunners supplied one of the best shoots this season. The snare bar will again be open, and the public is invited to take part in the day's practice run or watch the smoothbore artists show their stuff.

Marion Grant and John Lichtenstern led the 16-year event while Sunday with scores of 49, while Lichtenstern placed the handicap shoot with a 48 of 50 record.

The results of the shoot were as follows:

Name	16-Yr. Handicap
Marion Grant	49
John Lichtenstern	49
Dr. J. Adams	45
Earl Meyer	44
Bob Smith	44
John Reed	44
Lloyd Broth	43
C. J. Martin	43
Earl Driscoll	43
Earl Kent	43
Bill Davis	42
Bill Cheney	41
Tom Walters	41
C. Bradbury	41
Jim Fisher	40
Jake Reiger	40
Virgil Day	39
Ray Billings	39
Clyde Ritter	37

### Cardinal Stars Sign 1956 Pacts

ST. LOUIS (AP)—The St. Louis Cardinals have signed the backbone of their team—Stan (The Red) Musial and Red Schoendienst.

The long-time National League stars expressed satisfaction at the ceremony Thursday where they put their names to contracts calling for a reported \$125,000 total.

For Musial it will be the sixth season at an estimated \$40,000. Schoendienst will get a reported \$45,000, believed to be the same as last year.

The two are the only holdovers from the Redbirds' last championship club of 1946. For the 25-year-old Musial it will be his 14th season with the St. Louis team. Schoendienst is ready for his 12th year.

### EOC Picked Over Owls

LA GRANGE (Special)—Coach Bob Quinn's Eastern Oregon College of Education Mountaineers are heavy favorites to register their third straight Oregon Collegiate Conference basketball win here tonight as they host the visiting Oregon Technical Institute Owls in the first of a two-game series.

The Mounties won a pair of conference games from Southern Oregon last week, while Tech was dropping a pair to the Vikings of Portland State. In the overall season's play, EOCE has won seven and lost three, compared to Tech's 4-7 record.

Eastern Oregon has won twice over SOC, University of Nevada, and Whitman, and once over NW Nazarene. The three losses came at the hands of NW Nazarene and twice to Seattle Pacific. Tech has lost to Seattle Pacific, Shasta, Humboldt State, St. Martin's Olympic and twice to Portland State. Their wins have come from Shasta, Humboldt, St. Martin's and Olympic.

Wally Palmberg will probably start with John McCutcheon and Johnny Foster at the forward positions, and big Charlie Bogle, the 6-9 pivotman, will handle the center chores. Working in backcourt for the Owls will be Jerry Fasten and Bobby Whitman, two hoopers who earned the first-line spots by standout performances last week against PSC.

For Quinn, who has been at EOCE for 37 years, Ted Schwadewitz and Jack Cochran at the guard positions, while Lowell Kolhaas and Kenny Westenkow are expected to draw the front-line forward assignments. The center duties will be given to 6-5 John Reinking, who has been the spearhead of the Mountaineer attack in the last few games.

Last year Tech won one of four from the EOCE club. Since the OCE first started, Tech has won nine compared to Eastern Oregon's 11.

### P. Richards Sees Better Oriole Year

BALTIMORE, Md., (UP)—Paul Richards, steering clear of any rash promises, conceded today the Baltimore Orioles "won't be sensational" this year but he insisted they will be "100 per cent improved over last year."

Richards has a flock of logical reasons why he feels the Orioles certainly will better their seventh place finish of 1955.

"We were a much more solid ball club toward the end of last season than at the beginning," he said. "Only three..."

ved us over the last half of the season, New York, Cleveland and Chicago.

"Another reason the club is bound to be better is because I know a lot more about it than I did last spring.

"But most important of all, we have some young fellow on the club who I just know will be fine this year."

Among the youngsters Richards referred to were catcher Hal Smith, infielders Wayne Causey, Gus Triandos, Bob Hale and Don Lempert and outfielder Nelson, Jim Pisoni and Chuck Oberst.

"A lot of clubs would 'love' to have Smith but they won't get him," Richards said. "Causey has made tremendous strides and Triandos and Hale are both good hitters. Keep an eye on that fellow Pisoni, too. He has all the makings of a big leaguer."

Jim Wilson, Bill Wright, Ray Moore, Erv Palica, Harry Dorish, and George Zvernick will form the nucleus of the Orioles' pitching staff, which Richards rates as a "good one."

"Watch Wright this year," Richards advised. "I think he's going to really show everyone something. He's a mighty fine pitcher."

Baltimore's outfield probably will be manned by Dave Pope, Jim Dyck and Dave Philley or Chuck Diering unless Pisoni or Dorst can break into the regular lineup.

"We'll be much stronger at first base and behind the plate, especially since the men there now have a year's experience under their belts," Richards said. "Willie Miranda gives us everything we need at shortstop and the addition of Bobby Adams should furnish us with better infield reserve strength than we had last year."

The lanky skipper of the Orioles also is anxious to get a look at Tito Francona, a much heralded first baseman-outfielder who is coming out of service.

### HOCKEY Scores

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Thursday's Results  
WESTERN LEAGUE  
Seattle 3, Winnipeg 2 (overtime)  
NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Chicago 5, Boston 0  
Detroit 6, New York 0  
INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE  
Cincinnati 6, Grand Rapids 3

# Herald and News Sports

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## Albert Selected Head Coach By SF Owners

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—Frankie Albert, who used the prerogative of a left-hander to change his mind about his future, today embarked on his new career as head coach of the San Francisco Forty Niners professional football team.

Albert, who had often said he was not interested in a coaching job, was given the position as field boss of the Forty Niners yesterday.

"I've always been unpredictable—just a lefthander," said the former All-American quarterback from Stanford who also put in an outstanding career as T-formation QB for the team he will now head.

Albert succeeds Norman (Red) Strader at the Forty Niner helm and becomes the youngest head coach in the professional ranks. The original college T-formation quarterback with Clark Shaughnessy's Stanford teams is 35 — a year older than Paul Brown was in 1946 when he took over control of the Cleveland Browns.

Co-owner of the Forty Niners Tony Morabito, made the announcement of Albert's appointment at a news conference yesterday and hailed Frankie as an "inspirational leader" who has been connected with the Forty Niners since their beginning days.

Albert, who threw many a lefthanded pass and punted many a football with his left foot while directing the club, becomes the third San Francisco coach in as many years.

For nine seasons Lawrence T. (Buck) Shaw coached the team who is to be hired last winter by Morabito. Shaw's replacement and second coach since the team was organized, lasted only one season.

Morabito fired Strader last month after a dismal 3-9 season that started out with the team picked for first or second in the Western Division.

Morabito refused to disclose the terms of the contract given Albert, but admitted the quarterback had little coaching experience.

"He had done more for the Forty Niners than any other one man," Morabito said. He called Albert "Mr. T Formation" and an "inspirational leader" and said the Forty Niners had watched Albert for 11 years.

"We like what we have seen," Morabito added.

## Joey Lopes, L. Lightburn Clash Tonight

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—A broad-skinned young British Honduran who bids to become 1956's first darling of the TV fans, makes his West Coast debut here tonight in a 10-round nationally televised fight with California light weight Joey Lopes.

He is 21-year-old Ludwig Lightburn, who boomed into the seventh ranking spot last month by out-punching New Orleans speedster Ralph Dupas in Madison Square Garden.

As training for tonight's go was wrapped up, the local odds-makers were quoting 2 to 1 that Lightburn will give Lopes a set of lumps. The fight men who hang around Newman's Gym on Leavenworth Street were that impressed by the Central American's speed of list and potent sock.

Ludwig, who proudly announces that his old man was once the lightweight champ of Honduras, has won 35 out of 42 professional starts, including 13 kayoes. He has never been stopped.

Over on the other side of the bay, Sacramento Joey wound up training soberly determined to win—or else.

Currently 10th ranked, he had an excellent record up to the middle of last year when he suffered two setbacks in front of the nation's TV viewers. One licking was at the hands of Carmelo Costa and the other by Frankie Ryff.

He knows he's got to win this one or risk sliding right out of the lightweight title picture.

## Philadelphia Tops Royals

By UNITED PRESS  
The Philadelphia Warriors' latest winning streak rose to five games today as the runaway National Basketball Assn. leaders increased their first-place margin in the Eastern Division to five full games.

The Quaker City hot-shots led all the way Thursday night in scoring a 123-94 triumph over the Rochester Royals at Philadelphia.

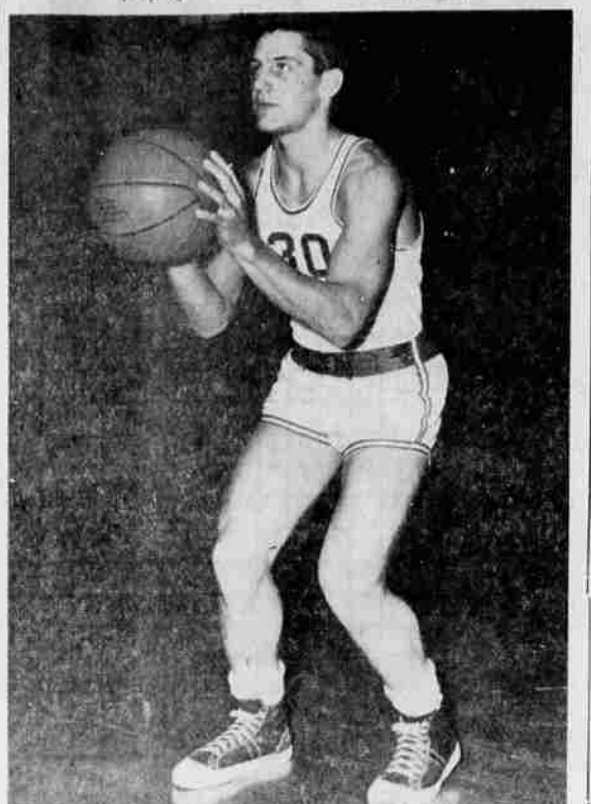
In the only other league action, the Syracuse Chiefs snapped a four game losing streak by beating St. Louis, 9-7, in a battle of tail-enders.

Rochester stayed in contention for 16 minutes, when Philadelphia held only a 37-36 margin. But then the Warriors ripped off 11 straight points to take charge and the Royals never came closer than six points again. Neil Johnston scored 23 points and Paul Arizin had 20 for the Warriors and Ed Fleming had 19 for the Royals.

Syracuse and St. Louis were tied 27-27, with 4 1/2 minutes left in the first half but the Nats staged a sudden splash for a 44-29 half-time surge and breezed in. Bill Kenville of the Nats had 19 points.

## BLACK HAWKS DOMINATE

CHICAGO (AP)—Former Chicago Black Hawks appear on every National Hockey League team. Toronto has Harry Lumley; Montreal has Bert Olmstead; the New York Rangers have a pair in Bill Gadsby and Dave Creighton while Detroit and Boston each have three former Hawks. Detroit has Bob Goldham, Bucky Hollingworth and Metro Prystai while the Bruins have Vic Stasiuk, Lorne Davis and Cal Gardner.



LEE MCGILL, speedy junior guard, may be in the starting lineup tonight as the Klamath Union Pelicans host the invading Medford Black Tornadoes at Pelican Court. The Friday-Saturday series will determine the leadership of the conference race.

## Grudges -- New, Old -- Hockey Trademarks

By OSCAR FRALEY  
United Press Sports Writer  
NEW YORK (UP)—Ice hockey players, fighting for survival in a bone-jarring sport, have memories like elephants and work on the vengeful principle of two eyes for an eye and two teeth for a tooth.

Grudges are carried until they are paid off not only in full but with usurious interest. The theory is that if you don't get even with a vengeance you probably will be run right out of the league.

"You're no hockey player until somebody knocks your teeth out," insists Lou Watson, coach of the New York Rangers, "nor until you knock out somebody else."

Well, the Rangers have a dental candidate on their roster. It is Lou Fontinato, a six foot, one inch 190-pound blockhead who is giving lardrappin' Ted Lindsay of the Detroit Red Wings a run for riot-producing bad man "honors."

Fontinato, who bears a facial resemblance to Joe Di Maggio, bids fair to join such immortal hockey villains as Eddie Shore, Red Horner and Ching Johnson, the physical demands are as expected. Only in his second year on the big time, Lou has suffered a broken nose, two knee injuries, severely bruised chest cartilage and enough cuts to delight the needlework guild.

"I was the only boy in our family and had six older sisters," he says. "I guess that's enough to make anybody mean."

But whatever the reason, Lou is skating on thin ice. The men who carry those Tipparry rifles are swift to retaliate on a despicable of Fontinato's inclinations and talents.

Last year, as example, you'll remember how Boston's Hal Laycoe parted the hair of Maurice (The Rocket) Richard. Maurice was serene until he saw blood. Then he saw red. The Rocket really went off. Linesman Cliff Thompson tried to stop the fight and was felled by a punch Richard then concentrated on giving Laycoe a thrashing with his stick, gnashing his adversary's head and bruising his eye.

FEUD  
Lindsay and "Wild Bill" Ezinicki carried on a feud for years after terrible Ted used his stick for a 22-stitch cranial operation. Ezinicki always thereafter raved to get on the ice at the same time but Detroit Coach Tommy Ivan would derrick Lindsay.

Ezinicki was not obvious. Montreal's Ken Reardon waited three years before he lowered the boom, although the delay occurred because he didn't know who headed him a 14-stitch stick blow during a general melee. Eventually a member of the rival team was traded to Reardon's club and he discovered that the unpaid three year old debt was chalked up against Toronto's Cal Gardner.

The next time they met, Reardon precipitated a fight and a long-frenzied punch which broke Gardner's jaw in two places.

Fontinato, you can see, is traveling a rocky, hemstitched road.

## 216 TUNA TAGGED

NEW YORK (AP)—The Cape Cod Tuna Club won the U.S. Atlantic Tuna Tournament 1955 tagging contest. Jake Brown, one of its members, personally knew who headed 34 tagged fish. The tournament reports that 216 bluefin tuna were tagged during 1955.

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## KUHS Hosts State's Fourth Ranking Team

The storm warnings are up for the Klamath Union High School Pelicans tonight and Saturday evening at Pelican Court as the fourth-ranked Medford Black Tornadoes invade Klamath Falls to face the Pels of Coach Don Peterson in a two-game Southern Oregon Conference basketball series.

Game time tonight is 8:15. The junior varsity teams from both schools will take to the maples with tip-off time slated for 6:45.

## Managers Deserting NY Guild

NEW YORK (AP)—The rush of flight managers to desert the Boxing Guild of New York continued today as Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, set a Jan. 19 hearing on charges against the Monday night televised fights from St. Nicholas Arena.

Helfand's office announced last night that 29 members had left the broken guild and many more had called to ask about the proper procedure of resigning. Another batch of resignations was expected in today's mail.

The specific charges against matchmaker Tex Sullivan, Treasurer Willie Gilzenberg and the London Sporting Club, which promotes at St. Nick's, was expected to be the "convincer" for managers who can't make up their mind.

Sullivan and Gilzenberg were hit with eight charges and the London Sporting Club with seven. The two men were ordered to appear Thursday to show cause why their licenses and the club's license shouldn't be revoked.

Helfand charged Sullivan and Gilzenberg with "conspiring with persons convicted of crime, bookmakers, gamblers and persons of similar pursuits" in violation of state law. Last week at a press conference he accused the St. Nick's promoters of associating with men with criminal records in attempting to move their operations to Baltimore, effective Jan. 23.

The two men also were charged with trying to move to Baltimore as a "subterfuge" to enable guild members to "circumvent and sabotage" the commission in its role of forbidding membership in the guild after Jan. 16. In effect, the men were charged with conspiring to work with the guild to knock out boxing in New York and move it out of the jurisdiction of the commission.

While Helfand was in Florida on vacation, the St. Nick's promoters received a permission from the Maryland commission to move to Baltimore, saying they couldn't make matches in New York after the Jan. 16 deadline. Maryland Gov. Theodore McKeldin reversed the commission last Friday.

"We feel sure we've done nothing wrong," said Sullivan, who also spoke for Gilzenberg. "There's nothing in the charges we're afraid to answer. We'll be glad to appear and give the public our side of the story."

Helfand said he would continue to approve matches for St. Nick's, provided the managers involved have resigned from the guild, until a final decision is made.

MUDDLE RUDDLE  
LEXINGTON, Va., (AP)—William A. (Bill) Chipley, Washington and Lee University's new head football coach, still takes a lot of kidding over his "wrong way" incident back in 1946.

As a star end for W. & L., Chipley got into the wrong huddle against West Virginia. The game was played on a rain-soaked, muddy field at Charleston, W. Va.

Bill turned up in the West Virginia huddle after a series of rough plays. He was confused more than ever when the Mountaineer quarterback called play "94-X."

"I don't know any such play," Chipley blurted out.

Somebody scraped the mud off Bill's face and sent him back to W. & L.'s side of the scrimmage line.

The Tornadoes will rely upon the scoring punch supplied by Tisdell and Copley, who have netted point total of 122 and 107 in games played so far this season. Klamath's Tichenor and Moore are carrying the Pelican offensive load with six-game totals of 141 and 105. Taucher gives the KU quintet a third scorer with his 81 points, while McLaughlin has tallied 92 for Medford.

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