



COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL players opened the 1956 post-season tournament Thursday at Henley and Pelican Court as Malin, Chiloquin, Bly and Sacred Heart came out with triumphs in first round games. Above is some of the action that took place in the first day's games. At left, Bonanza's



Ron Roberts, (light jersey), looks for a way to evade the defense thrown up by Malin's Grady Saunders in one of the two evening games at KUHS. Center, Bly's Larry Robin (11) and Paisley's Don Kemry, (26), tip off action in the other night game played at Pelican Court. Other players looking on



against Gilchrist in a Thursday afternoon game. Pat Toomey (3) and Bob Garner (11) of Gilchrist move in on the academy center. Action continues tonight and Saturday night at Pelican Court.

Bly, Panthers Win . . .

Malin, SHA Triumph

By CLAYTON HANNON

Coach Jim Conroy's highly-favored Malin Mustangs, Bly, Sacred Heart and Chiloquin all advanced into the semi-final round of the 1956 Klamath County B Basketball Tournament by posting first round victories in action Thursday at Henley High School and Pelican Court.

Tonight these four quintets will vie in the two semi-final games slated for the Pelican Court maple at Klamath Union High School, and red-hot action is expected when Sacred Heart and Chiloquin open the evening's play at 7:30. Bly takes on Malin in the evening's featured fracas starting with an 8:45 tip-off time.

In games played this afternoon at Henley, Merrill met Gilchrist and Paisley tangled with Bonanza in second round consolation games. The losers will be eliminated from further tournament action, while the two winners will clash Saturday night at Pelican Court for third place honors. The other game tomorrow night will be the championship battle pitting the winners of tonight's semi-final games. The tournament champion will meet St. Mary's of Medford for the District 5-B title next weekend at Ashland.

POLISHED OFF

In the opening round action yesterday, Sacred Heart polished off Merrill, 68-47, in the initial tournament game, and Chiloquin followed with a 72-51 win over Gilchrist in the second afternoon battle. The evening court battle found a listless Bly club topping a hard-scrapping, but under-manned, Paisley team, 46-33, and Malin ran over, through, and around Bonanza, 68-38.

Last night at KUHS, Paisley got the vote of confidence from the Pelican Court crowd, but the victor's roses went to Bly. The Broncos from Paisley jumped off to an early lead over Bly as they held a 10-7 first period bulge. The halftime margin gave Bly the nod, 19-12, in a low-scoring battle. With the passing of the third period's action, Bly still held the upper hand, 32-26, but the smaller Broncos remained in the thick of the fight, scrapping for rebounds and ballhawking carrels. Bly names Danny Banister, a pint-sized freshman hooper from Paisley, led the game's scoring with a total of 18 points, most of which came on one-handed pushers from the side-court. Bly's Stan Tucumseh pumped through a total of 17 points to lead the winners.

LITTLE TIME
To the final first round contest, Malin wasted little time in displaying the power that carried them to the regular season championship, and in responsible for the Mustangs 25-4 season record, including a winning streak of 17 straight games. Malin took a 13-0

lead before Dick Burnett hit one free toss with 3:15 left in the opening period to put Bonanza on the scoreboard. At the end of the quarter, Malin led, 22-9.

Norm Oliva sparked the early Malin attack by pumping the nets for 13 points in the first quarter and six more in the second canto. At half time the Mustangs enjoyed a 43-21 lead. The third quarter closed with the tourney favorites holding a 53-28 heading. During the final period, Glen Steyskal was the only Malin regular to see any action, and that was limited to the first two minutes of play.

Oliva headed the individual scoring with 23 points, while reserve Grady Saunders followed up with 11. Ron Roberts and Dick Burnett tallied 12 points apiece to lead the Antlers.

THURSDAY RESULTS FIRST ROUND GAMES

Chiloquin 68 Merrill 47
Sacred Heart 72 Gilchrist 51
Bly 46 Paisley 33
Malin 68 Bonanza 38

ZONE DEFENSE

In the first period of the Chiloquin-Merrill game, the Huskies threw a zone defense at the Panthers in an attempt to shackle Dick Siemens, high-scoring Chiloquin center. The Merrill strategy held Siemens to four points in the first quarter and five in the second, but with Sid Ridenour, Jerry Collins and Manny Ochoa hitting with accuracy from outside the zone, the tide was soon turned in the second canto.

Going into the second chapter, Merrill held a 12-11 margin, but Ochoa hit a field goal with 15 seconds gone in the period to give Chiloquin a 13-12 lead, one that they never lost. The halftime ended with the Panthers holding an eight-minute section of play in the tournament opener. Chiloquin commanded a 34-30, heading as Merrill was able to hit for only nine points in each of the two periods.

Siemens led the Panthers in the second half with 11 points to finish the game with 29, the same number as was collected by Ridenour with some fine shooting from the outside and both corners. Herb Schlecht of Merrill nailed down the game scoring honors with 21 tallies, 11 in the final quarter. Gary Heglund hit for 13 for Chiloquin, and Terry Sherrill accounted for 12 more Merrill points.

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SF Dons Seeking 47th Straight Cage Win

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (UP) — The University of San Francisco Dons go for their 47th straight triumph tonight against Santa Clara, but the victory string may come to an abrupt halt when the NCAA play-offs start.

That's because K. C. Jones, star guard and play-maker of the team, will be ineligible to compete in the NCAA tournaments.

As long as Jones is in there and the competition continues weak in the California Basketball Association race, the Dons should continue to win without too much trouble. They can run their string to 51 straight before the play-offs start.

AAU Pushing Probe; Oval Bosses Next

SAN FRANCISCO (UP) — The AAU is pushing an investigation of track and field meet directors at major events around the country as a result of the Wes Santee ban. Carl Hansen, AAU president, said today.

Hansen said that as a result of the "big pay" to Santee revealed by several meet directors in California last spring, the so-called "secret seven" of the organization, is looking into the pay athletes have received from other meets.

He refused to name the events, but the other "major attractions" might include the Knights of Columbus Meet and the Millrose Games, both held in Madison Sq. Garden; the Penn, Drake, Kansas and Texas relays.

Hansen also revealed that Avery Brundage, president of the International Olympic Committee, had warned him last December that "Santee never would represent the U.S. in the Olympic Games."

"If the AAU doesn't ban Santee," Brundage told Hansen, "I have enough evidence myself to make sure that he never represents the U.S. in the Olympics."

Santee, banned for life from competing in AAU meets for taking too much "expense" money, was "very dumb" at the AAU hearing that resulted in his expulsion, Hansen said.

"Even with a photostatic copy of a check for \$500 in front of him, made payable to his father-in-law," said Hansen, "Santee said he didn't know anything about it."

Then their first opponent without Jones will be the vastly improved UCLA Bruins, spearheaded by Willie Naulls and Morrie Taft.

COMPLETE

To review the situation, Jones played only one game as a sophomore and then was stricken with appendicitis and unable to compete again that year. The Pacific Coast Conference and the CBA ruled that he would not lose a year of eligibility for that lone game.

But the NCAA does not have any rule or committee to take care of such hardship cases—and if an athlete competes only one minute of any given year, he loses a year of eligibility, as far as they are concerned.

So Jones, possibly the cleverest man in college basketball today, and the most effective guard, will not be allowed to compete in any tournament sponsored by the NCAA.

USF could have avoided this problem by taking the team to the National Invitational Tournament in New York, but the Dons are tied up with the California Basketball Association, which has a rule that its champion must represent the organization in the NCAA play-offs.

KNOW-HOW

The man who will move into Jones' spot at guard will be Gene Brown, who is not as smooth as Jones and doesn't have the veteran's know-how, but who is a dead-eye shot. So the Dons' offensive average may go up, but its defensive record will fall off.

Still ahead for the Dons in the CBA competition, after Santa Clara tonight, are College of Pacific, Pepperdine, Loyola and St. Mary's—all of whom have already felt the sting of the Dons' power.

Tonight in the CBA, aside from the USF-Santa Clara deal, St. Mary's travels to Fresno State; and San Jose State plays San Francisco State and Pepperdine San Diego State in non-conference tilts.

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J. W. Kerns 49 39
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KC Paints 45 42
Griggs Foods 44 44
Al Schmitt 41 47
Little Sweden 38 1/2
Pelican Drive Inn 38 50
A and B Paint 35 55
Town Shop 31 57

Last night's results:
J. W. Kerns 4 Wong's 0
KC Paints 4 Griggs 0
Pelican Drive Inn 4 A and B Paint 0
Town Shop 3 Al Schmitt 1
Bunny's 3 Howard's Cleaners 1

High team game—Town Shop 870
High team series—J. W. Kerns 2705
High individual game—Doris Benedict 359
High individual series—Doris Benedict 575

HOCKEY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thursday's Results

WESTERN LEAGUE

No games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal 5, New York 2

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati 9, Toledo 2

Erskine, Rook Carry Hopes For Brook Win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Brooklyn Dodgers' pitching staff, which Manager Walt Alston hopes will carry a lot of weight in this year's National League pennant race, is certain to be one of the best if Carl Erskine and Ken Lehman can produce.

And both Erskine, an eight-year major league veteran, and Lehman, a rookie, think they'll be able to come through because of increased poundage.

Erskine, who reported to the Dodgers' camp weighing 161 pounds last spring after a pneumonia siege, tipped the scales at 174 in Vero Beach, Fla. yesterday.

"I feel fit," he said. "And if I

stay in shape the wins are going to come."

His right arm is also improved. It gave him considerable trouble last season and he wound up with an 11-8 record after winning 20 and 18 the two previous years.

The 29-year-old pitcher from Anderson, Ind., has been throwing with a loose, easy motion in the early workouts.

Lehman, who weighed in at 184 compared to 160 a year ago, said, "I've found that the extra weight has given me more stamina."

Lehman, a 22-game winner for Montreal last season, also has added a knuckler and a change of pace to his pitching repertoire.

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