



KLAMATH UNION'S Donn Taucher is slated for starting assignments tonight and tomorrow evening at Ashland as the Pelicans and Grizzlies close out the 1955-56 Southern Oregon Conference basketball season. Taucher, a graduating senior, will be playing in his final regular prep cage action when he goes against the Ashlanders.

Pels, Ashland In Final SOC Series

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	W	L	Pct.
Medford	9	1	.900
Klamath Falls	6	4	.600
Grants Pass	3	7	.300
Ashland	2	8	.200

Coach Don Peterson's Klamath Union High School Pelicans and Al Simpson's Grizzlies of Ashland High close out the regular season basketball play tonight and Saturday evening on the Ashland High School maple court in a pair of Southern Oregon Conference battles.

Tip-off time for both varsity scraps is set for 8:15 with the preliminary games slated to open at 6:30. The junior varsity teams of both schools will meet Saturday evening.

This will be Ashland's last basketball play of the year, and the Pelicans' final regular season encounters. The Klamath quintet still has at least two more games to play, and possibly four more, depending upon their showing in the state tournament next month at Eugene.

DIVIDED
The Whitebirds gained a tournament berth last weekend by splitting a series with Medford, as Ashland divided their two games with Grants Pass. Ashland's 53-38, Saturday night win over the Couvemen pushed the Pels into the state playoffs despite a three point loss to Medford after they topped the Medfordites, 65-57, Friday evening.

Tonight's Ballfare

COUNTY TOURNEY

at Pelican Court
7:30 Sacred Heart vs. Chiloquin
8:45 Malin vs. Bly

OREGON COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE

8:00 Oregon College at Oregon Tech

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE

8:15 Klamath at Ashland
8:15 Grants Pass at Medford

YMCA

Church League

First Christian beat back Lost River DeMolay, 35-29, in one of two Senior Division YMCA Church League basketball outings last night at Altamont Junior High. Gibson countered with 12 points to lead the First Christian victory. In the other tilt, Jensen scored 20 points to spearhead the LDS 1st Ward senior team to a 40-23 triumph over Stewart Lennox.

Gun Store Wins Over DeMolay G

The Gun Store walloped the DeMolay Golds, 47-15, in the only Victory League game played last night at Pelican School, but the DeMolay Blues came off the winner by forfeit over Hermann's in the other scheduled game.

Brent Caldwell led the winning Gunners with 20 points, while Fred Nidever hit for 10. High for the Golds was Tim Hayden with six.

Already being entered in next month's classic, brings problems to the Pels that may hinder their prestige before the weekend is over. Early week indications were that the Whitebirds were taking the series with the Grizzlies lightly, and possibly too lightly for their own good.

Peterson said he "thought the boys would be ready for the Grizzlies tonight, because they realize the Ashlanders will be tough on their home floor. Although we are in, and they are setting in the conference cellar, our boys can't relax. They (Ashland) have a good ballclub and are capable of exploding at any time."

"OUTSIDE"
Donn Taucher, Butch Kimpton and Orin Perkins will probably hold down the three "outside" positions in the starting Klamath Falls lineup tonight, while Earle Tichenor and Glenn Moore will be at the double-post slots. This will be the final regular season high school action for all of the starters except Kimpton and Moore. The other three are graduating seniors. Other seniors who will be making their final prep bows are Dave Peppie, Jerry Burke, Bill Hamilton and Mike Runce.

Ashland will probably send Gene Parent and Stew Baker against the Pelicans in the two forward positions, while Phil Sward will carry the pivot work. In the backcourt spots for the Grizzlies will be Lance Locke and Dave Woods. Last minute changes may find Harry Johnson or Bob Eberhart at one of the guard positions in place of Woods. All of the above mentioned Grizzlies except Eberhart are seniors and will be seeing their last high school action.



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Pappy To Stay With Bears Despite Cries

BERKELEY, Calif. — The ample figure of Lynn (Pappy) Waldorf bulked squarely in the middle of the University of California athletic department picture Friday and seemed certain to stay right there despite reports of alumni discontent with his coaching skill.

The chance that Waldorf might loom even larger in the future as the school's athletic director, perhaps in a dual capacity with his present role of head football coach, was seen by some observers.

University officials, looking for an athletic department head to replace the resigned Brutus Hamilton, declined to talk about that possibility, though.

"I can't discuss it," said William Monahan, temporary athletic director and university business manager, when asked whether the veteran coach was being considered for the job. "All I can say is that we're making some progress."

Waldorf consistently has refused to comment on the athletic directorship. Asked whether his request for the resignations of two assistants Wednesday possibly might mean he was clearing the way for a new coach to step in

while he moved upstairs to the administrative post, he said:

"There's absolutely nothing to that I merely felt a change was advisable."

The resignations asked were those of Zeb Chabrey and Hal Grant, both members of Waldorf's staff through his nine years as Golden Bear grid boss. The two men complied without apparent bitterness and received three months severance pay atop their contract salaries which run through June 30.

Reports of alumni dissatisfaction with Waldorf's coaching—his 1955 team won only two of 10 games—were minimized by Monahan.

"My feeling after looking into the situation thoroughly is that alumni in some sections would like to see a change," he said, "but I am convinced they are very much in the minority. We have full confidence in Waldorf and intend to let him go ahead unmoled under his contract."

Waldorf's contract runs until July, 1957.

Monahan disclaimed any knowledge of a published report that "influential" alumni in Southern California had offered to buy up the veteran coach's contract.

Sports in Brief

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GOLF
HOUSTON, Tex. — Jerry Barber posted a 3-under-par 67 for a one-stroke edge over Bill Casper Jr. and Jack Burke in the opening round of the \$30,000 Houston Open. Favorite Cary Middlecott shot an 80.

SARASOTA, Fla. — Louise Suggs and Fay Croker tied at 70 in the first round of the Babe Zaharias Cancer Fund tourney.

TENNIS
NEW YORK — Sid Schwarz ousted top seeded Vic Seixas, 6-3, 12-10, in the quarterfinals of the National Indoor championships.

RACING
ARCADIA, Calif. — Fraser Valley (\$15,800) won the \$10,000 feature at Santa Anita.

Ukes Look To UW For Aid

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A little help from Washington would just about put the Pacific Coast Conference basketball title in UCLA's pocket this weekend. California, which has the only worthwhile chance to catch UCLA, plays Washington at Berkeley, Calif., Friday night and Saturday.

UCLA has won 10 and lost none. California has won 8, mostly from the also rans, and lost 2. Washington and Southern California, each 9-3, have an outside chance, but only if UCLA goals completely. UCLA and California have six more games to play; Washington and USC four each.

UCLA figures to breeze over

Oregon (3-7) at Los Angeles this weekend while USC takes the weekend off from conference play, going Saturday night against Loyola of Los Angeles at Fullerton, Calif.

Other PCC games match Stanford (7-5) at Washington State (1-9) and Idaho (1-11) at Oregon State (2-10).

The University of San Francisco, only undefeated major college team in the nation, seeks its 47th straight Friday night against Santa Clara's faltering Broncos at San Jose.

California has plenty of problems against Washington. The Huskies from Seattle pushed UCLA hard before losing two.

California sophomore guard Earl

Robinson was expected to get out of the hospital from an infection in time to play. Reserve center Joe Hagler has been suffering from the flu.

If California wins both, the pressure is still on. The Bears have to play the mighty Bruins at Los Angeles next weekend and then will face Stanford's Indians a week later.

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