

Owls Close Season Against OCE

Oregon Tech Cagers Eye League Clincher

OREGON COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE		
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Oregon Tech	12	2
Southern Oregon	12	2
Portland State	10	4
Eastern Oregon	4	10
Oregon College	1	13

By CLAYTON HANNON
Herald-News Sports Writer

Coach Wally Palmberg's Oregon Tech Owls close out their 1957-58 basketball season at home Friday and Saturday night in a two-game Oregon Collegiate Conference series against the visiting Oregon College of Education Wolves.

The Owls will be attempting to pick up their second straight OCC basketball championship in the

two-game series, needing only one more victory to grab an outright title. OCE is seeded deep in the conference cellar, but has always proven tough to the Owls from the Mile High Campus.

Oregon Tech just missed a chance to sew up the crown Wednesday night at Ashland when it dropped a 47-44 battle to rival Southern Oregon. So Palmberg's cagers are forced into their final action of the season needing a win to take home the OCC "baccen."

Earlier in the year the Owls swept a league series from the Wolves at Monmouth. Tech notched on-sided 74-43 and 75-82 decisions over their OCE foes. But OTI fans are aware of what happened to their club last year at this same time when Oregon College took both ends of a season-ending series from the Owls who had already clinched the conference crown.

Coach Bob Livingston's Oregon College quintet had lost 19 straight games this season until the Wolves took the advantage of Portland State's Vikings 57-43 Tuesday night of this week.

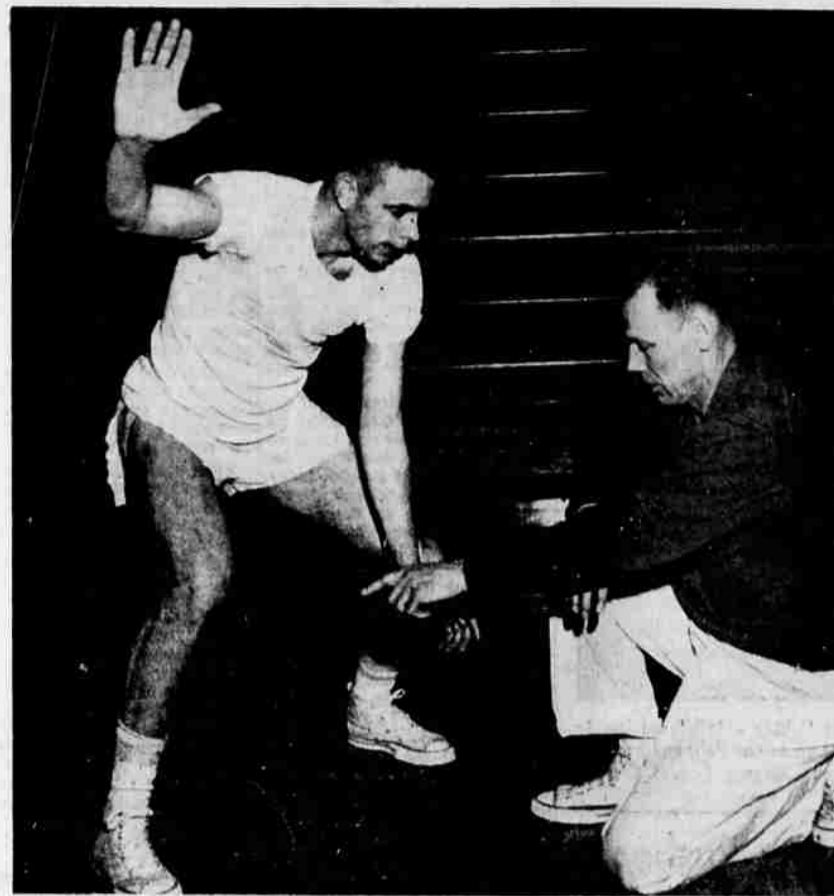
Livingston is expected to have veterans Barry Adams, Gary Milton and Wayne Young on hand to lead the Wolves against the conference leaders tonight and Saturday evening. These three cagers have seen action against the Owls before and serve as a strong nucleus in OCE hopes for a pair of upsets.

Besides Adams, Milton and Young, Livingston may open tonight's game with Rex Brown and Bill Goodman as his other starters. Young at 6-3 will be the tallest starter.

Palmberg is expected to start his usual five cagers. Truman Williams and John McCutcheon will be at the two forward posts flanking center Charlie Bogle. In backcourt at guard will be Jerry Fasteen and Johnny Rhine.

This will be the final college basketball play for all the starters except Bogle who still has remaining eligibility. This weekend's series will complete McCutcheon and Fasteen's fourth year as OTI basketball players.

Game time both nights is 8 p.m. A preliminary game will start at 6:15.



OREGON TECH BASKETBALL COACH Wally Palmberg goes through the fundamentals of a defensive stance with letterman guard John Rhine in last-minute practice sessions before this weekend's OCC series with Oregon College. The Owls close their season with games tonight and Saturday night at home against the OCE Wolves. Rhine will be completing his college basketball eligibility in the series. Game time is 8 p.m.

Rickey Rests Better After Heart Attack

PITTSBURGH (UP)—Branch Rickey Sr., Board chairman of the Pittsburgh Pirates and acknowledged creator of baseball's farm system, rested comfortably today in Presbyterian Hospital where he is under treatment for a "mild" heart attack.

The 76-year-old Rickey entered the hospital Wednesday night after complaining of shortness of breath. His illness developed after he returned from Washington where a two-day conference of President Eisenhower's Committee for Fair Employment Practices had been scheduled. The sessions were cancelled because of bad weather.

Dr. Joseph Finegold, Pirate physician, said Rickey had submitted to a series of tests at the hospital.

"He complained of shortness of breath. A cardiograph disclosed a mild heart attack," Dr. Finegold said. "He is being given anticoagulants and is doing very well. He is cheerful and does not have a temperature. His pulse is normal and it was not necessary to place him under an oxygen tent."

An attaché at the hospital reported early today that Rickey was "resting comfortably and there is no cause for alarm."

BALL FARE

FRIDAY COLLEGE

8:00 OCE at OTI HIGH SCHOOL

4:00 Merrill Jayvees vs. KU Frosh

8:30 Merrill vs. Klamath Jayvees

8:15 Grants Pass vs. Klamath Pelicans

SATURDAY COLLEGE

8:00 OCE at OTI HIGH SCHOOL

1:30 Grants Pass Frosh vs. KU Freshmen

3:00 Grants Pass Sophs vs. KU Wildcats

8:30 Grants Pass Jayvees vs. Klamath Jayvees

8:00 Grants Pass vs. Klamath Pelicans

Guards, 'Golds' Win

In the second round of Victory League play at Mills School Thursday night the National Guards dumped the Coca Cola cagers 53-38, and the DeMolay Golds downed Farmer's Sand and Gravel 58-33.

Larsen was top scorer in the Guard-Coke tilt with 23 tallies for Coca Cola while Cox led the winning Guards with 16.

In the Gravel-Golds game Pat O'Connell was high-pointer with 17 of the losers total as Gary Kujawski led the winners with 12 markers.

Malin Vies For AAU Crown

Malin, the Klamath-Jackson-Josephine AAU entry, will meet Powers, Coast District representative, in a playoff for the Southern Oregon AAU championship at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, February 22, on the Grants Pass High School court. The Grants Pass site was selected as a neutral court.

Malin earned the right to meet the Powers squad by virtue of their 74-71 win last Sunday over the Big-Y of Medford. Powers turned back the Grants Pass five for their playoff slot.

The winner of the Malin-Powers tilt will be the Southern Oregon entrant in AAU state finals to be held in Hermiston on March 22 and 23.

The Great-West Life team was the Southern Oregon entry in last year's state finals and took second place honors.

Southpaw Johnny Antonelli of the San Francisco Giants' pitching staff, who will be only 23 on April 12, will become a 19-year major leaguer on June 22.

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Herald and News SPORTS

Six Tied For Open Golf Lead

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—The tightest field in the history of the 11-year-old tournament began the second round of the \$30,000 Houston Classic Golf Invitational Tournament today.

Six veteran pros ranging in age from 33 to 42 shared the lead. Each built a 4-under 68 with a pair of 34s. Thirty-nine other pros were no more than four strokes behind.

Tied for the lead were Pete Mazur, Buffalo, N.Y.; Ed (Porky) Oliver, Canton, Mass.; Stan Leonard, Vancouver, B.C.; Ted Krull, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Marty Furgol, Lemont, Ill.; and Milton Marusic, Webster Groves, Mo.

Furgol is 1951 and Krull in 1956 have won here before over the 7,200-yard, par-72 Memorial Park Course.

One stroke off the pace with 69s were Bill Webb, a former amateur star from Kansas City; E. J. (Dutch) Harrison, the St. Louis veteran who won the 1958 Tijuana Open; Bob Goulby, a former Illinois collegiate athlete now playing out of Darien, Conn.; and Jay Hebert, Sanford, Fla.

Jimmy Demaret, the gallery favorite; Joe Conrad, former British Open champion from San Antonio; and Roberto de Vicenzo, the Argentine from Mexico City, were tied at 70.

The 71 group included Ken Venturi, the pretournament favorite; Tommy Bolt, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Otto Greiner, Tenally, N.J.

Springfield Eyes Chance At State Tournament Spot

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Prep basketball action resumes in Oregon Friday—and one of the state's top teams can clinch an A-1 tournament berth with a sweep of a two-game weekend series.

Springfield, sixth-ranked in the Associated Press Poll, can win a tourney berth if it defeats Marshfield Friday and North Bend Saturday.

Both games will be played at Springfield.

Tournament positions earlier were won by Astoria, Klamath Falls, Pendleton, North Salem, Bend and Grant of Portland.

Klamath Falls, the poll's No. 1 team, will be host to unranked Grants Pass in Friday and Saturday games. All other teams in the poll's Top 10 also will see action.

No. 2 Grant will meet eighth-ranked Roosevelt Friday in a Portland League game.

Third-ranked North Salem will meet cross-town rival, South Salem, Friday.

Two games are scheduled this weekend for No. 8 Astoria. The Fishermen meet Central Catholic in Portland Friday and then return for a Saturday contest with Hillsboro.

South Eugene, ranked No. 5, also has a pair of games this weekend—against ninth-ranked North Bend Friday and No. 10 Marshfield, Saturday. Both will be in Eugene.

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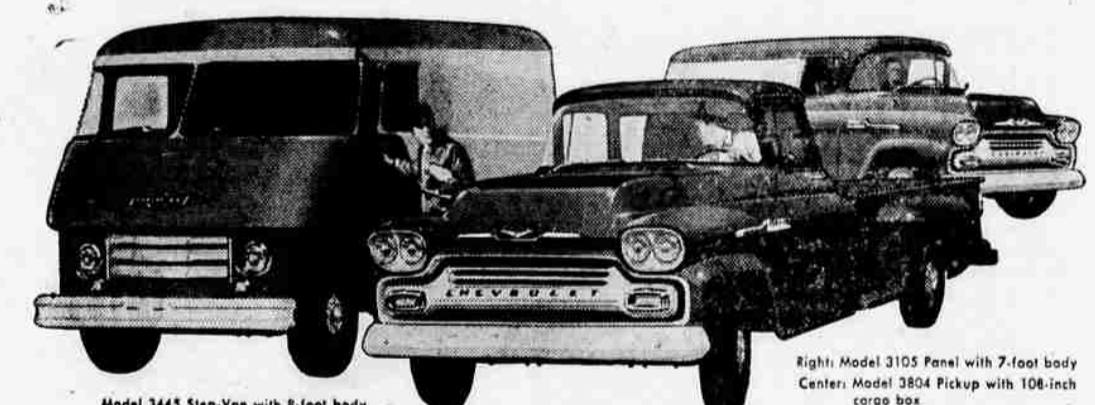
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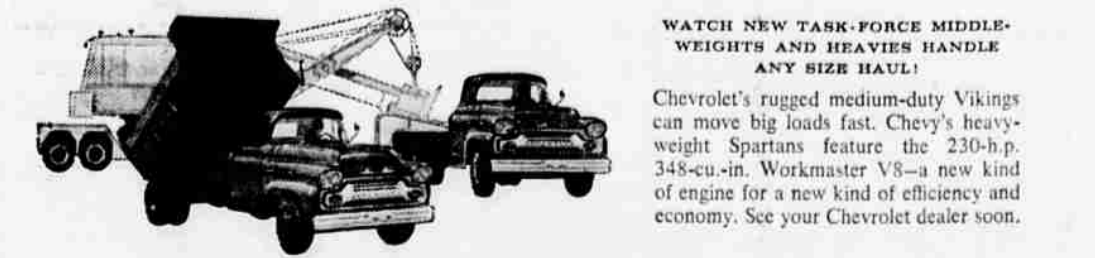
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