



THE SPRING'S THE THING — Pelican Bob Petersen demonstrates the fullest, best use of a 6-foot 4-inch frame as he springs from a standing start beneath the basket to "dunk" the ball for Herald and News photographer Don Kettler during a practice session in preparation for the Pel's assignment this weekend against Ashland and Grants Pass.



Every day somebody goofs . . . in print. The latest victim of the boo-boo trap, however, did it on a statewide scale. Neophyte sportswriters may take comfort from the fact that it occasionally happens to even the old masters.

L. H. Gregory, of "Greg's Gossip" in the Oregonian pulled a doozy. Nothing serious, and it's a good bet that Gregg will get a lot of fun out of his error before he's done. And so will Bob Egge of Klamath Falls.

It may have come as some thing of a shock to Sears, Roebuck & Co. directors when they learned that the man who headed the Klamath Falls branch of their operation Wednesday night was a near-millionaire Alaskan contractor by early Thursday morning. Nice surprise to Bob Egge, the gent concerned, also.

Greg, with the best of intentions referred to Egge: "One of Uncle Hec Edmundson's tireless guards on . . . the famous 'race horse' basketball teams at Washington, is a big Seattle contractor for these days, specializing on jobs in Alaska." With his column he enclosed a photo of Bob taken during the 1935-36-37 era when Bob (really) was named an All-American from the U of W.

The trouble is, Bob is very firmly set as the manager of Sears Roebuck in Klamath Falls. His twin brother, Richard, is the one who has left quite a mark in the construction business.

Richard did play basketball at Washington but he was not so well known as brother Bob.

Commented Bob during one of the needling phone calls he received yesterday following the mixup. "Wish it was me—still it's nice to know that there is one millionaire in the family, just the same."

No harm done, anyway—but chances are Greg will receive some interesting letters and some amusing comment about his mistake.

Speaking of Egge . . . It is interesting to note that his son, Bob, a very able member of the KU cage squads is playing on a team with the sons of two other illustrious fathers, representing three northwest major schools.

In addition to young Egge there is Wally Palmberg, the son of OTI's Wally Palmberg who is rated one of "State's" Gills all-time, all-timers and All-American cagers from OSC, and Paul Bishop, the son of Ernie Bishop who was a standout on one of Jack Priel's Washington State Cougar basketball squads.

All three of the lads show signs of following in their fathers' footsteps.

Johanne Nolan, the newest addition to the Herald & News sports staff, steps in as a full time member this coming Monday. John can't be called a newcomer to the sports scene. He has crammed, in the past few months, into an already full day, the job of pinchhitting at the scene of county football and basketball games in order to strengthen the H & N coverage of local sports activity. A graduate of Klamath Union, Johnny was the sports editor of the high school paper while in his senior year. His future plans include going on to college to attend journalism school—but before he does he will have put in a good stint as a sportswriter for this corner. Can't help but feel he will enjoy the



JOHNNIE NOLEN
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association with Klamath sports personages—watch for him . . . He'll appreciate your help.

A quick trip through Northern California schools unveiled some fine college basketball prospects: Bill Wilson, 6-6 junior from Yreka and his teammate 6-4 Allan Eddy; 6-4 hook-shot specialist, Gene Branson (either hand), from tiny Etna; from even tinier Fort Jones, an able workman named Dean Crechriou, 6-2; at Weed, Doug Blankenship, a 6-1 junior and Larry Nord 6-0, also a junior; Mel Bonneville, 5-11 forward from McCloud; and Murray Crowe, a 6-2 rebounder from Dunsmuir. All good boys—don't let school size and lack of publicity fool you.

The fame of the Klamath Union wrestling prowess is spreading, thanks to the efforts of men like Specialist 4 Tommy Wells, who is stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas. Tommy, president of the KU student body in 1952, performed his mat chores under the direction of "Dutch" Simons at Klamath Union and was a member of the unbeaten OTI wrestling team in 1954 prior to his entry into the service. On January 24,

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Grizzlies Next

Pels Expect Stiff Opposition In Weekend Warfare

SOUTHERN OREGON CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.
Medford	7	1	.875
Klamath Falls	6	2	.750
Grants Pass	5	3	.625
Central Point	2	6	.250
Ashland	0	8	.000

"We can expect some real tough opposition both tonight and tomorrow night," commented Klamath Union basketball coach Dean White as his squad left the practice court Thursday evening, winding up their work for the Southern Oregon Conference games with the Ashland Grizzlies and the Grants Pass Cavemen.

The Pels meet the Grizzlies in Ashland tonight and the Cavemen appear on Pelican Court Saturday night.

"Ashland is still trying to get into the win column so we have to be on our toes. The game to-

night is just as important as the one with Grants Pass. It would really hurt us more as a team if Ashland should catch us napping." White went on.

Questioned concerning any extra preparations for the weekend's work, White answered, "We have made a few plans in case Ashland holds the ball on us, but outside of that there are no special moves planned. The kids are ready to play good ball, and I can guarantee both Ashland and Grants Pass that they will have to play darn good ball if they expect to stay with us."

Physically the Pelicans are set, with the possible exceptions of Bob Drace who is suffering from a sore neck, and Don DeLap who still has his cough. White may omit DeLap from tonight's starters, using, instead, Dave DeLap or Paul Bishop. Bishop is catching up rapidly after missing nearly

five week's work with the mumps. The balance of the Pel starters will include Bob Petersen, B. B. Lewis, Jim Hall and Dean Dunson. In SOC scoring statistics published this week Petersen is only percentage points out of the lead; Don DeLap is fifth and Dean Dunson is running ninth.

Coach Earl Iba's Grizzly crew is represented by Jack Johnson in the top 10. Johnson has scored 85 points for an average of 10.6 per outing. The Ashlanders, with their steady deliberate type of play, made the Pels work for the first half of their last meeting before finally losing out in the second half, the final score 64-30.

After tonight's clash with the Grizzlies the Pelicans face a club, Grants Pass, that sorely needs a win if they hope to remain in serious contention for the chance at a ride to Eugene in March.

Pass quint, 5-3 in conference action, has split with the Whitebirds over the first two meetings. In the SOC opener on Pelican Court the Cavemen were in fine fettle as they sped to a 62-51 decision over KU. The return bout on the Grants Pass floor saw the Pels even the count with a 62-46 victory.

Never a team to be taken lightly, the Grants Passers have since tumbled 59-54 to the Medford Black Tornado in a game that was not decided until the closing minutes.

Noteworthy is the fact that the Cavemen met the Tornado shy the services of two of their front line regulars: John Fox and Jere Putnam. However, John Olson and Rex Benner stepped in and contributed sparkling performances to fill the gap.

According to coach Prehm, "I would hate to say whether either boy, Putnam or Fox, will be ready for this weekend," when questioned about the condition of the two stars.

Fox is out, possibly for the season, with a bad knee and a limp and Putnam is laboring with a painful back. Putnam has played in spite of his ailment but it has noticeably cut down his efficiency.

Psychologically the absence of the two may have an inspirational effect on the remainder of the Caver squad. This plus the fact that Prehm has taken steps to revamp his team around Olson and Benner makes the Cavemen still a serious threat.

four of the top five scorers in the Southern Oregon Conference. Olson, who has a 14.5 average for league play has totaled 116 points; his teammate, Benner, is in the number four spot with 88 for a 12.5 average. The Pel's Bob Petersen is only two points behind Medford's Jerry Anderson, with 133 total points and a per-game average of 16.6. KU's Don DeLap, the rapid 5-11 guard, holds down the fifth spot with 97 points and 12.1 per game average. Dean Dunson's 76 points and a 9.5 land him in the number nine position in the top ten.

(Top ten SOC scorers to date:)

	GP	TP	Avg.
Jerry Anderson, M	8	133	16.6
Bob Petersen, KP	8	116	14.5
Johnnie Olson, GP	7	97	12.1
Don DeLap, KP	8	97	12.1
Lowell Dean, M	8	90	11.2
Bob Johnson, A	8	85	10.6
Wayne Allen, C	6	82	10.3
Dean Dunson, KP	8	76	9.5
Bill White, C	8	65	8.1

Bradley, Cincinnati St. Louis In Battle

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The way the Bradley Braves have honed their hatches, the three-team run for the Missouri Valley Conference basketball title should be a dilly.

The Braves, who whipped Seattle 86-70 in an interconference game Thursday night, are involved in a race with Cincinnati and St. Louis that should carry the stretch

Herald and News SPORTS

BOWLING SCORES

LADY BUG LEAGUE

	W	L
First Federal	47 1/2	28 1/2
E. R. Palmer	44	32
Jesse Z. Smith	44	32
Drive More Motors	43	33
Market Basket	40 1/2	35 1/2
Luca Lounge	39	37
Schulze Tires	39	37
RC Toy Chest	37	39
Howards Cleaners	34	42
The Ranch	33	43
Als Driveln	30	46
Teepce Pack	24	52

Last night's results:
Jesse Smith 3, Luca Lounge 1
Drive More 4, First Federal 0
KC Paint 3, Northwest 1
Market Basket 4, Schulze Tires 0
Als Driveln 2, The Ranch 2
E. R. Palmer 3, Teepce 1

High team game—Teepce Packing 965
High ind. game—Doris Benedict 202
High ind. series—Freddie McKee 600

CITY LEAGUE

	W	L
Luca Cafe	49 1/2	26 1/2
Walker Bros.	48	30
Baldwin Richfield	42	34
Larrys Foods	40	36
Medo Land	39 1/2	37 1/2
Car-Ad-Co	37	39
Simplot Devco	36	40
KC Paint	32	44
Sears	32	44
Sharps Grain	31	45
Northwest Produce	28	48

Last night's results:
Baldwins 3, Sharps 1
Walker Bros. 3, Car-Ad-Co 1
Sears 3, Larrys 1
Medo Land 4, Simplot Devco 0
Coca Cola 3, Luca 1

High team game—Luca Cafe 1007
High ind. game—Doris Benedict 247
High ind. series—Angelo Conte 223

SHASTA LANE MIXED FOURSOMES

	W	L
Witts Market	60 1/2	19 1/2
Curleys Clippers	50	30
Mace Market	42 1/2	36 1/2
McCloud Cleaners	39	41
Four Mugs	38	42
Haps Photo	48	42
Maxines Twisters	33 1/2	46 1/2
Snowballs	24	56

Last night's results:
Witts Market 4, Curleys 0
Snowballs 4, Maxines 0
Mace Market 4, Four Mugs 0
Haps Photo 3, McCloud Cleaners 1

High team game—Witts Market 830
High team series—Mace Market 2362
High ind. game (men)—Earl Cain 247
High ind. series (men)—Earl Cain 825
High ind. game (women)—Phyl Robinson 184
High ind. series (women)—Phyl Robinson 334

GUYS AND GALS

	W	L
Gravel Gerties	60 1/2	19 1/2
Spelzins	52	28
LaPortas	52	28
Mike and Tonys	36	44
Johns and Helens	32 1/2	47 1/2
Windsara Drugs	32	48
Shastina Laundry	26	54
Bank of Mt. Shasta	20 1/2	59 1/2

Last night's results:
Gravel Gerties 2, Shastina Ldry. 2
Spelzins 3, LaPortas 1
Bank Mt. Shasta 4, Johns and Helens 0
Windsara Drug 3, Mike and Tonys 1

High team game—Spelzins 1018
High team series—Spelzins 2048
High ind. game (men)—Phil Gookins 201
High ind. series (men)—Frank Bambino 50
High ind. game (women)—Helen LaPortas 166
High ind. series (women)—Dot Bambino 498

Half Game Divides Top PCC Teams

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Just half a game separates the first four Pacific Coast Conference basketball teams as UCLA's pace setting Bruins host defending champion California in Friday night's headliner.

The Bruins hold a 5-2 mark with California at 4-2 and both Washington and Oregon State at 3-3. In a doubleheader at Los Angeles, Idaho meets Southern Cal while the Bruins and Bears mix for the loop's top spot. Oregon and Oregon State tangle in Corvallis and Washington and Washington State meet in Seattle.

Saturday night, California plays Southern California and Idaho meets UCLA in Los Angeles while Oregon State hosts Washington State in Corvallis. The WSC Cougars wind up a three-game road trip against Oregon on Monday night in Eugene.

UCLA, paced by 6-foot-4 Walt Torrance, has averaged 63.1 points per conference game with Torrance contributing at an 18.4 pace. Walt is only 24 away from becoming the fourth UCLA cager ever to score 1,000 points or more. In three years, he has 966.

Torrance ranks third in the PCC scoring race behind Oregon State's Lee Harman, and Washington's Doug Smart. Harman has tallied 87 in his last three games to boost his eight-game total to 160 for an average of 20. Smart has 167 in his eight conference games for a 19.6 average. Torrance has 129 in seven games for 18.4 and Washington's Paul Neumann, 148 in nine for 16.4.

Only Oregon with a 1-5 mark and Washington State at 1-6 can be counted out of the running. Stanford's Indians stand just one game behind the leaders with a 5-4 mark while Southern California has posted 3-3 and Idaho 3-4.

Bradley is streaking with six victories since falling to Louisville three weeks.

The prize they are aiming for carries an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament. The conference runner-up usually goes to the National Invitation tournament.

St. John's (NY) returned to Madison Square Garden and regained its winning touch 85-76 over Richmond. Utah fattened its Skyline Conference lead by trimming Colorado State U. 68-48, and Eastern Kentucky held its Ohio Valley Conference lead with a 72-69 decision over Tennessee Tech in Thursday night's other features.

Bucknell handed Temple its 12th loss in 17 tries, 79-72 as Bob Erickson scored six points in the closing minutes. Bob Skousen hit for 24 points and John Nicoll 22 in Brigham Young's 85-77 victory over New Mexico, and Montana dropped Wyoming 73-61 despite a 36-point performance by Tony Windis. Orby Arnold's 21 points led Memphis State over Tampa, 95-65.

Incidentally, Sprbat's first one, in 1945, came on the same hole, reports club pro, Clark Good.

NAVY RELAYS FAVORITE LEXINGTON, Va. (UPI)—Maryland and Navy are favored to win the team events Saturday night at the Virginia Institute's eighth annual winter relays. More than 300 athletes from 19 schools are expected to take part in the games.

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San Francisco, LA Eyed As Test Sites

NEW YORK (AP)—San Francisco and Los Angeles, major league baseball's youngest franchises, today were being viewed as testing grounds for the most significant business move in the national game since somebody first passed the hat around an open field.

That would be the televising of major league games on a pay-as-you-see basis. As outlined to The Associated Press Thursday by Skiatron of America, the subscription TV plan is being readied for introduction in the two Pacific Coast cities about July 1.

The move had been talked about ever since 1957 when the former New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers first announced they would move West.

For months Skiatron, reportedly involved greatly in the double franchise shift, maintained silence on the basis that it could not disclose information that would put it at a competitive disadvantage.

But when questioned Thursday the company said its plans had jelled to the extent that it expects to telecast into Los Angeles and San Francisco homes by the middle of the baseball season.

Additional Skiatron plans also call for pay TV of college football games in the two West Coast cities.

The sports telecasts would be part of an over-all programming which would include movies, plays, and other non-sports presentations. The cost of viewing a single has not been set, Skiatron said, but it would be less than a fan pays at the gate.

Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick said today it is proper that pay TV should get a trial on a regional basis. But he added that until a thorough test is made he would not want to comment on its national significance to the game. He said he considers pay TV still

to be a matter left to the discretion of the individual clubs.

Basil Estrich, vice president of Skiatron, said although no cable has been laid and no subscribers signed, Skiatron expects to have 100,000 subscribers receiving service at the start of what he called a long-term operation.

On the West Coast, much of reaction was skeptical.

Estrich had quick answers for statements from San Francisco city authorities, West Coast telephone line spokesmen, and others who indicated they feel Skiatron's program is too ambitious and costly to be put into operation by the middle of the year.

Dodger owner Walter O'Malley said the Los Angeles club has not signed a contract with Skiatron. Previously Gilm owner Horace Stoneham announced his club did have a contract and that Skiatron had advanced a million dollars to the Giants.

Estrich said signing of the Dodger contract had been delayed by the Los Angeles team's legal troubles but that Skiatron expects to iron out this and other details of the coast operation shortly.

Originally, it is believed, Skiatron intended to introduce pay TV via the normal method of telecasting over the airwaves. But the Federal Communications Commission has apparently tabled action on granting pay TV licenses for regular broadcasting.

The Skiatron system bypasses FCC regulations by using lines and cables rather than the airwaves. This makes the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas ideal for the introduction of the pay TV system into homes. Both cities are basically served by overhead power lines, whereas in a city like New York, where virtually all lines are underground, the cost would be prohibitive.

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