

KU Pelican, Bend Lava Bear Series To Prove Interesting

Although the Oregon A-1 prep basketball slate tonight and Saturday features a number of interesting pairings, chances are the matches between the Klamath Union Pelicans and the Bend Lava Bears will draw the most widespread attention.

The word is out that the Bend quintet, which features a front line trio which includes a pair of 6-5ers and one lead 6-4, may prove to be the chief threat to the Pelicans' claim to number one ranking in the state.

Tonight coach Dean White and his Whitebirds (3-1) travel to Bend for the opening session with the Lava Bears (4-0). Saturday night the clubs mix it up on the Pels' home court. Both games are slated to start at 8 o'clock following preliminaries featuring the respective Jayvee quintets.

In addition to the height and agility boasted by the northerners the squad is deep in experience. The probable starting unit includes four seniors and one junior. Coach Glen Kinney is expected to call upon Jack deSully, 6-5; Rex Chambers, 6-5; Jim Hawes, 6-0; Mike Riley, 6-0, and Wally Donahue, 5-8, with Jack Allison, a 6-4 junior, standing by for relief work.

White will go with Bruce Brickner, Ray Taylor, Gary Patzke, Wally Palmberg and Freddie Biehn.

A study of shooting percentages and rebounds for the Pels over their first four games shows the KU quint with a torrid 463 overall shooting average from the field, and a marked advantage in the rebound department.

In the weekend battles with Bend these figures will be put to the acid test.

Patzke's .692 from the field is tops for the KU shooters but his 44 rebounds puts him second behind Brickner who has pulled down 49 to date. Brickner is scoring at a 47.8 clip.

Palmberg is averaging .511 while Taylor claims a .433. Biehn has hit 16 of 43 tries from the floor for a .372.

Taylor is the squad's number three rebounder with 31. The team has totaled 155 backboard grabs while allowing the enemy only 97.

Opponents have connected on

Win Or Tie Means Title To Packers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Green Bay Packers Saturday shoot for the Western Division title and then for the National Football League championship — honors they last captured in the distant year of 1944.

They face the resurgent Los Angeles Rams in Memorial Coliseum in a game that holds the key to a crowded picture in the division.

Halfback Paul Hornung and his Packers mates can haul down the division crown with a victory or even a tie. A loss will throw the loop into play involving the Baltimore Colts, San Francisco 49ers and the Detroit Lions.

The Philadelphia Eagles already have won the Eastern Conference title.

Coach Vince Lombardi's visitors, with a record of 7-4-0, are favored by 10 points.

The game will be televised nationally via CBS, starting at 1:35 p.m. PST.

Last Saturday Hornung personally wrecked the 49ers with a touchdown and two field goals in a 13-0 victory.

Ram hopes may already have been wrecked if all their injured players are as wounded as the club claims.

Officially out are quarterback Frank Ryan and pass-catching, punting Del Shofner.

Coach Bob Waterfield leads off with quarterback Bill Wade, whose 66-yard touchdown run was enough to beat the Baltimore Colts last Sunday, 10-3.

Waterfield said Tom Wilson will start at fullback for the injured Joe Marconi.

Green Bay has a sound team, which was not true when the Rams upset them last month in the final minute, 33-31. Both Hornung and fullback Jim Taylor were hampered that afternoon by injuries.

Fight Ducats Now On Sale

Tickets for the big Oregon Tech Owl benefit amateur boxing show scheduled in the Klamath Auditorium on Thursday, Dec. 22, were placed on sale today, reported Elmer Belcastro, president of the Owl Hoops, the sponsoring organization.

Ringside seats tickets, \$1.50, may be purchased at Dick Reeder's Mens Store, the Chuck Wagon, Klamath Billiards, and Herman's Mens Store. General admission is \$1.

The card will include at least 10 topflight fights featuring members of the Burns Police Athletic League, one of the top fight clubs in the Northwest.

Among the participants on the card are a Rocky Mountain Amateur champion and pair of battlers who have reached the National AAU finals.

Matchmaker for the program, which will also include some Kingsley Field fighters, is Lou Jones, prominent local sports figure.

Major College Basketball Moves Into Holiday Play

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two major college basketball tournaments will begin tonight as a prelude to the heavy holiday bowl festivities, with the first round of the Steel Bowl at Pittsburgh and the Birmingham (Ala.) Classic.

Colgate brings its 5-0 record against Pittsburgh (1-3), while unbeaten Tennessee (4-0) takes on Duquesne (4-1) in the Steel Bowl. At Birmingham, either Baylor or Alabama will end a losing streak as they meet in one game, while unbeaten Auburn (3-0) and Virginia Tech (2-0) tangle in the other game of the Classic. Baylor and Alabama have lost their first four games this season.

Pitt beat Duquesne in the Steel Bowl finals a year ago.

The firing was rather light last night, with a few exceptions such as Wichita's 83-64 victory over Washington State and Duke's 75-58 triumph over Clemson in an Atlantic Coast Conference contest.

John Gales scored 20 points to lead Wichita, while Washington State's Dwight Damon was high man with 21.

Duke, which won the Birmingham Classic a year ago over Navy, ran up a 20-point lead several times in the second half against Clemson. Duke ranked No. 8 in The Associated Press poll, will do its holiday playing

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Grin Fades In The Ring



CHILOQUIN SCRAPPER — Leon Weeks, a member of the Chiloquin Boys Club, is a personable youngster — outside of the ring. But give him someone at which he can throw some leather and he's not always so easy to get along with. Weeks will appear on the Kingsley Field amateur boxing card slated at 7 o'clock. There is no admission charge.

Air Base Fight Show Set

The first of what is hoped to be a series of amateur boxing shows is to be staged in the Kingsley Field base gymnasium tonight beginning at 7 o'clock.

The eight-event card is open to the general public and no admission charge will be made. A large crowd of local fans is expected to attend.

The pairings are being made by Lou Jones, Chiloquin Chief of Police, who also directs the Chiloquin Boys Club. Jones is calling upon a group of fighters from his own organization plus six amateur scrappers serving with the Air Force at Kingsley Field, for tonight's performance.

A feature bout on the card will match a pair of Kingsley heavyweights who prefer to be known only as "Earthquake McGoon" and "Hairless Joe."

Other Kingsley battlers slated to appear include Ted Kalb, an energetic 165-pounder, who will clash with Dave Day, 162, also from Kingsley.

The main event of the evening features Bob Bojorcas and Sam Allman, both 165-pounders from Chiloquin. Bojorcas, who is rapidly gaining a name for himself in local fight circles, is the holder of the Oregon State AAU Novice championship in his weight division.

Other Klamath area fighters who may wish to appear on future cards are urged to contact Sgt. Johnny Thompson at TU 2-411, extension 212, or make themselves known at the ringside tonight.

US Netters Ribbed

SYDNEY (AP) — The U.S. Davis Cup team is still getting a ribbing in Australian newspapers for its recent racket-tossing antics.

The editorial page cartoon in the Sydney Mirror today showed a bespectacled American captain debarking at the airport with four dour individuals holding smashed rackets.

"Meet our 1961 team," the captain is telling a newsmen, "Chuck, Hurl, Fling and Pelt."

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UO Webfoots, Nittany Lions Ready For 2nd Annual Liberty Bowl Game

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — Defending champion Penn State and challenger Oregon stage their final workouts on the green grass of Philadelphia Stadium today with each club in good shape for Saturday's second annual Liberty Bowl game.

It was the third time around for Oregon on the emerald sprayed turf which was snow clogged the forepart of the week following a 14-inch storm, and the first for the Nittany Lions in the huge stadium where they inaugurated the bowl series last year with a 7-0 victory over Alabama.

The underdog Webfoots reached town Wednesday, shook out the kinks of a transcontinental flight with a 35-minute tuneup and repeated again Thursday. Penn State, a one-touchdown favorite, didn't arrive until Thursday night — the procedure it followed a year ago — after final workouts on frozen Beaver Field at University Park, Pa.

Elements in Doubt

The elements were in doubt, with the Weather Bureau offering everything from rain to sleet to snow to clear weather, but cold in the first gamble against northern weather vagaries last year, the bowl was rewarded with a beautiful pre-winter day with comfortable mid-40 thermometer readings.

Oregon Coach Len Casanova, who faces Lions' Coach Rip Engle for the second time — the first in 1950 when Casanova's Pitt team lost 21-20 to State in a game delayed a week by snow — was hopeful for a firm turf for the inter-sectional clash. Indications were he would get it, unless there was a day-long rainfall.

An extra-heavy tarpaulin proved perfect insulation after the weekend snow, and the ground was much the same as it was for the Army-Navy game of three weeks ago when the huge canvas was curled back to permit the workouts.

Oregon's offense is built about quarterback Dave Grosz, good enough to be Philadelphia Eagles' draft choice last year, with the Ducks' quarterback totaling 1,149 yards on offense during the 7-2-1 season just ended.

Speed for Weight

Casanova stressed the Ducks sacrificed poundage for speed and maneuverability, and he had all working with the 6-2, 200-pound Grosz in the T-formation attack. Halfback Dave Grayson, a 9.7 sprinter and dynamic Cleveland Jones, a 5-3, 148-pounder, combine on the wide split.

"He's an amazing little guy," Casanova said of Jones. "He has great good speed, he has balance, good hands and he's strong."

Lt Cleveland has run for 511 yards and a 6.4 average, tossed seven passes for two touchdowns, and he's the leading receiver with 25 catches for 402 yards and four touchdowns. Grayson, the speedster who breaks 10 seconds, ran for 631 yards in 117 carries for a 5.4 average.

Penn State rolled into town with a 6-3 record which included victories over Army and Pitt, the teams which jolted national champion Syracuse on succeeding afternoons.

Offensive, Defensive Power

The Lions have power offensively and defensively to cope with Oregon's speed. They are well qualified at quarterback with Gaten Hall, who beat Alabama last year; and Dick Hoak, who commands the "ready team" which is dignified talk for the secondaries. Hoak is the team's offense leader. Jim Kerr and Sam Sobczak are the workhorses in the backfield.

The Lions' stout line is anchored by Jay Huffman, the outstanding Liberty Bowl player a year ago; Stew Barber, a 233-pound tackle; veteran guard Bill Popp and Jim Smith, a 230-pound junior tackle who is the most improved player of the season, and Jim Blasenstein, Bob Miltner and Dave Robinson, all fine players.

The nationally televised game (NBC starting at 1:30 p.m. EST) with national radio coverage is the fifth bowl encounter for Oregon. The Ducks have played three times in the Rose Bowl and once in the Cotton Bowl. It's Penn State's fourth bowl appearance, the others being the Rose, Cotton and Liberty.

Boston Celt Get-Tough Policy Pays

PROVIDENCE, R. I. (AP) — A get-tough policy by Boston Celtics coach Red Auerbach may be paying dividends.

The Celtics, defending National Basketball Association champions, had lost two in a row and five of seven when Auerbach called a club meeting and laid down the law.

Then, before Thursday night's meeting with Syracuse, he called another closed door session with the team.

"We have been hustling in spurts, but not all the way," snapped Auerbach. "That will be changed from now on."

Result: The hard-running Celtics put together a 37-point burst in the third period that overcame a Syracuse halftime lead and pointed Boston toward a 115-105 victory.

The decision moved the Celtics to within a half game of Eastern Division leader Philadelphia.

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