

Owls Host Vikings Tonight; Pels On The Road

Explosive PSC '5' Favored

The explosive Portland State Vikings hit town this afternoon keyed to successfully open Oregon Collegiate Conference basketball season with a pair of wins over the underdog Oregon Tech Owls with whom they tangle tonight at 8 o'clock on the Mile High court.

The two clubs will wind up the opening series Saturday night at the same time. Both games will be preceded by preliminaries pairing the "Doberman All-Stars" and the Chiloquin Thunderbirds. The prelims are slated to start at 8:30.

Coach Sharkey Nelson's Vikings, although they have shown a "hot-cold" tendency in early season games, are rated the favorites over the Owls primarily because in their "hot" games they have conquered three strong outside-of-conference clubs.

Their last time out they registered a convincing 65-62 triumph over Lewis and Clark of the Northwest conference, the team that measured the Owls in the opener of the Portland NIAA tournament. The other three victories credited the invaders came at the expense of Linfield and Pacific College, both of the NWC, and Central Washington.

They also have four losses charged them, including defeats by L & C, the University of Portland, Southern Oregon and Central Washington.

Another factor working against coach Wally Palmberg's squad is the absence of big Gene Branson, his 6-4 regular forward. Branson will be out two weeks with a badly wrenched knee. The Etna strong-boy had been rapidly improving in his board-work, and his potent hook-shot figures to be missed.

The Portlanders will call upon Don Powell, a 5-9 guard, Eldon Lahti, 6-0, a guard, center Bill Turner, promising 6-5 sophomore, high scorer Don Bridges, 6-2 senior, and Frank Chase, a 6-2 veteran forward.

Turner, the apple of the Vikings' eye, has hit on 18 of his last 32 shots and continues to improve daily.

What figures to be an interesting duel will be the contest between Turner and Sammy "Cool Cat" Smith, the flashy, crowd-pleasing Oregon Tech center.

Not to be discounted either is the rebounding ability of big Bob Petersen, the ex-KU star, who has more than proved his worth to the Techmen.

Teaming with Petersen at a forward post is Bob Cumiford, 6-2, who shows signs of becoming an able replacement for the ailing Branson.

The Owl backcourt chores will be filled by little Leon Wilson and Hewlett Nash, each of whom boasts a strong scoring potential.

Senior Bowl Teams Name Grid Leaders

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — North quarterback Dick Norman of Stanford and South center E. J. Holub, the Texas Tech error, were chosen today as offensive captains for the 12th annual Senior Bowl all-star football game Saturday.

On defense, Carl Kammerer of College of Pacific, 242-pound middle linebacker, was elected North captain, and Charles (Bo) Strange of Louisiana State, was picked for the South. Strange is tacked for duty at a linebacker post.

Holub, a 225-pounder will alternate with Tom Goode of Mississippi State as offensive center, and also work as middle linebacker for the Southerners. The 221-pound Goode also will see duty on defense as a corner linebacker.

Coach Webb Ewbank of the South and Jim Lee Howell of the North scheduled finishing touches to their offensive patterns today. Both have demonstrated in drills this week that they will rely heavily on pro-type passing and both appeared satisfied they have the men to handle that chore.

Norman has done most of the passing for the North in practice, while Norman Sneed of Wake Forest has carried most of the load for the South, with an assist from Howard Dyer of VMI.

The South is a mild favorite over the North at five points. Approximately 40,000 are expected for the 2:30 p.m., CST, kickoff.

BROWNS SIGN TWO
MIAMI, Fla. (UPI)—Halfback Bobby Crespi and end John Brewer, a pair of University of Mississippi players, were signed today by the Cleveland Browns of the National Football League. Crespi was the Browns' first draft choice.

Try Rebounding This One



THE IDEAL 'LAY-IN' — Oregon Tech's Bob Petersen demonstrates a technique guaranteed to boost the score a couple of points while getting set for the Portland State invasion of the Mile High gym tonight. The ex-KU all-star, closer to 6-3 than 6-4, has no trouble dunking the ball with both hands. The springy-legged Petersen will team with Sammy "Cool Cat" Smith in an attempt to control the boards as the Owls open Oregon Collegiate Conference play in a two game series with the explosive Vikings.

Henley, Lakeview Quints Travel For Rogue Openers

This year two A-2 schools will share the responsibility of representing the Klamath Falls area when the Rogue Valley Conference opens the 1961 basketball season.

The Henley Hornets, for a long time the sole Eastern Oregon team in the loop, will be joined this weekend by the Lakeview Honkers, a brand new entry, when they make the trip across the Greensprings for league openers.

They take with them the two best pre-season records established in the six-team league to date. The Lakeview cagers, who recently bowed to Illinois Valley in the Holiday Classic tourney, own a 7-won, 1-lost mark while the Hornets, who were stopped by

the Malin Mustangs their last time out, stand 5-won, 1-lost.

On the Rogue side of the hill the Phenix quint has the best mark, a 5-3. Illinois Valley is next with a 5-4 while Eagle Point claims a 3-3 and Rogue River is on the short end of a 3-5 record.

Comparing Henley and Lakeview squads with the Valley teams, however, is difficult since only Lakeview has competed against the western teams. It dropped Phoenix in the recent tourney then bowed narrowly to IV in the tournament championship game.

The Hornets have restricted their activity so far to Klamath County B schools.

Tonight the Honkers tangle with Eagle Point there while the Hor-

nets are busy with Rogue River. Saturday night they swap opponents for the second half of the action. In the only other league game on tap Phoenix travels to Illinois Valley tonight. The two have split in earlier meetings.

Guard Ray Brown, a 5-9 speedster, leads the Henley point-producers into action with a total of 64 over six games. Forward Bert Allbritton, 6-0, is next with 59, followed by Floyd Kendall, a guard, who has collected 46. Forward Bob Chapman, 6-2, is fourth with 36, while 6-6 sophomore center Kent Gooding is fifth with 35. Coach Jerry Johnson will undoubtedly start this five in both weekend games.

Lakeview coach Ted McKee will choose his starters from among Doug Maxwell, Larry Peters, Troy McCoy, Gary Reynolds, Ken Conn and Gary Peters, listed in their scoring order.

Maxwell has 83 points, Larry Peters 70, McCoy 58, Reynolds 57, Conn 53 and Gary Peters is next with 52.

Minnesota Educator Raps Gopher Board Of Regents

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—A Minnesota faculty man of national reputation renewed his opposition to the school's involvement with the Rose Bowl today and verbally spanked some of the school's regents.

Dean Athelstan Spilhaus of the Institute of Technology said there is something wrong with education when seven members of the board of regents "spend five days to see the Rose Bowl but can't spend five minutes looking at one of our laboratories."

Spilhaus is a member of the University Senate that historically has opposed the Big Ten's tieup with the Rose Bowl. He said he voted to send Minnesota to the bowl this season, but only because he did not want to see the new president, O. Meredith Wilson, put under public pressure by a turnaround.

"The Rose Bowl isn't the only inequity in college football by any means," Spilhaus told an interviewer. "I like football. I used to play it."

But the university's primary concern ought to be with good students, he said, and if they also

play football, fine. But subsidization of athletics, he said, has brought into the colleges some students who shouldn't be there.

Spilhaus has campaigned for years for a toughening up of the American education system. He was widely quoted three years ago when he rapped a trend toward "typing, tap dancing and tomfoolery" in the nation's classrooms.

Minnesota, Spilhaus said, had no business going to the Rose Bowl if it were simply a matter of appeasing the legislature or the public. This, he said, makes football too big in the university scheme and tends to undermine its educational function.

Minnesota's Gophers returned from their 17-7 defeat by Washington Thursday to the cheers of some 2,000 admirers at Wald-Chamberlain Air Field.

They and Coach Murray Warmath smiled and waved, accepted carnations—no roses here—and expressed their gratitude for the welcome. But they were solemn much of the time.

Warmath tried to be witty—"I wouldn't change anything, except the score"—but it was an effort, and he gave it up with relief.

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Cubans Say Players OK

HAVANA (UPI)—Minnie Mino, Camilo Pascual and other Cuban baseball players who make their living in the United States during the summer received official assurance today they will have "no trouble" joining their American clubs.

A high ranking official in the Cuban Foreign Ministry said the government would not interfere with ball players leaving for the U.S.

"We will do everything possible to solve your problems," the government official told the players. "This is a special case and we are going to work it out with (acting foreign minister) Carlos Olivares."

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1961 Big Five Race Gets Start

United Press International Southern California and UCLA face their moments of truth immediately as the 1961 Big Five race opens tonight.

Both the Bruins and Trojans are given a real chance of ending California's two-year stranglehold on both conference and coast regional honors. But the Los Angeles teams must end old jinxes tonight and Saturday.

UCLA faces Washington at Seattle, where the Bruins have won

two games in the school's cage history. Southern California meets California at Berkeley, where the defensive-minded Bears hold 25 straight triumphs. The Trojans have not won in the California gym since 1956.

This year's Big Five race should be a natural with the twice-beaten Bears, Bruins and Trojans all having a real shot at the crown. The team that wins on the road will annex the championship, which puts it squarely up to the

West Coast Athletic Conference action finds the same situation in reverse. Here the high-ranked Northern California tandem of St. Mary's and USF journeys southward for critical early season tests.

Their adversaries are defending champion Loyola and Pepperdine respectively with foes to be swapped Saturday night. If preseason records mean anything, the California Collegiate Athletic Association race should

be a lulu. Fresno State's 7-3 record is the best of the six members and Los Angeles State's 6-5 is the worst. Fresno and Los Angeles square off tonight as do Long Beach State and UC Santa Barbara.

The Far West Conference also sets sail with Chico State at Nevada and Humboldt State at Sacramento State. Oregon and Idaho meet in the top northwest game tonight.

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Bradley Win Streak Longest In Nation

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Now that Mack (The Knife) Herndon has slashed his way back toward expected shape, Bradley's Braves look ready to parlay a backyard title with those national tournament crowns they've been resorting to as consolation the last couple years.

The second-ranked Braves, rumbling in the second half behind Mack the Knife, stretched their nation's longest major winning streak to 17 and their season log to 11-0 Thursday night with a comeback 64-61 decision over Wichita.

Lions Play, Browns Drill For Playoff

MIAMI (UPI) — Paul Brown hates to lose. For money, marbles or chalk, and nothing points it up like preparations for Saturday's first annual pro playoff between the National Football League's two divisional runner-up teams.

Brown has been driving his Cleveland Browns through scrimmages and putting a ban on extra curricular activities as he readied his five point favorites for their Orange Bowl bout with the Detroit Lions. The Browns weren't even allowed to play in the first annual NFL-players' golf championship.

George Wilson, coach of the Lions, on the other hand conducted limited practice and encouraged his behemoths to play golf and otherwise forget football and enjoy themselves until game time.

"We've played them enough to know their personnel and what they do," he said of the game to be televised nationally over CBS. "We'll be ready for that 1:45 kickoff and I think a little relaxation will sharpen up my guys after a long season."

"We're here to get ready for a ball game," countered Brown after conducting a scrimmage with full pads.

It was that simple to the coach of the Browns, who makes winning a fetish. Underneath it ranked him that Detroit has won three of four world championship games from his Browns and in league play are 7 to 1 over the Browns.

So he was treating this as if the league title was at stake instead of this merely being a transplant of rivalry for the benefit of the players' pension fund.

OGC Slates Public Meet

PORTLAND (AP) — A public hearing will be held by the state Game Commission here Jan. 13 to formulate 1961 sports fishing regulations.

The tentative regulations will be announced after the meeting. Another hearing will be held before the regulations become final.

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A Problem For Ashland



PERCENTAGE PLUS — Klamath Union Pelican Wally Palmberg has been hitting the basket at a .528 clip from the field and with 108 total points to date he's just one behind Pelican high man Bruce Brickner — and they are just two of at least ten problems that the Grizzlies must contend with tonight in Ashland. The Pels return home for a battle with Grants Pass Cavemen Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

| Player | Fg-Fga | Pct. | Fl-Fla | Reb. | PF | TP |
|----------|--------------|-------|---------|------|-----|-----|
| Brickner | 42-97 | .433 | 25-39 | 91 | 20 | 109 |
| Patzke | 32-63 | .508 | 26-50 | 87 | 14 | 90 |
| Taylor | 20-55 | .363 | 11-17 | 60 | 16 | 51 |
| Dennis | 9-30 | .300 | 2-10 | 22 | 7 | 20 |
| Palmberg | 46-87 | .528 | 16-25 | 14 | 24 | 108 |
| Lapsley | 2-20 | .100 | 6-9 | 4 | 10 | 10 |
| Bieh | 25-66 | .379 | 15-32 | 10 | 12 | 63 |
| Hunsaker | 2-2 | 1.000 | 4-6 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| Allen | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ash | 0-2 | .000 | 2-2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Scott | 1-2 | .500 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Brisbon | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Slippich | 1-1 | 1.000 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Dearing | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals: | KUHS 180-423 | .425 | 107-190 | 296 | 111 | 467 |
| OPPS | 121-344 | .352 | 104-137 | 178 | 132 | 360 |

Score By Quarters:

| | OPP. | 83 | 108 | 94 | 71 | 4-360 |
|--|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| | KUHS | 118 | 108 | 117 | 122 | 2-497 |

Eagle QB Says He's Out

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Quarterback Norm Van Brocklin, who has formally retired as a player during a conference with Philadelphia Eagles' officials, said today he feels the club already has decided on a new head coach and the choice is assistant Nick Skorich.

Van Brocklin parted company with the Eagles after a Thursday meeting with president Frank McNamee. It was the first known meeting between the two to discuss Van Brocklin's future. He had long ago told reporters he was retiring at the end of the

season.

Van Brocklin related that McNamee called him in and asked him if he would be willing to return to action next year or if he would be interested in an assignment as a player-coach. He said McNamee made no money offer.

"It was cut and dry," said the 34-year-old passing great who led the Eagles to their first National Football League title in 11 years this season.

The second missing expert is Jim McIntire, a veteran. McIntire ripped the ligaments in his knee in football, and is undergoing an operation that will keep him out the balance of the season.

Prehm probably will call upon Clyde Murray, 6-4; Larry Janssen, 6-2; Jim Davis, 6-4; Dave Hauntz, 6-4, and Staley for starting roles.

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