

Final Tournament At McArthur Court Was Colorful, Gala Event

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HERE'S PROOF — Coach Al Keck beams with pride as he displays the state championship trophy he guided his Pelican cagers toward. Keck has produced excellent teams since he started at Klamath, and has proven himself one of the state's finest cage mentors. He has the proof in his hands.

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NEW PRECEDENT — For the first time, at least for a long time, a new wrinkle resulted in state tournament action, when the championship team also walked off with one of the top sportsmanship awards. Pictured above, Susan Leaming, Klamath Falls, accepts the second place sportsmanship award on behalf of the student body. The gleam in her eyes was typical of several hundred other Klamath rooters at McArthur Court Saturday night.



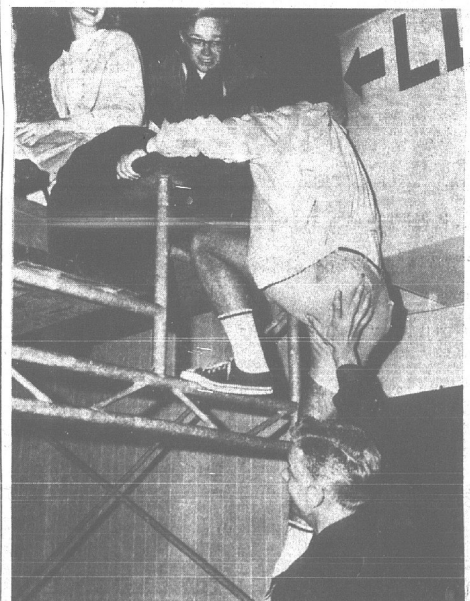
HARD AT WORK — Hal Childs, state tournament official, beats on typewriter in familiar role at press room of McArthur Court, turning out mimeograph copies of statistics for news media representatives. Childs is the one with the cigar. He did a tremendous job at the tourney.



SATISFIED — This young cage fan revealed his satisfaction with action in the state tourney, but was dissatisfied with the thought of the big event moving to Portland. He was securing signatures on petition to keep tournament action in Eugene. The youth, Doug Moore, age 12, was doing his best to get signatures.



BLOW GABRIEL, BLOW — Pride of the Klamath cheering section, 6-year-old Johnny Brosterhous, gives with some noise during a lull in action during the championship contest at the state tournament. Kneeling beside the young trumpeter are, left, Susan Leaming, and right, Sally Bratton, Klamath cheerleaders.



A LITTLE HELP — With standing room only crowds in McArthur Court during the State A-1 Tournament, it was necessary to scale great heights to get available seats. Here, a member of the Eugene Active Club gives an assist to a fan. This was not an unusual sight during the big event. Several hundred fans found it either difficult, or impossible to find seating of any kind, at any level in the gymnasium.



TENSE MOMENT — Members of the Klamath Union High School band, which earned distinction as the finest at the state tournament in Eugene, wait tensely as action develops on McArthur Court. The band provided excellent support for the championship-bound Pelicans. The band, like the team, was a credit to the community, and left a lasting impression on fans.



STATE'S FINEST — The Klamath Union cheerleaders represented the state's champion cage team, and were led by the state's finest/yell-leaders at the big meet. Pictured left to right, are Susan Leaming, Sally Bratton, Mary Carol Cooper, Dorothy Taucher, Cheryl Eccles and Jolene Weber.



MORE GOOD SPORTS — Medford's attractive young cheerleaders proved to be real Southern Oregon Seabsters as they whooped it up for Klamath during championship game. They led Klamath rooters at one period of play. From left to right, the girls are Nancy Engren, Jeani Woods, Teresa Riggs and Jonni Six.



McARTHUR COURT — Scene of another Klamath Falls triumph (there have been three championships earned by Klamath since 1958), was McArthur Court in Eugene, on the University of Oregon campus. This might well be the last crowd shot taken of a state prep tournament in

McArthur Court since the event moves to Portland next year. On the floor at this time were Parkrose and Thurston, battling for the third place position in the tournament. Parkrose earned that spot.