

Football Rules Clinic Will Be Held At Baker

A football rules interpretation clinic sponsored by the Oregon School Activities Association will be held Wednesday, August 16, at 7:30 p.m. at Baker High School, according to Dean Knight, commissioner of the Baker Football Officials Association.

Ryland said that Dr. Edward J. Knight associate executive secretary who also is a member of the National Alliance Football Rules Committee, will present the clinic which will include the showing of a new training film entitled "Football Today."

The OSAA clinic is part of the training program that is required for all high school football officials in the state. These men begin their sessions during the summer months and continue right through the season to keep abreast of rules changes and to discuss rules interpretations.

One of the most significant changes in recent years was made at the last National Alliance Rules Committee meeting. Beginning with this season, no offensive player who is outside the free-blocking zone at the snap may block an opponent below the waist in an area three yards behind each scrimmage line extending laterally from side line to side line, if the block is toward the spot from which the snap was made. The committee felt that this would even further reduce the possibility of knee injuries.

One other change that will be noticeable to the spectator is the fact that for a double foul to be called, both teams must have fouled during the same live ball period. All other fouls will be enforced accordingly.

The National Alliance Football Rules are officially adopted by the National Federation of State High School Associations, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics and the National Junior College Athletic Association. Each of these groups has representatives on the rules committee.

Knight has invited anyone interested in officiating high school football and anyone else who is interested in the game to attend the clinic on Wednesday, August 16.

Bird Season Looks Favorable

Preliminary reports from game biologists now in the midst of intensive upland game bird brood surveys over the state show fair production in the areas covered to date, indicating hunters can expect a season comparable to last year.

Chet Kebbe, staff biologist who heads the Game Commission's upland bird program, advised hunters that since complete information on the status of the bird populations will not be known until just prior to the public hearing scheduled Saturday, August 12, the staff has not made recommendations at this time regarding length of seasons, bag limits, or other suggested rules for the fall hunts. These recommendations will be submitted to the Commission at the hearing along with recommendations from the public.

Information to date, according to Kebbe, indicates fairly large broods of chukars and quail appearing on the census routes. Production of pheasants appears to be down in the Willamette Valley and other west side areas and about the same as a year ago east of the mountains. From preliminary information it appears the better hunting this fall will be on chukar, prairie and quail in eastern Oregon and on mountain quail in the southwest.

The public hearing to adopt regulations for the fall hunts will be held by the Commission August 12 at its Portland headquarters. The meeting will convene at 10 a.m.

COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10 - Jack & Jill Kindergarten open house, 411 S. Eighth, 2-4 p.m. 372-3386.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11 - Rummage Sale-Golden Age, Western Hotel, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Rummage Sale, Methodist Church, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 - Malheur Pomona Grange-Ontario Heights Grange Hall, 8 p.m. Rummage Sale-Golden Age, Western Hotel, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rummage Sale-Methodist Church, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MOSS WINS GOLF PLAY

Two days of tournament play were featured at the Ontario Municipal Golf Course this past weekend.

On Saturday, August 5, best 17 holes play was featured, with Don Moss, Nyssa taking the event with a net 64. Close behind him were Bob Peden with a 65 and Frank Deymonaz with a 66.

Sunday action saw stroke play on the agenda, Moss again won, this time with a 68. Isao Kameshige took second with a 69 and Jim Kanetomi fired a 70 net for third place.

Herb Sez ...

It takes two to have a war and too many people in this country seem to think that the United States is carrying on the war all by itself. The most recent piece of propaganda against us is that we are destroying their dikes. If it was our aim to destroy their dikes we have the power to completely wipe them off the face of the earth. If Hanoi had the chance to destroy dikes in the South do you think for an instant that they wouldn't?

The real errors in this Indochina fiasco took place about 10 years ago when this silly thing was starting. We made the serious mistake of playing patty cake with the enemy. We have yet to send ANY troops onto North Vietnam soil. The battle has been carried into the South solely by the enemy. This year while we were demonstrating our intentions by removing troops by the hundreds of thousands they again renewed the war. If Hanoi doesn't like the daily diet of bombs, all it has to do is return our prisoners of war.

We have demonstrations, some right here in Idaho, where people scream, "End the war," and bring the boys out of Vietnam. I wish they would line up as strongly on our side once in awhile, and give credit to the present administration for unwinding the war as fast as they can. We seem to forget that the war was escalating for 8 years before Nixon took over. We had a build up of 550,000 troops in Saigon less than 4 years ago. Now we have less than 50,000 and our draft call has dropped to a fraction of what it was. Instead of saying, "Thanks" we yell for an increase in the speed of removal. If we removed all assistance immediately we would probably witness a blood bath that would make the casualties in Hanoi look like a cut thumb. This was especially true three years ago.

It appears to me that our main problem is not the ending of this war; it will be over within a year, but the problem is keeping ourselves out of this role of the International Policeman. I think we should let other nations settle their squabbles without our assistance.

Nyssa Returns From Convention
Ellen Jones returned August 4 from the IGAS Convention held recently in Chicago. The meeting was held at the 2300-room Palmer House which covers most of a block in the heart of Chicago's Loop. The hotel contains 9 restaurants and cocktail lounges and a swimming pool is located on the 6th floor.

The present Palmer House was constructed in 1925 at a cost of \$20 million and was remodeled for an additional \$12 million in 1960. The first Palmer House was destroyed by the Chicago fire in 1871.

Approximately 500 IGAS members met for daily classes, informal discussion groups and general assemblies. The Tuesday-Night-Out featured a social hour and dinner at the Arlington Park Towers Hotel and Theater where the group saw a stage play "The Last of the Red Hot Lovers" starring Don Knotts.

On the way home Mrs. Jones visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones in Clinton, Iowa and with her sister Mrs. S. L. Matthews in Longmont, Colorado. The bus trip from Davenport, Iowa to Denver was made exciting by a tornado watch west of Omaha and with 2 1/2 feet of water flowing over the highway in one place. At various places the State High-

way Patrol advised the bus driver of the road condition. The five-hour plane trip from Boise to Chicago was a real pleasure. Cool Colorado was a treat after Chicago's 93 degree temperature and 86% humidity, but there really is no place quite like our own area, good old Treasure Valley.

Welfare Administrator Attends Convention
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Salem Scene

by Jack Zimmerman

The environmentalists are suing the federal government. If they win, Oregon could lose a couple of billion dollars! If they lose, it could mean bankruptcy for one of the world's largest and best known outdoor organizations.

To be more precise, the Sierra Club -- along with three other conservation groups and a Colorado guide and outfitter -- is seeking an injunction against the U.S. Forest Service. Suit has been filed in U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C.

Other plaintiffs are the Natural Resources Defense Council, New York; Colorado Open Space Council, Denver; North Cascades Conservation Council, Seattle; and Coloradoan William B. Mounsey. Named as defendants are Sec. of Agriculture Earl L. Butz and USFS Chief Forester John R. McGuire.

The squabble involves hundreds of so-called "de facto" wilderness parcels of National Forest land as yet free from roadways. Combined, the tracts of 5,000 acres or more apiece represent an area larger than the whole State of Washington.

Heat for the legal action was generated prior to passage of the Wilderness Act of 1964, which lumped together certain untrammeled National Forest lands as Wilderness Areas -- never to suffer mechanized invasion by man. It also paved the way for designation by Congress of other lands deemed suitable for the Wilderness distinction.

There's been a continuing harangue ever since between environmentalists on one side, those who would manage National Forest resources on the other and the Forest Service in the middle. Environmental groups pressed for more Wilderness. Opponents argued the necessity of balancing more Wilderness "lock-up" against the nation's growing demands for housing and other products that stem from managed, harvestable forests. Allied with these interests -- and against the preservationist-minded environmental groups -- were a wide range of recreationists, such as skiers, snowmobile enthusiasts, hunters, anglers and campers who prefer driving instead of walking to their favorite haunts. Opposition to expanding the Wilderness also came from those who depend on National Forest lands for livestock grazing and utilization of mineral and water resources.

In 1967 the USFS outlined procedures for determining which of the remaining roadless portions of its 187 million acres of National Forest were best suited for Wilderness designation. By July 1 this year each USFS region was to select Wilderness "candidate" areas and pass the information on to Forester McGuire. By the first of next year the USFS chief was to announce which of the candidate areas would be subjected to further scrutiny over a period of years and possibly passed on to Congress for Wilderness Area designation.

As most Northwest residents know, Forest Service leaders in Oregon and Washington have been mulling their assignment for some time. This spring they conducted 34 public meetings to get an idea how people feel about locking up 279 roadless areas in the two states.

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Oregon's share of the area involved comes to 2.5 million acres. Of that total, some 250,000 acres were deemed appropriate for further study and were withdrawn from multiple use management status until the Chief Forester makes his decision.

Meanwhile, it was business as usual in the remaining roadless areas and forest management personnel proceeded with routine plans calling for a portion of it to be included in the annual timber harvest. Similar activity took place in other National Forests throughout the country. And environmentalists got upset. Hence the Sierra Club suit.

Plaintiffs claim the Forest Service didn't follow its own rules in determining which areas should be considered for further study. They claim also the public didn't even bother to get involved in the matter at all.

In the meantime, there are some sizeable economic factors involved. The nation needs housing and the wood products industry is dependent to a large degree on availability of federal timber. Industry has been gearing up to satisfy the demand throughout the long controversy and the vast bulk of the involved timberland is situated right here in the Northwest.

Those who would manage the forests for multiple use of their many important resources -- greatly alarmed by the Sierra Club suit, including a temporary restraining order that halted pending timber sales -- became "intervenor" in the suit. If the injunction were granted all roadless areas could be locked up for as long as from eight to ten years.

The economic impact in Oregon is staggering. Industrial Forestry Association figures it would mean the loss of 3,103 industry jobs and 6,211 more in related trades and services. This would involve some 34,458 people directly and greatly inflate rolls of both welfare and the unemployed.

Annual business income loss to the state would be \$201,390,000 and countries would lose some \$3,606,100 a year in receipts. The in-lieu property tax impact alone would be an estimated \$9,025,000 yearly.

At stake are some 2,481,000 Oregon acres bearing nearly 35.5 billion board feet of commercial timber. Consequently, a group of wood products industry associations and seven individual companies are seeking to have the suit dismissed or heard in the West instead of the nation's capital. And they want up to \$20 million in damages from the environmentalists.

Many key points in the suit will come to a head in the weeks to come and residents of Oregon should follow its progress with more than passive interest. It's hard to imagine such a development on a national scale. And it's equally difficult to imagine the Sierra Club having to pay damages to the timber industry.

But the stakes really are high. The chips are down. And the chips involved don't all fly from the faller's axe.

Two Businesses Burglarized

Nyssa city police reported two burglaries which occurred last Thursday, August 3.

The first incident reportedly occurred between 2:30 and 3 a.m. Thursday when a screen was ripped from a window of the Owyhee Distributors warehouse. Police Chief Alvin Allen said preliminary investigation discloses that about 13 cases of beer were taken.

The second of the burglaries was reported by Nyssa Co-op's fertilizer bulk plant upon opening for business Thursday morning. There a padlock had been pried from a door. Chief Allen reported, and a set of tools valued at about \$100 had been taken.

Nyssa Team Gains Second



WINNING SECOND SPOT in the summer basketball tourney at TVCC last week was this team from Nyssa. Made up of present and past Nyssa High School players, they are, kneeling from left, Ken Stewart, Clayton Hiatt, Pat Ross, John Elguzabal and Standing from left are Nico Blanch, Jeff Marquez, Dan Marquez and John Mantle.

Nyssa's summer basketball team, the Easy Riders collected the second place trophy in the TVCC Basketball Tournament with a 62-53 loss to the Blazers August 3.

Over 100 young men took part in the program which ran two to three days a week for seven weeks.

Cutting off the Blazers with the exception of Frank Jantzen, the Easy Riders were leading at halftime 26-24. Greg Blanch led a balanced scoring effort with eight points.

Greg Blanch led the Easy Riders with 12 points. The loss ended the championship hopes of the Easy Rider team that had fought its way into second place after being seeded fifth.

Earlier in the week the Easy Riders outscored the Hellraisers 69-64 and downed the Ragin Cajuns 75-65.

Dave Manley tossed in 21 points for the Riders' victory over the Hellraisers. Manley again led the Nyssa team with 16 points in the Ragin Cajuns game.

OPS-BLUE SHIELD HOLD MEETING

A quarterly meeting of the Eastern Oregon Medical Society's Review Committee for OPS-Blue Shield will be held Saturday, August 26, at 3:30 p.m. at Wallowa Lake in Joseph.

Members of the committee include Drs. K. A. Danford, Nyssa, chairman; R. M. Connell and Paul W. Knowles, both of Pendleton; J. E. Indihar, LaGrande, and Robert McKim, Baker. Special guests of the meeting will be Drs. James R. Broun, Pendleton, and John Higgins, Baker; both members of the OPS-Blue Shield Board of Trustees, and B. R. Sharff, Enterprise, president of the local medical society.

Representing OPS-Blue Shield at the meeting will be Joe Mitchell, vice president in charge of professional relations; Herb Maldonado, professional relations representative, and Ed Muller, sales representative.

News About SERVICEMEN

Cpt. Gary L. Thomson

Captain Gary L. Thomson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Thomson, has completed a course in pilot instruction at Ft. Rucker, Alabama and is now a helicopter pilot instructor at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

VALE GIRL NAMED MISS CONGENIALITY

A Vale girl, Miss Linda Turner, shared the Miss Congeniality title and was named third runner-up in the Miss Rodeo of America contest held in Henderson, Colorado, August 7.

Miss Turner shared the honor of Miss Congeniality with Patty Nave of Billings, Montana. Miss Turner is the current Miss Oregon Rodeo. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Turner of Willowcreek.

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