

Ducks edge USC, 57-55; look ahead to UCLA

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It wasn't easy, but the Oregon men's basketball team got the first half of this weekend's job done by edging USC, 57-55, in McArthur Court Thursday night.

With UCLA on hand Sunday

(3 p.m. in Mac Court), the Ducks are thankful to have the Trojans behind them.

"We knew going in that we had to win both games," said Oregon coach Don Monson. "We got one of them — barely — but we got it."

The Ducks got the win

because they came out and played an aggressive second half; because Anthony Taylor ignited for 18 points in the final 13:34; and because Jesse Nash was a key factor on both ends of the court.

Perhaps with lingering thoughts of last Thursday's shocking one-point loss to Oregon State, the Ducks came out very sluggish in the first half.

"We were not aggressive or assertive," Monson said. "It was bothersome to think that the game last Thursday affected us so much."

Whether the thoughts were

there or not, the Ducks found themselves in a hole early as USC strolled out to take a 8-2 lead five minutes into the game.

The Ducks struggled their way back to tie the game on three occasions, but the Trojans managed to maintain control.

USC's Derrick Dowell canned a three-pointer at the closing of the first half to give the Trojans a 29-20 cushion at halftime.

"Certainly we had a heart-to-heart talk at the half," Monson said. "I don't know if that made the difference, but the aggressiveness and some trapping defense were the keys."

"The kids dug down a little

bit — I think the pride factor was very evident," Monson said.

The Ducks dug deep and played a gutsy second half at that — especially during the final 10 minutes.

Kenny Sprague got the Ducks on track with a three-point play at the 9:11 mark to pull the Ducks within a field goal, 42-40.

USC's Bob Erbst converted a free throw to give the Trojans a three-point advantage, but Sprague came back with a bank shot from 10 feet out to cut the

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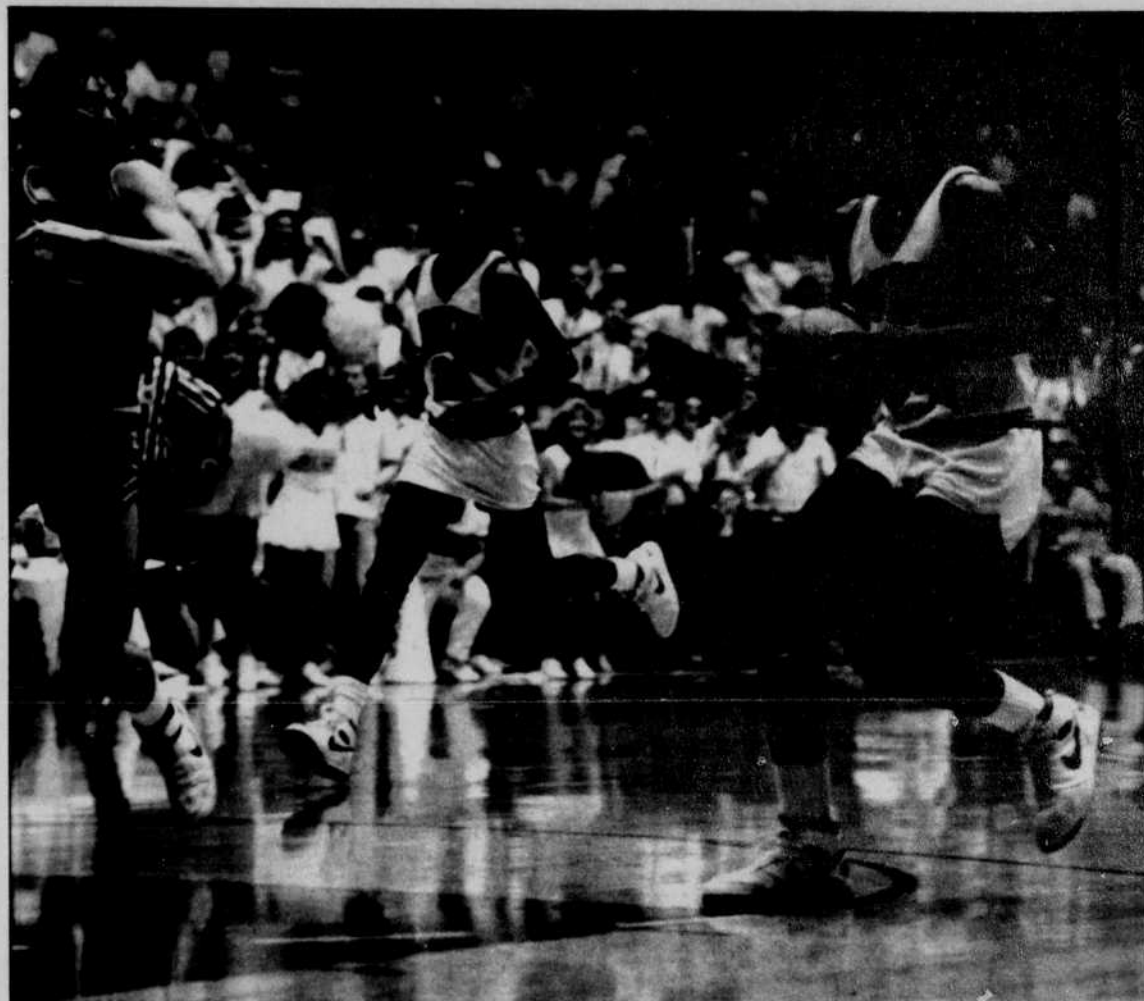


Photo by John Giustina
Oregon's Jesse Nash (right) steals the ball and leads the break late in the game against USC Thursday night. USC's Brad Winslow could do nothing to stop Anthony Taylor (middle) who seconds later slammed home Nash's pass to secure a 57-55 win for the Ducks.

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