

SPORTS

Saints drop Oregon in overtime

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The Portland Saints women's basketball team came marching into MacArthur Court Tuesday night, and the veteran ball club marched right back later with an 80-77 overtime victory over Oregon.

The Ducks' loss overshadowed a dramatic comeback for the team playing its second exhibition game of the season.

Down 71-64 with only 2:30 remaining in the game, the Ducks staged a game-saving rally.

Freshman post Debbie Sporcich ignited the Oregon run with a pair of free throws. A free throw at the two-minute mark and senior forward Trina McCartney's baseline jumper at 1:06 brought Oregon to within 71-69.

Numerous scoreless drives later, Portland appeared to have the game under control with its two-point lead, forward Shelley Hand shooting free throws and only 20 seconds on the clock.

But Hand gave the Ducks an opportunity when she missed her first foul shot and Oregon rebounded. Vanessa Selden got a shot off but missed and Sporcich rebounded, was fouled and sank the free throws to tie the game at 71-71 with 15 seconds left.

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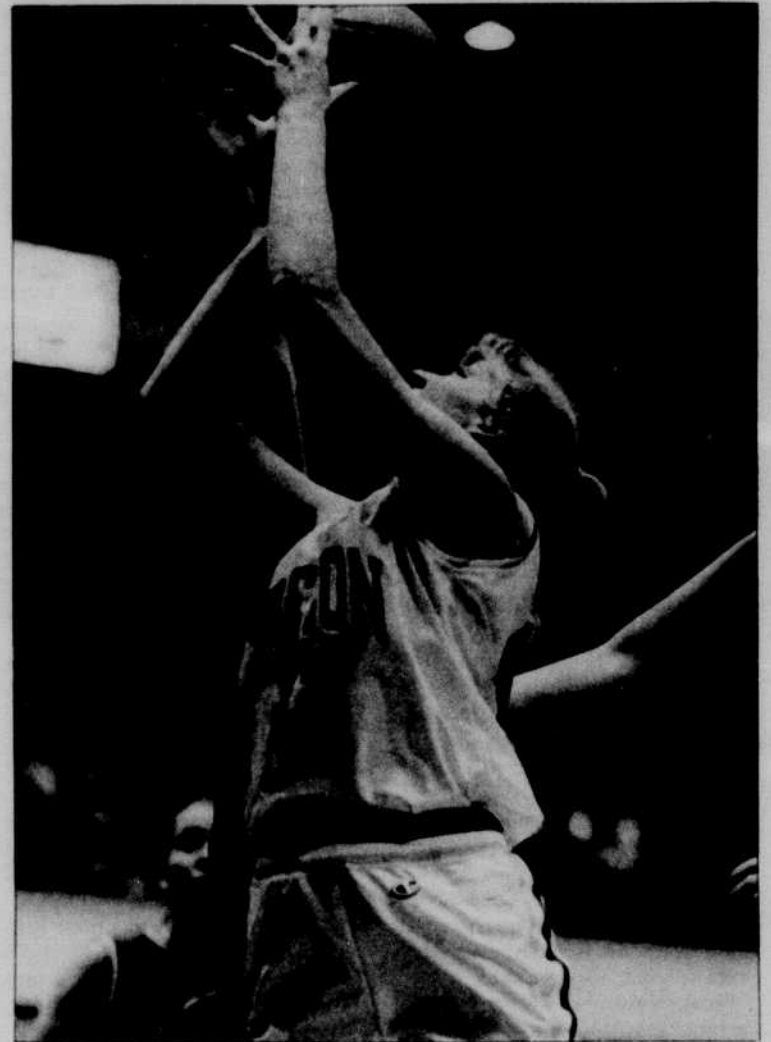


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Freshman post Sara Wilson worked inside for six points and nine rebounds against the Portland Saints Thursday night in McArthur Court in the Saints' overtime win.

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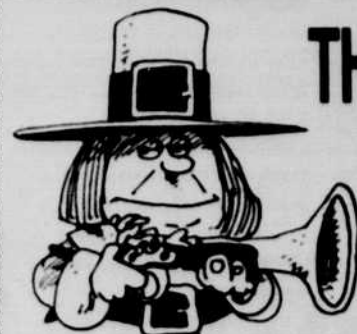
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