

'Greenball' drops final exhibition game

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The Oregon men's basketball team dropped to 1-1 in its exhibition season Monday night with a 81-78 loss to High Five America before a crowd of 5,278.

High Five America, a team composed of former collegians espousing anti-drug and alcohol use by America's youth, used its experience and athleticism to squeak out a victory over the Ducks.

The former collegians came into McArthur Court with recent victories over Pac-10 opponents California, Washington and USC.

Oregon head coach Jerry Green took the blame for the Ducks loss Monday night, attributing much of the problem to the shuffling of a dozen players throughout the night.

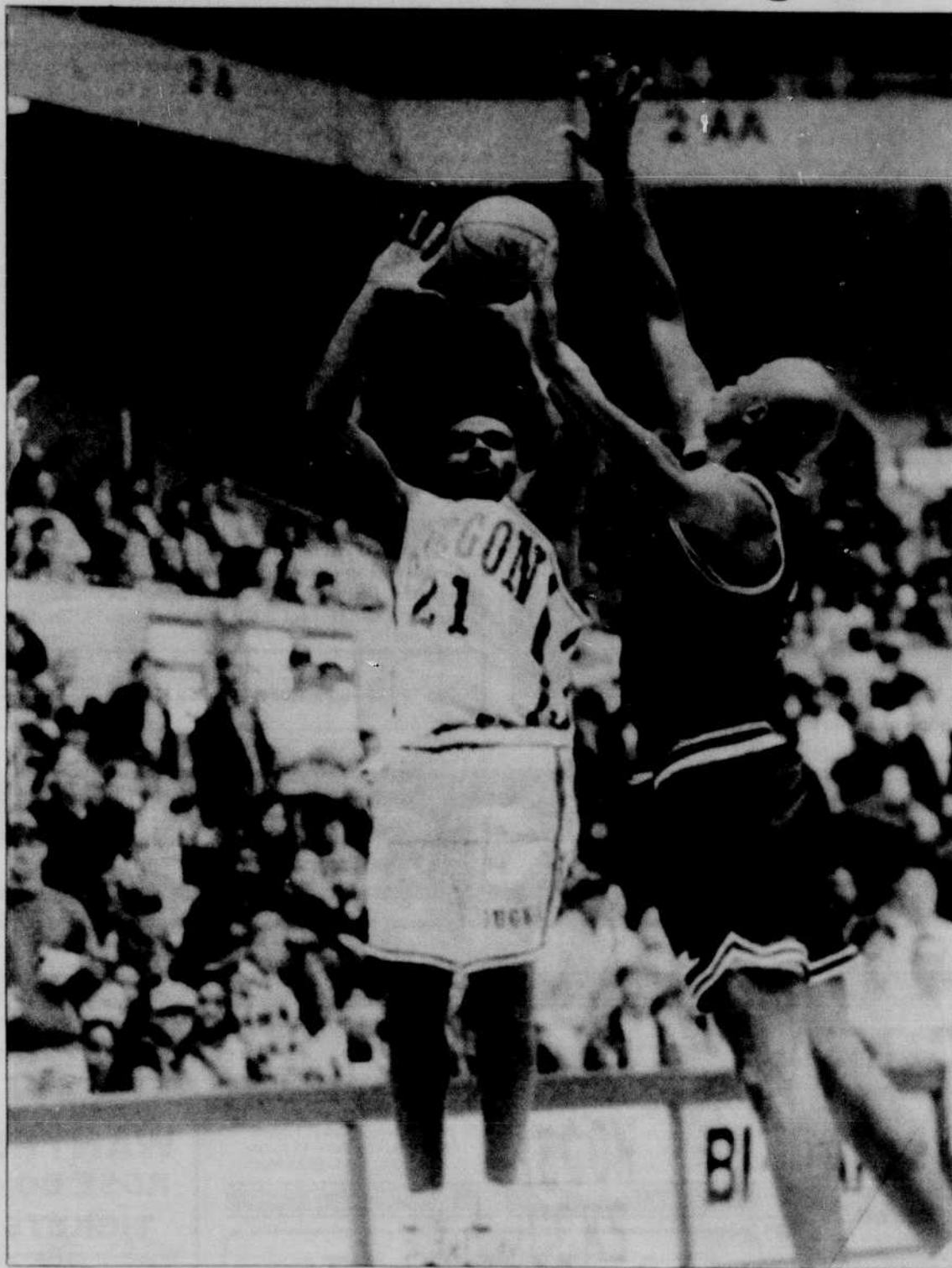
"Overall," Green said, "I think (tonight's loss) is probably as much my fault as it is the kids. One of the things that I battle with every year in exhibition games is who to play and who not to play. The first half we went with playing more people less time and that was not a good decision on my part."

A bigger issue in the Oregon loss was that the Ducks only scored on four layups out of 10 attempts and went through a nine-minute slump where they only scored six points in the first half.

After falling behind 19-10 with 11:30 to go in the half, High Five went on a 17-0 run to take an eight point lead and were able to ease into halftime with a 41-31 edge over Oregon.

High Five scored the first seven points of the second half before Oregon center Zach Sellers ended the run with two free-throws and followed with a rebound basket the next time down the court.

Down 59-44 with 11:31 to go in the game, the Ducks went on an 11-1 run in the next four min-



Orlando Williams scored 17 points in the Ducks' 81-78 exhibition loss Monday night to High Five America.

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BASKETBALL TOP 25

	RECORD
1. Arkansas	0-0
2. North Carolina	0-0
3. Massachusetts	0-0
4. Kentucky	0-0
5. Arizona	0-0
6. UCLA	0-0
7. Maryland	0-0
8. Duke	0-0
9. Kansas	0-0
10. Florida	0-0
11. Indiana	0-0
12. Cincinnati	0-0
13. Michigan	0-0
14. Georgetown	0-0
15. Wisconsin	0-0
16. Connecticut	0-0
17. Michigan St.	0-0
18. Syracuse	0-1
19. Oklahoma St.	0-0
20. Virginia	1-1
21. Villanova	0-0
22. Georgia Tech	0-0
23. Ohio U.	0-0
24. Wake Forest	2-0
25. Alabama	1-1

DUCK NOTES

Paced again by sophomore Milena Glusac, the Oregon women's cross country team managed a 13th-place finish at the NCAA Cross Country meet Monday.

Glusac, who said she did not feel well from the start of the race, finished with a time of 17 minutes, 45.7 seconds, and placed 33rd among the 181 runners in the meet. Last year, Glusac was the top freshman with a 12th-place finish. Junior Niamh Zwagerman was the second Oregon runner to cross the finish line, placing 72nd overall with a time of 18:13.7.

For the men, sole representative Matt Davis was the third freshman finisher, racing to a strong 31st finish with a time of 31:00. The strong finish puts Davis in position for possible All-American honors.

SPORTS SHORTS

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Gary Gibbs inherited a scandal-ridden program, cleaned it up, and led Oklahoma to six straight winning seasons. It still wasn't enough.

Gibbs, who couldn't win the big games and championships that Oklahoma fans have come to expect, resigned Monday during his weekly news conference after talking briefly about Friday's game against No. 1 Nebraska. Just last week, he had denied reports he would step down.

He said he will coach the team through a bowl game, most likely the Copper Bowl on Dec. 29. Athletic director Donnie Duncan said he had no list of candidates to replace Gibbs, but he would like to hire someone by mid-December.

Oklahoma is 44-21-2 under Gibbs, has twice won nine games and is 2-0 in bowl games. But the Sooners have finished no better than third in the Big Eight, and are only 2-14-1 in games against the Sooners' biggest rivals — Texas, Colorado and Nebraska.

War's latest installment reinvigorates old feud

The 1994 Civil War is officially in the books, but by no means should any of us let the energy and emotion that the 17-13 victory over Oregon State provided for the players, the fans and, most importantly, the University as a whole fade away.

In the old days, the Civil War really meant something. In 1937, a riot erupted as Oregon State students stormed the Oregon campus, flaunting their 14-0 win over the Ducks.

On Monday, Nov. 25, 1957, the last season the Ducks went to the Rose Bowl, the Emerald ran a series of pictures of a classic postgame Civil War scuffle at Hayward Field after the Ducks lost the game but went to the Rose Bowl anyway.

Where did all this angst go?

Maybe it's this whole Generation X thing, but the rivalry that



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once sparked such enthusiasm has grown a little moldy in recent years. This year, the students, band, cheerleaders and student government organized a variety of last-minute pep functions. These attempts at school spirit were good ideas that could be turned into something much bigger in the future. (Note to future organizers: Bookstores aren't the most interesting place to stage pep rallies. Bookstores = books.

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The Post-Civil War celebration found many jubilant fans kissing the pavement and being escorted out of Parker Stadium by local police officers.