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Men's College Basketball,
Texas at Kansas
ESPN (34), 6:30 p.m.

SPORTS

DAILY TRIVIA

Who has made the most three-point shots in UO men's basketball history?
See scoreboard for answer.

Patriots find way to AFC Championship with ease

AFC PLAYOFFS:
New England pounds Pittsburgh 28-3 with early offensive explosion

The Associated Press

FOXBORO, Mass. — The fog didn't bother Curtis Martin. Neither did the Pittsburgh Steelers, who were lost in it all day.

With Martin knifing through a thick mist behind an offensive line aroused by pregame talk of the Pittsburgh blitz, the New England Patriots rolled to the AFC championship game with a 28-3 win Sunday.

The Pittsburgh native slashed for a team playoff record 166 yards and three touchdowns, including a 78-yarder that gave

more than 60,000 fans waving blue pom-poms a chance to see him at his best.

"It just made it extra interesting to me to go out there and see all that fog," he said. "I wondered whether they'll be able to see me when I'm running."

The Steelers saw his heels a lot.

"He's the type of runner that takes advantage of all of the opportunities that are given to him," Pittsburgh linebacker Jason Gildon said.

The Patriots, in their first home playoff

game in 18 years, will play host to their second in eight days next Sunday against Jacksonville, with a Super Bowl berth going to the winner. New England (12-5) beat the Jaguars here 28-25 in overtime in the fourth game of the year.

The Steelers (11-7) ended their season sooner than the last two. They lost in the AFC title game to San Diego two years ago, then were beaten in last season's Super

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SCOREBOARD

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

NFL PLAYOFFS

New England	28	Carolina	26
Pittsburgh	3	Dallas	17

NBA

San Antonio	84	Sacramento	107
L.A. Clippers	93	Philadelphia	106

New York	97	Vancouver	82
Milwaukee	92	L.A. Lakers	95

Boston	109
Phoenix	102

NHL

Buffalo	5	Chicago	5
Phoenix	1	Detroit	5

New Jersey	3
St. Louis	5

DAILY TRIVIA ANSWER

Orlando Williams made 282 three-point shots during his time at Oregon. In his senior season, Williams sank 94 triples, an Oregon single-season record.

Green's Gang rips youthful OSU Beavers

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Oregon wins its Pacific-10 Conference opener with ease to remain undefeated

By Chris Hansen
Sports Reporter

The Oregon men's basketball team keeps on rolling over opponents, and for the second time in as many games it was Oregon State that was left feeling flattened.

The Ducks' 91-69 victory over the Beavers before a sold-out crowd in Corvallis on Saturday night improved Oregon's record to 10-0 and 1-0 in the Pacific-10 Conference. The win also marked the seventh-straight Civil War triumph for the Ducks.

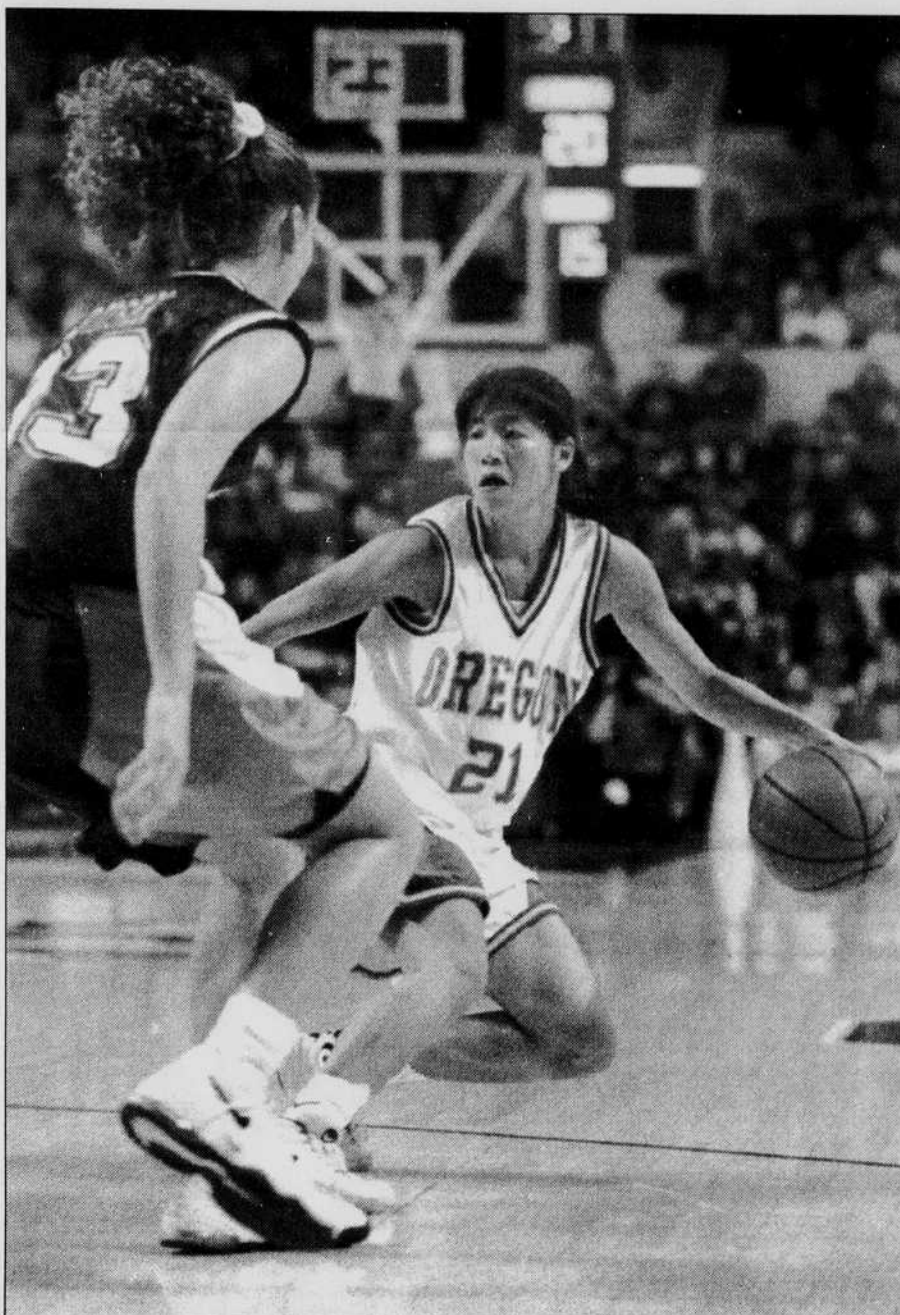
Kyle Milling and Jamal Lawrence scored 20 points apiece for the Ducks while Kenya Wilkins scored 11 and dished out nine assists. The win avenged a two-point victory over Oregon State a week earlier in the championship game of the Far West Classic, when the youthful and aggressive Beavers almost upset the then 24th-ranked Ducks.

"We wanted to prove to them, ourselves, and everybody else that we are capable of

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Oregon 77, Oregon State 59

'Balance' key to victory



Oregon point guard Cindie Edamura handles the ball against the Beavers' Jennifer Busen during Oregon's 77-59 win at McArthur Court on Saturday afternoon.

Edamura and Hughes come up big

GUARDS: The duo joins forces for 25 points and four assists in the Ducks' 77-59 win over OSU

By Ryan Frank
Sports Reporter

In the first nine games of the season, it was the Ducks' frontcourt that carried the women's basketball team to a 7-2 record.

But against Oregon State on Saturday afternoon at McArthur Court, a pair of point

guards keyed the 77-59 Oregon victory.

Cindie Edamura and Natalie Hughes traded off time at point guard and at times played simultaneously on the court to combine for 25 points on 11-of-22 shooting from the field.

For Edamura, this season has been a battle to regain her confidence. Coming into Saturday's contest, the senior point guard was averaging 4.3 points per game on only

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: Oregon returns to winning ways at home after two-game losing streak

By Mark McTyre
Sports Editor

A balanced attack and a 12-0 run to open the second half enabled the Oregon women's basketball team to cruise to a 77-59 victory over Oregon State at McArthur Court Saturday afternoon.

"Tonight we had a lot of scoring from a lot of different people and that really helped us," said Oregon head coach Jody Runge. "Hitting shots from the outside and getting to the offensive boards — we just had a lot of weapons tonight and that's a very encouraging sign."

The Ducks (8-2 overall, 1-0 Pac-10) held a 41-27 advantage coming out of the locker room following the halftime break and added to that advantage in the first three minutes, eight seconds with heads-up play by guard Cindie Edamura, forwards Arianne Boyer and Mandy Benson and center Renae Fegent.

Benson started the run by hitting her second three-point shot of the game fol-

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Player of the Game

Oregon State center Kristina Lelas scored 16 points and grabbed 17 rebounds in the Beavers' loss to Oregon.



Play of the Game

Oregon's Cindie Edamura feeds Arianne Boyer underneath for a three-point play. Edamura then hits a three-pointer to give Oregon a 26-point lead in the second half.



Quote of the Day

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— Jody Runge, UO head coach