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establish that we're that measuring stick, so it's a big win."

The Ducks were phenomenal from the outside. While Oregon shot just 45.8 percent for the game, it made 60 percent of its three-point attempts.

Craighead led the way with a game-high 15 points on 5-of-6 shooting from the field, including 4-for-5 from behind the arc. Forward Lindsey Dion hit one three-pointer and scored 11 points, and point guard Alissa Edwards chipped in a trey and five points.

But no three-pointer was more dramatic than one shot just before halftime. Starting point guard Kourtney Shreve received the inbound pass, drove past halfcourt and let it fly from about 25 feet. The ball left her fingertips an instant before the buzzer sounded.

She drained it. The Ducks and their fans erupted in wild celebration, the Cardinal limped to the locker room down by 17 and Shreve put a bold exclamation point on her best game as an Oregon starter. She finished with a stat line of 11 points, eight re-

bounds, four assists, three steals and just one turnover.

"That first half was unbelievable. Everybody came out right away, really strong, really aggressive and played some good ball," Shreve said. "That last shot, you know — I

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was exhausted, I was like, 'I hope I don't have to take it all the way ...' — so that was a lucky shot, but hey, in practice we practice those kinds of things."

"I think we're rolling right now," Craighead said. "We're playing really good basketball and I'm proud of this team."

Rebounding was the only area where Oregon had problems. The Cardinal outrebounded the Ducks 41-26 and 21-8 on the offensive glass.

Oregon faced similar woes against California last Thursday. The Golden Bears won that battle of the boards 32-26, but the big difference was on the offensive boards. Cal grabbed 16 misses to the Ducks' nine.

"We all try to rebound [opponents] by just jumping over people, and we're not jumpers," Craighead said. "Ndidi [Unaka] is the only person who can jump. We need to push them out of the box there and try to get some rebounds."

Stanford, picked in preseason media polls to win the Pac-10 title, is now 1-3 in conference play.

The Cardinal has major problems at point guard. Forward Nicole Powell is running the offense in place of starter Susan King, who sustained a season-ending knee injury against Oklahoma Dec. 27.

"I don't think you get excited about beating Stanford when they don't have a point guard," Oregon head coach Jody Runge said. "You feel bad for them because you know how hard their kids are struggling. Playing at Stanford, there's a lot of pressure to be successful there."

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Oregon point guard Kourtney Shreve, who also had to adjust to being thrown into the starting role this season. "It was to our advantage for them to not have a point guard. You could see out there that because they didn't have one, they were a little panicked and confused at times."

Stanford's current three-game losing streak is its first since the 1986-87 season, which was also the last time that the Cardinal was swept at both Oregon schools.

"It's just so difficult to play without someone who isn't used to handling the basketball at this level," Oregon head coach Jody Runge said after the game. "To lose two point guards and then try to have a freshman — who's doing a heck of a job — is a tough, emotional adjustment that will take some time for them."

Runge expects a much closer

contest when Oregon and Stanford meet again Feb. 8 in Palo Alto, Calif., where the Ducks have not won since 1987.

"I think this team is really dangerous," Runge said of Stanford. "I think they'll be a better team as they go along. ... They'll be a lot different basketball team the second time around."

"Some people think the measuring stick in this conference is Stanford, and that's certainly been true in the past," Runge added. "But we've beaten them at home now three times, but have yet to beat them at their place, which will be another milestone."

VanDerveer said she sees a much more competitive conference this season and hopes that she's seen the worst of it.

"It's going to be a blood bath," said VanDerveer, who has won two national titles and eight Pac-10 titles at Stanford. "We have our work cut out for us, but I think we'll accept the challenge."

Bellotti was about staying in Eugene if you'd seen him try to answer a question about the USC job, pausing, as if reminding himself why he turned down the Trojans' multi-million dollar contract.

Who knows, maybe his pauses were well-timed efforts to make for a more dramatic interview.

Or maybe the great Bellotti is human, just like the rest of us.

After all, who wouldn't want to raise a family in a pleasant Midwest city, coach one of the best football traditions anywhere and earn a couple million dollars per year?

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How about the Ohio State Buckeyes? They have a decent football tradition, don't they? Check.

And money.

Money, money, money. Would Ohio State pay more than \$600,000 annually? You'd better believe it, so ... check.

And really, that's all there is to it.

If Ohio State offers Bellotti a job and a higher salary — or if it already has — then he will take it.

You'd have sensed how unsure

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