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Portland Trail Blazers guard Damian Lillard looks to pass against Sacramento Kings' Marvin Bagley III and De'Aaron Fox during Monday's game in Sacramento, Calif.

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Kings beat Trail Blazers despite 35 from Lillard

By **MICHAEL WAGAMAN**
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — It hasn't taken long for Marvin Bagley III to regain his rhythm in Sacramento's offense after missing 11 games with an injured left knee.

The second overall pick in the draft still needs to improve his free throw shooting in the fourth quarter, but Bagley is definitely giving the Kings' second unit

quite a lift.

Bagley had 13 points and 11 rebounds for his fifth double-double. De'Aaron Fox scored 16 points and made a key 3-pointer with 1:30 remaining, and Sacramento beat the Portland Trail Blazers 115-107 on Monday night.

"I feel like I was before I got hurt," Bagley said after his fourth game back. "When I was out, I still was around. I was still shooting, still was doing stuff. I wasn't

just sitting out. I was getting in shape, still making sure that I was ready. It wasn't hard to get back into the swing of things."

Bagley made a pivotal 14-foot turnaround jumper early in the fourth quarter, then went over the back of Zach Collins and tipped in an offensive rebound to put the Kings up 100-88.

That anchored a big night from Sacramento's bench, which outscored Portland's reserves 58-34.

Duke stays at No. 1 in AP Top 25; Kentucky, Marquette on the rise

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Duke remained firmly entrenched at No. 1 for a fourth straight week in The Associated Press men's college basketball poll, which was enough to give its Hall of Fame coach another record.

The Blue Devils led an unchanged top 10 in Monday's AP Top 25 and spent their sixth week on top this season. That gave coach Mike Krzyzewski his 122nd week at No. 1 in the AP poll, breaking a tie with the late UCLA coach John Wooden for the most in poll history.

Duke had set a program record for most weeks at No. 1 in the AP poll in November, also by passing UCLA.

The Blue Devils stayed at No. 1 after Atlantic Coast Conference road wins at Wake Forest and Florida State, the latter coming on a last-second 3-pointer by freshman Cam Reddish. Duke received 36 of 64 first-place votes, but was upset at home Monday night by Syracuse in overtime while losing freshman point guard Tre Jones to a shoulder injury in the first half. The school said Jones is out indefinitely as Duke prepares to host No. 4 Virginia in a marquee league matchup between ACC favorites this weekend.

THE TOP TIER

Behind Duke, second-ranked and unbeaten Michigan earned nine first-place votes, third-ranked Tennessee had 13 and Virginia — the only other unbeaten team — had the

remaining six. That quartet is significantly ahead of the rest of the field, with the gap between the Cavaliers and No. 5 Gonzaga (158 points) being bigger than that between Duke and Virginia (85 points).

Michigan State, Kansas, Texas Tech, Virginia Tech and Nevada rounded out the rest of the top 10 for a second straight week.

RISING

The changes started from there after a week that saw 12 of the 15 teams outside the top 10 lose at least once, with five of those losing twice, and combining for 17 losses.

Five teams rose in the new poll, starting with FSU climbing two spots to No. 11 despite the loss to Duke. No. 12 Kentucky was next, joining No. 15 Marquette as the week's biggest climbers by rising six spots.

No. 16 Buffalo and No. 20 Oklahoma (which lost to Texas Tech last week) each rose three spots.

SLIDING

Six teams fell in this week's poll, most notably No. 24 Mississippi State. The Bulldogs lost to South Carolina and Mississippi last week, then fell 10 spots for the biggest slide among ranked teams in this week's poll.

No. 21 Houston fell four spots after suffering its first loss of the season, which came against Temple. No. 14 Auburn and No. 25 Indiana each fell three spots. No. 17 North Carolina State slid two and No. 13 North Carolina fell one.

HOOPS ROUNDUP

Knappa boys' rally tops Naselle

Knappa rallied from an early deficit and avoided what would have been a big upset, scoring a 73-62 win at Naselle in a cross-state boys basketball game Monday night.

Knappa's Timber Engblom and Eli Takalo combined for 45 points, with Engblom scoring a team-high 23.

But it was Naselle that opened the game with a hot hand, leading 15-10 after one quarter and 19-14 midway through the second.

The Loggers went on a 7-0 run to grab a brief 21-19 lead, but the Comets still led at half-time, 30-29.

Naselle's Kolby Glenn scored 17 points in the first half, including five 3-pointers, his fifth at the buzzer to end the second quarter for a one-point lead.

It didn't take long for Knappa to take control in the second half, however.

A 14-7 start to the third period had the Loggers in front to stay, 43-37.

Knappa coach Paul Isom said, "a big second half from Kanai (Phillip, who finished with 14 points) really helped us. He came out really aggressive, and it got the whole team going."

Meanwhile, the Knappa defense held Glenn to just three points in the second half.

The Loggers, 9-5 overall, 5-2 in league, return to Northwest League play Wednesday night at Faith Bible, 1-5 in league.

Naselle outlasts Knappa girls, 67-51

Naselle's Lilli Zimmerman scored 23 points and teammate Emma Columbo added 14, lifting the Lady Comets to a 67-51 win Monday night over visiting Knappa in girls basketball action.

Naselle outscored the Loggers 40-16 in the first and third quarters. The Comets built an eventual 31-point lead, before Knappa went on a 21-6 run in the fourth quarter.

"We just didn't play well in the first and third (quarters)," said Knappa coach Marie Green. "And (the Comets) were making everything in the first half. Everything."

Knappa's scoring eventually came around, sparked by the play of Hannah Dietrichs, who led the Loggers with 16 points.

"Hannah is playing fantastic," Green said. "She was the one who brought the energy and the heat in the fourth quarter. And I was real proud of the way we fought. We were down 31, and just started gradually chipping away, to the point where (the Comets) had to put their starters back in."

Knappa had two other players in double figures, as Madelynn Weaver scored 12 points with eight rebounds and four assists, and Sophia Carlson finished with 10 points, eight steals and eight boards.

Aiko Miller added six points and seven steals for Knappa, which returns to

Northwest League play Wednesday at Faith Bible.

Astoria, Warrenton girls in top 10

Warrenton is fifth in the Class 3A girls basketball coaches poll, and the Astoria girls are ranked 10th in the 4A poll, both released Monday.

The Warriors and Fishermen both have key games Tuesday night, as Warrenton hosts No. 3-ranked Clatskanie, and the Lady Fishermen play at Seaside to open the Cowapa League season.

Girls Basketball 4A Coaches poll (first-place votes in parentheses)

1. Marshfield (12) 120
2. Banks 97
3. North Marion 94
4. Philomath 86
5. Baker 68
6. Hidden Valley 54
7. Stayton 49
8. Marist Catholic 37
9. Newport 18
10. Astoria 16

Others receiving votes: Junction City 14.

3A Coaches poll

1. Blanchet Catholic (9) 107
2. Salem Academy 96
3. Clatskanie (2) 90
4. Burns 78
5. Warrenton 57
6. Amity 53
7. Yamhill-Carlton 46
8. Pleasant Hill 37
9. Riverdale 16
10. Willamina 16

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Boys basketball — Astoria at Seaside, 6 p.m.; Clatskanie at Warrenton, 7:45 p.m.; NW Christian at Ilwaco, 7 p.m.

Girls basketball — Astoria at Seaside, 7:45 p.m.; Clatskanie at Warrenton, 6 p.m.; NW Christian at Ilwaco, 5:45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Girls basketball — Knappa at Faith Bible, 7 p.m.; Perrydale at Jewell, 7 p.m.

Boys basketball — Knappa at Faith Bible, 8:30 p.m.; Perrydale at Jewell, 5:30 p.m.
Swimming — Astoria/Taft at Seaside, 4 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Naselle 67, Knappa 51
 KNA (51): Hannah Dietrichs 16, Weaver 12, Carlson 10, Miller 6, Patterson 3, Corcoran 2, Tischer 2, Nicholson.

NAS (67): Lilli Zimmerman 23, Columbo 14, Steenerson 8, Glenn 7, Scrabbeck 7,

Boys Basketball
 Gudmundsen 6, Dalton 2.
 Knappa 8 14 8 21 — 51
 Naselle 19 21 21 6 — 67

BOYS BASKETBALL

Knappa 73, Naselle 62
 KNA (73): Timber Engblom 23, Takalo 22, Phillip 14, Hoover 5, Ramvick 5, Wallace 2, Westerholm 2, Vanderburg.

Knappa 10 19 24 20 — 73
 Naselle 15 15 14 18 — 62