



B. Chicago [99] of the Lakota Savages evades steal attempt by Lonnie Belgard in All-Indian Basketball Tourney hosted by Oregon State Penitentiary.

OSP Savages lose opener

"I hereby give my consent to have my name and photograph used in the *Portland Observer* on January 27, 1978. I realize that my name and photograph may be used later in the Newspaper." With this waiver being completed and with the help of Warden Cupp we proceeded to Oregon State Penitentiary to cover the second Annual Lakota Basketball Tournament.

We entered the prison door and were told immediately that yours truly could not be allowed inside due to prison rules restricting the wearing of any denim-type pants.

Now the thought of riding eighty miles for nothing wasn't exactly the most entertaining thought in my mind. Fortunately the local prison haberdashery had something in my size and the show was on.

Our next stop was to pass through security, very much like you would encounter at the airport, and for the same reasons we were told. Our photographer, after making two passes, finally made it. The next stage was the entrance to the sanctioned halls of O.S.P. Every fifty yards we passed through heavily guarded, big iron cell doors. Believe me you have a strange feeling as each cell door closes behind and you penetrate deeper and deeper inside the prison walls.

The prison floors were spotless, and it was evident that someone had spent long hours maintaining them. The prisoners themselves were as spotless as the floors, they all wear jeans and most are as impeccable as can be. The brothers wear well-kept afros and, just like on the outside, have their hair neatly done up in

French braids.

After passing through ten locked doors we finally entered the gymnasium. The playing floor was just like any grade school gym. It was over heated and had a ceiling so low that high arching jump shots would and did ricochet off the beams.

The game was held up for 45 minutes due to a mix-up on our part. We thought it was to start at 7:00 p.m., but later learned it was actually scheduled for 6:00 p.m. When we arrived the players were warming-up and ready to go. Instead of the National Anthem being played, as is customary before sporting events in our country, we were treated to the beat of drums that blared softly over the prison gymnasium.

Right away we knew that this was truly an all Indian affair.

The Lakota Savages took the floor against a much bigger Portland five.

The game...well it wasn't fast paced by any stretch of the imagination. O.S.P. was shorter and less talented than their Portland foes, but what they lacked in size they made up in desire and aggressive play.

O.B., the Savage hot-shot, hit three consecutive jumpers to pull his team to a 30-25 half-time deficit. But fouls plagued the Indian star, causing his quick departure and therefore causing his team to fall hopelessly behind.

Lonnie Belgard, 5'8", Portland guard led scorers with a remarkable 37 points, hitting 16-19 shots from the floor.

O.S.P. was led by Herrera with 16, followed by Eggman and Chicago with nine each. The final score was Portland 118, O.S.P. Savages 60.



Sports Talk

by Ron Sykes
Sports Editor

Thunder and lightning struck the Memorial Coliseum Tuesday night. The thunder was the roar of the Memorial Coliseum crowd, while the lightning was the furious attack put on by the Blazers.

Milwaukee's young Bucks matched fire power with Portland for three quarters, but finally yielding to the fast-breaking Blazers mid-way through the final quarter.

It was a free-wheeling game from start to finish, as indicated by the 136-116 score.

As usual the Blazers had everyone involved in the offense, seven players ended up in double figures led by Lionel Hollins with 24 points. Bobby Gross was brilliant, not only did his offense click, but his defense on the hot-shooting Dave Meyers was something to behold. Maurice Lucas was strong and Hollins...just superb.

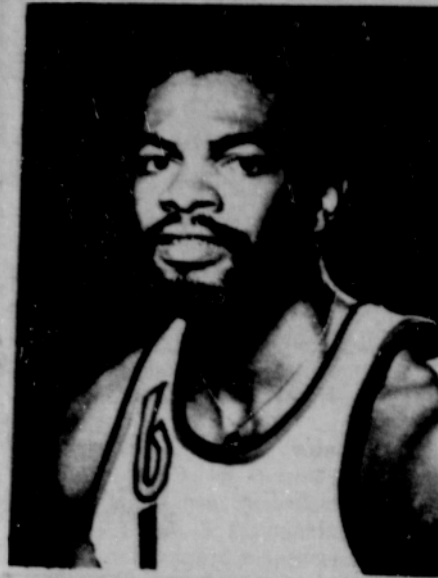
Milwaukee's highly-touted Marcus Johnson played well in the first half, but had his troubles during the fast-paced second half.

Johnson was the victim of numerous second half turnovers, mostly caused by his hot-dogging.

T.R. Dunn seems now to be comfortable in the Blazer offense and as a result seems now to be more assertive.

Earlier Dunn seemed quite reluctant to take his shots...now he doesn't hesitate, which is good. The Blazers now stand 39-8 and should go into the all-star break 40-8, if Golden State falls, as expected Friday night. Lloyd Neal, has played very well and Ramsey has promised Neal a well deserved rest. "Neal will not play Friday," Ramsey said, "He will be given seven days rest to help his aching knee."

Neal should return to action for the Blazers first road game next Tuesday against the New York Knicks.

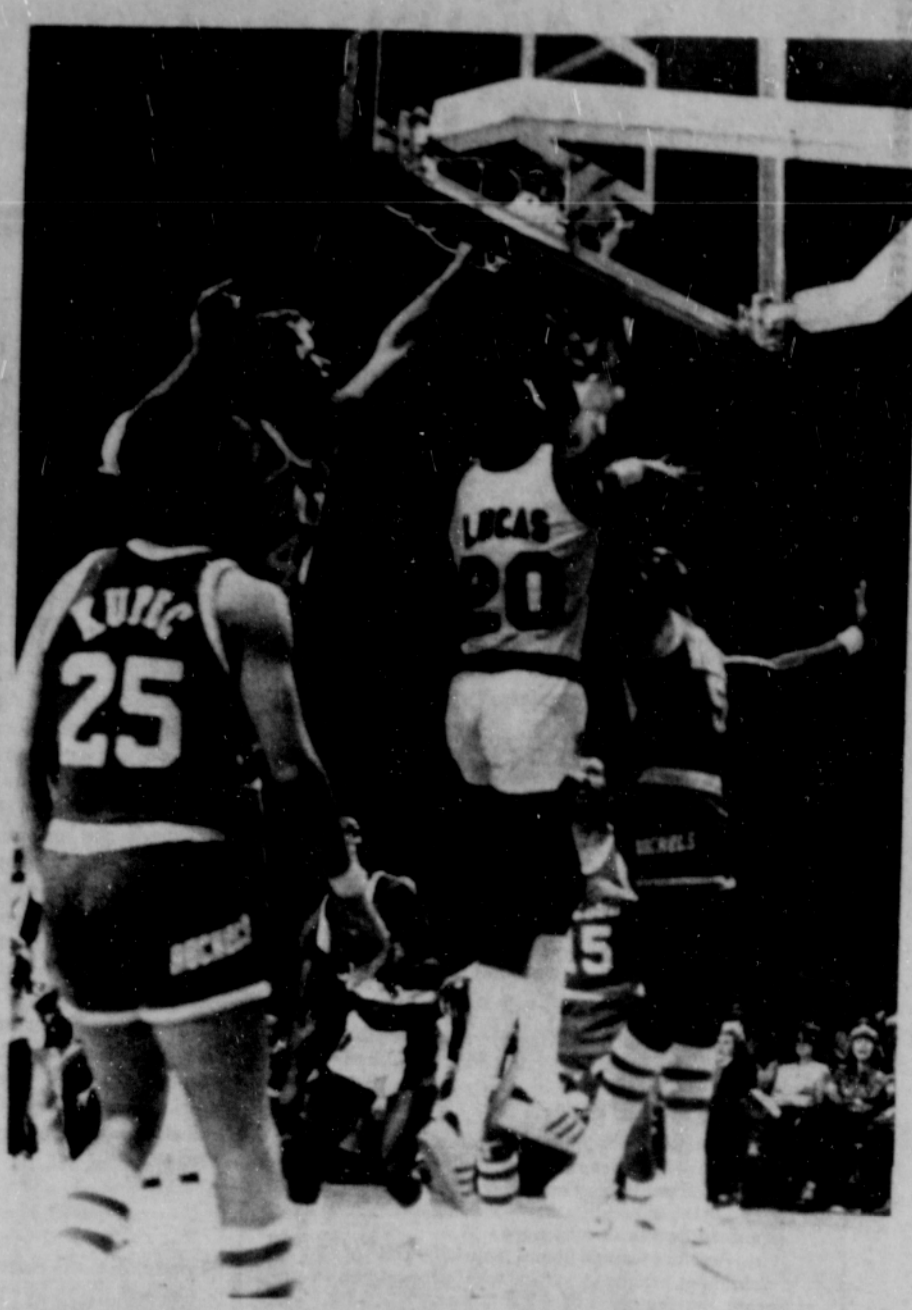


NBA Western Division Coaches Tuesday added Lionel Hollins to the All-Star list.

"I'm glad," Blazer guard Lionel Hollins said, "To be chosen to play with the greats." And with that the best guard in the NBA is finally getting the recognition he so richly deserves. To say the least, it has been a struggle for Hollins in Portland.

His selection must certainly make former Blazer Coach and now Seattle Coach Lenny Wilkins feel proud, for it was Wilkins who kept the faith when so many Blazer fans booed "The Train." Even when the hometown fans booed Hollin's every move, opposing coaches recognized his skills and voted the man from Arizona State to the NBA all rookie team.

By whatever criteria you want to measure Lionel Hollins, "The Train," is simply the best guard in the NBA...



Rockets surrounded Lucas but couldn't contain the 6'6" Blazer power-forward. Lucas had one of his better nights scoring 23 points and 10 rebounds to help Blazers turn back Houston, 123-88. [Photo by Jack Ruback]

PCC hosts Norway girls

Portland Community College features the newest competitive sport in the United States with the presentation of the appearance of a girls rhythmic gymnastic team from Norway.

The show, co-sponsored by the Sons of Norway, will be held in the Sylvania Center gymnasium, 12000 S.W. 49th Avenue, at 8:00 p.m., February 11th. Admission will be \$1 for those over sixteen, 50¢ for those age seven through fifteen, and free for those under seven.

Leader of the group, Randi Norman, is the author of "Gymnastics for Girls and

Women." She has had teaching experience at both the high school and junior college level as well as instruction for performance groups. Her book has been translated into English.

Participants in the group range in age from 13-32. Almost half of them are physical education teachers and most of the others are students.

In addition to Norman, the group is accompanied by Grete Evjenth, choreographer and instructor, and Lasse Netum, pianist who has arranged all of the music for the performance.

Japan-US meet in Eugene

EUGENE, OREGON - What might well serve as a two-nation preview of the 1980 Olympics in gymnastics will be held at the University of Oregon's McArthur Court this Friday (February 3rd) at 7:30 p.m.

The feature event will be an internationally-sanctioned dual meet between the men's teams of Japan and the United States. Also featured will be an exhibition presented by the Japanese national women's team and a team representing the National Academy of Eugene.

The Japanese teams will be coming to Eugene from Seattle, where both were performing earlier in the week in exhibitions. But the men's meet in Eugene will be the only one with scores forwarded to the Federation of International Gymnastics for qualifying at the World Games in France next fall.

The United States men's team will be led by Olympian Kurt Thomas of Indiana State. Oregon coach, Bill Ballester, who

also will serve as USA coach for this meet, believes Thomas "is the best gymnast the United States ever has had." Other members of the "home" team are Olympian Mike Carter of LSU, Jim Keich of Oregon, Gene Wheland of Penn State, Phil Cahoy of Omaha and Jim Hartung, the nation's No. 1 pre gymnast.

Competing for the young women of the Eugene Academy will be three members of the National Junior Elite team now in training for the 1980 Olympics - Amy Machamer, Leslie Pifer and Jayne Weinstein - plus 1976 Olympian Karen Kelsall; Pacific Northwest all-around champion, Laurie Carter, and eleven-year old Tracy Talavera. The Japanese women will be led by Sakiko Nozawa, a 1976 Olympian, who was first in last year's All-Japan junior championships, and the woman she edged for the 1977 title, Yamada Toshiko. The Japanese men's lineup was in flux as they were preparing to leave the Orient. Tickets are \$5 for reserved seats and \$3.50 and \$2.50 for general admission.

NAACP Energy Policy

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domestic crude oil production."

For many years we have been encouraged to believe that a significant percentage of our total energy requirements of the future would be supplied from nuclear power. The National Energy Plan, however, seems to call for a retreat from nuclear energy on the basis that the environmental and safety costs may be too high. The NAACP too is concerned about environmental and safety matters. But as long as fourteen percent of our people are unemployed, as long as the earnings gap between Black and white Americans continues to widen and as long as a majority of Black Americans continue to face a constant struggle to attain even the basic necessities of life, our first priority must be the attainment of economic parity for Black Americans.

We are fearful that an energy policy with an overriding concern for the protection of the environment may cause governmental policy-makers in this area to lose sight of other more compelling economic and social objectives that are more important to Black Americans. The basic approach of the Plan as relates to energy supply reflects the absence of a Black Perspective in its development.

We recognize that nuclear power does present certain problems. But we think these problems can be solved through dedicated efforts by government, the scientific community and industry working cooperatively together. Notwithstanding the claims of opponents of this source of energy, the fact is that nuclear power will be required to meet our future needs for electricity. If we do not move ahead now with nuclear, the next generation is likely to be sitting around in the dark blaming the utilities for not doing something this generation's officials would not let them do.

The National Energy Plan proposes sharp increases in the cost of oil, natural gas and gasoline through a complex

system of new taxes. Domestically produced crude oil would be taxed an amount equal to the difference (in 1980) between the federally controlled price and the world oil price. In addition a tax on the industrial use of oil and natural gas would be imposed that could reach \$3.00 per barrel by 1985. Over the next five years these taxes have been estimated to produce new government revenues of over \$50 billion, which make the "Energy Plan" one of the largest tax increase bills in history. A major portion of these new taxes would be passed on to consumers in the form of higher prices not only for energy products but also for other goods and services. To mitigate the adverse effects on the economy, the Plan does provide for tax rebates to the public and other tax credits. It is estimated that the per capita tax rebates flowing from the crude oil equalization tax in 1978 would range somewhere between \$15 and \$22.

As we understand it the new energy taxes are proposed for the purposes of (1) encouraging energy conservation by making energy more expensive (2) creating incentives for industry to shift from so-called scarce fuels to coal and (3) making oil and natural gas prices roughly equal to their current value in world markets.

For the great majority of people the NAACP represents, the cost of energy today is sufficiently high to discourage any unnecessary use. They have borne the brunt of the four-fold increase in the price of natural gas and skyrocketing increases in electric utility bills since 1973. Even without new energy taxes, we have every reason to believe energy prices will continue to rise at a faster rate than prices for other goods and services for the foreseeable future. This will certainly come about as the percentage of total energy supplies from newer, more expensive sources increases.

If energy prices are to be raised artificially through the mechanism of

taxes, a major portion of the new revenues should be used to develop new energy supply, particularly from non-conventional sources such as coal gasification and liquefaction, oil shale, solar, etc. Putting the funds to such uses appear to us to be much more desirable in terms of the objective of reducing dependence on imported energy than distributing token payments to the general public. The NAACP, therefore, concludes that

there are serious deficiencies in the National Energy Plan as proposed. We recognize that the Congress is now in the process of making certain changes and that the final energy policy that evolves must reflect an accommodation of differing views. This statement of our views will be communicated to the Members of Congress and others who may have an impact on the final outcome of this extremely important policy issue.

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