



Sports Talk

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"Like kissing your sister," Oregon's coach Rich Brooks describing last Saturday's 7-7 tie with Kansas.

Kansas coach Don Fambrough, who elected to go for one point instead of two with 15 seconds remaining in the game, came under heavy criticism from both Oregon and Kansas fans. He obviously was happy by not coming out of the game with a loss. But, really both teams lost the way I see it. Many fans left Antzen Stadium feeling that they were cheated. And when you realize some fans made a two hour drive from Portland to Eugene to see the game only to find that there was really no contest. That's exactly what a tied football game should be counted as.

Of the three major sports, football, basketball and baseball, football is the only game where ties are still allowed. But can you really blame Fambrough when you consider Jayhawk football has been down for so long and Fambrough is surely in a produce or goodbye situation. Remember it was only last year that Fambrough was rehired as Jayhawk coach and only after fans got tired of being the Big-eight doormats. So considering all this it's somewhat easy to see why Fambrough chose as he did.

Billy Ray Bates is probably, check that, is undoubtedly the most talented guard on the current Blazer roster. But don't be surprised to see him on the bench when the starting lineup is announced.

Under Jack Ramsey's system, the guards are not just guards. They're either point guards or off guards. Ron Brewer and Bates are "off guards." Kelvin Ransey and Jim Paxson are point guards. Since point guards are usually smaller, quicker players, it's hard to imagine how the slow, 6-5 Paxson fits this category. So usually you start point guard and off guard, never two



MYCHAL THOMPSON

players from the same group.

So Blazer fans will see Bates and Brewer on the floor together very seldom. At this point they're the best two guards on the roster. With Ransey unsigned, which is ridiculous, and Dave Twardzik nursing a sore back, look for second year man Jim Paxson to start with either Bates or Brewer. My question is this: What makes Paxson a lead guard? My answer is "nothing." If Paxson fits the role then so does Billy Ray.

Sometimes coaches have been accused of stacking Black players at one position in order to play a white player. Lets wait and see if this is happening in Portland. It will also be interesting to see if Mychal Thompson, 6-10, will be moved to center where he should start, or "stacked" behind Kermit Washington at power forward, leaving the center position to Tom

"no jump" Owens and Kevin Kunnert.

When Kelvin does sign this contract he will surely take over the lead guard role. In contrast to Paxson, Ransey ideally fits the role. He's quick, smart, and can bury the 15 footer. After a year's layoff, Thompson appears ready to resume where he left off from his brilliant rookie year. And if Portland is to fight for the division lead, then Mychal Thompson, not Tom Owens must be the starting center, with the strong and tough Kevin Kunnert backing up.

Kunnert is believed to be a big help, if not the key to the pivot position. Kunnert is not a big scorer but can rebound and block up the middle, which Portland so badly needed last year. Bates, Ransey, Thompson, Natt and Washington, it could be a reality, but so far it has never happened in Portland. The

question now is whether the City of Roses is ready for it to happen? Will they accept it? Well, we'll just have to wait and see.

Sunday NFL Games (Ron's picks)

Chicago by 6 over Minnesota. This could be the "Crummy Game" of the week. San Francisco plus 4 is a good bet against a shabby N.Y. Jet team at Shea Stadium. Pittsburgh 10 points better than Cincinnati. The Bengals are 0-2 and soon will be 0-3.

San Diego at Denver close but take Broncos at home. New England at Seattle...without all-pro tight end Russ Francis out with injury, Seahawks by 1.

Tampa Bay is a 6 point underdog at Dallas. Take Tampa with spread. Washington at Oakland...take Redskins and 4. Kansas City at Cleveland, a toss-up. St. Louis at Detroit. Detroit is for real. Take the Lions by 6 1/2.

Adult volleyball will be held Tuesday-Thursday at 7 p.m. at the King Facility. The 10-week session costs \$10 per person, and players should register as a team before Oct. 10.

Open Gym for youngsters 14 and older Tuesday-Thursday from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. at the King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 N.E. 7th St.



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OSU accepts discrimination resolution plan

The complaint alleging sex discrimination in Oregon State University's athletic programs has been resolved by conciliation, the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon announced today. The complaint was lodged by women athletes and others on January 18, 1980. Settlement was concluded on August 25, when Chancellor Roy E. Lieuallen signed an order requiring OSU to comply with the provisions of an agreement reached by the parties on July 11.

The 33-page agreement sets forth the details of a five-year plan to achieve sex equity in OSU's intercollegiate athletic programs as

required by state and federal law. It spells out requirements for equity in dozens of categories, among them recruitment, financial assistance to athletes, coaching, publicity and promotion, administrative support services, employment opportunities, travel, schedules, medical treatment, and equipment and facilities.

ACLU cooperating attorney Pamela Jacklin characterized the agreement as "a beginning and not an end," but stated that OSU "had taken a giant step forward." She and Cynthia Barrett represented the women on ACLU's behalf.

The plan classifies men's and women's teams for inclusion in one

of five categories reflecting levels of competition and geographic regions assigned for travel. It requires that male and female teams within the same category be provided equal opportunity to compete and receive equitable benefits and treatment.

The university will continue to provide financial support per capita to teams in the higher categories than in the lower.

Some women's teams initially may receive proportionately more per-capita support than men's teams in the same category to ensure the development of selected women's sports into higher categories. For example, women's basketball and gymnastics teams will be given preferential treatment to meet the goal of assignment of two women's teams by 1984-85 to the first category, comprised of teams that compete at the national level and are revenue-producing.

The only teams in this category at present are men's football and basketball. They will continue to receive most-favorable treatment by the university.

The agreed-upon five-year plan stipulates exact formula for allocation of financial resources in areas such as scholarships and travel, and provides for a yearly percentage-rate increase for women's teams, calculated so as to reach equity at the end of the period. It bases the allocations on participation rates by men and women in their respective sports. Allowances are made for differentials based on sex-neutral factors and on the necessity to comply with differing rules governing men's and women's sports.

Annual reports are required of the university regarding compliance with the plan and a procedure is established for enforcement of the terms of the agreement.

Plaintiffs have agreed that compliance with the agreement will constitute a full and complete remedy for their complaints.

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