

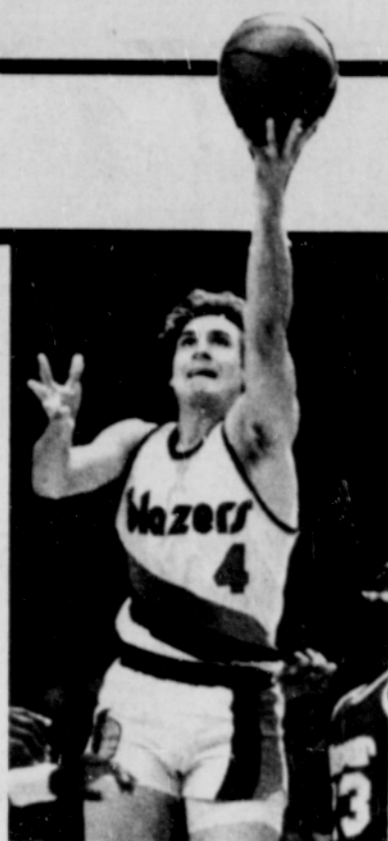
Sport Talk

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Paxson signs

Jim Paxson has signed a six-year deal with the Portland Trailblazers. Terms of the contract were not disclosed but Pax is said to be one of the highest paid guards in NBA history. With a contract like Magic has, this puts our No. 4 in some pretty fast company.

I'm a Paxson fan and I'm glad his brand of ball will remain in Portland for a few more years.



JIM PAXSON

Benson beats Wilson

The Benson Engineers exhibited their poise and composure Thursday night in Civic Stadium, holding off Wilson 21-15 to maintain their unbeaten status in the Portland Interscholastic League football race.

Trailing 7-0 after one quarter, Benson got its act together and Eric Shamsud-Din shaked and baked, with speed, for a 75-yard touchdown run. Quarterback Chris Price then caught the spirit and combined with wide receiver Jeff Maxwell for a 50-yard touchdown pass, and a 7 point lead at halftime.

Midway through the third period Benson's Phil Sturva fumbled a punt return and Wilson's Mike Sherman scooped it up at the Engineer's 6-yard line. On the Trojan's first play, Rob Hendry got the call and ran it home off left tackle. With the tension mounting and the excitement setting in, Wilson Coach Jerry Lyons went for the win. Going for a two-point conversion, quarterback Cam Johnson made the bootleg work and the Trojan's took the lead 15-14. Benson took it like water off a duck's back and Maxwell went to work. He fired to Bryant Scott for 12 and then proceeded to hit Maxwell with passes for 21 and 15 yards. Shamsud-Din took the

mystery out of the night with a 10-yard score and that was all she wrote. Benson 21-15.

Benson garnered 326 yards of total offense to Wilson's 227, and Price passed for 166 yards. Maxwell had five catches for 128 yards, and Shamsud-Din gobbled up 128 yards in 14 carries.

Cleveland began the evening at Civic with a sterling performance highlighted by James Simms scoring three touchdowns, and scorching Lincoln 28-7.

The 21-point second quarter burst by Cleveland would've had Dandy Don singing "Turn Out the Lights" at the half. Lincoln's only score came in the first quarter on a 40-yard touchdown run by Donnie Hines.

Cleveland quarterback Ryan Vikan was 7 of 10 in passing for 168 yards. Simms racked up 90 yards in 12 carries and had touchdown runs of 2 yards, 57 yards and 1 yard.

Grant High's powerful fullback Kevin Hunt went berserk in the first half Friday night in Civic Stadium, and plowed through the Roosevelt defense 20 times for 110 yards

and two touchdowns. The Generals had a total of 26 plays in the half so that tells Hunt's story.

On Grant's first series of the game Hunt mauled Roosevelt's backfield for 32 yards down to the Roughriders' 28-yard line. Two plays later, quarterback Mike Carroll hit receiver Tom Walsh with a 28-yard touchdown pass to start the battle. Grant 7-0.

A fine defensive play by defensive end Todd Schutrop set up a General's recovery of a pitch out on Roosevelt's 25. Grant's Mike Litwin made the recovery. Hunt finished off this series with a 3-yard run up the middle to put the Generals in the driver's seat, 14-0.

With Hunt still on a tear in the first half, the Generals marched downfield, and a tough end zone pass interference call against Roosevelt suddenly found Hunt breathing fire from the 5-yard line. No suspense here, Hunt scored on a 5-yard jaunt and the Generals were up 20-0. Final score, 20-7 Grant. The Generals are in good position with their 4-2 League mark. Considering there are only three weeks left in the regular season, the Generals are in the Hunt for one of the four state playoff spots.

The three-time defending PIL champion Madison Senators rolled to a 27-6 win over winless Marshall Friday night at Civic Stadium.

Madison's Kevin Lowe, a 5-foot-8, 155-pound halfback ran the ball for 122 yards in 9 carries and scored a touchdown. He also caught a 32-yard touchdown pass and had a 80-yard touchdown run called back because of a penalty.

Madison's first score came just 22 seconds into the game. On the first play after the kickoff, Minuteman quarterback Randy Gregory's pitch-out fell into enemy hands. Dave Marks of Madison recovered at the 22. Two plays later Tyrone Williams went over the top for the Senators' first score. Enter Mr. Lowe. With 2:35 remaining in the first quarter, Lowe returned a punt 10

yards to Madison's 41. On the first play from scrimmage, he took an option pitchout left in the wishbone-set and moved for the sideline, juked back to the middle and cruised for the score on a 59-yard scoring play.

Kevin Felt's pass interception at the Madison 45 set up the Senators' third score. Quarterback John Power found Lowe easing down the right sideline for a 32-yard touchdown strike.

The Senators moved out 27-0 in the third quarter when Tyrone Williams went up the middle but fumbled near the 7, and Todd Powers recovered on the 1 and fell into the end zone for the score.

Mashall's lone score came when Ken Kaer ran for 13 yards off left tackle. Madison's record stands at 5-1 for the season. Do you get the feeling that the Senators are waiting for Benson to miscue?

PIL Standings

League	W	L	T	Pts
Benson	6	0	0	12
Cleveland	5	1	0	10
Madison	5	1	0	10
Grant	4	2	0	8
Franklin	3	3	0	6
Wilson	3	3	0	6
Roosevelt	2	4	0	4
Jefferson	1	5	0	2
Lincoln	1	5	0	2
Marshall	0	6	0	0

Thursday Results	Friday Results
Jefferson 19, Franklin 33	Marshall 6, Madison 27
Lincoln 7, Cleveland 28	Grant 20, Roosevelt 7
Wilson 15, Benson 21	

League	W	L	T	Pts
Lincoln	7	0	0	14
Cleveland	7	21	0	0-28

Player	Team	Yards	Carries	TDs
Simms	Cleveland	168	12	3
Hines	Lincoln	40	1	1
Payne	Lincoln	8	1	0
Williams	Madison	57	1	1
Simms	Madison	1	1	0
Walsh	Grant	28	1	1
Hunt	Grant	5	1	1
Hunt	Grant	5	1	1
George	Madison	19	1	1
Walsh	Grant	28	1	1
Hunt	Grant	3	1	1
Hunt	Grant	5	1	1
George	Madison	19	1	1

National

Detroit pulled it off and went wire to wire with ease as they captured the 1984 World Series 4-1 over the San Diego Padres.

San Diego was in trouble from the jump with poor starting pitching, and "The Goose" never did get loose. The Padres hung tough but the Tigers applied steady pressure throughout the Series.

Alan Trammell was voted Series MVP and certainly played like it. Trammell had nine hits in 20 at-bats, drove in six runs and scored four. Four of the RBIs came in Detroit's pivotal fourth-game victory when he accounted for all the Tigers' runs with a pair of two-run homers. We won't discuss the fact that I picked Detroit in six.

Lee Elder, who led from start to finish in Tiger fashion, scored birdies on three of his first five holes and coasted to a 6-stroke victory in the \$150,000 Suntime Senior Classic.

Elder fired a 2-under par 70 in the final round to pull away from Gay Brewer and Miller Barber, his only real challengers, to claim his first title on the Professional Golfer's Association Senior Tour for golfers 50 and older.

He had only two letdowns, bogeys on No. 7 and No. 10 in the final round, on his way to a three-round total of 16-under-par 200.

"I felt it was in the bag after I got off to a quick start," said Elder, whose largest lead was eight strokes.

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