

SPORTS

Marshall Upsets Wilson In PIL

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

The Marshall Minutemen handed the Wilson Trojans their second loss in a row with a 23-20 upset at Marshall's home field. Marshall scored all its touchdowns on short runs. Tom Stewart's three yards made it 7-0. Next, Robby Buen scored on a four-yard run as the Minutemen went up 13-0 after the first quarter.

The Trojans tied the game by halftime, and took a 20-13 lead in the fourth quarter. But with 8:20 left in the game, senior lineman Steve Geisler scored a safety on James Ward of Wilson to five the emotional edge to Marshall. Then with a little more than four minutes to go in the game, junior halfback Damion

Martindale scored on a one-yard run for a 22-20. Stewart's run for the extra point gave Marshall a 2-0 record.

Next up for the Minutemen are the Techmen from Benson at Marshall's home field on Friday at 4:00 p.m.

In other PIL action, Cleveland behind Derek Johnson, came back from 14-0, to beat Jefferson 21-14 at Jefferson.

Lincoln, after losing last week, got by Franklin 19-12 on their home field. Grant evened its record at 1-1 with a 20-13 win over Madison as Greg Dumas ran for two scores on runs of 12 and 17 yards.

In a nonleague game Roosevelt dropped to 0-2 after losing to Central Catholic 31-25.

"Shoot For Hope" Youth Outreach

"Shoot For Hope" a popular youth outreach program aimed at gang affected, and at-risk youth provides an alternative to gang activity, and drug abuse.

In 1988, a youth program was initiated by collaborating agencies utilizing the gym at the Grace Collins Memorial Center.

The intent was to reach at-risk youth and give them a constructive alternative to gang involvement and drugs.

After a period of inactivity for seven months, the Grace Collins Memorial Center decided to once again provide the youth of our community this activity.

The program offers a format of individual one on one basketball, and the best out of 15 freethrows. Speakers address topics of drug abuse, gangs, and education. Awards and prizes are also given. The center provides snacks during intermission between the competition and speaker.

Several area merchants, such as Fred Meyer, One Stop Records and McDonalds have contributed merchandise for prizes.

Recently the House of Umoja has joined in partnership in the operation of the program.

"Shoot For Hope" is scheduled for once a month currently. However, plans are to expand it to twice a month by December.

"Shoot For Hope" is open to all ages, both boys and girls. If you have any questions regarding "Shoot For Hope" contact Dan Bell at 281-6930 or 249-3750.

PPL Employees Help School Children

Many local students will have new supplies to begin the school year, thanks to efforts of Pacific Power employees.

For the third year, local Pacific Power employees have donated new school supplies in a "Send Them Back to School With the Right Tools" campaign to help elementary school children who may not otherwise be able to get new supplies.

Notebooks, paper, pencils and other items necessary for a successful school year are all included in the donations. The Portland area campaign proceeds will go to Sabin Elementary School in Northeast Portland.

Several other Pacific Power offices throughout the Northwest also participate in school supply drives each August. Some also reach out to community members, who have responded generously with donations. For example, in Coos Bay, more than 700 items were gathered for local children.

Meet New Blazer Tracy Murray

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Last week I began a four-week series on Portland's newly acquired Trail blazers in which I introduced you to the Rod Strickland. This week I would like you to get to know another Trail Blazer -- Tracy Murray.

Tracy Murray, a two-time all-Pacific 10 Conference player at UCLA and the 18th selection in this year's NBA Draft, was acquired by the Portland Trail Blazers from the Milwaukee Bucks in exchange for forward Alaa Abdelnaby.

Murray, a 6-foot-7, 228-pound forward left UCLA as a junior after earning first team all-conference honors the past two seasons. He surpassed Bill Walton and moved into fifth on UCLA's all-time scoring list with 1792 points in just three seasons and finished as the second-best three-point shooter in Pac-10 history with 197 (.411). Noted as one of the nation's best shooters, Murray averaged 21.4 points in 33 games this season, shooting .538 from the field, .500 from three-point range and .800 at the free throw line.

"Murray is a terrific perimeter shooter with a very bright future in the NBA," said Bucky Buckwalter, Portland's vice president of basketball operations. "Most observers feel that Tracy would have been a lottery pick in next year's draft had he not come out early this year. He has the potential to be an outstanding player in our league for many years to come."

Murray led the Pacific 10 Conference in three-point shooting and ranked third in scoring last season. He also ranked among the conference's top ten in rebounding (7.0), blocked shots (30), field goal percentage, free throw percentage and steals (53). An early entry candidate for the 1992 NBA Draft, Murray finished his collegiate career as the sixth player in UCLA history to total 600 points in two seasons (Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Bill Walton, Don MacLean, Reggie Miller and Gail Goodrich). His career scoring average of 18.3 points per game ranks fifth in UCLA history, behind Abdul-Jabbar (26.4), MacLean (20.6), Walton (20.3) and Goodrich (19.0).

Murray's brilliant collegiate career included strong performances against the two Oregon programs. Against the University of Oregon last February 15, he converted six of eight three-point field goals attempts, one shy of the UCLA record, en route to a team-high 22 points. His seven steals against Oregon State on January 18 tied a school record held by Pooh Richardson, Reggie Miller and Tyus Edney.

This season, Murray scored at least 20 points in 24 of his 33 games, notched 19 points in two others and led UCLA in scoring on 19 occasions (including ties), and UCLA logged a 35-11 record in those contests (20-4 last season).

As a sophomore, Murray earned all-Pac 10 first team honors after aver-

aging 21.2 points and 6.7 rebounds per game and shooting .503 from the field, .794 at the line and .386 from three-point distance. That season, he became the second-highest scoring sophomore in school history behind Abdul-Jabbar's 29.0 average in 1967. He finished the year ranked fifth on the conference scoring list and totalled 20 points in 14 of 18 league games.

In 1990, Murray was named to the Pac 10's all-freshman team after averaging 12.3 points and 5.5 rebounds while starting 18 of 33 games. He led the Bruins in blocked shots with 26, ranked second in field goal percentage (.442) and third in scoring and rebounding.

During his high school career at Glendora High School, Murray amassed 3,053 points, the highest total ever recorded by a California prepster. As a senior, he led the nation with his 44.3 scoring average and set California state records with 1,505 points and 125 three-point field goals. He was selected first-team all-America by McDonald's; second-team all-America by Basketball Times; earned a third-team berth by Hoop Scoop; was selected Gatorade Pacific Region Player of the Year; Cal-Hi Sports California Player of the Year; earned all-state first team honors from Californian Basketball magazine; was voted CIF Division III Player of the year, San Gabriel Valley Player of the Year by the Los Angeles Times and all-Southern California by the Herald-Examiner after his senior season.



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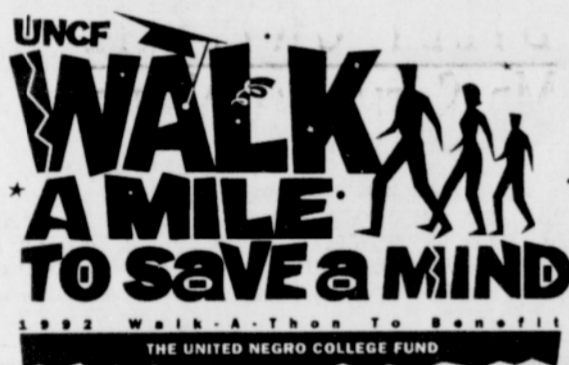
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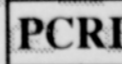
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