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# Civil War Could Lead to Rose Bowl

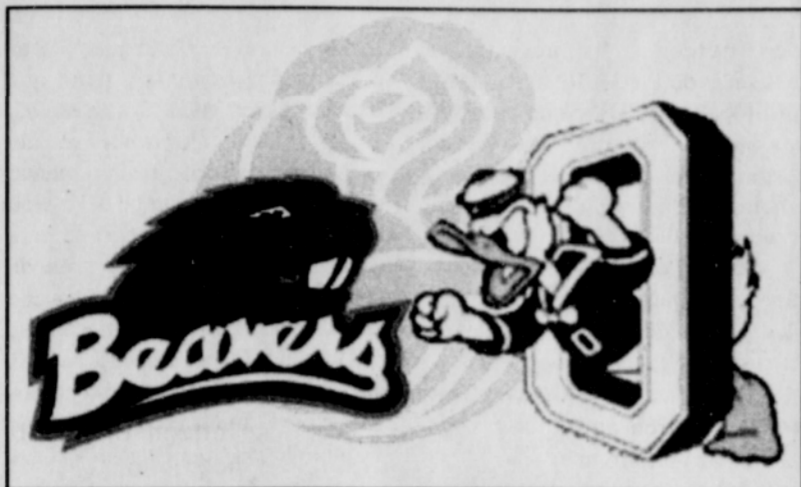
The first shots have been fired in Oregon's infamous Civil War football game.

Someone thought that the "O" on Skinner Butte in Eugene needed a little makeover and spray-painted the usually yellow letter bright orange.

But the real war is just beginning. Oregon State stands as the favorite in a lot of minds, largely because of an easy win (33-9) at Arizona last Saturday.

In terms of national interest and bowl implications, it's a Civil War game for the ages.

The big game could produce a Rose Bowl invite. For the Ducks, it's simple—if they win Saturday, it's the PAC-10 championship and they're in



the Rose Bowl.

For the Beavers, it's a little more difficult. They need to win and then

hope that Washington State upsets Washington in the Apple Cup. That game will be played in Pullman, Wash.

If both Oregon State and Washington win, the Huskies will go to the Bowl since they beat the Beavers earlier this year.

But the losers of the Rose Bowl race could still end up in a big time bowl game—all three are ranked in the top ten in this week's BCS poll.

Here's a quick breakdown of the run for the Rose Bowl:

Oregon goes if they beat Oregon State; Oregon State goes if they beat Oregon and Washington loses to Washington State; and Washington goes if they beat Washington State and Oregon State beats Oregon.

The Civil War game is at Reser Stadium in Corvallis Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

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# Rasheed, Blazers Nix Nets 94-82

## First Game In East Coast Road Trip Goes In Portland's Win Column

The Portland Trail Blazers were well aware that Stephon Marbury had just won NBA Player of the Week honors, and they had a plan to stop him.

Limiting the Nets' transition opportunities and wearing down New Jersey with their depth, the Trail Blazers contained Marbury and controlled most of the game in a 94-82 victory Monday night.

"You try to eliminate his rhythm shots and transition baskets," Portland's Greg Anthony said. "We controlled the tempo, which was important because they're one of the top three transition teams in the league along with Sacramento and Phoenix."

Marbury, who began the night as the NBA's leading scorer, was held to 24 points on 9-for-22 shooting.

Rasheed Wallace had 16 points, 11 rebounds, four blocks and another technical foul. Steve Smith scored 17

points, Bonzi Wells and Shawn Kemp had 15 each and Dale Davis added 12 points and 17 rebounds.

Nets coach Byron Scott drew two quick technicals and an automatic ejection from referee Derrick Stafford just moments after Wallace was tagged with his sixth technical of the season.

The Blazers started steadily pulling away after Scott was tossed and went on to their fourth straight victory as they began a 10-day, seven-game road trip up and down the East Coast.

Next up is a game at Atlanta, then trips to Toronto, Miami, Orlando, Washington and Milwaukee.

"If you play in the Northwest, they give you the worst travel schedule," Anthony said. "It's a tough trip, but that's why this game was so important for us to keep up our momentum."

Wallace, who set an NBA record with 38 technical fouls last season,



Rasheed Wallace shoots over Nets rookie Kenyon Martin.

picked up another from referee Bernie Fryer for arguing a non-call when he thought he was fouled.

"For the amount of contact there was on that play—there was a definite collision—that's honestly a time when the

refs have to realize that a player is going to have a response," Dunleavy said.

Marbury hit the technical free throw to make it 61-57, but Scott was ejected just 26 seconds later.

"I said a few things, but I don't think there was anything I said that I should have been ejected for," said Scott, who engaged the officiating crew in a brief staredown as the teams left the court at halftime. "He (Stafford) seemed ticked off from the time he stepped on the court. After the first tech he said something to me, and I said something I shouldn't have."

"After I got the two techs, the whole complexion of the game changed. I take full responsibility."

Two foul shots by Smith for the technicals made it 63-57, and Portland's lead was up to 77-68 entering the fourth.

Marbury hit a 3-pointer early in the fourth but then went to the bench for a brief rest with the Nets trailing 77-73, and it was 80-73 by the time he returned two minutes later.

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**Blazers Activate Sabonis**

Harvey placed on injured list

The Portland Trail Blazers have placed forward Antonio Harvey on the injured list with right knee pain and have activated center Arvydas Sabonis.

Sabonis has been sidelined since undergoing pre-season surgery on his left knee to repair a slightly torn meniscus.

# Globetrotters Win Streak Ends

The speech was one that Harlem Globetrotters owner and general manager Manny Jackson hasn't needed very often.

In fact, it had been five years since he last used it.

"You saw history tonight," Jackson said Monday after No. 3 Michigan State beat his barnstorming team 72-68 to end its 1,270-game winning streak.

"How many people were here, 20,000? In 10 years there will be 10 million who said they saw this game. People don't expect us to lose."

The defeat was the Globetrotters first since a Kareem Abdul-Jabbar All-Star team beat them in Vienna,

Austria, on Sept. 12, 1995.

The Globetrotters, who beat NCAA Division II champion Metro State of Colorado last week in the first of three college exhibition games, gave the defending Division I champions all they could handle.

The Globetrotters led by eight points early in the second half before Michigan State took the lead on a spectacular dunk by Jason Richardson with 13:10 left. A 13-2 run gave the Spartans a 64-51 lead with just under four minutes remaining.

The Globetrotters went to a full-court press and eventually cut the lead to 68-66 with 39 seconds left on a layup by Wayne Turner after a steal

by Donnie Boyce. Moments earlier, Alex Sanders converted a four-point play.

But Charlie Bell, who led all scorers with 21 points, made a layup and two free throws in the final 11 seconds to secure the win for Michigan State.

Ending the Globetrotters' winning streak wasn't cause for celebration by the Spartans.

"I was totally, and I mean totally, disappointed with the effort we gave tonight," Michigan State coach Tom Izzo said. "I think that's a direct reflection on me as a coach. I'm going to take full responsibility for it. We got beat time after time on effort-related things."

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# Randy Johnson Voted National League Cy Young Winner

Arizona's Randy Johnson was the overwhelming winner of the National League Cy Young Award on Tuesday, his second straight award and third of his career.

Johnson, who also won the 1995 award with Seattle, received 22 of 32 first-place votes in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Johnson, 37, also got seven seconds and two thirds for 133 points.

"There was a lot of competition this year," Johnson said. "Every year as I get older, it is harder to put the numbers up. The biggest gratification I get is doing it at an age when a lot of people thought I might be over the hill."

Atlanta's Tom Glavine finished second with 64 points, getting four firsts, 12 seconds and eight thirds. Greg Maddux of Atlanta was third with 59 points, followed by Robb Nen of San Francisco (20), Darryl Kile of St. Louis (8) and Kevin Brown of Los Angeles (4).

Johnson joined Maddux and Sandy Koufax as the only back-to-back winners in the NL. Maddux won four straight

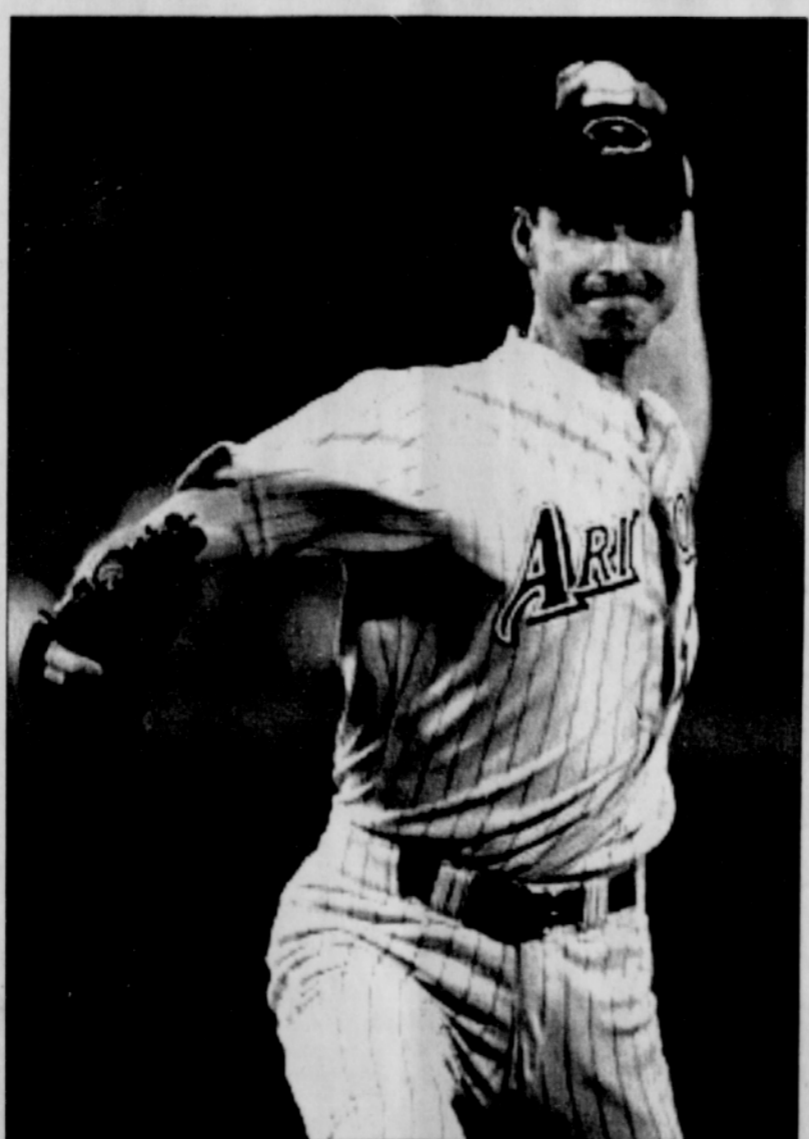
from 1992-95 and Koufax won in 1965-66. The Big Unit also became the eighth pitcher to win three Cy Youngs in his career. Boston's Pedro Martinez won his third on Monday.

Roger Clemens has five, followed by Steve Carlton and Maddux with four each. Koufax, Tom Seaver and Jim Palmer also have three.

After going 14-2 with a 1.80 ERA before the All-Star break, Johnson faltered down the stretch as Arizona fell out of the pennant race. He won only five times in his final 16 starts, going 5-5 with a 3.81 ERA after the break.

"I wish I had finished stronger, but I still feel that from start to finish it was a pretty good year," Johnson said. "I was extremely blessed in the first half and things didn't go as well in the second half."

Nevertheless, Johnson finished the year with a 2.64 ERA—second in the league to Los Angeles' Kevin Brown (2.58)—while leading the league in strikeouts (347) and winning percentage (.731), and was tied for first in complete games (8) and shutouts (3).



Randy Johnson is once again voted the National League's Cy Young Award winner.

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