

## Rose Bowl Win

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left, Russell Wilson moved the Badgers to the Oregon 25 with two long passes, but the Badgers were down to 2 seconds and no timeouts. After waiting for the ball to be set, Wilson spiked it to set up a last-ditch heave to the end zone, but the clock hit zeros while he did it.

The Ducks held each other back on the sideline during a video review that confirmed time had run out. They stormed the hallowed field after holding Wisconsin scoreless in the fourth quarter, celebrating the biggest victory yet in Kelly's three-year football revolution.

"We had no doubt this year that we were going to come out and do big things," said Darron Thomas, who passed for 268 yards. "It's a big statement for the Oregon program."

Indeed: The last time Oregon won the Rose Bowl, beating Penn 14-0 in 1917, the players wore leather helmets, not the impossibly shiny creations they sported Monday. The Ducks' innovations aren't confined to their wardrobes, and Oregon has now proved its unorthodox style can win even the biggest games.

"None of us were around 95 years ago, and we never talked about it," Kelly said. "We're a forward-thinking operation, and we're always looking ahead."

Oregon's forward-thinking schemes produced 621 total yards — second-most in Rose Bowl history — against the tough Badgers, playing at its usual frantic pace until the final whistle. Lavasier Tuinei caught eight passes for 158 yards and two TDs, including the go-ahead score with 14:35 to play.

Montee Ball rushed for 122 of his 164 yards in the first half for the Badgers (11-3), who lost the Rose Bowl for the second straight year despite managing 508 yards of their own. Wilson repeatedly moved Wisconsin in the final minutes of his spectacular single season, but Abbrederis' mistake and the expiring clock were too much.

"It would have been nice to have a chance there," said Wilson, who passed for 296 yards and two scores. "With 1 second left, I think we could have capitalized."

The Ducks don't doubt it. The Granddaddy of Them All had never seen this many points, beating the record 80 scored by Washington and Iowa in 1991.

"We knew we had to score almost every time we touched the ball," Wisconsin tailback James White said.

The Ducks and Badgers produced the highest-scoring first quarter (14-14) and first half (28-28) in Rose Bowl history, eventually surpassing Washington's 46-34 win over Iowa 21 years ago when Wisconsin coach Bret Bielema was a Hawkeyes lineman. Oregon's yardage fell just short of USC's 633 yards against Illinois in 2008.



Oregon's De'Anthony Thomas (6) celebrates his 64-yard touchdown with Mark Asper (79) during the second half of the Rose Bowl NCAA college football game against Wisconsin, Monday, in Pasadena, Calif. (AP photo)

## New Year, New Wages

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"I have to find a way to make due and cancel the unnecessary," she said.

Owner Jin Ryu of Js Food Mart at 33rd and Killingsworth, said a bad economy was making it tough financially for everyone.

Although the 30 cent increase to employee's wages weren't mandatory under law until the New Year started, Ryu said he adjusted his employee's paychecks a couple of months ago when the announcement of the increase became known.

"I want my employees to be happy, which benefits me as well," he said. "I try to be over, not less, than the minimum wage. The economy is getting worse."

According to OCPP, Oregon's minimum wage has yet to recover its purchasing power peak of 35-years-ago.

In 2011 dollars, Oregon's minimum wage reached \$9.09 in 1976, almost 60 cents per hour higher than the current minimum wage.

Oregon's minimum wage, how-

ever, is the second highest in the nation, trailing only to Washington, which saw its minimum hourly wage rise to \$9.04 this year.

"Oregon is the second highest in the nation, but that doesn't mean the minimum wage policy is good or bad," said Ryu.

Eddie De Leon, 23, has received a minimum wage from the 76 Food Mart located at Northeast Killingsworth and Martin Luther King Boulevard as a gas attendant for two-years now.

Although the changes will make everyday expenses more reasonable, he said, "Minimum wage is okay for me."

"A growing body of research supports the view of increases in the minimum wage as an economic boost that does not dampen job creation or raise costs to consumers," Sheketoff said. "The \$624 in additional pay for a full-time worker is modest and predictable."

De Leon added, however, with unemployment high, he is simply thankful to have a job at the beginning of this New Year.

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