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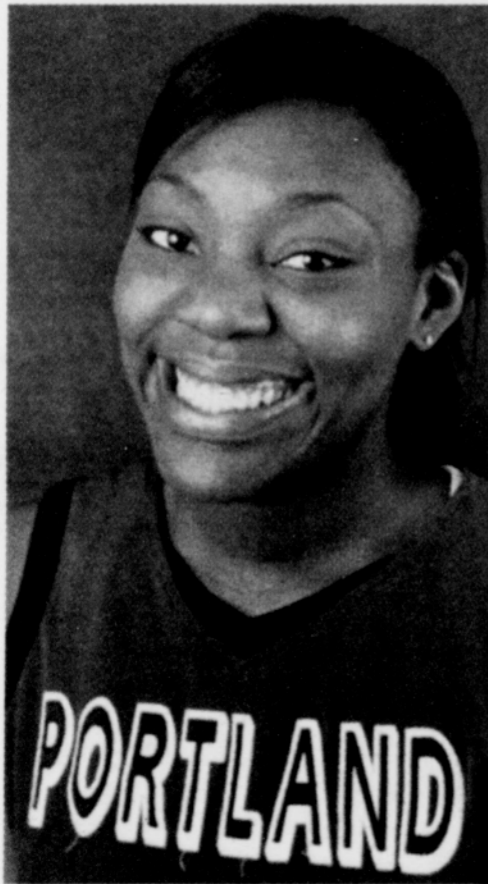
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Education is the Prize

Athlete soars on court and in the classroom

BY JOHN WYKOFF

Portland State University forward Stephanie Egwautu has had her eye on the prize since she was in the fourth



Stephanie Egwautu

grade—the same year she brought home a C in English on a progress report.

“My mom really ripped me apart,” she recalled. “You know, I just wanted to have

fun, but she told me that education was the most important thing in my life. After that, I never got anything but As.”

The 5-foot-9 college senior said, “That’s when I got my stuff together.”

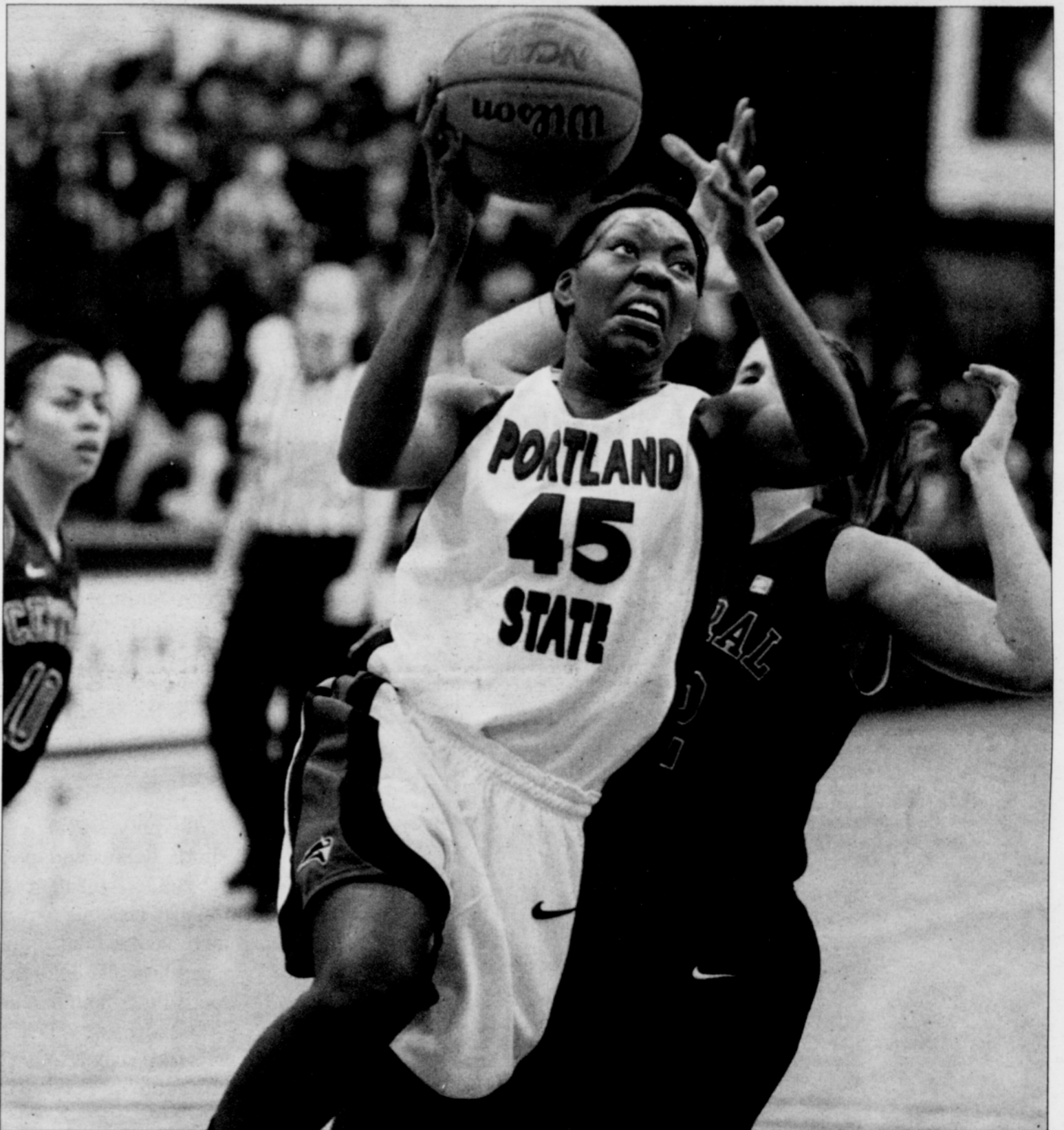
Hitting the books was a major factor in her slow start on the basketball court this year, when both she and her coaches say she was just beginning to play up to her potential, earning her first career start against Northern Arizona on Feb. 5.

Egwautu has wanted to be a physician for as long as she can remember, and by fall term she was carrying 14 hours of pre-med courses, including the demanding organic chemistry.

“I missed practice every Tuesday and Thursday because of labs, and my teammates said the only time they saw me was in the locker room,” she said.

And, in the short run, that’s too bad because both she and Viking Associate Head Coach

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Portland State University forward Stephanie Egwautu excels on the basketball court where she has earned a starting position. She is also accomplished in the classroom, where she has a 3.2 grade point average as a pre-med major.

Non-profit puts Used Goods to Good Use



Families and individuals in need come to the Community Warehouse, 3969 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., for essential household goods and furniture.

Donations fill need at Community Warehouse

Each week, social services agencies bring over 40 families to the Community Warehouse in northeast Portland to get the basic household items and furniture they need to turn their empty housing into comfy homes.

But for the first time in many months, the warehouse does not have enough items to meet its

needs.

The holidays always bring in an abundance of donations from the community, but as the season of giving comes to a close and spring cleaning hasn’t quite kicked off, the warehouse often finds itself empty and in pressing need for donations.

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