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Knicks drop franchise record 16th straight game

LONDON (AP) — O.J. Mayo scored 22 points, Brandon Knight had 20 points and six steals, and the Milwaukee Bucks routed the New York 95-79 on Thursday night, extending the Knicks' franchise-record losing streak to 16.

The return of Carmelo Anthony and Amare Stoudemire did little to spark the Knicks, an NBA-worst 5-36.



Jones says he'll return to Buckeyes

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio State quarterback Cardale Jones, 3-0 as a college starter including a win in the national championship game, says he will return to the Buckeyes for his final two years of eligibility.

Jones called it a "very simple" decision, which he announced Thursday at a packed news conference at his former high school in Cleveland.

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The move surprised many who expected the fanfare meant he would make himself available for the NFL draft.

The 6-foot-5, 250-pounder will return to vie for the QB job with Braxton Miller and J.T. Barrett.

Rivers traded to dad's Clippers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Austin Rivers has joined the Los Angeles Clippers to play for Doc Rivers in the first father-son, player-coach combination in NBA history.

The Clippers acquired Austin Rivers from the Boston Celtics on Thursday in a deal that included the Phoenix Suns.

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"Personally I've been involved in these negotiations continuously since the very first ... I can say I'm not sure there's a point where I personally observed (Mayweather) wanting it more than over the last few months."

— Stephen Espinoza Showtime executive on the negotiations between boxers Manny Pacquiao and Floyd Mayweather Jr. for a long-anticipated fight.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS 1993 — Michael Jordan scores 64 points, but Chicago loses in overtime by visiting Orlando 128-124. The Magic are led by rookie center Shaquille O'Neal, who has 29 points and 24 rebounds.

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UMATILLA



The Vikings' Courtney Dohman takes aim Thursday in Umatilla as Kassidy McCullough, of Riverside, defends.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Vikings reject Pirates

By ERIK SKOPIL
East Oregonian

With Eastern Oregon League play hitting full stride, Umatilla coach Scott Bow has begun to recognize trends from his fourth-ranked Vikings.

For the second consecutive contest the team's active defense wreaked havoc, pressing the youthful Riverside Pirate backcourt into giveaway after give-

away — 38 total for the game — in a 42-27 victory Thursday at Umatilla High School.

"Umatilla is fourth in state for a reason," Riverside coach Kevin Gilbertson said. "They play hard. Those girls hustle."

The hustle and clamp down mimicked the Vikings (13-3, 2-0 EOL) first league win over Nyssa Saturday, when they held the Bulldogs to a measly 21 points.

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GIRLS HOOPS



Umatilla
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Riverside
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UMATILLA

Umatilla races past Riverside

By SAM BARBEE
EO Media Group

Up by six at halftime, the Umatilla boys arrived to the court 10 seconds before the start of the third quarter. Viking head coach Derrek Lete was already at his bench. His address was short and sweet, and appeared to be affective.

The Vikings would outscore the Riverside Pirates by 10 in the third quarter, and went on to win their second Eastern Oregon League game in as many tries 56-38 on Thursday night in The Pit.

Despite the 22-point win, Lete was not thrilled with his team's performance.

"We definitely didn't play up to our potential," he said. "We were flat the whole night. Our bench was flat. Our leadership was not there."

Sophomore Jesus Ramirez and freshmen Kaden Webb drove the Vikings. Ramirez

BOYS HOOPS



Umatilla
56



Riverside
38



Sam Barbee photo

Riverside's Juan Villa (30) drives by Umatilla's Edgar Morales (32) during the first half of Umatilla's 56-38 win over the Pirates on Thursday night in Umatilla.

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PENDLETON

Bucks box out Tigers

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LA GRANDE — The Pendleton Buckaroos didn't let their halftime deficit to La Grande rush their approach to the second half.

The visiting Bucks overpowered the Tigers to take control in the third quarter, then hit crucial free throws in the final minute



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La Grande
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Oregon State's Olaf Schaftenaar, right, defends Washington's Robert Upshaw (24) in the first half of an NCAA college basketball game Thursday in Seattle.

AP Photo/Elaine Thompson



College Basketball

Huskies pull away late

Beavers, Ducks lose in Pac-12 play

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Mike Anderson scored all 11 of his points in the second half, Andrew Andrews added 12 off the bench, and Washington snapped a four-game losing streak with a 56-43 win over Oregon State on Thursday night.

After an ugly first half, Anderson came up big in the second half as the Huskies (12-4, 1-3 Pac-12) avoided starting Pac-12 Conference play 0-4. Anderson knocked down a trio of 3-pointers, and his last with 2:50 remaining gave Washington a 49-41 lead.

Robert Upshaw added 12 points, 15 rebounds and six blocks for Washington.

Malcolm Duvivier and Jarmal Reid led Oregon State (11-5, 2-2)

with 10 points each, but the Beavers were unable to build on last Sunday's upset of Arizona.

The matchup featured Washington's Shawn Kemp Jr. and Oregon State's Gary Payton II meeting on the court for the first time in college, with their famous fathers watching from the stands.

The elder Payton started the game watching behind the Oregon State bench before joining the elder Kemp courtside as the former Seattle SuperSonics teammates watched their sons meet.

Both teams had scoring droughts of more than 8 minutes in the first half. They combined for 14 made field goals and 16 turnovers. Washington went more than 9 minutes without scoring until Kemp's basket at the rim with 1:14 left in the half. Andrews added a pair of free throws in the

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