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Paterno again winningest coach

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Penn State's football team is getting back 112 wins wiped out during the Jerry Sandusky child molestation scandal and the late Joe Paterno has been restored as the winningest coach in major college football history.



The NCAA announced the new settlement with the school weeks before a scheduled trial on the legality of the 2012 consent decree it will replace.

The new deal also directs a \$60 million fine to address child abuse be spent within Pennsylvania and resolves that lawsuit.

The NCAA board of governors approved the settlement, said association spokesman Bob Williams. The Penn State board was discussing the deal Friday afternoon.

Chicago taps John Fox as new coach

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — The Chicago Bears have hired John Fox as their new coach.

The Bears announced the move on Friday, just four days after Fox and the Denver Broncos parted ways.

Fox was widely seen as a strong candidate to replace the fired Marc Trestman once he left the Broncos on Monday, given his record and his ties to consultant Ernie Accorsi and new general manager Ryan Pace.

Fox was the defensive coordinator for the New York Giants from 1997 to 2001 when Accorsi was the GM. Saints coach Sean Payton was the offensive coordinator for part of that time. Pace was hired out of New Orleans' front office.

Fox won the AFC West all four seasons in Denver and reached the Super Bowl last year.

"Without these things being corrected, I don't think basketball will be something I can even do."

— **Larry Sanders**
Milwaukee Bucks center after being suspended for at least 10 games for his second violation of the NBA's anti-drug program. Sanders has admitted to smoking marijuana in the past, and hinted that he may be dealing with psychological issues. The 15th overall pick in the 2010 draft, Sanders is averaging 7.3 points and 6.1 rebounds in 27 games this season.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1961 — Oscar Robertson, the Cincinnati Royals' 22-year-old rookie sensation, becomes the youngest MVP in an NBA All-Star game. He finishes with 23 points and 14 assists in a 153-131 victory for the West at Syracuse, N.Y.

1971 — The first Super Bowl under the NFL-AFL merger ends with Baltimore rookie Jim O'Brien kicking a 32-yard field goal for a 16-13 victory over the Dallas Cowboys.

1995 — The NFL Rams announce they're leaving Southern California after 49 years and moving to St. Louis.

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HERMISTON

Bulldogs knock off top-ranked Falcons

Hermiston knocks off state's best on the road

East Oregonian

MILWAUKIE — No unbeaten remain in Class 5A girls basketball.

The third-ranked Hermiston Bulldogs made sure of that Friday, traveling across the state to unseat No. 1 La Salle Prep 61-57 in overtime in a clash of two of the state's best.

Junior guard Jansen Edmiston converted five of six extra time free throws to gain and preserve



the overtime lead. Edmiston had just four points in Tuesday's win streak snapping loss to Sunnyside (WA), but the guard bounced back with 23 points in a stellar performance Friday.

Edmiston controlled the tempo for the Bull-

dogs (12-3), doling out eight assists with few mishaps with the ball.

"We were focused all week to shoring up the mistakes against Synnyside (WA)," Hermiston coach Steve Hoffert said of Tuesday's defeat. "The girls stepped up and kept their composure and held on for the win."

"It was big to see the girls bounce back after Tuesday's loss and go into La Salle and get the win. It was very fun to watch them and gratifying as a coach to see them play like they did."

Hermiston led the Falcons (12-1) by two in the closing seconds of regulation. But, senior forward Makenzie Cook drove the lane and

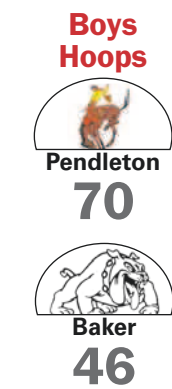
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PENDLETON



Pendleton's Caden Smith shoots the ball guarded by Baker's Zarom Bruce (20) and Taylor Gulick in the Bucks' 70-46 win against the Bulldogs on Friday in Pendleton.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris



Bucks cruise over Bulldogs

Green, Smith pace Pendleton offense in victory

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

Big runs to start each half secured another victory for the Pendleton Buckaroos in their penultimate tune-up for league play on Friday at Warberg Court.

The Bucks scored the first 13 points of the game, then the first seven in the second half before cruising to a 70-46 win over Baker.

Pendleton (9-4) came out playing lock-down de-

fense and forced turnovers on Baker's first four possessions.

The Bulldogs (8-8) didn't even get a shot off until more than two minutes had expired, and by then Pendleton led 11-0 with six points coming from junior post James Bradt.

But once Pendleton's hot starts cooled off, inconsistent play left first-year coach Brian Broaddus with mixed emotions over the blowout victory.

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HEPPNER

Knights slide past Mustangs

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The first of many heavy-weight Columbia Basin Conference bouts went back and forth before the third-ranked Irrigon Knights landed enough body blows to knock down top-ranked Heppner.

The sides traded leads in the second half, before Irrigon finished the game on a 20-to-9 run on its way to a 59-48 victory over the Mustangs at

Heppner High School.

"It's never easy to win in Heppner," Irrigon coach Mitch Thompson said. "They do a tremendous on making it tough

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Preps

Falcons tame Dawgs

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MILWAUKIE — The Hermiston Bulldogs bounced out to an early lead, but the home La Salle Prep Falcons had the answer and then some.

The early promise dissipated in a hurry, as the Falcons soared to a 63-40 victory Friday night at La Salle Prep.

Hermiston (3-11) led 9-6 in the first quarter, but La Salle Prep (8-5) scored the final seven points of the opening period before opening up the game with solid post play and deft perimeter shooting.

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NFL

Running backs carry load into NFC title game

By GENARO C. ARMAS
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — The Seahawks' Marshawn Lynch and the Packers' Eddie Lacy are known for being punishing runners.

Their conduct in front of the cameras couldn't be any different.

Lynch isn't a talker, to put it mildly. The affable Lacy can charm reporters and teammates with an easygoing personality.

Trying to tackle Lynch and Lacy won't be easy for the defenses when Green Bay visits Seattle on Sunday in the NFC title game.

What are they like with the ball?

Lacy will take that question.



Marshawn Lynch

Postseason rushing statistics					
	GP	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
2010	2	133	5.8	67	1
2012	2	178	4.9	27	2
2013	3	288	4.4	40	4
2014	1	59	4.2	25	0

AP Photo/Ted S. Warren



Eddie Lacy

Postseason rushing statistics					
	GP	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
2013	1	81	3.9	8	0
2014	1	101	5.3	29	0

AP Photo/Matt Ludtke

"I mean personally, I don't know him, I never met him or anything," he said. "But we're both physical backs. We don't care who's in front of us. When you come to hit us, you've got to come ... you've got to try your hardest to get

us down." Sure-handed tackles become of utmost importance. Defenders will have to swarm to the ball to prevent the runner from bouncing off a tackle

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