

Oregon Wins Fifth in Row, Topping Portland U. 92-73

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OREGON AFIELD

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HO-HUM, THE GOOD OLD DAYS

It's a grey, windy, bleak day outside as we sit down at the typewriter this Friday morning, and somehow the thought of fishing or hunting arouses no great urge. Instead, we remember, wistfully, December days some 9 years ago.

We were stationed on Oahu, the main island in the Hawaiian group. The island was a swarm with service men, and recreation was hard to come by. However, we had been bitten by the underwater goggle fishing bug (a deadly tropical disease). So for a moment, forget the winter winds outside and go "skin fishing" with us.

We hitch a ride on a jeep into Honolulu, then catch a bus that takes us to Diamond Head. We hike on a bit further, descend a steep cliff and were on the shore of beautiful Hanouma Bay. The weather is warm, a bit muggy in fact, and we're glad to shed our khakis for swim trunks and goggles.

We slip into the warm lagoon formed by the coral reef, and we're immediately a part of a new world. A world where colors are so vivid there is no name for them—where fish of a thousand shapes, colors and hues swim, nonchalantly, unafraid of us. In front of us swims a yellow and black striped fish, something like a perch, but with long fan-like plumes that trail behind him as he swims. Just coming around that mound of pink coral is a green fish, very much like a black bass—except that he's grinning at us, and wearing the biggest set of false teeth imaginable!

WHAT A NAME TO WASTE ON FISH

We're up for air for a bit, then down again. We're following a channel in the coral, and we're close to the edge of the reef. A silvery, fat fish of the kind natives call "oo-oo" curls over the edge of the reef right next to us, and we impale him on our three-pronged spear.

As we lift to the surface to put the fish on our float-strings, we see lightning flash of mottled brown and green. It's a big Moray eel, excited by the scent of the wounded fish. At times, we've had 'em make passes at a fish before we could get it off the spear... With their rows of needle-sharp teeth, they are terrifying creatures. More than one swimmer has stepped too close to the pocket in the coral where a moray lay in wait, and left the spot with the flesh stripped from a toe.

HEARK, HEARK—A SHARK!

Now we're over the edge of the reef, and it's so deep the bottom is obscured by the darkening water. Suddenly a long, ghostly white shape lifts up toward us—it's a shark, and while he may just be curious, we take no chances. Like all timid fish, we swim back into the protection of the coral reef.

After several hours of leisurely diving, during which time we've speared several fish, including a squid, we swim to shore. We start a small drift wood fire to roast our fish, as we sit on the sand, warm, sleepy and contented, the coconut palms waving with a soft rustle in the trade winds, we think of all the crazy anglers and duck hunters in Oregon, better than two thousand miles east across the emerald ocean.

OUR SUGGESTIONS FOR OUTDOOR MAN

Back home again, faced with "cold" reality—the duck hunting has improved, though not as much as hoped for, while steelhead fishing on the coast is, for the time being, a lost cause.

We suggest that you spend this week-end either (1) helping the missus around the house, or (2) getting your fishing gear in order, or (3) staying in bed and catching up on your rest. What about us? We've been insane too long for a cure. We'll be somewhere soaking wet, cold and optimistic, waiting for a duck to come buzzing by...

Threat to 2 Prep Players Blamed on Troublemakers

Indianapolis (AP)—Police believed today that "trouble makers" rather than professional gamblers threatened two high school basketball players with injury if they competed in a game with a crosstown rival next week.

Police reported they were tracking down "several leads" and indicated they believed the threats were the work of cranks. They theorized professional gamblers would have "laid low" after the first burst of publicity.

Spartans Open Bowl Practice

East Lansing, Mich. (AP)—Coach Biggie Munn sent his Michigan State football team into its second day of Rose Bowl drills today, hoping to stage at least one full-dress scrimmage session before the 44-man squad embarks Dec. 16 for the West Coast.

The Spartans, who meet UCLA in the Pasadena classic New Years day, yesterday staged their first squad workout since the end of the regular grid season Nov. 21.

Although the temperature was near freezing, Munn ordered a 400-yard workout in Maxlin Stadium.

Michigan State players, full of enthusiasm and pep in anticipation of their Rose Bowl date, pranced noisily through more than an hour of brush-up on fundamentals, followed by a brisk dummy drill.

Don received his threat second hand from a caller who contacted Mrs. Leonard Huff, David's mother, and said: "Tell your son to tell Don he will get the same thing if he plays."

FAN FARE



Ducks Pull Away With Late Surge

Portland (AP)—The undefeated University of Oregon Ducks last night downed the University of Portland Pilots, 92-73, after a touch and go battle in the first half that ended with the Webfoots holding only a two-point lead.

The Webfoots were on the edge of defeat more than once, but for the second time this season they held the Portlanders with a barrage of baskets in the clutch.

A total of 61 fouls were called in the game.

Kenny Wegner of Oregon, an all-Northern Division guard last season, paced all scorers with 23 points. Barney Holland, Wegner's running mate at a guard spot, jammed in 20 points.

Nick Trutanich, with 22 points, was high scorer for the Pilots.

The Ducks led 43-41 at the half and 65-61 at the third quarter mark.

Other Games Slated

Elsewhere in the Northern Division, Idaho will be playing Montana at Moscow Friday and Saturday nights; Oregon State will meet Portland University at Corvallis Saturday; and Washington State faces Gonzaga at Spokane Friday and Whitworth will be at Pullman Saturday night.

The box:
Oregon (92): G. P. T. (15) Portland (73): G. P. T. (15)
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Stayton Plays Philomath Five Tonight at Mac

McMinville — Stayton and Philomath, first round winners in the Cardinal division of the Linfield Old Grads basketball tournament, will meet at 7 o'clock tonight here in the semifinals.

Philomath defeated Willamina Wednesday and Stayton won from Dayton.

Thursday night in the Cardinal division, Neakkahnie defeated Newport, 40-37, and Madras whipped Yamhill, 65-42. Today Newport was to meet Yamhill at noon and Dayton was to play Willamina at 4:30 p.m.

Smith Favored To Beat Zulueta

New York (AP)—Wallace Bud Smith of Cincinnati is a 2-1 favorite to beat Cuba's Orlando Zulueta Friday night in an important bout between the two top lightweight contenders.

The winner of the Madison Square Garden 10 rounder may earn a shot at Jimmy Carter's lightweight title. Starting time is 10 p.m. EST (7 p.m. PST) for the coast to coast broadcast and telecast.

TIDE TABLE

(Compiled by U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Portland, Oregon)

High Water	Low Water
December 11, 4:54 a.m. 5.8	11:15 a.m. 1.3
12:15 p.m. 4.3	10:25 p.m. 0.1
1:18 p.m. 5.9	10:59 a.m. 2.9
4:18 p.m. 5.7	11:10 p.m. 0.4
6:59 a.m. 4.3	12:19 p.m. 2.3
8:44 a.m. 8.7	1:33 p.m. 1.8
7:53 p.m. 4.7	1:53 p.m. 1.6
8:23 p.m. 7.1	12:51 a.m. 1.6
9:17 a.m. 4.6	2:41 p.m. 0.8
8:17 a.m. 7.5	1:48 a.m. 2.2
9:54 p.m. 4.7	2:40 p.m. 0.6
9:54 a.m. 7.8	2:46 a.m. 2.4
11:04 p.m. 4.9	4:34 p.m. 0.7
9:33 a.m. 8.9	3:19 a.m. 2.9
12:01 a.m. 8.1	4:34 a.m. 3.1
10:49 a.m. 8.1	6:10 p.m. 1.4
11:33 a.m. 8.3	6:28 a.m. 2.5
11:34 a.m. 8.0	6:55 p.m. 1.4
1:38 p.m. 5.4	6:19 a.m. 3.2
12:11 p.m. 7.8	7:17 p.m. 1.2
2:20 a.m. 1.5	7:50 a.m. 3.2
12:37 p.m. 7.4	8:17 p.m. 0.9
3:06 a.m. 5.6	8:06 a.m. 2.2
4:45 a.m. 7.9	8:16 p.m. 0.3
3:39 p.m. 8.7	8:56 a.m. 3.1
3:28 p.m. 8.4	9:22 p.m. 0.5
4:12 p.m. 8.3	9:53 p.m. 2.6
3:12 p.m. 8.8	10:02 p.m. 0.6

Church League Finishes Week

Results of Thursday night's Salem Church league basketball games, which completed one week of play:

Senior league — Nazarene 52, Grace Lutheran 20; Free Methodist 33, First EUB 21.

Intermediate "A" — Englewood EUB 69, First Christian 14; St. Paul Episcopal 55, First Presbyterian 31.

Intermediate "B" — Nazarene 52, South Salem Friends 29; First Methodist over West Salem Baptist, by forfeit.

Junior "A" — Deaf School 26, First Presbyterian 14; Nazarene over St. Mark's, by forfeit.

Junior "B" — First Methodist 26, Englewood EUB 25.



Listen Carefully Coach Bob Funk, left, gathers his Salem Academy basketball starters around his bench in practice Thursday in preparation for a two-game trip to the coast. The Crusaders will play at Waldport tonight and at Taft Saturday night. Left to right are Bruce Dalke, Ken Schreder, Virgil Fadenrech, Harold Allister and Dave Phillips.

Salem Academy Travels To Play Waldport, Taft

A squad of 15 Salem Academy basketball players were to leave this afternoon for the coast to play at Waldport tonight and at Taft high school Saturday night.

Coach Bob Funk said that he will take 10 varsity hoopsters and five jayvees and will mix his jayvees with his second five for the preliminary at each town. Thus some will be playing a little bit of both games each night.

Starters for the Crusader varsity will be Virgil Fadenrech, Ken Schreder, Harold Allister, Bruce Dalke and Dave Phillips. Also to travel are Jim Wallace, Bill Pierce, Thurman Kreder, Loren Heman and Merle Neufeld on the varsity and Delmar Warkinton, Jon Knaupp, Hershall McCarey, Ken McClain, Larry Ediger and Gene Patton on the junior varsity.

Basketball Scores

(By The Associated Press) Thursday's Results

FAR WEST
Oregon 92, Portland 73.
Western Colo. State 84, New Mexico Highlands 82.
Whitman 54, Central Wash. 54.
San Diego Marine 62, Arizona State (Flagstaff) 62.
Ricks 87, Rocky Mountain 61.
Pasadena 68, New Mexico Western 67.
Los Angeles State 53, Arizona State (Tempe) 50.

PRO BASKETBALL

(By The Associated Press) Thursday's Results
Boston 112, New York 106 (two overtimes).
Philadelphia 81, Baltimore 77.
Syracuse 85, Milwaukee 78.

OREGON PREP HOOP SCORES
(By United Press)
Lake Oswego 67, Molalla 58.
Corbett 58, Starbuck 17.

Linfield Grads Tournament
Shed 61, Halsey 39.
More 62, Falls City 34.
Maupin 34, Oakland 29.
Culver 32, Glendale 49.
Nashkanine 49, Newport 37.
Madras 60, Yamhill 42.

Fights Last Night

(By The Associated Press)
Fall River, Mass.—Harold Gomez, 124, Providence, knocked out Money Godet, 158, Hartford, Conn., 1.
Detroit — Ken Hammer, 186, Detroit, stopped Noel "Bill" Reid, 230, London.
Newark, N. J.—Denny Rubino, 154, Newark, stopped Joe Rafferty, 154, Newark, 4.
Portland, Maine—Bill O'Donohue, 164, Old Orchard Beach, outpointed Terry Ryan, 164, Portland, 10.

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Cravath Dies, Condolences Come From Famed Coaches

El Centro, Calif. (AP)—Messages of condolence by the hundreds reached this little Imperial Valley town Friday as funeral arrangements were awaited for Newell (Jeff) Cravath, former football coach at the University of Southern California.

They came from officials of USC the school where he starred as a player and whose teams he guided as a coach for nine years; from his coaching rival at Notre Dame, Frank Leahy; from Michigan's Fritz Crisler, who handed Jeff the Trojans' worst defeat in the Rose Bowl, and from many others famed in college sports.

Cravath, who spent most of his life against a background of excitement and the roar of big time football crowds, met death at a lonely highway intersection in this flat desert country. In Rose Bowl Four Times

PCL Decision Due on Seals

San Francisco (AP)—Directors of the Pacific Coast League met here today to decide whether the San Francisco Seals baseball franchise goes up for sale or remains in custody of an embattled local organization.

If the club is taken back Damon Miller and his so-called "Little Corporation," Bill Vecek is expected to move in fast to negotiate for ownership.

Rudie Schaffer, who was Vecek's ticket manager with the St. Louis Browns and moved on to Baltimore with the transplanted club, already has sent the league a \$25,000 check and said there was more from where that came from. He is considered the dynamic Vecek's front man.

Meanwhile, local fans have mailed more than \$44,000 in checks and pledges for stock in an effort to help Miller convince top directors his coporation is a solid concern.

These fans will become stockholders, now that the state Division of Corporations has issued the Seals official permission to sell shares. This permission was granted yesterday.

"Armed with all these pledges for stock," Miller said, "we might be able to get a local financier to underwrite our cause for \$100,000."

Braves Would Trade Hurlers For Reserves

Milwaukee (AP)—The Milwaukee Braves are willing to split the best pitching staff in the National League, but only if they can strengthen themselves.

"We're still in the market for bench strength," said General Manager John Quinn, back from the major league meeting in New York, "but we won't give up any of our pitchers for nothing."

MOLALLA LOSES

Oswego—Oswego high school defeated Molalla, 67-55, here Thursday night in a non-conference basketball game. Adams made 18 for the winners and Feyrer 20 for Molalla.

Eddie Joost, new manager for the Philadelphia Athletics, broke into organized baseball with the San Francisco Missions of the Pacific Coast league in 1933.

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