

Oregon Quint Defeated 56 to 55 in Furious Overtime Session

PENALTIES SLASH EARLY 14 POINT LEAD OF WEBFEET

17,852 People See Madison Square Thriller as Long Island Comes From Rear.

New York, Dec. 16.—(P)—Long Island University's basketball "Frank Merriwells" put on a terrific closing drive through the second half and a five-minute overtime session to run their undefeated string to 40 straight games tonight with a 56 to 55 victory over Oregon before 17,852 howling fans in Madison Square Garden.

Coming from behind a 14-point deficit in the last 17 minutes of regulation time, the Blackbirds tied the score at 50-all on Bill King's close-up shot with 20 seconds to play. Then, with the Webfoots in front 55-54 on sharp-shooting by Archie Marshik and Vic Townsend in the overtime, King, muscular negro veteran of the Blackbird courtiers, clicked again on a pivot shot with only 40 seconds to go—and that was the ball game.

In the first game of the opening Garden doubleheader of the season, Oklahoma A. and M.'s big Cowboys whipped City College of New York 36-24 in a battle of defensive skill.

The nightcap was anything but that, however, as Long Island, unbeaten since early in 1938 in regular season, tournament and exhibition play, went after its sixth win of this season, while Oregon, national collegiate champions of last campaign, tried to run its current string to six in a row.

There was little, if any, defensive ability on either club throughout the first half. Both teams shot from all angles, with left hand, right, or both, and both put on a hot display of sharpshooting. With Ted Sarpola leading the way with 13 points, the Oregon outfit piled up a 29-19 lead by half time.

But just before the half ended, Sarpola bowed out on four personal fouls. Evert McNeely followed him to the side lines on personals early in the second half, and, thus crippled, the Webfoots were no match for the reserve strength and the terrific pressure put on by the Blackbirds.

Simon Lobello, lanky guard, was the hero in the early part of the second half drive, scoring nine points in 12 minutes, which gave him high scoring honors for the night with 16 points. King accounted for ten points through the second half and the five minute overtime.

The box score:

Long Island (56)	FB	FT	PF	TP
Schwartz, If	0	3	2	3
Walterson, If	0	0	1	0
Schechtman, rf	5	1	0	11
Simon, rf	3	1	2	7
King, c	6	2	2	14
Lobello, lf	6	4	2	16
Shelly, rg	0	1	1	1
Sharf, rg	1	2	4	4
Zietlin, rg	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	14	14	56

Oregon (55)	FB	FT	PF	TP
McNeely, lf	2	1	4	5
Marshik, lf	2	2	3	6
Sarpola, rf	5	3	4	13
Andrews, rf	0	2	1	2
Dick, c	5	1	2	11
Pavalunas, lg	3	1	0	7
Jackson, lg	0	0	0	0
Townsend, rg	3	5	2	11
Pippo, rk	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	15	16	55

Score at half: Oregon 32, Long Island 20.

Free throws missed—Schwartz, Lobello, Sharf, King, Sarpola, Andrews.

Officials—Will Grieve and Pete Sinnott.

Roseburg Loss
Eugene, Dec. 16.—(P)—Springfield high school scored a stunning basketball upset here last night by defeating the giant Roseburg Indians 26-22. Led by Puckett who tallied 10 points, Roseburg held a 16-11 halftime advantage.

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TROJANS WONDER CAFEGO STAR OF TENNESSEE TEAM

Los Angeles, Dec. 16.—(P)—Supporters of the football team of the University of Southern California would be just a mite more confident about the coming Tennessee engagement if they knew the real condition of George (Bad News) Cafego.

In the present instance, no news makes Cafego "bad news" for true, and Howard Jones and his coaching aides won't rest too easily until they learn whether the Volunteers' all-America backfield star of 1938 is ready to play the role of an all-America New Year's Day, 1940.

Southern California's grid machine rolls back to the drill ground tomorrow to begin preparation for its sixth appearance in the Rose Bowl. It is a certainty that Howard Jones won't forget Mr. Cafego in his training plans.

For until the Trojans actually see this great back hobbling around on crutches, or permanently retired from the scene, they are not taking any chances in slighting him. Cafego may be able to play one or sixty minutes, but he's a very potent threat every moment he is playing, from all accounts. The information here is that Bob Fox, Johnny Butler and a couple of others are dangerous, but that this "bad news" and cyclone are synonymous.

The Trojans, only team with never a loss suffered in Pasadena's post season attraction, should go into the game in top shape. The boys have had a week's rest after a hard season, and rest was the main thing they needed.

Virtually all the injury-hampered players, including Harry Smith, all-America guard; Captain-Halfback Joe Shell, Quarterback Grenville Lansdell and tackle Bob DeLauer, most probably will be ready to go—and stay as long as Jones keeps them in the game.

The Volunteers, with a two-year record unmarred by a defeat or tie, and unscored upon in the season just closed, are due to reach Pasadena Christmas Eve.

BOWLING

In a pair of City league bowling matches in the Medford alleys Friday night, Weeks and Orr beat A-1 Brewery, 3 to 1 and Teamsters beat Lewis Super Service station, 4 to 0. Scores follow:

Teamsters	Long	Weeks & Orr
Christensen	193	189
Brazille	187	184
Lewis (Dick)	132	120
Proctor	119	109
Handicap	188	161
Totals	836	807

Lewis Super Service	A-1 Brewery
Antle	190
Lounsbury, P.	126
Lounsbury, G.	155
Lewis, R.	180
Stromberg	153
Handicap	15
Totals	733

Set Semi-Pro Classic
New York, Dec. 16.—(P)—The 1940 semi-pro baseball world series again will be played at San Juan, Puerto Rico, where the first successful series was staged last fall. Ray Dumont of Wichita, Kas., president of the National Semi-Pro Baseball congress, announced today.

WRESTLING MEDFORD ARMORY
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BOB SMITH EYES PRO GRID CHANCE

Bob Smith, the University of Oregon's great southpaw halfback, has not yet definitely decided whether to play professional football next season with the New York Giants, which team has drafted him, but he indicated that if the right kind of a financial offer were made him he would probably accept.

Here over the week-end visiting relatives, the former Medford high school star said that he had received several telegrams from the Giant management regarding his contract, and that he was now negotiating with the pro team over terms.

If Smith does sign with the Giants, he will be the third Medford boy to enter professional football and the second to play for the New York team, last year's champions. Bill Morgan, tackle, was a member of the Giants for four years, and Bernie Hughes played with the Chicago Cardinals and the Los Angeles Bulldogs.

Smith will return to Eugene, then leave from there by train Tuesday night for San Francisco, where he will join the other members of the West team and start drilling for the annual Shrine game in Kezar stadium on New Year's day. Frank Emmons, Oregon fullback, was also selected to play for the West and will accompany Smith to San Francisco.

The West squad, Smith said, will work out at Palo Alto under Co-Coaches Babe Hollingbery of Washington State and Biff Jones of Nebraska. Bob's only regret in being picked to play for the West was that it would make him ineligible for college baseball next spring.

KINNICK AWARDED BIG TEN HONORS

Chicago, Dec. 16.—(P)—Nile Kinnick, Iowa's all-America halfback, was voted the western conference's "most valuable" player today by Big Ten coaches, officials and two members of the Chicago Tribune sports staff, which conducted the poll.

Kinnick was not a unanimous choice, but received more first place votes than any other player. Only 10 men were eligible—the one player from each school voted "most valuable" by his teammates.

The Tribune will award Kinnick a silver football actual size.

The Iowa star scored five touchdowns, averaged 3.52 yards in running with the ball 106 times and completed 33 passes, 11 of them for touchdowns. He scored a total of 41 points, drop-kicking for 11 of them.

MAP NEW SYSTEM FOR FINGERLINGS
Portland, Dec. 16.—(P)—Liberation of fingerlings in Oregon streams will be based on a survey of stream needs and capacities, Ed E. Wilson, fish commission chairman, told the Portland Izaak Walton league chapter yesterday.

The Waltons had criticized the commission for what they considered a haphazard system of planting.

Wilson said county lines would be disregarded under the new system but the state will be divided into watersheds.

Sees Blonde Robin
Eugene, Dec. 16.—(P)—The queer bird contest had another development today to tally with last week's white blackbird story. Mark Deller saw a very blonde robin. "He's no red breast," he exclaimed.

A TRIANGLE TO END TROUBLES
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NELSON STEADIES, SHOOTS SUB-PAR FOR MIAMI LEAD

Miami, Fla., Dec. 16.—(P)—Byron Nelson, steadily after an almost disastrous start, rolled out today his third straight sub-par round, a 68, for a 205 that gave him the undisputed 54 hole lead in the \$10,000 Miami open golf tournament.

Nelson, national open champion who is firing for a clear-cut right to the year's professional supremacy, bogeyed the first three holes but came breezing in with a four under par 31 on the second nine.

A new threat emerged when Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Boston, last year's winner, ripped off a four-below-par 66 to move up a single stroke behind Nelson with 206.

Sam Sneed of White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., back in the form that made him the most feared professional in the land, hammered out a 67 for 207 to re-enter the first place fight.

Also in dangerous contending position at 207 were Ralph Guldahl, two-time national opener who scored a 69, and Gene Kunes, the Philadelphia dark horse whose 70 dropped him two strokes off the pace. Kunes had shared the 36 hole lead with Nelson at 17.

Sneed became the center of a controversy when a spectator claimed Sam's ball moved as he was addressing it on the ninth hole.

Sneed said he hadn't seen it move but offered to take a penalty stroke although neither of his playing partners, McSpaden and Joe Turnesa of Rockville Center, N. Y., had noticed anything amiss. The tournament committee ruled against a penalty although Sneed argued for ten minutes after his round that he be penalized if there was any question.

TORONTO, RANGERS WIN HOCKEY TILT

Toronto, Dec. 16.—(P)—Led by Gordon Drillon's two goals, the Toronto Maple Leafs stepped into undisputed possession of first place in the National Hockey league tonight by defeating New York Americans 5-1 before 9,465 paying customers.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—(P)—The New York Rangers ran their unbeaten streak to eight straight games and climbed at the same time into a third place tie in the National Hockey league standings with the Canadiens by defeating the Montreal club 4-2 tonight before 7,000 fans.

Astoria Wins
Astoria, Dec. 16.—(P)—Astoria high inaugurated another basketball season auspiciously last night by overwhelming Molalla, 52 to 27.

Wins Speech Prize
Eugene, Dec. 16.—(P)—Learnard Ballif, Portland freshman, speaking on a possible future American mobilization day and its consequences to millions, has been declared winner in the first W. F. Jewett speech contest on the Oregon campus. His prize was \$15.

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BULLETIN

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 16.—(U.P.)—College of Pacific, coached by Amos Alonzo Stagg, "grand old man" of football, defeated the University of Hawaii here today 19-6.

After a scoreless first half the invaders from the mainland unleashed an attack which was not to be denied, scoring two touchdowns in the third period, and adding a third in the final period.

Hawaii made its lone touchdown in the third period.

STATERS CAPTURE CLOSE UTAH WIN

Logan, Utah, Dec. 16.—(U.P.)—A hard driving Oregon State college quintet took the second game of a pre-season tour from Utah State Agricultural college tonight with a score of 41 to 39. Friday night the Beavers won 39 to 38.

Tony Romano, flashy O.S.C. forward, was the spearhead of the Oregon State attack. Playing a smooth floor game, he accounted for 14 of the Beavers points.

It was nip and tuck throughout the game with the lead never being more than three points in favor of either team. Oregon State led at the half 21 to 18. Midway in the last half the Utah Aggies tied the score but failed to hold the lead. The Utah quintet never took the lead during the entire game.

Oregon State displayed the same type of "closed" play they have used in past seasons, but exceptional dribbling and passing showed in their favor.

THORNHILL GETS AX AT STANFORD

Palo Alto, Dec. 16.—(P)—C. E. "Tiny" Thornhill's football coaching head fell under the axe at Stanford university last night a few hours after he had predicted his own figurative decapitation.

His "firing," as he termed it, ended 18 years of football tutoring at Stanford, the last seven as head coach and producer of three Rose bowl teams.

Officially the university's board of athletic control, by a vote of 7 to 2, recommended to Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, Stanford's president, that Thornhill's contract be not renewed when it expires next April 1.

"I am fully aware I am about to be fired," Thornhill declared in announcing before the board that he would not resign. He said he did not consider his record "a failure" despite Stanford's disastrous 1939 season.

TEAM BATTLE TO FEATURE MONDAY CARD AT ARMORY

The 1939 wrestling year in Medford reaches a dizzy, spectacular climax Monday night when muscle-manglers of both sexes tear loose in a gigantic mat carnival expected to be staged before a capacity crowd.

The program, as lined up by Promotor Mack Lillard, will have everything from a clean and scientific exhibition to a blood and thunder team battle between two dyed-in-the-wool villains and a pair of legitimate workmen, with a dash of feminine grapple action tossed in for good measure.

Topping the card will be the four-out-of-six fall tandem tiff, pitting Sgt. Bob Kenaston and Paul Bozell, two horrible hombes, against the scientific gents, Bobby Chick and King Kong Clayton. The fireworks these boys will cause, when they leap from their corners to annihilate each other, will probably rival the recent naval brawl off Uru-guay.

The two gals who will display their prowess are Clara Mortensen, woman lightweight champion of the world, and Gladys Nolan of Kansas City, a blonde wildcat who came within an ace of winning from the title-holder last week. In their first match Clara roughed things up considerably while Miss Nolan attempted to remain clean, but the latter has indicated she will forget her conscience tomorrow eve and fight fire with fire. The feminine grapplers will hold the stage immediately preceding the main event.

Leo Mortensen, Clara's brother and a greatly improved wrestler, will tangle with Eddie Rogers, leg expert, in the six-round opening event. This figures to be a fine exhibition of nifty mat work.

The program will be the last until January 8.

Game Budget Incomplete
Portland, Dec. 16.—(P)—The state game commission finished its monthly meeting here today without completing the 1940 budget.

Work will be resumed at the next meeting, in January.

Enters Ski Meet
Moscow, Idaho, Dec. 16.—(P)—Graduate Manager Gale Mix said tonight the University of Idaho would enter a team of three skiers in the Sun Valley intercollegiate ski tourney Dec. 29-Jan. 1, under the captaincy of Hans Winbauer, Scottia, N. Y.

"Dad Day" Chairman
Eugene, Dec. 16.—(P)—John Cavanaugh, Salem, has been named general student chairman for Dad's Day, to be observed on the University of Oregon campus the weekend of January 26 and 27.

HOW TO PREVENT YULE TREE MESS

Portland, Ore., Dec. 16.—(P)—If Christmas tree needles litter your house before the holiday season is over, take a tip from Lyle F. Watts, United States regional forester.

Watts said needles could be kept from falling by setting the tree in a tub of water or moist sand.

Another method, necessitating only a slight outlay for chemicals and effective on all evergreens except hemlocks, calls for five grams of citric acid and six grams of malic acid or pectin in three quarts of water, used in a one-gallon container in which the tree is set. Later, 15 grams of calcium carbonate should be added to the solution and more water added as the tree absorbs the mixture.

STATE FAIR WILL OPEN LABOR DAY

Salem, Dec. 16.—(P)—The 1940 Oregon State fair will open on Labor Day as usual and continue through the following Sunday, Sept. 8, the state board of agriculture decided today.

A new policy of renting the fairgrounds to the public for "reasonable use" was set up and necessary regulations ordered drawn.

The board also commended selection of Frank L. Ballard as president of Oregon State college.

A proposed amendment to the United States warehouse act which it asserted would infringe on state grain inspection operations was protested.

Safeway Robbed
Tacoma, Dec. 16.—(P)—Uttering threats of death and jabbing a gun into the back of one of his victims to accent his words, a lone bandit held up the Safeway store Saturday night at 7 o'clock, a short time after closing for the day.

Famous Name Retires
Holyoke, Mass.—(U.P.)—The retirement of Ulysses S. Grant from the engineering department of an industrial plant here broke up a triumvirate of 25 years' standing. But George Washington and Andrew Jackson, his former colleagues, still are on the job.

Love Cuts Roll
Salem, N. J.—(U.P.)—When the roll was called in Salem high school, Marie Hoer, 16, and Harry Hogate, 19, failed to answer to their names. An investigation revealed that they had been married.

Use Mail Tribune want ads.

COUNTY'S CUT OF STATE HIGHWAY FUND IS \$78,619

Salem, Dec. 16.—(P)—Oregon counties received \$1,200,000 in state highway funds today, bringing the 1939 total to \$2,000,000, Secretary of State Earl Snel said today.

The July apportionment totaled \$800,000. The money is distributed on the basis of motor vehicle registration.

Amounts distributed to counties during the year, including both the July and December apportionments, follow:

Baker \$30,876, Benton \$35,983, Clackamas \$97,318, Clatsop \$40,528, Columbia \$35,864, Coos \$59,909, Crook \$8,270, Curry \$7,654, Deschutes \$34,536, Douglas \$47,506, Gilliam \$6,471, Grant \$12,386.

Harney \$10,262, Hood River \$24,295, Jackson \$78,619, Jefferson \$3,730, Josephine \$32,472, Klamath \$53,561, Lake \$12,645, Lane \$123,270, Lincoln \$22,319, Linn \$58,523, Malheur \$34,602, Marion \$150,701.

Morrow \$8,722, Multnomah \$624,235, Polk \$29,935, Sherman \$6,031, Tillamook \$23,733, Umatilla \$53,427, Union \$33,815, Wallowa \$12,882, Wasco \$27,635, Washington \$71,212, Wheeler \$5,216, and Yamhill \$51,039.

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