

Illini Trim San Francisco Dons 62-33; Win Streak Snapped at 60

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San Francisco's oft-postponed date with disaster has come at last after a fantastic two years and one week.

After avoiding defeat through a record 60 straight games that stretched way back to Dec. 11, 1954 San Francisco's Dons reached the end of the victory trail Monday night in a "no excuse" 62-33 debacle against Illinois at Champaign, Ill.

"We just didn't play a good game and that's all there is to it," admitted Dons' Coach Phil Woolpert after the lopsided Illinois triumph.

The clash between the Illini, ranked No. 3 in the nation, and San Francisco, rated No. 4, was strictly no contest from the opening whistle. Illinois reeled off eight straight points before San Francisco scored. In fact, the game was three minutes old before the Dons could get off a shot.

Illini Never Headed
At halftime, the Illini led, 22-15, and they boosted that to 22 points at 39-17 within four minutes. The victors reached their widest margin, 32 points, at 60-28 shortly before the end. Six-foot George Bonasile paced Illinois with 19 points and Don Gil added 14. San Francisco, shorn of injured high scorer Gene Brown, was led by Al Dunbar with 12 points.

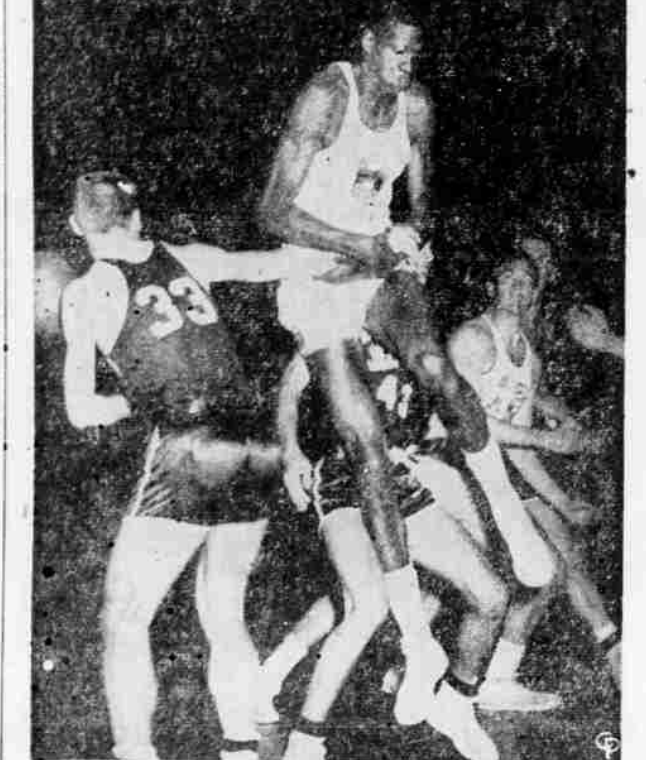
In the course of rolling up 60 straight victories since bowing to UCLA 47-40, on that hardly-remembered occasion two years ago, the Dons smashed every winning record in the book and captured two straight national college championships.

It was the fourth win for unbeaten Illinois, but North Carolina, the nation's No. 2 team,

stayed a jump ahead by gaining its fifth victory, 70-61, over Maryland. The Tar Heels opened up a 40-26 halftime lead and breezed home, although ace Lenzy Rosenbluth was outscored by Maryland's Bob O'Brien, 29-26. St. Joseph's Advances
Monday night also saw the

first round of the pre-holiday Carousell Tournament at Charlotte, N.C. Title choice St. Joseph's (Pa.), drubbed Davidson, 89-64, as Kurt Englebert fired in 36 points. Wake Forest, Florida, and Auburn also scored first round wins to advance to tonight's semi-finals.

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BLOCKING A SET-UP SHOT is Santa Clara's Bill Taylor, No. 33 as the basketball bounds out of big Bill Russell's hands in a Chicago pre-holiday tournament. Russell and company won easily, 97-57. (International Soundphoto)

Rose Bowl Game Programs Being Made Available

Pasadena, Calif.—Oregon State Rose Bowl game programs are being made available by the Pacific Coast Conference to football fans throughout the country for the fourth straight year.

This unique service has made a big hit with television and radio fans everywhere.

Orders are now being accepted, and will be filled and airmailed to purchasers when the \$3-page program comes off the press about Dec. 21. The nominal charge for this service is \$1. The program sells for 50c at the game, but the additional charge covers 42 cents airmail postage plus handling and addressing.

Burdette's ERA Tops NL Hurlers

New York —(U.P.)—Lew Burdette, who's generally rated the Milwaukee Braves' No. 3 pitcher, was credited today with an earned run average that entitles him to claim he's the No. 1 pitcher in the National League.

The ex-New York Yankee farmhand from Nitro, W.Va., topped all other pitchers in the circuit with a 2.71 earned run average and embellished that performance by also leading in shutouts with six. Burdette finished the season with a 19-10 record and 16 complete games in 35 starts.

Warren Spahn, 35-year-old ace of the Milwaukee staff, ranked second to Burdette with a 2.79 ERA—the sixth time in his career that he has compiled a rating below 3.00—while Johnny Antonelli of the New York Giants was third at 2.86. Sal Maglie and Don Newcombe of the Brooklyn Dodgers rounded out the top five at 2.87 and 3.06, respectively.

Bob Buhl, usually rated the Braves' No. 2 pitcher behind Spahn, wound up with in the ERA table at 3.32, according to the official figures compiled by the Elias Baseball Bureau.

Tennessee Has Dazzling Array of Star Footballers

(This is another of a series) on the teams in the major football bowl games.

By JIM WARTERS
Knoxville, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Bowden Wyatt hopes to wind up his second year as Tennessee coach with a Sugar Bowl win over Baylor and a record unequalled since 1938 when Wyatt himself captained the Volunteers.

That was the season the Vols overwhelmed 10 straight opponents and topped it off with a resounding 17-0 win over Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl. No other Tennessee team has won all its regular season games and a bowl contest to boot.

Wyatt Rates Baylor High
Wyatt's major concern is with Baylor itself. He said the Bears have "a real fine football team. They're coming late. They have a strong line and excellent backs." And Wyatt added "we have information that at the end of the season, Baylor had the best team in the Southwest Conference."

"We hope to be back in the same condition as we were for our first game," Wyatt said.

End Ed Cantrell has recovered from a fractured spine and is ready for full duty, and blocking back Bill Bennett, who went out late in the season with a broken foot, is nearly recovered.

The Vols leave for New Orleans Christmas Day, but their system for preparing for the bowl classic is secret. However, Wyatt said they will hold regular workouts while there, including two drills for the press.

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Sports Broadcasts

Radio station KWIN will broadcast the Southern Oregon-Chico State college basketball games at 8 p.m. today and Wednesday.

Three Prep Cage Frays This Evening

Eight high school basketball games this week will involve 10 Jackson county varsities.

The program opens with three games this evening. Talent goes to Butte Falls and Rogue River to Illinois Valley at Cave Junction. Jacksonville will entertain the Grants Pass junior varsity.

Wednesday action will take Eagle Point to Rogue River. On Friday Phoenix will go to Ashland, Eagle Point to Crater, Butte Falls to Talent and Jacksonville to Prospect for non-conference contention.

On the college front Southern Oregon is host tonight and Wednesday to Chico State college. McLoughlin Plays
Phoenix high junior varsity was to play McLoughlin Junior high ninth grade this afternoon.

Jacksonville will aim for better success in its return mix with the GP. The Redskins led the GP club going into the final period but made only two points the rest of the way and were victims of their own poor shooting and bad passes. Grants Pass won 43 to 35. The Skins had the margin in field goals 14 to 11 but 2 free tosses helped the Cave-men along. Halftime count was 23 to 16 for Jacksonville. Olson led the GP quint with 13 points and Gary Heuners got 10 for the Redskins.

Eagle Point, victor over Prospect by 71 to 54 on Saturday, will run for repeat win over Rogue River which was crushed 61 to 31 by Brookings on Friday for its fourth loss against no wins this year. The Eagles' game with Crater also will be a return engagement.

Evashevski Has Iowans Drill Double

Pasadena, Calif.—(U.P.)—Coach Forest Evashevski put his 44-man University of Iowa football team through a double drill session today in preparation for the 1957 Rose Bowl game.

Evashevski scheduled the double daily workouts for the rest of the week. He said he was undecided on the drill schedule next week.

The Iowans unveiled their championship team in Southern California Monday before only 350 spectators. The Hawkeyes were in game uniform and Evashevski introduced them to the crowd.

Press photographers interrupted the morning workout and the Iowa coach wasn't any too pleased. But he allowed the photographers to take as many pictures as they wanted before getting down to serious practice for the bowl game with Oregon State.

Evashevski reported that the team was in good condition. He said his players had recovered from injuries suffered against Notre Dame Nov. 24. Co-captain Dick Deasy, tackle, limped slightly during the team's public appearance but he claimed his knee was coming along fine and expected to participate in hard practice this week.

Orangeburg, S. C. — (U.P.) — Veteran police marksmen were taken aback when first prize in a turkey shoot went to Policewoman W. E. Moore. It was the first time Mrs. Moore had ever fired a shotgun.

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Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT
Mail Tribune Sports Editor

Note from Bob Swan, prep sportswriter for the Portland Oregonian mentions his approval of the talk to delay opening of the high school basketball playing season until mid-December. This writer goes along with Swan and he feels, as does the Portland scribe, that there is no need to cut down on the present allotment of 22 regular season contests. Basketball is the longest sports season of the high school year and there should be plenty of time to get in the number of games permitted or close to it without strain on the players.

MORE DEFINITE PAUSE

This virtual running together of the two sport seasons is what we don't like. It's particularly hard on the young athletes to say nothing of coaches, who have to make the switch from football to the maplecourt sport — and it's rough on some of the sportswriters, which of course, is a secondary matter.

We feel that there should be a more definite pause between the end of the football season and the first basketball games. Support of such a move at the moment from schools who had teams in state grid finals and semi-finals might be taken as "axe-to-grind" attitudes since they get late court starts. For schools which end their gridiron season in early November the transition is naturally easier but for a lot of those prep teams there's no sufficient rest between seasons for a lot of coaches and athletes.

So we'll go along with efforts to shorten the high school hoop season until something is done to cut down on the length of the football slate — at both ends, since we are one of those who feel that the prep grid season gets underway with preparations crammed into too short a time.

COMING FOR GAME

Swan says he plans to be in Medford next week for the Black Tornado-Franklin of Portland basketball game. He'll be en route to the Rose Bowl. Bob said concerning the Tornado-Franklin Quaker tussle on Dec. 27: "Hope the Tornado comes into shape by the time Franklin comes down for their state tournament final rematch." Medford and the Quakers met in the A-1 hoop finale last March with Franklin nabbing the state championship.

ALL ARE STARS
In answer to queries, Kenn Hess, sportswriter of the Coos Bay Times, says he's not nam-

Tony Demarco, Gaspar Ortega Billed on Friday

New York —(U.P.)— Ex-welterweight champion Tony Demarco of Boston will try to turn the tables on sparkling young Gaspar Ortega of Mexico at Madison Square Garden Friday night in a 10-rounder that features this weeks boxing.

Ortega, the upset kid of 1956, registered his fourth straight victory on Nov. 23 at the Garden by winning a split decision over Demarco, second-raising welter contender. But Tony is favored at 2-1 to upset lanky Gaspar this time. Ortega is ranked fourth.

Their bout will be televised and broadcast nationally by NBC.

Pat McAteer of England, middleweight champion of the British Empire, meet fourth-ranking Spider Webb of Chicago at the Chicago Stadium, Wednesday night, in a TV-radio ABC 10-rounder.

Despite his British title, McAteer is unranked among world contenders; and Webb is favored at 12-5 to beat him. In his only previous U. S. appearance, McAteer won a unanimous decision over rugged Jerry Luedee of New Haven, Conn., at St. Nicholas Arena, Sept. 17. It was an impressive American debut.

Birmingham, Ala. — (U.P.) — A case of mistaken identity brought out five fire companies Monday. Police said a woman mistook a fire alarm box for a mail box.

CHAMP BAY TOUR
New York —(U.P.)— Paterson, newly-crowned heavyweight champion, may make an exhibition tour of Europe or South America, his manager, Gus D'Amato, said today.

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