

# Oregon Edges Montana 70-69; Cal Plays St. Louis Tonight

United Press International  
California's cagers battle tough St. Louis tonight and it will take a Bear victory to regain some of the Pacific Coast Conference's sagging prestige.

Washington, Stanford and Southern California, all considered good possibilities for the PCC crown, lost in a "Blue Monday" for the Coast loop.

The Huskies loss was especially disheartening. The high-rated Washington quintet had rebounded with five wins after two opening defeats, but

dropped their third game on Monday to Northwestern, 75-69, at Evanston.

# Marquette Trounces Xavier By 86-71 Before 7,100 Fans

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Eddie Hickey, that razzle-dazzle man from St. Louis, is making those sports-happy fans in Milwaukee as wild about basketball as they are about their beloved Braves.

A crowd of 7,100 howled with joy Monday night as the Marquette university team, which had just handed high-ranked Xavier of Ohio its first loss of the season, 86-71, carried little Professor Hickey off the court on their shoulders.

For Hickey, who came to Marquette this season from St. Louis university where his famed fast break made that school one of the nation's greatest in basketball, is completing an amazing first year in the Braves' home town.

four minutes, then stood off a late Washington rally as Joe Ruklick and Nick Mantis shared scoring honors with 18 points each.

At Columbus, Ohio, Ohio State ripped off 53 points in the first half and romped to a 92-68 win over Utah, which shares the No. 18 national ranking with Washington.

Minnesota, on the other hand, had to rally from a nine-point halftime deficit to beat Stanford, 72-61, at Minneapolis. Ron Johnson led the Gophers with 23 points.

### Lost Only One

Monday night's triumph, in which Marquette led all the way against last season's "Cinderella" champions of the National Invitation tournament, was the eighth in nine starts for Hickey's squad, whose only loss was by a single basket to Nebraska in the third game of the season.

# Colts Have Seat Sellout

Baltimore, Md.—(UPI)—Fans of the favored Baltimore Colts have gobbled up all 15,000 seats available to them for next Sunday's National Football league championship game against the New York Giants in New York's Yankee stadium.

The block of 15,000 seats sent here by the Giants was put on sale Monday morning. The sale was limited to season ticket holders and Colt officials planned that any tickets which were left over would go on sale today for the general public.

There were none left over—the season ticket holders took 'em all.

# Lohrke To Be Tri-City Pilot

Portland—(UPI)—Jack Lohrke, utility man with the Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast league last summer, is scheduled to manage the Tri-City team of the Northwest League next year, a Portland baseball team official said today.

Bill Brenner, assistant general manager, also said the Tri-City club was negotiating with Tip Berg, Portland trainer and traveling secretary, to become general manager of the class B club.

Brenner indicated that Portland also would send player help to the Tri-City team.

# Florida Gators Have Good Players, Both Big and Little in Heckman, Dunn

(Editor's note: This is the sixth of 10 dispatches on the football teams playing in the post-season bowl games.)

Auburn. And of Florida's six victories, Dunn was instrumental in four of them. The other two were routs.

By JAMES C. WARTERS  
United Press International  
Gainesville, Fla.—(UPI)—Whether a good big man is better than a good little man is purely academic.

Woodruff has been high in praise of his "Mutt and Jeff" combination, calling Heckman "an All-American if there ever was one."

But it doesn't matter to the Florida Gators who play Mississippi in the Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 27—they've got both.

Heckman would be a dream of any coach. He uses his weight with remarkable speed in slashing through opposing lines and carrying out his blocking assignments.

The big man is Vel Heckman 232-pound tackle of Allentown, Pa., a member of the United Press International All-Southeastern Conference squad and picked to the UPI All-America second team.

And Dunn does everything well. His passing gave Florida a victory over Miami and kept the Gators from losing with a last-second touchdown pass that tied Vanderbilt 6-6. He's punted 64 times in three years and 20 of the punts went out of bounds inside the 15-yard line.

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lans and UCLA triumphs with identical 67-yard touchdown scampers.

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# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

## Cincinnati Tops UPI Coaches Poll For Third Week

New York—(UPI)—The Cincinnati Bearcats, Kentucky Wildcats and Kansas State Wildcats remained on the top rungs today in the United Press International college basketball ratings but the other "cats" shifted positions.

North Carolina, Auburn and California were the newcomers in the first 10. North Carolina, the 1957 NCAA champion, advanced from 14th to fifth to make its first appearance of the campaign in the select group.

Cincinnati was No. 1 for the third straight week and Coach Adolph Rupp's Kentucky team, unbeaten in eight starts, replaced Kansas State in second place.

The 35 leading coaches who rate the teams weekly for UPI gave the first three teams all their first-place

votes in ballots based on the games played through Saturday night, Dec. 20. Cincinnati received 25 first-place votes, Kentucky eight and Kansas State two.

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## McLoughlin Pins Crater

The McLoughlin Bulldogs took on the Comets of Crater yesterday in a match of the freshmen and emerged in the winners column by a score of 34 to 13.

North Carolina made its big jump after capturing the Blue Grass Festival tournament last week end with victories over Notre Dame and Northwestern.

This was the last match for the local team until after the vacation period. The next opponent will be Ashland at the local kennel on Jan. 6, 1959. The time is 4 p.m.

Auburn advanced from 35th to ninth while California moved from 25th into a tie for 10th with Northwestern. Auburn whipped Alabama for its 16th straight victory and the Birmingham Classic title Saturday night. California defeated Iowa and Wisconsin in midwestern road games during the week end.

Elsewhere last night, Brigham Young defeated fading St. Mary's 72-67. The Gaels are feeling the absence of injured star Tom Meschery.

Michigan State advanced from sixth to fourth. Then came North Carolina, North Carolina State and West Virginia. Xavier of Ohio remained eighth.

In other tills, the picture was brighter for the Coast. College of Pacific snapped a five game loss streak with a 76-63 win over Iona. Dave Klurman scored 27, and Gary Kaufman 24.

Bradley headed the second 10 group. Texas Christian, Mississippi State, St. John's (N.Y.), Purdue, St. Bonaventure, Washington, Utah, St. Joseph's (Pa.) and Indiana followed in that order.

Seattle cashed in on an amazing 25 of 34 shots in the second half to come from behind and down Marshall 91-80. Francis Saunders and Charlie Brown had 28 and 22 respectively.

The California Bears, who put a double crimp in Big Ten prestige by wallowing Iowa and Wisconsin, finish off their eastern jaunt against St. Louis Tuesday night. They'll return to Berkeley Christmas Eve in plenty of time for their game against Arizona Saturday at home.

In other action, Idaho State and Fresno State continued mowing 'em down. Idaho St. wallowed Arizona 71-51; Fresno trampled Montana State 86-59. Arizona State breezed past Loyola of Los Angeles, 79-46.

Washington at Northwestern  
Washington, which defeated the same Big Ten teams, takes on Northwestern tonight and then returns home to host Minnesota Saturday night.

## Spahn Holds Most Marks

New York—(UPI)—Southpaw Warren Spahn of Milwaukee made such a monopoly of National league pitching honors this year that he left practically no laurels for anyone else, the official averages revealed today.

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The 37-year-old ace, who defeated the Yankees twice in the World Series and then was beaten himself in the sixth game, compiled a 22-11 record last season and set a major league record by becoming the first left-handed pitcher to win 20 or more games in nine different seasons.

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## PLAYER REPORTED OKAY

Stillwater, Okla.—(UPI)—Jerry Pimm, captain of University of Southern California basketball team, was reported in good condition today following an emergency appendectomy operation. Pimm was taken to a hospital Monday after he was stricken in the early morning hours.

Another tournament entry is USF, which will meet the host Indians Friday. The Dons have won the tournament two years in a row.

## FOG POSTPONES GAME

Nashville, Tenn.—(UPI)—Fog and engine trouble postponed Monday night's scheduled basketball game between Vanderbilt and Baylor. The Bears were stranded when their plane could not take off from Dallas, Tex.

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### Beat This!

by Tip Brady



HOW LONG DID IT TAKE TO EVOLVE THE "4-MINUTE MILE"?

The first track meet on record is the Oxford-Cambridge meet of 1864. Time for the mile that day was 4:56 made by Charles B. Lawes of Cambridge.

## BASKETBALL

East  
Connecticut 76, Georgetown 68  
Seattle 91, Marshall 90  
Coll. of the Pacific 76, Iona 63

South  
Georgia Tech 110, Wyoming 78  
Memphis St. 96, Toronto 52

Midwest  
Ohio State 92, Utah 69  
Detroit 101, Delaware 71  
Northwestern 75, Washington 69  
Marquette 86, Xavier (Ohio) 71  
Minnesota 72, Stanford 61

Southwest  
Oklahoma 57, New Mex. A&M 52  
Idaho St. 86, Southern Cal. 74  
Rice 51, New Mexico 69  
Tex. Western 75, Missouri 71

West  
Brig. Young 72, St. Mary (Calif.) 67  
Fresno St. 86, Montana St. 59  
Idaho St. 71, Arizona 51  
Oregon 70, Montana 69

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# Iowa Big Favorite To Win Rose Bowl

Pasadena, Calif.—(UPI)—Among the men who believe they know football best, the sports writers and broadcasters covering the sport, Iowa today was an overwhelming favorite to defeat California in the Rose Bowl.

The press and broadcasting delegation was polled Monday at the Rose Bowl luncheon of the Southern California Football Writers' association and voted 70-7 that Iowa would be the winner.

North Carolina, Auburn and California were the newcomers in the first 10. North Carolina, the 1957 NCAA champion, advanced from 14th to fifth to make its first appearance of the campaign in the select group.

Those picking the Hawkeyes said they would win by an average of 18 1/2 points. The seven brave souls picking California felt the Bears would win by five points.

Coach Forest Evashevski, Iowa coach, said his team showed it needed practice by fumbling five times during Monday's workout and demonstrating its timing was off badly. But he said his goal was to have the squad reach its peak towards the end of next week.

Evashevski added, "we have every respect for the coaches and players of California and we are by no means taking them lightly."

California's spokesman was athletic director Greg Englehard who said Iowa probably deserved to be favored by the prevailing odds of 19 points but that California was not frightened.

"The California team is a dedicated group that is coming down here for one purpose—to win the game," he said.

"In Joe Kapp we feel we have a truly great quarterback and he has a bunch of inspired players who feel their mission in life is to spring him into the open."

He declined to amplify that statement, explaining he had made it merely to correct the impression that Patterson's best offer for a 1959 defense was the \$400,000 guarantee from a Cuban group headed by George Raft.

# West Hoopsters Involved In Feast of Conflicts

United Press International  
Basketball fans will have a feast of games this week despite the Christmas holidays, although some West Coast squads will be away from home during the early part of the week.

"However, D'Amato admitted, "Yes, I'm still giving the Cuban guarantee serious consideration, for Floyd will have more than one title fight next year."

Christmas Eve and Christmas night will find all the teams idle, but outside of that there will be plenty of action as teams wind up intercollegiate before the opening of conference campaigns.

College of Pacific, which has lost five in a row on its current eastern swing, meets Iona, N. Y., tonight and St. Peter's, N. J., Tuesday.

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# Ducks Edge Grizzlies By 70-69

Eugene—(UPI)—The Oregon Webfoots edged the Montana Grizzlies here Monday night, 70-69, in the opener of a two-game non-conference basketball series.

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Except for a 2-2 tie in the first minutes the Ducks led all the way. After a 35-29 halftime advantage Oregon built its lead to 13 points midway in the second half before the Grizzlies became aroused.

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With 33 seconds remaining, Montana's Marv Suttles put in a hook shot to narrow the Webfoot lead to one point, 68-67. With seven seconds left Oregon's Bud Kuykendall was fouled by Grizzly guard Mike Allen and both free throws were good, making the score 70-67 for Oregon.

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Suttles made a jump shot with three seconds remaining to end the scoring.

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Denny Strickland paced Oregon with 19 points. Kuykendall had 13. For Montana, Guard Dan Baiko was high with 21 points.

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Oregon collected 32 rebounds versus Montana's 19. The Ducks shot 378 from the floor and Montana 322.

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UCLA, which took a pair from Colorado last week end, meets Santa Clara Friday and Denver on Saturday.

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Southern California, whose five-game win streak was shattered on the road by Oklahoma and Wichita, plays Oklahoma State tonight, then returns for a game with Denver Friday in Los Angeles. The Trojans meet Santa Clara on Saturday.

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Los Angeles—(UPI)—The Air Force academy wants to hold an annual alternating football game against the Army and Navy here starting in 1960, it was learned today.

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# Florey Among Club Directors Hedrick Wins Game

Central Point—(UPI)—Chauncey Florey is among members of the Central Point Sportsmen's club who were elected last week to serve on the board of directors. His name was inadvertently omitted from the list released for publication.

It was Hedrick's game all the way yesterday at South Grants Pass as they beat the host team 31-15.

# D'Amato Considers Title Bout

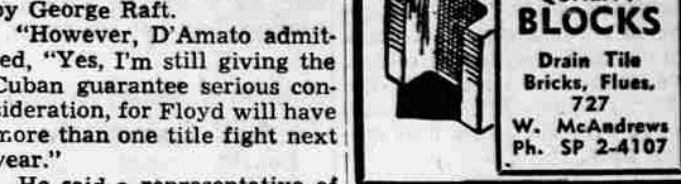
New York—(UPI)—Cus D'Amato, manager of Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, disclosed today that one of the offers he is considering for a title fight, "involves far more than \$400,000."

The back court men kept the ball under their control led by Richard Knight and Larry Bowell. Top rebounder was Lee Wimberly with the high score of 12. South Grants Pass' Latendresse was high point man for his team with six points.

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