

Kansas State's Wildcats Rated National Champions by UP Board

By EARL WRIGHT
New York—UPI—Kansas State, which closed the regular season with 20 consecutive victories and a 24-1 record, was named college basketball's 1958-59 national champion today by the United Press International's Board of Coaches.

The Big Eight champions, coached by Fred (Tex) Winder, received 317 of a possible 350 points in the final balloting of the 35-man board. They will receive the UPI gold trophy at a time and place to be announced at some future date.

Texas Five Victor Over Linfield

Kansas City—UPI—Linfield's Wildcats found fifth-seeded Southwest Texas State too tough Tuesday and dropped a 93-61 decision in the NAIA basketball tournament here.

Kansas State was picked to finish second in the pre-season balloting and never was ranked lower than third throughout the entire campaign. The Wildcats were second seven times and third six times before finally taking over the top rung in the 13th-and-next-to-last rankings.

Free Ride Defended

Portland—UPI—The presidents of Oregon State college and University of Oregon appeared at the State Board of Higher Education meeting Tuesday and defended athletes and a new so-called "free ride" aid program.

The Wildcats suffered their only loss of the season to Brigham Young, 77-68. They won nine of the ten games they played on the road and won the four-game Big Eight Christmas tourney on a neutral Kansas City court. They

LA Dodgers Break Even

Vero Beach, Fla.—UPI—The Los Angeles Dodgers returned from their four-day road trip to host the Cincinnati Reds today in a Grapefruit League exhibition game.

The Wildcats were to fly home today.

Max Terzenbach Fires 271 Score

Max Terzenbach took up where he left off a year ago and led the pistol shooters Wednesday with the score of 271 in slow time and rapid fire out of a possible of 300 at Medford Rifle and Pistol club range.

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beat nationally-ranked California and North Carolina in non-conference games and had a perfect 14-0 record in Big Eight competition.

New York—UPI—The Final 1958-59 major college basketball ratings by the United Press International board of coaches (first-place votes and won-loss records through March 9 in parentheses):
Team Points
1. Kansas St. 24 (24-1) 317
2. Kentucky 1 (23-2) 298

Navy Quint Spills North Carolinians

By JOHN GRIFFIN
United Press International
Navy's new "team named desire," which brought back the war-time sparkle even to the tired eyes of old seadog Adm. Bull Halsey by whipping North Carolina in the first big upset of the NCAA basketball tournament, got its battle cry today from Coach Ben Carnevale:

3. Michigan St. 2 (18-3) 212
4. Cincinnati 1 (23-3) 120
5. N. Carolina St. 1 (22-4) 168
6. (tie) North Carolina (20-4) 144
Mississippi State (24-1) 144
8. Bradley (23-3) 118
9. California (21-4) 110
10. Auburn (20-2) 55
11. West Virginia 47; 12. Texas Christian, 30; 13. St. Louis 26; 14. Utah, 25; 15. Marquette, 17; 16. Tennessee State A&I, 8; 17. St. Johns (N.Y.), 5; 18. (tie) Navy and St. Mary's (Calif.), 4 each; 20. St. Joseph's (Pa.), 3; 21. St. Bonaventure, 2.

"We think we can win any game we play."
You gotta believe 'em in the wake of Navy's 76-63 triumph over Carolina's Tar Heels at Madison Square Garden Tuesday night. That stole the NCAA show from other victories in New York by West Virginia and Boston University and in Lexington, Ky., by Marquette and Louisville.

Now, except for one first-round game tonight in Las Cruces, N.M., between Idaho State and New Mexico State, the stage is set for 16 teams to open NCAA regional play Friday night at four sites—Charlotte, N.C.; Evanston, Ill.; Lawrence, Kans.; and San Francisco.

The New York crowd strayed in disbelief and then cheered in delight as the Middies stomped to a 34-22 halftime lead and built the margin to 59-40 with seven minutes remaining. They did it on: 1. Brilliant ballhandling; 2. A steel-trap "combination" defense; 3. deadeye shooting; and 4. above all, just plain grit.

Mountaineers Beat Darmouth
Boston U. qualified to meet Navy at Charlotte by rallying to nip Connecticut, 60-58, and West Virginia at last over-

came its NCAA jinx in trouncing Dartmouth, 82-68, to earn a Charlotte berth against St. Joseph's, Pa.

Marquette earned an Evanston berth opposite Michigan State by ripping Bowling Green, 89-71, and Louisville earned an Evanston shot at state rival Kentucky by beating Eastern Kentucky, 77-63.

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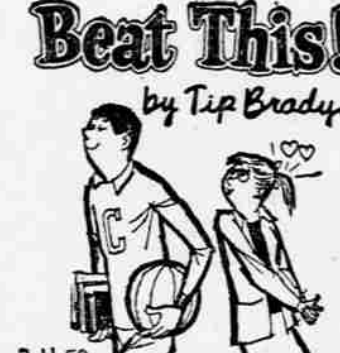
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WHAT RECORDS DID OSCAR ROBERTSON MAKE IN 1957-58?

Oscar Robertson, the brilliant University of Cincinnati basketball player, scored 984 points and had a 35.1 average to lead all college players of the nation. The marks were also the greatest ever put together by a sophomore, and the second best ever made by any college player.

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Bill Veck Visits Sox Ball Park

By ED SAINSBURY
Chicago—UPI—Bill Veck and his associates, the new majority stockholders of the Chicago White Sox, visit Comiskey park today to see the baseball empire they have purchased.

Veck and his syndicate which includes former major league star Hank Greenberg and five investment bankers, paid \$2,700,000 Tuesday to Mrs. Dorothy Rigney for her majority stock interest.

The purchase gave Veck's group 54 per cent of the stock. The other 46 per cent is held by Mrs. Rigney's brother, Charles (Chuck) Comiskey, who battled futilely in the courts to prevent the sale.

Veck hoped to meet with Comiskey, a Sox vice president, as soon as possible and discuss the sale and the future of the American league club.

Comiskey, however, was in Florida at the Sox training camp in Tampa. He was not expected to return to Chicago until Thursday.

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Veck emphasized he hoped to keep Comiskey in the organization as a "partner."

"We are not going on the muscle," he said. "We don't want any of the rassing and scrapping that has gone on for years now."

Stu Miller Faces Cubs

Phoenix, Ariz.—UPI—Little Stu Miller, exponent of the much-maligned but seldom hit "junk-ball," was to open on the mound against the Chicago Cubs today in what he hoped would be a return to winning form by the San Francisco Giants.

The "big two" of the Giant pitching staff—left-hander Johnny Antonelli and recently acquired Jack Sanford—were pounded pretty much at will by the Boston Red Sox Tuesday, although the American Leaguers were without the services of Ted Williams.

The Williams bat wasn't needed, however, as Jackie Jensen and Frank Malzone drove in six runs between them to give the Sox an easy 8-2 win and a firmer grasp on the Cactus League leadership. Malzone drove in four runs on a pair of singles, while Jensen hammered in a pair on a double and single.

Seven of the Boston runs came off Antonelli and Sanford.

FIGHTS

TUESDAY NIGHT
London—UPI—Dick Richardson, 212½, Wales, outpointed Bert Whitehurst, 194½, Baltimore, Br., (10).

Houston, Tex.—UPI—Joey Archer, 155, New York, outpointed Tony Dupas, 155, New Orleans, (6).

Phoenix, Ariz.—UPI—Zera Foley, 195, Chandler, Ariz., outpointed Henry Thurman, 211, Los Angeles, (10).

SPORTS

Mick Has Shoulder Trouble; Milwaukee Trims Yanks Again

By FRED DOWN
United Press International
The New York Yankees were faced today with the possibility that \$80,000-sluggo Mickey Mantle will be hampered—at least during spring training and perhaps during the American league season—by a recurrence of his 1957 World Series shoulder ailment.

collected seven hits in his last nine trips to the plate.

Rocky Nelson, battling for a major league job after many brilliant minor league seasons, connected with a two-run single in the seventh inning as the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-1. Ronnie Kline, R.G. Smith and Roy Face pitched a four-hitter against the Cardinals, who have dropped all four of their exhibition games.

There are four lettermen on Piche's squad. They are Wayne Allen, pitcher and shortstop, a senior, and Bill Anhorn, pitcher, and Dennis Pfaff and Jerry Korbol, outfielders, all juniors.

Mantle, who hopes to shoot for the triple batting crown, was advised Tuesday not to throw for three days after he felt pain in his right shoulder.

Among infield prospects are John Anhorn, Charles Warren and Ron Hale, all juniors. Infield candidates include Tom Sample and Jim White, seniors, and Gary Johnson, a junior. Catcher aspirants are Ed Allen, sophomore transfer from California, and Jeff Anhorn, freshman. Denny Sample is a sophomore pitching prospect.

Dr. Sydney Gaynor, the club physician, found no calcium deposit and told Mantle to resume workouts but to refrain from throwing.

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Nobody in the Yankee camp seemed inclined to push the panic button, but reporters were surprised when Mantle revealed he has had recent trouble with the shoulder and has undergone treatment. The Yankees had made no mention that anything was wrong with their super star.

Piche has 20 games lined up for Crater and the season starts on Saturday, March 28, with a doubleheader against Del Norte at Crescent City, Calif.

Mantle first suffered the injury when he collided at second base with Red Schoendienst of the Milwaukee Braves during the 1957 World Series. Like his predecessor, Joe DiMaggio, Mantle is a very slow healer and apparently is subject to recurring ailments more than most athletes.

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Braves Beat Yankees
The Milwaukee Braves didn't help Casey Stengel's disposition when they beat the Yankees for the second straight time, 5-2. Rookies Jerry Nelson and Bob Giggie and veteran Joey Kay combined to hold the world champions to four hits, including a two-run homer by Andy Carey. Hank Aaron homered for the Braves.

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Red's Defeat A's
Catcher Ed Bailey blasted a three-run seventh-inning homer that carried the Cincinnati Reds to a 4-3 decision over the Kansas City Athletics. The blow came off Ralph Terry after doubles by Frank Thomas and Frand Robinson produced one run. Joe Nuxhall stopped a Kansas City rally in the ninth.

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Tony Taylor clubbed out two singles and a double for a perfect day and led the Chicago Cubs to a 9-3 rout of the Cleveland Indians. Cal McLish was rocked for five runs in the first inning. Taylor now has

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Crater High Baseballers Practicing

Central Point—Baseball practice at Crater High school started full scale on Monday, Coach Bill Piche reported.

BASKETBALL

TUESDAY COLLEGE GAMES
NCAA Major Playoffs
(At New York)
Boston U. 60, Connecticut 58
West Virginia 82, Dartmouth 68
Navy 76, North Carolina 63

Practice actually got underway last week with 18 aspirants reporting.

(At Lexington, Ky.)
Marquette 89, Bowling Green 71
Louisville 77, Eastern Kentucky 53

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NAIA Tournament
Westminster 79, Northern Britain 78
Youngstown 85, Northern Treva 76

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Bobby Avila Retiring

Miami, Fla.—UPI—Bobby Avila, who led the American league with a .341 batting average in 1954, has notified the Baltimore Orioles he is retiring from baseball to become a salesman.

Two lettermen are kept from participation by athletic council action. They are Bob Fowler, three-year third baseman and pitcher, and Dave Brown, outfielder and catcher.

Avila, an infielder, never hit higher than .272 after winning his batting title and last season hit only .253 in 113 games.

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EDSTROM EYES RETURN

Eugene—UPI—Dave Edstrom, 19-year-old track ace for the University of Oregon, is back on the campus after undergoing an emergency appendicitis operation last week. Edstrom's physician said that he probably will be ready for track competition by April 11, the date of the Washington-Oregon dual meet. He will miss the Ducks' first meet with Fresno State March 28 and the Northern division relays April 4.

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Richie Guerin Masters Celts

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Guerin's 10-point spurt in the opening period Tuesday night enabled the New York Knickerbockers to defeat the Celtics, 138-116, and wind up the season with a 5-7 record against Boston.

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Guerin, of course, will have to help the Knicks beat Syracuse in the opening round of the playoffs before he gets another crack at the Eastern Division champion Celts.

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