

Kentucky Wildcats Gain With 77-72 Overtime Win

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United Press International
Don't count those Kentucky Wildcats out of the national basketball picture!

They've suffered two early-season defeats but Coach Adolph Rupp's boys bounced back with a 77-72 overtime victory over Kansas Monday night and now go on to the weekend Kentucky Invitational tournament in which third-ranked West Virginia, fifth-ranked North Carolina and sixth-ranked St. Louis also are entered.

A victory in that tournament plus a triumph over second-ranked Ohio State, Dec. 28, and the Wildcats would be right back among the country's top 10 teams—where they started the season with high hopes that this might prove to be one of Rupp's greatest teams.

Sweet Victory For Rupp
Kentucky's third victory in five games was especially sweet for Rupp because it marked the 58-year old coach's first return to the Lawrence, Kans., campus since he won a letter on the 1923 national championship team there.

Kansas Guard Bob Hick-

man sank a game-tying field goal with only 20 seconds remaining in regulation time so after all those years, Rupp had to wait five minutes more to win at his old stamping grounds. Then free throws by Don Mills and Sid Cohen, sandwiched between a tip-in and recovery by 6-9 center Ned Jennings clinched the victory.

Jennings was high scorer for Kentucky with 27 points but game honors went to Kansas' soph Wayne Hightower who had 33 points. It was the second loss in five games for ninth-ranked Kansas.

Mountaineers Warm Up
West Virginia warmed up for the Kentucky Invitational with a 91-76 win over Virginia Military Institute, eighth-ranked Bradley played Providence, 57-55. Tenth-ranked Indiana rallied to beat Kansas State, 67-59. Sixth-ranked Illinois defeated Marquette, 89-

77, Detroit topped Xavier, 95-71, for its fifth straight victory. Notre Dame downed Nebraska, 70-62. Mississippi won its sixth straight game, 75-58, over Arkansas State and Missouri beat Wisconsin, 78-66, in other top games.

All-American Jerry West tallied 27 points to lead Virginia to its sixth straight win of the season, its 54th in a row in Southern Conference play and its 37th straight at Morgantown. W. Va. Joe Gedros scored 30 points for Virginia Military.

Maryland beat Georgetown, 59-48; Miami (Fla.) downed Murray State, 92-80; Texas crushed Louisiana State university, 85-67; Dave Craig scored 32 points as Rice defeated Tulane, 93-79; Houston topped North Texas State, 88-59, and Jack Chapman's 24 points paced Creighton to a 72-64 triumph over Texas Christian.

Cincinnati Remains Top Major College Cage Team

New York (UPI)—The Cincinnati Bearcats remained the No. 1 today in United Press International's major college basketball ratings and another Ohio team, the Ohio State Buckeyes, replaced California in second place.

West Virginia remained third in the latest balloting by the 35 leading coaches who rate the major schools for UPI. The coaches based their voting on games played through Saturday, Dec. 12.

California was fourth, North Carolina fifth and St. Louis sixth. Utah was seventh, Bradley eighth, Kansas ninth and Southern California 10th.

Bradley and Southern California were the newcomers in the top 10, replacing Kentucky and Indiana. Bradley was 12th last week while Southern California was 15th. Kentucky dropped from sixth to 13th after losing to Southern California and St. Louis. Indiana slipped from eighth to 11th after losing to Missouri.

first place votes and 252 points. California drew four first-place votes and 243 points. North Carolina drew the other first-place vote and 217.

St. Louis received 144 points, Utah 100, Bradley 66, Kansas 45 and Southern California 43.

SPORTS



WASHES EYE—Sugar Ray Robinson takes an eye wash after his victory last night. He easily shook off the ring rust of nearly 21 months as he knocked out Bob Young of Providence, R.I., at 1:18 of the second round. This is a tune up fight for Sugar Ray before meeting Paul Pender at the Boston Garden Jan. 22. —(UPI Telephoto)

Heidenreich New President Of Rifle Club

Harry Heidenreich has been named president of Medford Rifle and Pistol club.

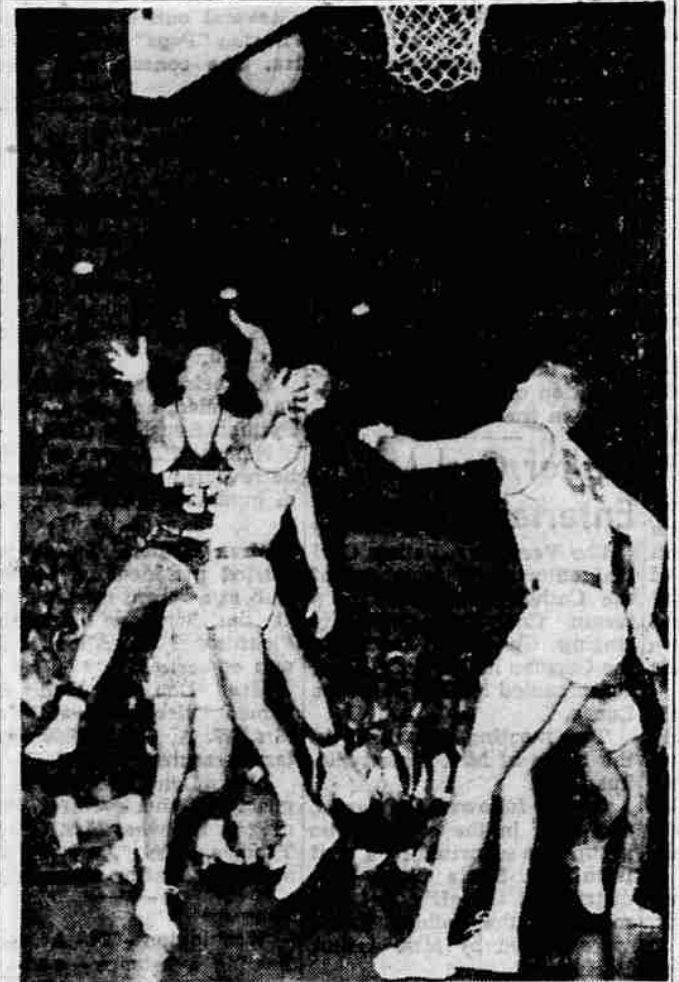
Rafe Anders was elected vice-president, D. J. Bolton secretary, Mrs. Bolton treasurer, Frank D. Graham executive officer and Heidenreich chief instructor.

Annual meeting of the club was held Friday and seventeen shooters were on hand for the monthly pistol match Sunday as activities for another year began at the indoor range on Vilas rd.

Hewitt Winner
The pistol even was attended by 17 shooters, including several from Grants Pass and Ashland. Roy Hewitt, of the home club, was winner with a 778 score out of a possible 900. First in expert and sharpshooter classes, respectively, in the 90 shot event were Don Dillingham and Lowell McKenzie, both of Grants Pass. Wes Van Buskirk, Ashland, took marksman honors.

Next monthly shoot will be on Sunday, Jan. 10. The rifle schedule each week at the indoor range includes junior rifle shooting on Monday, pistol shooting on Tuesday, senior rifle firing on Wednesday and archery on Thursday and Saturday. The range opens each of these days at 7 p.m.

A pistol instruction session will be held each Friday beginning with the first Friday in January.



FLIPS ONE—Marquette's Jim Kerston (33) flips a two-handed shot beneath the grasping hand of Illinois' Ed Perry on the Champaign, Ill. floor. Illinois defeated Marquette Monday night 89-77 with a spirited rally that brought the Illini from behind in the last six minutes of play. At right is center Vern Altemeyer of Illinois (52). —(UPI Telephoto)

Round Out Top
Georgia Tech, Kentucky, Iowa, Villanova, Illinois, North Carolina State, New York University, Texas A&M and Louisville rounded out the top 20 in that order.

Each coach on the rating board selects 10 teams in the order he ranks them nationally. Points are awarded on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis for votes from first through 10th place.

Cincinnati received 26 first-place votes and 331 points. The Bearcats, mentioned on every ballot, also received three votes for second, three for third, two for fourth and one for fifth. Ohio State received two first-place votes and 255 points. West Virginia was close behind with two

Sugar Ray Slugs Out Victory

Boston (UPI)—The moral: Don't shake up the Sugar Man.

Bob Young found that out Monday night as he served as Sugar Ray Robinson's target in the five-time middleweight champion's return to the ring battles after a 21-month lay-off.

Robinson, only a few months less than 40, was tuning up for a so-called title bout Jan. 22 with Paul Pender of Brookline.

"I just goofed," said Young, who hails from Providence, R.I. and holds the New England light heavyweight title.

Young meant the instance in the first round of the scheduled 10-rounder at the Garden, when he saw an opening, landed a good left hook and then was too surprised to follow it up.

Robinson admitted the punch hurt him.

"Yes, he hurt me in the first round," he said. "I had wanted to go five rounds after such a long period of inactivity. But I saw he was sharp and clever and I knew it was either him or me."

Robinson, who admits to 38 though listed in the record book as 40 next May, proceeded to floor the 27-year-old Young three times in the second round before ending it with a kayo at 1:18.

"I knew I couldn't gamble after that first round," he said. "He was very clever."

Robinson, who weighed 161 to Young's 167½, said he was "right" when he first climbed into the ring. "But I have a lot of ham in me and I loosened right up as soon as I saw the crowd of 6,633."

Indoor Tennis Tourney Set

Rogue Valley Tennis club will hold its first annual indoor tennis tournament on the week ends of Dec. 19 and 20 and Dec. 26 and 27 at Ashland.

Players interested may enter in men's and women's singles, men's doubles and mixed doubles. There will be a \$1 fee for each event entered by a player. Entries may be mailed or telephoned to Dick Joy, 1165 Siskiyou Blvd., Ashland (MURdock 9-7731).

Twenty-one entries had been received by last week end. They included players from Idaho, Klamath Falls, Modesto and Eureka, Calif., the tennis club and Southern Oregon college.

First round of men's singles is set for Dec. 19 with doubles to open on Dec. 20. Play will be completed in those divisions on the following week end with women's singles and mixed doubles also set.

Trophies will go to winners in each division.

Matches will be at Southern Oregon college gymnasium.

EARLIER STARTING TIME

Chicago (UPI)—The Chicago Cubs announced Monday that the starting time for single games at Wrigley Field next season will be 1:30 p.m. This represented a change from the 1959 season when the games started one-half hour later.

Medford High Wrestlers Tussle Cavemen Tonight

Medford high wrestlers face one of their toughest tests of the season this evening when they meet Grants Pass at the senior high gym here.

The varsity matches are set for 8 p.m. after exhibitions which get underway at 6:30 p.m.

FIGHTS

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Boston—Ray Robinson, 161, New York knocked out Bob Young, 167½, Providence, R.I. (2, non-title); Paul Pender, 164½, Brookline, Mass., outpointed Gene Hamilton, 162½, New York (10).

New Orleans—Joe Brown 139, New Orleans, outpointed Joey Parks, 139, Omaha, Neb. (10, non-title).

Dallas, Tex.—Donnie Fleeman, 151, Midlothian, Tex., outpointed Garvin Sawyer, 158, Arnold, Pa. (10).

New York—Jimmy Archer, 147, New York, outpointed Bobby Bartels, 144½, Astoria, N.Y. (8).

Caracas, Venezuela—Carlos Moch, 135½, Venezuela, knocked out Rocky Randall, 137, Miami Beach, Fla. (6).

San Francisco—Devey Moore, 130½, Springfield, Ohio, outpointed Hilari Morales, 134, Mexico City (10, non-title).

Reno, Nev.—Joe Vargas, 122, Stockton, Calif., stopped Rudy Corona, 122, Sonora, Mexico (4).

Tuesday—Los Angeles—Tom Stone Smith vs. Ray Greco. Sacramento, Calif.—Auburn Copeland vs. Roberto Garcia. Hartford, Conn.—Billy Lynch vs. Lino Rendon. Buffalo, N.Y.—Rocky Fumerles vs. Joe Miceli. Trenton, N.J.—Eddie Armstrong vs. Chico Velez.

Wednesday—Camden, N.J.—Gene Ace Armstrong vs. Rudy Ellis (TV). Thursday—Trinidad, B.W.I.—Arthur Persley vs. Cesar Barrow. Los Angeles—Alvaro Gutierrez vs. Jiro Sawada. Philadelphia—Mel Middleton vs. Jim Arthur. Friday—New York (Garden)—Charley Scott vs. Benny (Kid) Parot. (TV-radio).

Grants Pass was fourth in state last year. This season the Cavemen have dropped their only match, 22 to 17 to Roseburg. Medford tied Crater 20 to 20.

Five lettermen are among those slated to appear in counting matches for the Medford Black Tornado. They are Dennis Pugmire, 114 pounds; Wayne Fields, 135; Ray Smith, 140; Bill Charley, 156; and Lee Cook, 167.

Others slated to meet Cavemen varsity performers are Jim Spitz, 97; Clay Varney, 105; George Chambers, 121; Sonny Leffler, 129; Larry Gunn, 147; Bob Rix, or Ron Gandee, 177; Chuck Shaw, 190, and Stan Hobbs, unlimited.

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Giants' Man Named Top Pitcher

Cincinnati, Ohio (UPI)—Sam Jones, workhorse righthander of the San Francisco Giants, was officially confirmed today as the National League's most effective pitcher of 1959.

League figures revealed that the 34-year-old Jones compiled a league-leading 2.82 earned run average to beat out teammate Stu Miller and Bob Buhl of the Milwaukee Braves in a close three-cornered race. Miller finished with a 2.84 average and Buhl had a 2.86 mark.

It was by far the most brilliant year of Jones' career. He had a 21-15 won-lost record, struck out 209 batters in 212 innings, appeared in 50 games, pitched four shutouts, had a nine-inning no-hitter and a seven-inning no-hitter and pitched 16 complete games.

Miller, appearing in 59 games and 168 innings, had a 3-7 record while Buhl, who worked in 31 games and 198 innings, had a 15-9 mark.

Warren Spahn and Lew Burdette of the Milwaukee Braves were the other 20-game winners each finishing with a 2-15 record that matched Jones' figure. Spahn, who has won 20 games a record 10 times for a N.L. left-hander, was fourth in earned run average with 2.96 but Burdette had a 4.07 ERA that placed him way up the list in that department. Burdette gave up the most hits, 312, and the most home runs, 38.

Elroy Face, the brilliant little relief pitcher of the Pittsburgh Pirates, won 17 straight games and set a new major league mark with an 18-1 season record that gave him a .947 percentage. Face, in 57 games and 91 innings, had a 2.71 earned run average but did not qualify for the "lead" in that department because he did not appear in 154 innings.

Wildcats Nip St. Martins'

McMinnville (UPI)—Guard Jackie Riley broke Linfield's all-time basketball scoring record Monday night as the Wildcats walloped St. Martin's 104-63.

Riley scored 16 points to raise his career total to 1,624, passing the previous mark of 1,617 held by Bill Machamer.

Black Tornado Schedules Home Basketball Opener

This is the last heavy week of high school basketball prior to the Christmas holidays and prep varieties of this area will be involved in 15 conflicts over the week end.

Medford high makes its home debut on Friday and Saturday against South Eugene's Axemen. Hedrick Junior High school gym is Medford's home court.

Ashland and Crater also entertain. The Ashlanders will be at home to Douglas of Winston on Friday and Saturday and Crater meets Eagle Point on Saturday evening.

This city's parochial prep, St. Mary's will host St. Mary's on Friday evening and Sacred Heart from Klamath Falls on Sunday afternoon. Phoenix will tussle Brookings at Phoenix in Saturday activity.

Rogue River vies at Talent on Friday and entertains Butte Falls on Saturday while Talent travels to Illinois Valley. IV plays at Butte Falls on Friday. Prospect was to be at Days Creek tonight and is to provide Saturday night opposition for Medford junior varsity in the prelim to the South Eugene-Medford mix. Medford sophomores will meet a St. Mary's team in the Friday curtain lifter.

Grants Pass high goes to Roseburg on Friday and the two clubs clash at Grants Pass on Saturday.

Freshman schedules show Hedrick at Eagle Point this evening and Eagle Point at Crater on Thursday.

Two Games Scheduled By SOIBL

SOIBL standings (Games through Dec. 13)

Team	W.	L.
SOC JV	2	0
Hawkins	1	0
Giendale	1	0
Andy's	1	0
Big Y	1	0
Butte Falls	0	1
Grants Pass	0	1
Nat'l Guard	0	1

A basketball doubleheader is slated this evening at McLoughlin Junior high gym.

First game will be at 7 p.m. The evening's program will match clubs of the Southern Oregon Independent league.

Grants Pass will appear in the starter against the Medford-Hawkinson Tire Tread club which is made up mainly of coaches of the area and ex-Southern Oregon collegians. National Guard and Big Y markets will be the other rivals. This contest between Medford entries in the loop is set for about 8:30 p.m.

Last year's Grants Pass entry won the league title and this year's representative of the Climate city is thought to be made up of many of the same players.

This is the second week of league activity.

LeBaron Eyes Law or Football

Washington, D.C. (UPI)—Quarterback Eddie LeBaron said today it will take at least a month before he decides whether to return to the Washington Redskins or begin law practice in 1960.

LeBaron's name turned up Monday on a list of 641 applicants who passed the 1959 California fall bar exams. LeBaron will be sworn in at Los Angeles, Jan. 6, or at San Francisco, Jan. 12.

Kicking Better In Big Five

San Francisco (UPI)—Kicking accuracy in both points-after-touchdowns and field goals increased by nine per cent among Big Five members the past football season, according to league headquarters here.

Big Five teams made 73 out of 80 conversion attempts, or 91 per cent. During 1958, the nine members of the now defunct Pacific Coast conference completed 43 out of 60 for 72 per cent. Big Five clubs also took advantage of the wider goal posts this year, kicking 12 to only seven by the nine PCC teams the previous year.

The value of two-point conversion attempts declined from 1958, being successful only 39.5 per cent of the time. In theory this made the two-point try worth .79 points while each kick was worth .81 point.

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