

Only Vandals Do All Right In Early Play

Traveling Fives Knock Over Ducks And Oregon State

By The Associated Press

It might be something better left unsaid, but the Northwest's big five—members of the northern division Pacific coast conference—aren't doing so well this year when it comes to inter-sectional basketball competition.

Take last night for example. Of four teams in action, only one squeaked through to a win. Idaho eked out a narrow 41-39 win over Iowa State back in the Midwest. But Washington, Oregon and Oregon State all bowed on their home courts.

Washington fell fighting before Minnesota 55-53, OSC lost its second in a row to Indiana 58-53 and Oregon was nipped by Stanford 70-67.

In addition to wiping out the division's last undefeated team—the evening's activity brought the circuit's inter-sectional record to a lowly five wins in 17 games.

Only Washington State, which has broken even against two foreign quintets, boasts so much as a .500 percentage. The Cougars get a chance to better that standing tonight against Bradley at Peoria, Ill. Washington and Oregon also get another against Minnesota and Stanford, respectively.

Other inter-sectional records include: Idaho, one win against two losses; Oregon, 0-2; Oregon State, 2-5 and Washington, 0-1.

TOUGH SCRAP

Not that any of last night's three losses had anything to be ashamed of—all went down in tough battles.

Washington, which trailed 27-21 at halftime, knotted the count on Minnesota on several occasions during the second half and was tied at 53-all two minutes from the final gun. A lanky sharpshooter, Maynard Johnson, was the big gun of the Gopher attack with 23 points—10 of them coming in a row after Washington had taken a 40-39 lead. Hal Arnsperger's 13 counters were high for the Huskies.

Oregon State, defending coast titlist, led Indiana eight times during the first half but trailed 29-25 at halftime and never caught the Hoosiers again. Bob Payne, OSC's sophomore forward, was high for both teams with 13 points, nine coming on charity tosses.

Stanford jumped into an early lead over Oregon—once as much as 16 points—but the fighting Ducks battled back to a 67-67 knot two minutes before the gun. Three Stanford foul shots wound up the scoring. George Yardley's 24 points for the victors was high. Bob Lavey, reserve guard, had 16 for the Ducks.

FROM BEHIND

Idaho, which moves over to Des Moines, Ia., against Drake tonight, had to overcome a nine-point halftime deficit last night to ease past Iowa State. Both teams were cold on their shots, Iowa State making only four field goals during the entire second half. Nick Stallworth paced Idaho with 11 points.

With Washington bowing out of the undefeated picture, Pacific Lutheran—a power among the smaller Northwest schools—moved in. The Lutes marked up their seventh in a row without defeat by pasting St. Martin's 62-48. High-scoring Harry McLaughlin paced the victors with 20 points.

Panthers Beat Wildcat Crew

Chiloquin's Panthers were hot during the second half of their basketball game last night to defeat the KU Wildcats 52-27 on the Chiloquin floor after the score was tied 13-13 at halftime.

Raymond Souers was high with 16 points. Orland Dixon of the Wildcats scored 12. In the preliminary the KU Frosh beat the Chiloquin 'B' team 28-25 with David French counting 10 points.

SHIPS COLLIDE

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—Two ships collided at the entrance of New York harbor last night, but both pulled away from the accident under their own power. The vessels, the 10,172-ton tanker Atlantic Voyager and the 6726-ton freighter Exemplar, lay at anchor in the bay today, pending a checkup to determine the extent of damage.

SHUTTERBUG—Roger, the official zoo cameraman at Colorado Springs, Colo., has more fun than the people who stare through the bars at him. Looking in on Roger today, we find him all done up like a press today, pending a checkup to determine the extent of damage.



OHIO IN UMBRELLAS—California hasn't greeted the Ohio State football players with its vaulted sunshine and Buckeyes in the state for the Rose Bowl game have borrowed bumbushoots for their strolls around Los Angeles. Shown are, left to right, front row: Pandel Savic QB, Dick Hanlon T, George Tonneff G, Jerry Krall HB; back row: Wes Fessler, coach; Jack Wilson, team captain.—(NEA telephoto).

ANOTHER WHITE HOPE Brooklyn Boy Makes Bid for Big Show

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP)—George Kaplan, Brooklyn heavyweight prospect, makes his first move toward the big time tonight when he tops the show at St. Nicholas arena, farm club of Madison Square Garden.

Kaplan, a lanky 6-foot-3 youngster, weighs 185. Manager Jimmy 'The Magician' Grippo who used to boss Melio Bettina, ex-light-heavy king, expects Kaplan to weigh 200 when he grows up.

Italy's Dullio Spagnola is a unanimous choice to become Kaplan's 20th victim in tonight's 10-rounder. George has knocked out 14 men in 19 winning fights.

What's with Willie Pep?

Wily Willie underwent an operation for removal of scar tissue over one eye Monday. Now he's thinking of a title defense but not against Sandy Saddler. St. Louis hopes for a championship bout between Pep and Charlie Stley, a home town boy, during the Ingoor season.

A third Pep-Saddler match would be a top plum on the summer outdoor calendar if the right promoter can satisfy the cash demands of Pep, Manager Lou Viscusi and Charlie Johnson, Saddler's pilot. It's one of the few big matches left.

Lee Oma, who cancelled out of an "exhibition" with Joe Louis because



Swaner Back With Squad

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 21 (AP)—Jack Swaner, ace California half-back who has been getting his exercise pacing a hospital corridor, rejoined the Golden Bears yesterday.

Swaner had been at his home in Eureka where his wife is expecting a baby. But yesterday, the rambling ace of the Rose Bowl hosts came back and announced he couldn't stay away from practice longer. Word of the Swaner heir, when it arrives, will have to be given him by telephone.

The Bears, preparing a rough time—they hope—for Ohio State at Pasadena January 2, went through another two session day yesterday.

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 - Oakridge 42, Pleasant Hill 28.
 - Elmira 40, Lowell 29.
 - Gresham 45, Newberg 38.
 - Corvallis 44, Eugene 32.
 - Parkdale 52, Mosier 27.
 - Sweet Home 64, Willamette (Eugene) 59.
 - Halsey 40, Shedd 24.
 - Oregon Frosh 65, Washington 27.
 - Grants Pass 55, Crescent City 32.
 - Taft 41, Siletz 29.
 - Garibaldi 52, Star of the Sea 46.
 - Eddyville 33, Waldport 27.
 - Cottage Grove 41, Junction City 31.
 - Molalla 28, Mt. Angel 24.
 - Tigard 62, Lincoln 45.
 - Oregon City 49, Lewis-Clark Frosh 42.
 - Estacada 48, Dallas 41.
 - Seaside 47, Warrenton 27.
 - Milwaukie 49, Battle Ground 44.
 - Tillamook 57, Scappoose 51.
 - Corbett 41, Odell 24.

Malin Nips Academy Five

Sacred Heart got its comeuppance after four straight early-season basketball wins last night, but just barely.

Malin's Ted DeMerritt potted a basket in the last 19 seconds of play at Malin to give the Mustangs a 40-39 victory, and that was the only time in the game when the Mustangs were ahead.

Sacred Heart had a 17-10 bulge

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