

Shasta Knights Edge Owls, 71-70

Free Throw In Final Second Beats OTI '5'

REDDING, California (Special)—A last second free throw by Junior Jones gave the Shasta Junior College Knights an exciting 71-70 victory over the Oregon Technical Institute Owls here Tuesday night in a non-league game that left the town buzzing.

With only one second remaining to play in the game, Oregon Tech's Ted Fischer was called for slipping Jones, and the Shasta forward sank the charity toss to give the Knights the series opener.

Oregon Tech bounced back from a 36-27 halftime deficit, and a difference of 16 points at one time early in the final half, to give the Knights a battle right down to the wire.

With eight minutes remaining to play, Shasta held a 14 point spread over their visitors from Klamath Falls, but the Owls placed the skids under the Knights and the fun began.

With only one minute and ten seconds remaining, Charlie Bogie connected on a left-handed jump shot to give Tech a 68-66 lead, their first since early in the game. Then Bob Richelleu tied the count with one of two free throw attempts on Johnny Foster's foul.

Bailhawking Ron Mancasola stole the ball from OTI as the Owls came down floor, but Tech's John McCutcheon in turn swiped the ball from Mancasola in an exchange that brought the large crowd to their feet. McCutcheon then fired a pass to Foster who soloed in for a crumple and Tech led 70-68 with only 35 seconds left to play.

Bogie was awarded a free toss on Richelleu's foul and the picture grew dark for the home folks of Shasta. But Bogie missed the gifter, and Jones cleared the boards for the Knights. In the next few seconds Shasta had tied the score again as Richelleu hit with a spinning jump shot from the key as the score stood 70-70 with only 10 seconds showing on the clock.

The Owls took three unsuccessful shots at the Shasta basket as the time clicked away, but before the Hoot Birds could find the range, Jones cleared the boards and in the process was fouled by Fischer, setting the stage for the climatic finish.

Four of Tech's regulars hit in double figures as Bogie and Foster each carded 17, while Fischer and Bob Frost accounted for 12 points apiece. High for the victorious Knights was Mancasola with 16, while Richelleu and Jack Sunitsch added 12 to the Shasta cause.

Shasta's second half downfall started when Sunitsch, a former Klamath Falls high school star, was called for his fifth infraction with 10:25 remaining to play. The 5-7 freshman was the spearhead of the Shasta first half surge and his brilliant defensive play kept the Owls at bay. On two occasions, the pint-sized Knight guard swept the air of Tech shots, and on numerous other occasions deflected and intercepted OTI passes. When Sunitsch left the game, the Shasta followers stood and gave him a resounding ovation.

After the game, coach Wally Palmberg said Bogie might possibly have suffered a dislocated back when he tumbled to the floor in the opening minutes of the first half. The 6-9 center of the Owls attempted to check a shot by Mancasola, who stands only 5-7, and in the move fell headlong over the Shasta cager, landing on his hip and shoulder. Bogie sat out most of the first half, but came back to lead the Owls second half assault despite the severe back pain that plagued him.

The cheerers who greeted him during pre-game introductions turned into jeers and the Loyola band snapped into "Dixie", marching song of the Confederate Army. A number of fans serenaded McMillon with "Bye, Bye Blackbird" as he left the court.

McMillon's fouling tactics, termed "unnecessary" by sports writer Dilberto, started a Loyola stampede to the free throw line. Loyola, behind 15 points when the fouling began, hit on 21 of 26 free throws to take a 71-65 victory and hand Bradley his first loss.

Loyola Coach Jim McCafferty later minimized the incident. He said he thought McMillon "lost his head" and became "disgusted" with himself.

"Most of the fouls took place at the far end of the court and we couldn't see them from our bench," McCafferty said. The Loyola coach said he thought the incident would have little effect on future games with teams that have Negro players.

The University of San Francisco, top-ranked team in the nation, meets Loyola here Friday night. San Francisco has three Negro players on its roster, including All-America center Bill Russell.

Dilberto wrote that McMillon played "very well in the first half even though he 'showboated' every chance he got." He said "when the game got close he lost all of his poise and started fouling intentionally."

Dilberto attributed McMillon's fouling the turning point in the game since it enabled Loyola to overcome the big lead and take the victory.

There was no other demonstration in the crowd which is seated on an integrated basis.

Neither McMillon nor Bradley Coach Bob Vanatta could be reached for comment.

Loyola embarked on desegregation in athletic events last year. Guard Al Lewis of LaSalle College was the pioneer and played without incident as have several other Negro players on teams in preliminary games.

Dilberto said Bradley's other Negro player, guard Curley Johnson, was a gentleman during the game, but was soundly booed when he left the game because of McMillon's behavior.

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Rebels' Game Movies Impress TCU Mentor

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FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—Mississippi may not have anyone to match Texas Christian's breakaway All-America back Jimmy Swink, but Coach Abe Martin cringes at the thought of the overall speed of Ole Miss.

The usually calm coach of the Southwest Conference champions, who will meet Mississippi in the Cotton Bowl Jan. 2, won't belittle his own hefty and experienced crew, but he is impressed with what he has learned about Johnny Vaughn's Rebels via game movies.

He discussed their use of the flanker in motion, the last-ditch lateral of Rebel quarterback Eagle Day after Day has gotten past the end, the passing of Day and John Blalock and the receiving of halfbacks Billy Kinard and Earl Blair.

But, he admitted that it was Mississippi's team speed that scared him the most—especially the line "that hits quick and charges hard."

Martin pointed out that the only game TCU lost was to Texas A&M, a team which also stressed quick getaway speed.

The big and mobile Horned Frogs lost that game because they played too conservatively and didn't attempt to open up until the cause was lost.

Quarterback Charles Curtis, a hesitant signal caller early in the season has since become more

daring and the Frogs moved into their eighth bowl game with a wide variety of offensive fireworks.

The Frogs capitalize most on Swink's long gains through or off tackle after a fullback fake but Curtis contributed passes that netted eight touchdowns to go along with the 20 that Swink put on the scoreboard with his running.

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Curtis also learned to use Swink as a decoy and to send fullbacks Vernon Halbeck or Harold Pollard up the middle and halfbacks Ray Taylor and Ken Wineburg, the latter a reserve, scooting off at a tangent from the well-defensed Swink.

Martin's study of Mississippi's game movies revealed that the two clubs use a similar attack—a T-formation combining many variations of that offense.

The TCU line anchored around Hugh Pitts, a second team All-America center, and flanked by two fine receivers in O'Day Williams and Bryan Engram, is hefty and more experienced than Mississippi's but it may not be as fast.

Mississippi's only bowl victory in four starts came against TCU in the 1948 Delta Bowl. That started TCU on a string of four straight bowl setbacks after winning its first three.

NY Syndicate Views Purchase Of Detroit

DETROIT (AP)—Any ideas you might have had about buying a Tiger for Christmas suffered a setback today. Tigers, at least the Detroit baseball variety, won't be for sale until after the holidays.

That was the official word as a New York syndicate joined the line of prospective bidders for the highly regarded Detroit franchise in the American League.

Although New York reports said the syndicate, headed by the one-time Chicago Cubs infielder Cy Block, had offered more than two million dollars for the club, the bid was viewed here as a "just looking, thank you" inquiry.

Walter O. (Spike) Briggs Jr., president of the Tigers, received a letter from Block yesterday. He said money wasn't mentioned but that Block asked for information about the club with a view to buying.

The club, which has been in the Briggs family for years, probably will be sold to somebody before the 1956 season opens. Some legal experts say that complications arising from a trust established by

Walter Briggs Sr. will force the sale.

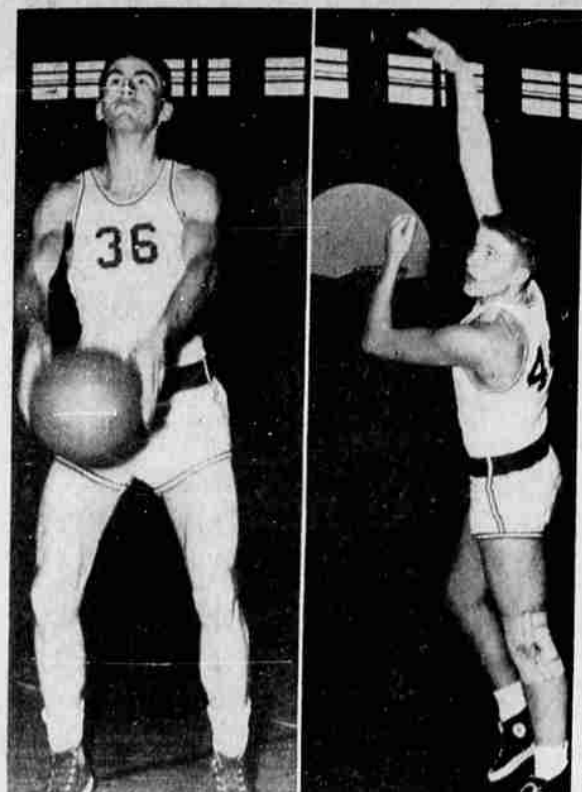
At the moment the Tigers are owned by a trust which includes Spike Briggs and his four sisters. Spike would like the club himself, but he failed in one bid early in the fall. A syndicate which he headed offered between 2½ and 3 million dollars. It was turned down.

Five men are reported to be associated with Block including Lester Feinberg, a Boston realtor who said last night:

"I feel this deal is going through very soon."

Briggs said any firm offer from Block's group would be considered, but not until after Jan. 1. Briggs said any others would have to wait until then, too.

Sources close to the club have said they felt the Briggs family would favor a Detroit or Michigan bid if possible.



TAKING AIM are these two KUHS basketballers as they await this Thursday and Friday night's play at Redding against Shasta Union High School. Orin Perkins, left, works on free throws, while Earle Tichenor, right, tosses up a few hook shots. Tichenor is slated to open for Klamath and Perkins, one of the two Pel lettermen, is another probable starter.

Pelicans Brushing Up For Series At Shasta

Coach Don Peterson's Klamath Union High School Pelicans went through their final brushing up session this afternoon as they prepare to wade back into cage action against the Shasta Union High Wolves at Redding Thursday and Friday nights.

Both games are non-conference affairs and will find the Whitebirds facing their first maple court play since their two-game split with the Huskies of Reno, two weeks ago.

Peterson said Tuesday that he was still not satisfied with his club's showing in defensive maneuvers, but indicated the ball handling and offensive patterns are beginning to show signs of improvement.

The Pel mentor has been working his charges against a "pressing" defense in hopes of being ready for the tough Wolves of Shasta High. In the Reno series, the Pels were handicapped by the stiff press of the Huskies.

The Pelicans' head man indicated he might possibly go with the

same starting unit that opened the Reno games, but again the problem of selecting the "outside" men has popped up. Glenn Moore, 6-6 center and Earle Tichenor, 6-5 forward, are almost assured of their double post positions under the boards, but Peterson is still deliberating over the other three starters.

Butch Kimpston, Donn Taucher, Mike Runge, Lee McGill and Orin Perkins are all battling for one of the three positions. The other five members of the traveling squad who are expected to be seeing action in Redding are Jerry Burke, Dave Peppie, Ken Douglas, Bill Hamblin and Cliff Sutherland.

Redding will have the jump on the Whitebirds in preparedness. Compared to the Pels two games against Reno and a three-quarter jamrope, Redding has tangled with six foes since the season opened.

Although the Wolves have only been able to come out on top of the heap once, while losing the other five frays, the Shasta cagers are said to be a strong club again this year.

Shasta has three lettermen back from last year's squad including high-scoring Dick Stuart, a deadly forward with a knack for piling in the points. The other two veterans on the SUHS club are Johnny Glaz and Gene Severson.

Ray Coley's KUHS junior varsity hoopers will be making the trip with the Pels to meet the Redding jayvees in the preliminary game both nights.

Tommy Clancy, 12-year-old son of Toronto Maple Leaf coach King Clancy, is the stick boy for the Leafs.

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