

# Sooners, MSU, Tech, Miss. Triumph

## Uclans Fall 17-14 On Late Game Field Goal

By ED CORRIGAN  
The Associated Press  
Master of all it surveyed, Oklahoma today stood as the Goliath of college football for 1956.

Bud Wilkinson's rib-cracking Sooners, 20-6 victors over Maryland in the Orange Bowl yesterday, won't hear the taunt of "weak schedule" for a long time to come.

As a member of the relatively weak Big Seven, Oklahoma plays a full conference schedule. As a result, the team sometimes does emerge as an unknown quantity.

The manner in which the Sooners manhandled Maryland, tightest defensive outfit in the nation, before a crowd of 76,561 in Miami simply emphasized that they rated their No. 1 ranking.

Two years ago, Maryland had been voted the mythical national

title, only to fall before Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl.

Two of the three other major bowls followed expectations. Michigan State eked out a final-seventh victory over UCLA before 100,809 in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif., 17-14, and Georgia Tech turned back Pitt 7-0 before 80,778 in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans.

Not so expected was Mississippi's 14-13 decision over Texas Christian in the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, with a gathering of 75,504 looking on.

In the second-line games, Missouri Valley and Juniata (Pa.) fought to a 6-6 tie in the Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla.; Wyoming whipped Texas Tech 21-14 in the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex.; and Prairie View State humbled Flak 59-0 in the Prairie View Bowl at Houston, Tex.

Two of Oklahoma's three touchdowns were scored by second stringers—and the Sooners had to come from behind like champions to gain their triumph.

Trailing 6-0 in the third period as a result of Ed Vereb's 15-yard jaunt in the second quarter, the Sooners tore Maryland apart with two scores in the third quarter and one in the fourth.

Oklahoma's skinny All America half back Tommy McDonald notched the first Sooner touchdown on a four-yard dash. Billy Pricer converted and that was all that was needed. But Jay O'Neal went over from the 1 and Carl Dodd intercepted one of Lynn Beightol's passes and ran 82 yards for the final score.

"The teams were about even," acknowledged Wilkinson later. "We got the breaks and they didn't. We are not big and what we do is fast. The tension was off when we scored the first time we got the ball in the second half."

Maryland Coach Jim Tatum was lavish in his praise of the Sooners.

**BEST TEAM**  
"Oklahoma is the best college football team in the country," he said. "They were in better physical shape. They handled themselves better. They outbustled us. They had too much speed."

But it remained for the Terps' All America center Bob Pellegrini to explain the whole thing.

"They came out of their huddle so fast, we couldn't adjust our defenses to meet them," he said.

The accurate to of Dave Kaiser enabled Michigan State to pull the victory out over UCLA and maintain the Big Ten's whammy over the Pacific Coast Conference in the Rose Bowl. The series count now stands 9-1.

With a 14-14 tie seven seconds before the end of the game, the Sooners came off the bench to kick a field goal from 31 yards out. Only a few minutes earlier, UCLA had fought back to a tie when Doug Peters, climaxing the passing drive of Ronnie Knox, went over from the 1.

The Spartans broke a 7-7 deadlock early in the fourth quarter on a 47-yard pass play from Clarence Peaks to John (Big Thunder) Lewis.

Said young Kaiser later: "I didn't have time to think or feel anything at all. But I knew when my foot hit the ball that it was going to be good."

**ONLY SCORE**  
The only score in the Sugar Bowl came when Georgia Tech took advantage of a break in the first quarter. Wade Mitchell passed from the 32 to Don Ellis, who was on the 2.

Pitt defender Bobby Grier tried to block the pass and in the process pushed Ellis. He was charged with interference. The ball was given to the Engineers on the 2.

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## BOWLING

### TRANSPORTATION LEAGUE

Kalpine "A"	84	14
Modoc Hidge Supply	43	23
and B Jains	43	23
KFLW	41	27
Klamath Lbr. and Box	33	25
Herald and News	33	25
Kalpine "B"	31	27
Arnie Concrete	31	27
Interstate Waterboys	31	27
K Amusement	28	30
Kindoel Tavern	28	30
Klamath Jets	25	33

### MOOSE MA'S LEAGUE

Evans Grocery	38	29
Women of the Moose	38	29
Hine's Cafe	36	32
High team series—Herald and News	35	33
Schneider's	34	30
Hyde's Jewelers	30	38
Southern Negre	29	39
Klamath Flower Shop	29	39

### ALLEY KATZ LEAGUE

Griggs No. 3	49	15
Balcastro's	43	21
Balsiger Oil	39	25
Swan Lake Moulding	39	25
Sherman's	35	29
Sorana's Poultry	35	29
Troy V. Cook	35	29
Swain	35	29
Saddle Club	32	32
Medor and Creamery	22	42
Jack's Drive Inn	9	45

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## NC State Holds To 2nd Place

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
San Francisco's mighty Dons, who tacked three games onto their winning streak by breezing through the Holiday Festival last week, remained on top in the weekly Associated Press college basketball poll today. The big battle is for second place.

The Dons, winners of 36 in a row, were listed No. 1 by 113 of the 156 sports writers and sportscasters who participated in the fourth poll of the year. San Francisco had led in each one.

North Carolina State, Dixie Classic champs on the strength of an easy success over North Carolina, took over the runner-up spot from Dayton, which dropped to third.

On a basis of 10 points for first place, 9 for second etc., San Francisco piled up 1,451 points, North Carolina State 1,168 and Dayton 1,087. The voting was based on competition through Saturday night.

Vanderbilt, with one victory to show for its efforts last week, moved into fourth place a notch in front of North Carolina, which dropped its first decision after seven victories.

Four new teams made their way into the top 10. Kentucky moved from 13th to 6th, George Washington from 12th to 7th, Iowa State, unranked last week, moved to the No. 8 spot and Ohio State climbed from 15th to 10th. Illinois remained 9th.

The leaders, with first-place votes in parentheses:

1. San Francisco (113) 1,451
2. N. C. State (22) 1,168
3. Dayton (14) 1,087
4. Vanderbilt 634
5. North Carolina 594
6. Kentucky 534
7. George Washington 416
8. Iowa State 315
9. Illinois 262
10. Ohio State 260

The second 10:

11. Duke 242
12. Memphis State (4) 201
13. Indiana 188
14. Holy Cross 187
15. Tulane 166
16. Temple 150
17. Alabama (3) 145
18. Rice 118
19. West Virginia 107
20. Michigan State 89

## Basketball SCORES

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Monday's Results  
FAR WEST  
Seattle Pacific 91, Eastern Oregon College 82  
Pacific Univ. 64, Oregon Education 52  
San Jose State 58, Sacramento 52  
Ricks (Idaho) 83, Rocky Mountain (Mont.) 82  
Regis (Colo.) 75, Western State (Colo.) 70

### SOUTH

Pitt 95, Yale 74  
Auburn 89, Florida 77  
Missouri 51, Arkansas 50  
William & Mary 93, Tennessee 83  
Memphis State 112, Northwest Louisiana State 78  
Murray (Ky.) 93, Arizona 73

### MIDWEST

Illinois 73, Michigan State 65  
Ohio State 79, Michigan 66  
Indiana 94, Northwestern 81  
Purdue 78, Wisconsin 66  
Detroit 106, Bradley 91  
Washington (St. Louis) 82, Utah State 81

### Queen City Invitational

Xavier (Ohio) 92, Georgia Tech 67 (championship)  
Canisius 77, St. Bonaventure 47 (for third place)  
Niagara 89, Lafayette 69 (consolation final)

### PRO BASKETBALL

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Monday's Results  
Syracuse 84, St. Louis 82  
Philadelphia 130, Rochester 100  
Minneapolis 95, Fort Wayne 89

## FOOTBALL SCORES

### FOOTBALL BOWLS

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Results of the football bowl games Monday with attendances:  
Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla. — Oklahoma 20, Maryland 6 (76,561)  
Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif. — Michigan State 17, UCLA 14 (100,809)  
Sugar Bowl at New Orleans — Georgia Tech 7, Pittsburgh 0 (80,175)  
Cotton Bowl at Dallas — Mississippi 14, Texas Christian 13 (75,504)  
Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex. — Wyoming 21, Texas Tech 14 (14,500)  
Prairie View Bowl at Houston — Prairie View 59, Flak 6 (3,996)  
Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla. — Juniata 6, Missouri Valley 6 (10,000)

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## UP Vote Strong For USF

By NORMAN MILLER  
United Press Sports Writer  
NEW YORK (UP) — San Francisco, having completed a triumphant coast-to-coast tour, led the United Press basketball ratings for the fifth straight week today with hopes of expanding its 36-game winning streak to a major-college record.

Although the top four teams remained the same as the previous week, the busy tournament activity shook up the rankings below No. 4 and brought Iowa State, Southern Methodist and George Washington among the leaders.

Dayton and North Carolina State, which like San Francisco are undefeated thus far, followed the Dons in the weekly ratings of the United Press Board of Coaches.

North Carolina, beaten by N.C. State in the Dixie Classic Tournament final, clung to fourth place, San Francisco, the defending national champion which has been on top of the ratings every week this season, was chosen No. 1 by 30 of the 35 leading coaches who rank the teams weekly for the United Press. With four second-place votes and one for third, Coach Phil Woolpert's men had a total of 344 out of a possible 350 points. This was slightly less than last week when the Dons were the first choice of 33 coaches and received an all-time high of 348 points.

Having convinced fans of their prowess in Chicago, Wichita, New Orleans and New York's Madison Square Garden where they won the Holiday Festival last weekend, the Dons are back home where they will resume their assault on the consecutive winning record Friday night against Pepperdine.

After that, it will be Santa Clara and Fresno State, followed by a two-week layoff for mid-year examinations, and if still undefeated San Francisco can set a new mark of 40 by defeating California. The Golden Bears are coached by Pete Newell, who guided San Francisco to national prominence seven seasons ago.

Iowa State made the biggest jump of the week, moving up all the way from a tie for 33rd place to occupy the No. 7 rating after winning the Big Seven Tournament.

This week's group of leaders became a "top 11" when SMU, George Washington moved up to a tie for 10th place after winning tournaments. They were tied for 19th last week. SMU won the Southwest Conference Tourney and George Washington the Mid-Winter Tournament at College Park, Md.

Illinois and Kentucky also advanced among the nation's top teams. The Illini moved up three places to No. 5, while Kentucky, out of the top 10 last week for the first time since the United Press ratings were initiated in 1950, moved back to sixth place from 12th. Utah and Holy Cross were ranked eighth and ninth, respectively, each falling two places.

The top three teams received extremely heavy support, Dayton receiving 295 points (49 less than San Francisco) and N. C. State 282. There was a big drop-off to the next team, North Carolina attracting 151 points. Illinois had 102, Kentucky 68, Iowa State 66, Utah 51, Holy Cross 50 and George Washington and SMU 49 each.

Dayton received three of the first-place votes that did not go to San Francisco, with N. C. State and 11th-ranked Louisville getting one each. After Louisville came Rice, with Indiana and UCLA tied for 14th. Iowa, Tulsa, Duke, Temple, Stanford and Ohio State rounded out the second 10 group.

## Conference Play Awaits KU, Owls

Don Peterson's Klamath Union High School Pelicans and Wally Palmberg's Oregon Tech Owls throw away the holiday spirit as they move back into full-time basketball this Friday and Saturday on foreign courts. And the weekend schedule is vital as the conference seasons open for both.

The Pels take on the fast-improving Grants Pass Cavemen while the Mile High Campus Owls journey north to meet the highly-regarded Portland State College Vikings.

For the Owls, it will mark the first cage action since the Shasta JC of Redding series, December 20-21, in which the Owls and Knights divided. The Pelicans have not been idle from court action as long as their collegiate neighbors, but with Christmas vacation facing them the past week and a half, the Pels' practice sessions have been on a hit and miss scale. The last action for the KU preppers was a two-game series December 28-29 with Jefferson of Portland, in which they split.

**BIG ONE**  
Although Tech has been out of action, Palmberg has been working in hopes of polishing his attack, and keeping his hoopers from becoming "rusty." This week's series in Portland is a big one for Tech, if the Owl cagers are hoping to better their next-to-last standing of last season. Portland State is again rated as one of the contenders in the Oregon Collegiate Conference, and two losses to the Vikings by the Owls would make the row all the harder to hoe for OTI.

Sharkey Nelson's Portland State club, defending champs of the OCC, will be just about the same as last season's, but the added strength of 6-6 transfer Fletcher Frazier and eight returning letter winners give the Pels another cage powerhouse. Included in the list of returning veterans are Paul Poetsch, sharp-shooting playmaker, and Jack Viskov, outstanding rebounder and one of PSC's leading pointmakers.

Last year against the Vikings, Oregon Tech dropped four straight hills by scores of 78-69, 90-59, 94-47 and 70-47.

**PROSPECTS**  
The weekend prospects look a little brighter for the Pelicans as they open their 1956 Southern Oregon Conference slate, but the picture is far from being comfortable. Against the Pels, Ray Davis' Cavemen hoopers are always tough, especially on their home floor.

Peterson's Pels are eyeing one of the two state tournament berths allotted to this district, and their opening two games against Grants Pass may be the key weekend, despite the earliness of the season. Last year Klamath won three of four from Grants Pass, splitting a two-game outing in Cavemen territory. In the final conference standings last year gave the Pels second place behind Medford, while Grants Pass closed in third, and Ashland fourth.

The Pelicans' showing against Jefferson Thursday and Friday brought mixed emotions to Peterson and his assistant Ray Coley. Both thought the Pels turned in a credible performance in whipping the Demos 69-64, but the 80-61 trouncing they took Friday evening offset the Pels good night. Peterson indicated today that he was planning on juggling his starting lineup up for the Grants Pass series, but wouldn't say what changes he had in mind.

## First Field Goal Big One For MSU End

PASADENA, Calif. AP—Sophomore end Dave Kaiser hadn't connected with a field goal for Michigan State before, but with just seven seconds left in the Rose Bowl game yesterday, he boomed one 41 yards to give the Spartans the 17-14 victory over UCLA.

The last previous time MSU controlled the ball, fullback Jerry Planutis had tried a field goal but failed. Many of the 100,809 spectators thought it was Planutis making another attempt.

But Coach Duffy Daugherty gambled on Kaiser, a 203-pounder who needs to wear contact lenses. There was 1 minute and 34 seconds to play after Planutis missed his attempt. UCLA had the ball on its 20. Then came a 15-yard penalty for coaching from the sidelines.

Next halfback Ronnie Knox threw a desperation pass and a penalty for an ineligible receiver downfield moved UCLA back to its 1.

Knox punted and Spartan Clarence Peaks was hit before he could catch the ball. Another 15-yard penalty.

MSU on the 19, sacrificed five yards on a penalty to UCLA in a substitute with the kicking tee. It was Kaiser's third field goal try of the season and the first that connected. The ball was placed down on the 31 and had to carry an extra 10 yards to the goal posts.

The victory was the Big Ten's ninth in 10 games since the pact with the Pacific Coast Conference was signed.

UCLA had struck early. Jim Decker intercepted a pass by MSU quarterback Earl Morrall and returned it to the 18. Four plays later, fullback Bob Davenport smashed over from the 2.

In the second quarter, State smashed in from its own 20 to score. Morrall passed 13 yards to halfback Clarence Peaks over the goal line to knot it at 7-7.

The third quarter was scoreless.

Peaks, who had completed only one other pass during the season, threw from his 33 to end John Lewis, who took it on the run on the 30 and eluded Sam Brown for a score early in the fourth quarter. Brown was knocked out on the play and Ronnie Knox, playing for the first time since breaking an ankle bone Nov. 12, took over at halfback.

Knox hit for a 47-yard strike to Decker, who escaped to the 7 before he was pulled down from behind by Wally Kowalczyk. Knox smashed to the 2, then to the 1, and Doug Peters threw himself over for the score. The conversion made it 14-14.

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## Pete Elliott Accepts Post With Nebraska

MIAMI, Fla. (UP) — Pete Elliott, assistant coach at the University of Oklahoma, is accepting an offer to head the University of Nebraska football coaching staff, it was announced Tuesday by Bill Orwig, Cornhusker athletic director.

Elliott received the Nebraska bid Dec. 4 from Orwig, but asked to delay his decision until after Oklahoma's appearance in the Orange Bowl game Monday.

Orwig said he and Elliott will meet the University of Nebraska Board of Regents in Lincoln Saturday, Jan. 7 to formalize terms of Elliott's selection as successor to Coach Bill Glassford, who resigned.

Orwig said he will ask the regents to approve a salary of \$12,000 annually for Elliott on a three-year term basis.

Elliott has been at Oklahoma for years. He will become the 23rd football coach Nebraska has had since the sport was started at the Cornhusker school in 1890.

Elliott earned an even dozen letters in football, basketball and golf at the University of Michigan and quarterbacked the Michigan team that whipped Southern California, 49-0, in the Rose Bowl in 1947.

He was an end coach at Oregon State before going to Oklahoma. His brother, Chalmers (Bumpy), another former Michigan player, is an assistant coach at Iowa.

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NEW YORK (UP) — New York, once the boxing center of the world, may lose its only regular weekly fight club to another state as the result of the "war" between the State Athletic Commission and the Boxing Guild of New York.

Promoter Tex Sullivan of the London Sporting Club, which beams its Monday night television fights out of St. Nicholas Arena to 26 cities, planned to confer with Dumont TV network officials Tuesday to discuss a possible shift to Stamford, Conn., or some other nearby site.

"I can't line up any fights for the St. Nick's for after Jan. 16," said Sullivan, "and because of the necessity of lining up programs three to four weeks in advance for television programming we may have to move out of the state."

"I'm set for the Jan. 9 and Jan. 19 shows but when I discuss fights for after the 19th with managers I'm told by some other fighters 'aren't ready' or 'my guy's still bothered by cuts' or something like that," said Sullivan.

Jan. 16 is the deadline set by commission chairman Julius Helfand for members of the guild to sever their connections with the guild or face loss of their licenses in the state. Helfand set the date on Dec. 12 when he ruled the managers guild was "detrimental to the best interests of boxing" for "monopolistic," "shocking," and "devious" practices.

## Tonight's Ballfare

CITY LEAGUE BASKETBALL  
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8:00 Nat'l Guard "Gold" vs. K.F. Creamery

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