

Tech Cagers Earn 77-72 Win

NAMPA (Special)—Owl center Sammy Smith came through with a dazzling assortment of shots worth 35 points to inspire the Oregon Tech basketball team to a 77-72 victory over the Northwest Nazarene Crusaders here Monday night in spite of a "boot-the-ball" second half.

Smith, 6-6, who only recently became eligible to play with the Owls, hit 14 field goals, some hooks, some layups off a drive, and some jumpers from the high post.

Near the close of the first half, which ended 42-27 for the winners, Smith snagged the ball and was heard to yell "This one's for Sammy" as he whirled and canned a long jump-shot.

In the second period, however, the Owls had their troubles. The Crusaders, led by forward Ray Burwick and center Gene Oberg, who notched 22 and 20 points respectively, played steady ball while the Owl defenses crumbled. They narrowed the gap to within one point, 73-72, with less than two minutes left in the game.

At this point Smith came up with a three-pointer, drawing a foul as he went in for a crumple, that moved the Owls away again. In the late minutes of the game, as the pace quickened, both clubs suffered from a rash of fouling that culminated in the benching of three Crusaders and Owl Hewlett Nash.

OTI coach Wally Palmberg was forced to keep big Bob Petersen and Gene Branson on the sidelines through much of the final ten minutes of the game since each had collected four fouls. In the final dash, however, both came back in to help clean up.

Despite the Owls' big edge in the opening frame, the game totals showed the two clubs almost even up at the final gun. The winning difference for the Techmen was two extra field goals and a foul shot. Each team collected 24 fouls over the distance.

The OTI five hit 27 field goals to 25 for the losers and were successful on 23 of 32 tries from the foul line while the Crusaders got 22 of 36 attempts.

Field goal shooting percentages registered in the early 400's for both teams.

County '5s' Preparing To Close Up

County B League basketball comes to a pre-holiday close tonight with games planned in three gyms but there is little danger of any shift in loopy standings.

The only league "counter" of the slate finds the league leading Chilquin Panthers invading Bly for a match with the undermanned Bobcats, and the Panthers necessarily are rated the wide favorite.

In the other action planned the Mustangs play host to the A-2 Henley Hornets in the Malin court while the Merrill Huskies get another crack at the Klamath Union Jayvee and freshman quintets, this time on the Huskies' home mapewood.

The Sacred Heart Trojans close up for the holidays after tangle with the KU Wildcats Thursday night on Pelican Court.

Following a rest over the holidays, most of the B leaguers settle down to the serious part of the 1961 schedule, playing their league counters.

The Henley cagers, who have displayed a powerful potential in early season games, return to the wars on Friday, Jan. 6, when they travel to Rogue River for their opening in their own, the Rogue River League.

Chilquin draws the KU Wildcats on Jan. 3 while Bly plays host to Malin on the same night.

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Rates Rugged Foe



MAIN-EVENTER — Chilquin Boys Club battler, Ozzie Gallagher, above, meets Keith Capps of the Burns Elks Club in one-half of the double main event planned on the Owl Hoot Amateur boxing main in the KF Auditorium Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Proceeds from the affair are earmarked for the OTI athletic fund.

Young Giant ERA Winner

CINCINNATI (AP)—The Giants—a combination of the New York and San Francisco varieties—seem bent on making the National League individual earned run pitching championship their personal property.

Official league pitching averages released today showed Mike McCormick, young Giant southpaw, led the loop's hurlers in 1960 by allowing an average of 2.70 earned runs a nine-inning game in 23 innings of work. He had a record of 15 victories and 13 defeats.

It was the third straight year the title had gone to a San Francisco Giant hurler and it was the fifth time in the last nine years a Giant had finished on top.

Sam Jones was tops in 1959 with a 2.82 average and Stu Miller won in 1958 with a 2.47 mark. When the Giants were in New York, Johnny Antonelli won the title in 1954 and Hoyt Wilhelm did it in 1952.

Battle-Royal Slated On Fight Program

What is planned for intermission entertainment on the big Owl Hoot amateur boxing show Thursday night?

More fights . . . a battle royal to be exact.

Matchmaker Lou Jones figures that a ring full of pint-sized scrappers with one glove each and a blindfold will be plenty to keep the fans amused while the ring officials are taking a breather during the big 10-bout card.

The show, the proceeds of which are destined for the Oregon Tech athletic fund, will be held in the Klamath Auditorium, beginning at 8 o'clock.

According to those in the know concerning Oregon amateur boxing, the Owl Hoot program could well be the highlight of the ring season.

The major portion of the card will match the best of local area fighters against members of the Burns Elks Club squad. The Burns group, coached and handled by Ray Thornberg, is rated near the top of all the Oregon clubs. In past seasons they have competed favorably in nearly every phase of AAU competition.

Tickets to the fights are now available at the usual downtown outlets but may also be obtained, either ringside seats or general admission, at the door of the auditorium on fight night.

The selection of officials to preside over the card was announced Monday by Jones.

The referees will include Sgts. Thompson and Baker from Kingsley Field while the timekeeping chores will be handled by Bill Wampler and Aubrey Starkey. Judges are Roland Clark, Hal Slinger and Del Summers. The ring announcer will be Wayne Scott.

Newest Redskin Boss Sets Timetable For Improvement

WASHINGTON (AP)—Bill McPeak, at 34 the youngest head coach in the National Football League, has given himself a year to prod the drooping Washington Redskins out of their losing rut.

And he may be the kind of whip cracker who can do it—although no other Redskins coach in the past decade or more has been able to make the once proud team a winner.

To nobody's surprise, owner George Preston Marshall announced Monday that McPeak—a veteran of 12 years in the NFL—was replacing Mike Nixon as field boss of the "Skins."

Nixon was fired Sunday after Washington ended its most dismal season in 24 years—winning only one game while losing nine and tying two. In Nixon's two years as head coach the "Skins" won a grand total of four games.

McPeak, former all-pro end with the Pittsburgh Steelers, was Nixon's top assistant before Marshall tapped him to undertake the job of rebuilding the club into a championship contender.

Marshall said McPeak was getting a one-year contract, at McPeak's request. Salary figures were not disclosed.

McPeak confirmed he had asked for a short-term contract, saying, "I feel that I can prove myself in a year."

The mild-mannered Nixon has been criticized by some as too nice a guy.

Marshall said that may be Nixon's greatest weakness.

Questioned by reporters, McPeak indicated he will demand an all-out effort from his players.

"I won't say I will be tougher than Mike," he said, "but I will say that I will insist on full concentration."

The teams will meet here again tonight.

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Sentiments Over Deer An Obstacle

DUNSMUIR (UPI)—The greatest obstacle in successful deer management in Northern California is the public sentiment built up after the antlerless deer hunt in Siskiyou County in 1956, Gordon Ashcraft of Yreka, game manager of Region No. 1 for the California Department of Fish and Game, said today.

Ashcraft claimed that particular deer hunt was a mistake because game laws at that time were inadequate to control the number of deer killed in a certain area or to control hunter concentration.

Legislation passed since that time provides for unit management on a deer herd basis and allows controlled hunting.

Ashcraft maintains the only way to insure "specimen bucks" for the sportsman is to manage deer herds in such a way as to allow for the proper proportion of bucks to mature on the various deer ranges.

"If doe hunting isn't a sport, it is a duty," Ashcraft said.

To substantiate this statement, he pointed out that in spot deer counts this past week in Northern California, only a very small proportion of the deer observed were bucks.

In a limited check of the Mt. Dome area near Dorris, on Friday, more than 100 deer were counted, but only four were bucks.

Ashcraft defended the department's efforts to control deer herds.

"We didn't create over-grazed areas," he said. "We inherited them."

He said that harassment from Weed and Dunsmuir rod and gun clubs has hampered the establishment of firm deer management policies in the area. He said Yreka, Mount Shasta, McCloud and Scott Valley sportsmen looked favorably on past policies of the department—but added these men were less vocal than others.

Deer hunting did suffer in Siskiyou County in 1957 and 1958 after the antlerless shoot of 1956, Fish and Game statistics show. But recovery was evident in 1959 and 1960. The average buck kill in the Mt. Dome herd in the past five years has been 840 bucks.

"It would be safe to issue at least 840 antlerless permits annually for hunting on the Mt. Dome Range," Ashcraft said.

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NEW YORK (AP)—Wilt Chamberlain has slipped a bit in game average, but the Stilt of the Philadelphia Warriors still leads Elgin Baylor of Los Angeles in the National Basketball Association scoring race.

Chamberlain out-scored Baylor 132-105 in four games last week and official statistics today showed he has a 36.9 average and a 51-point lead in total points. Baylor has a 34.1 average on 1,056 points for 31 games, one more than Chamberlain, who has scored 1,107.

A week ago, Chamberlain had a 37.5 average and Baylor 35.2. Oscar Robertson of Cincinnati is third in scoring with 929.

EOC Dumps Alaska 91-85

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)—Eastern Oregon College outlasted the University of Alaska here Monday night, 91-85, in a lopsided basketball game. It was the second victory in three games for the Mountaineers on their Alaska swing. The two teams meet in the fourth and final encounter of their series here again Tuesday night.

With three of their starters connecting for more than 20 points, Eastern Oregon built up a 17-point lead early in the second half and held on for the triumph even though they lost three men on personals.

Leading 39-35 at halftime, the Mountaineers pushed this to 14 points, 49-35, in two and a half minutes as they put on a half-court zone press. Then with Tom Neel and Pascual Arritola showing the way they grabbed a 63-46 advantage with 13:10 left.

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Basketball Results

Monday's College Basketball By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

East Rutgers 74, Colby 63 St. Bonaventure 86, Western Ontario 49

South Duke 61, Georgia Tech 48 The Citadel 82, Georgia 72 Florida St. 65, Clemson 64 Loyola (New Orleans) 83, Mississippi St. 60 Centenary 80, Tulane 76

Midwest Ohio State 90, Loyola (Chi.) 65 Illinois 79, Washington St. 58 Cincinnati 75, Nebraska 60 Detroit 80, Gonzaga 75 California 62, Northwestern 40 Iowa 105, Arizona 64 Wichita 94, Michigan 76 North Carolina 72, Creighton 64 Bradley 97, Idaho 68 Oklahoma 56, Colorado State U. 50

St. Louis 52, San Jose St. 26 Drake 75, Wyoming 34 Montana St. 64, North Dakota 54 Xavier (Ohio) 95, St. Mary's (Texas) 79 Toledo 71, San Francisco St. 56

Southwest Vanderbilt 80, Texas Tech 78 Southern Methodist 63, Minnesota 60 Texas Christian 78, Oklahoma City 74 Arizona State U. 101, Kent St. (Ohio) 72 Tulsa 73, Baylor 66 Hardin-Simmons 71, N. Texas St. 63

Far West San Francisco 67, Hawaii 38 Memphis St. 86, Seattle 81 Fresno St. 73, Colo. St. Coll. 68

City League Sees Action A forfeit halted one Monday night's City League basketball game and the thrilling overtime battle featured the other.

Clarence Bussman canned a come-from-behind free toss at the gun to bring Dick Reeder's up to a 47-47 tie with Tulelake, and from here the clothing store five went to a 55-49 victory.

Hal's Sport Shop, reportedly displeased with the officiating in their game with Malin, walked off the court midway in the second half on the short end of a 56-41 count.

In the only action planned between now and the first of the year the Chilquin Thunderbirds draw the featured role.

The T-Birds, also a member of the City League, will host the Malin quint in the second game of a twinbill planned in the Chilquin High gym Wednesday night.

Friday night they again appear on their home floor when they clash with the Alturas Devils.

Both games will be preceded by preliminaries. The Wednesday opener will feature the Chilquin Pirates versus Dick Reeder's while on Friday night Sprague River and Hal's will tangle.

The scoring summary: Dick Reeder's 151 — Bussman 12, Barnes 4, Bredt 7, Metz 4, McLean 4, Anderson 2, Floetke 10, Shorten 2, John 1.

Tulelake 49 — Moore 6, Haskins 22, De Franco 4, Lentz 3, Torgelano 4, Smith 7.

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East's 'Name' Players Keep Clubs Out In Front

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jerry Lucas, Chet Walker, Tom Stith, Art Heyman, Dave DeBusschere and Doug Moe—with out 'em six of the nation's top 11 teams might just be a bunch of guys.

Instead, these individuals have given Ohio State, Bradley, St. Bonaventure, Duke, Detroit and North Carolina a stronger hold in the latest Associated Press ranking of top teams with victories Monday night.

The current poll features 11 teams, with a tie for the No. 10 spot between North Carolina and North Carolina State.

Lucas scored 19 points, nine in a clinching spurt, for top-ranked Ohio State as the Buckeyes (5-0) beat Loyola of Chicago, 90-65.

Walker's 29 helped Bradley batter down stubborn Idaho 97-68 while Stith also scored 29 in St. Bonaventure's easy 86-49 victory over Western Ontario. Bradley and the Bonnies are ranked 2-3 and both have 7-0 records.

Heyman got 23 points in seventh-ranked Duke's 61-48 victory over Georgia Tech and DeBusschere scored 27 as his Detroit Titans (No. 8) defeated Gonzaga 80-75.

Moe's 26 helped North Carolina get the job done against Creighton 72-64.

Ohio State still got balanced scoring from the rest of its defense.

AP VOTING The leaders with won-lost records and first place votes in parentheses with points on a 10-9-8 etc. basis (records through games of Saturday, Dec. 17) are:

1. Ohio State (36) (4-0) 360
2. Bradley (6-0) 321
3. St. Bonaventure (6-0) 212
4. Indiana (4-1) 204
5. Louisville (8-0) 178
6. St. John's (4-0) 140
7. Duke (5-0) 133
8. Detroit (4-1) 81
9. Auburn (5-0) 68
10. North Carolina (3-2) 39
(Tie) N. C. State (5-1) 39

Others receiving votes included Kansas State 35, Providence 24, UCLA 18, Colorado 17, St. Louis 15, Vanderbilt 14, Utah 13, Wake Forest 11, Kansas and Drake 10 each, Memphis State 7, Kentucky 6, Purdue 4, Duquesne 3, Utah State 2, Marquette, Virginia Tech, Illinois, Iowa and Seton Hall, 1 each.

Floyd-Ingo Bout Rumored NEWARK, N.J. (UPI)—A boxing writer for the Newark, N.J., Star-Ledger reported Tuesday that the next Floyd Patterson-Ingramer Johanson bout will be held March 13 in Miami's Orange Bowl.

Anthony Marengi said in Tuesday's edition of the paper he had learned of the site and date from sources close to Patterson. The official information on the fight for the world's heavyweight championship will be released by Feature Sports this week, he said.

Marengi said Patterson insisted on a winter fight instead of a proposed June date.

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4. St. John's (4-0) 181
5. St. Bonaventure (1) (5-0) 166
6. Detroit (4-1) 122
7. North Carolina (3-2) 78
8. UCLA (5-1) 72
9. Louisville (8-0) 56
10. Kansas (3-2) 53

11. Kansas State, 50; 12. Duke, 38; 13. St. Louis, 32; 14. California, 30; 15. Colorado, 27; 16. Auburn, 26; 17. Providence, 25; 18. North Carolina State, 16; 19. Wake Forest, 12; 20 (tie), Vanderbilt and Utah State, 11 each.



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