

# Tigers Stand Off Late Rally; Buffs, Cal Win Consolations

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29—Oklahoma's dribbling Davids stung Missouri's Goliaths with backline buckshot through the full 40 minutes here Wednesday before going down, 87-95, in the semifinals of the ninth annual Big Seven tournament.

Drawing a terrific 51-point broadside from their soloing guards, Jimmy Peck and Lester Lane, Bruce Drake's nimble nubbins scrapped out of a 14-point deficit early in the second half to pull within one point of the tourney favorites on four different occasions midway through the frantic final stanza.

The fourth of these single-digit trailers was written with 11:30 remaining before the Tigers put the cap on their fiercely fighting foe on a late salvo by Bob Reiter, 6-9 center, and two lay-ups out of a stall by guard Gary Filbert.

With 10,000 fans looking on in Municipal auditorium, Kansas State clipped Iowa State, 70-60, in the second game to fill the berth opposite the Tigers in Thursday night's finals.

In consolation games Wednesday afternoon, Colorado ripped Nebraska, 89-47, and California nudged Kansas, 65-62.

## Lane 27, Peck 24

Lane fired home 27 points—hitting nine of 25 shots from the field for 36 percent—and added nine free throws, while Peck was collecting 24 on a 40-percent shooting mean of 8 for 20, plus as many charities.

Missouri never could halt this darting duo and their leaping right-handers, but the towering Reiter out-distanced Lane with 29 points and drew balanced aid from Med Park with 18, Filbert with 14, and Norm Stewart with 19. Too, the Tigers dominated the backboards, despite OU's furious battling, snaring 54 rebounds against 41 for the Sooners.

Tiger boss Sparky Stalcup kept his veterans on the firing line almost all the way, using only eight men with Stewart going all the way. Drake shuffled 10 players in and out with the tireless Lane going the full 40.

## Reiter Leads Tigers

It was Reiter, who stumbled through a bad first half with only four goals, who yanked the Tigers out of danger with a personal spree when OU pressed within one point for the fourth and final time, at 61-62.

Filbert canned two free throws to erect a three-point spread, then, with 11 minutes left, Reiter took command by nailing eight of Mizou's next 12 points.

When he finished the Bengals were riding on top, 74-65, with 8:12 to go. Stewart stretched this cushion to 11 a moment later on two free throws and the Redshirts never were able to pull closer than five points thereafter.

## Filbert Gets Away

Twice when the Sooners pressured within seven points in the last four minutes, Filbert broke away for clean crips out of the delay pattern.

Iowa State ran into no-basket periods of seven minutes in the first half and five in the second to fall before the Wildcats, after reaching the semifinals for the second time in tourney annals.

Overall, the Cyclones, torrid in upending Kansas Tuesday, could hit only 32 percent from the field while canning barely half their free throws at 20 of 39.

## The Box Score

OKLAHOMA (87)				
	G-GA	F-FA	PF	TP
Burr, f	3-7	1-2	3	7
Hart, f	2-3	4-4	2	8
Thompson, f	3-9	0-0	2	6
Mobra, f	0-1	0-0	1	0
Muller, c	2-6	1-2	5	5
Wheeler, c	0-0	1-2	3	1
Abbey, c	1-3	5-8	5	7
Lane, g	9-25	9-13	1	27
Peck, g	8-20	8-10	2	24
Hamilton, g	1-1	0-0	2	2
Totals	29-70	29-41	26	87

MISSOURI (95)				
	G-GA	F-FA	PF	TP
Park, f	4-10	10-11	4	18
Reichert, f	3-12	0-0	5	6
Filbert, f	5-8	4-5	2	14
Reiter, c	8-20	13-16	5	29
Denny, c	0-0	0-0	2	0
Graham, c	0-0	0-0	0	0
Smith, g	3-11	3-5	4	9
Stewart, g	6-14	7-8	2	19
Totals	29-75	37-45	24	95

HALFTIME SCORE—Missouri 46, Oklahoma 36.

## Tourney Scoreboard

### SEMIFINAL RESULTS

Missouri 95, Oklahoma 87.  
Kansas State 70, Iowa State 60.

### CONSOLATION SEMIFINALS

Colorado 89, Nebraska 47.  
California 65, Kansas 62.

### THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

2 p. m.—Kansas vs. Nebraska, seventh place.  
4 p. m.—Colorado vs. California, fifth place.  
8 p. m.—Oklahoma vs. Iowa State, third place.  
9:45 p. m.—Missouri vs. Kansas State, championship.