

Illinois' wide triumph over the Tigers was no less surprising than UCLA's fearful, 86-57 whacking of Kansas State, Saturday and Kansas' unexpectedly easy ~~knocking out of~~ 83-58 lashing of LSU, Monday, in Lawrence.

UCLA is the PCC's <sup>second</sup> ~~highest~~-ranking favorite behind USC. and, altho favored over the Wildcats, were not expected to hand the Kansans such a drubbing. State hung close to the Bruins only thru the first six minutes.

LSU, altho bereft of Bob Pettit, its All-American center, was rated even with Kansas, which started four sophomores. Moreover the Bayou Bengals were beaten by second-ranked Kentucky ~~only~~ only 16 points Saturday. KU's edge was 25. And Phog Allen used 19 men.

Elsewhere tournament teams followed form in their initial trial of the season. K-State, ~~regarded~~ rated behind only MU and Colorado in pre-season prognostications, regained stature by playing Arizona tough at Tucson, Monday, before falling, 81-86. The Wildcats' lair is a notoriously rugged winning ground for tourists. The Wildcats can ~~regain~~ reclaim their

~~status~~ Meanwhile Colorado and California were performing somewhat more impressive pre-season rating by knocking down well-regarded Wyoming Saturday night in Manhattan.

Meanwhile, Colorado and California performed somewhat more impressively than anticipated. The Buffaloes, defending conference c-o-c champions with Kansas, whaled BYU twice, at Boulder, 88-66, and 65-46, an aggregate spread of 41 points. ~~So~~ The Bears whipped Oregon State, 52-50, and Oregon, 64-52, both on the road. The Beavers did not have Swede Halbrook, their 7-3 center who won't be eligible until the semester.