

FINAL STATISTICS
 Kansas vs Rice
 Lawrence, Kansas, December 18, 1954

KANSAS (100)	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	OFF REBND	DEF REBND	PF	TOTAL POINTS
Brainard, f	3	7	42.9	6	6	0	0	0	12
Davenport, f	1	4	25	1	2	1	0	0	3
Divich, f	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Elstun, f	5	12	41.7	6	9	2	4	3	16
Green, f	0	2	0	0	2	0	3	0	0
Jett, f	1	2	50	4	6	0	0	0	6
King, f	1	1	100	0	0	1	2	2	2
Padgett, f	1	1	100	0	0	0	4	1	2
Johnson, c	5	8	62.5	2	6	4	5	2	12
Toft, c	1	1	100	2	4	1	2	1	4
Warren, c	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Alberts, c	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	1	0
Anderson, g	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	2	0
Dobbs, g	7	16	37.5	4	4	0	1	2	18
Heitholt, g	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	4	2
Hollinger, g	3	6	50	5	6	0	1	2	11
Johnston, g	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parker, g	3	6	50	4	4	2	2	4	10
Wolfe, g	0	1	0	2	4	0	1	3	2
Team Rebounds	0	0	—	5	0	0	0	0	0
KANSAS TOTALS	31	71	43.7	38	56	11	28	29	100

RICE (72)	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	OFF REBND	DEF REBND	PF	TOTAL POINTS
Woods, f	6	13	46.2	4	9	3	2	4	16
Fields, f-g	2	10	20	5	7	2	3	5	9
Pahmeier, f-g	0	3	0	2	2	2	6	3	2
Durrenberger	DNP	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Telligman, c-f	2	12	16.7	6	9	3	6	5	10
Brashear, g	3	7	42.9	4	7	3	1	0	10
Robicheaux, g	7	17	41.2	2	4	5	4	5	16
Coterill, g	0	3	0	4	4	0	1	1	4
Arhos, g	0	7	0	3	4	3	2	5	3
Nichols, g	0	1	0	2	5	0	0	4	2
Rayburn, g	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	1	0
Team Rebounds	—	—	—	—	—	0	3	—	—
RICE TOTALS	20	73	27.4	32	51	21	28	33	72

Half Time Score: KU 46
 Rice 37

Officials: Harry Easter and Frank Woolf

Cagers

Huskies Are Court Foes On Saturday

K-State's basketball squad, sporting a 1-2 record in nonconference competition, will get into the thick of action while students are enjoying Christmas holidays. The cagers have five games scheduled during this period.

Saturday night Wildcats will play a home game against Washington, a team the Cats defeated three times last season. Next Tuesday Indiana will invade Ahearn Field House. The K-State cagers will play three games at the conference preseason tournament, with California the first K-State opponent.

JIM SMITH, senior forward who started his first game of the season in the 70-50 Wildcat win over Wyoming last week, is pacing the Cat scoring attack with a 3-game total of 38 points for a 12.7 average. Smith has tallied on 7 of 14 field goal attempts and 24 of 34 free throw tries.

Right behind him is 5-9 Pachin Vicens, sophomore Puerto Rican guard, who has tallied 30 points, along with center Roger Craft. Vicens has connected on 12 of 14 shots from the free-throw line. Craft has a 40.7 field-goal average, with 11 goals in 27 tries.

Twelve Cat cagers have their names in the scoring column so far this season. Other Cats who have scored are J. R. Snyder 25, Joe Powell and Kent Poore 17, Gene Wilson 14, Dick Stone 12, Jerry Jung 8, Bill Hull and Ron Flynn 6, and Fred Schneider 5.

Washington, K-State's foe here Saturday, received honorable mention in the United Press cage ratings this week on the strength of 89-60 and 69-58 wins over the University of Hawaii.

PACING THE HUSKIE team again this season is 6-8 center Dean Parsons, who specializes in

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BIG SIX FOOTBALL----Results of 1938
(Supplementing Booklet)

	KU-IS	KU-KSC	KU-Mo.	KU-Neb.	KU-Okla
1938 scores	7- 21	27- 7	7- 13	7- 16	0- 19
Big Six tls.					
Points	139- 81	82- 80	116- 64	45-163	46-101
Games won	5- 3	5- 6	5- 4	0- 10	4- 6
Games tied	2	0	2	1	1
All-time					
Points	188-140	438-206	507-500	262-669	328-317
Games won	9- 6	22- 11	24- 16	9- 33	18- 14
Games tied	3	3	7	3	4
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Points	49-153	88-109	58-200	79-168	182- 86
Games won	3- 7	4- 5	1- 10	2- 8	7- 2
Games tied	1	2	0	1	2
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Points	181-212	249-247	235-582	79-168	248-179
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2) all-time	1938-1940	1939-1941	1940-1942	1941-1943	1942-1944	1943-1945	1944-1946	1945-1947	1946-1948
3) 1954	1954-1956	1955-1957	1956-1958	1957-1959	1958-1960	1959-1961	1960-1962	1961-1963	1962-1964
4) 4	1963-1965	1964-1966	1965-1967	1966-1968	1967-1969	1968-1970	1969-1971	1970-1972	1971-1973
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MEET GUEST TEAM

Colorado Goes West to Test California, Which Will Be Here for Big 7 Tourney.

REAL HURDLE FOR BUFFS

Bob McKeen, 220-Pound Bear Center, May Be a Match for Burd Haldorson.

BIG SEVEN TOURNAMENT SCOREBOARD.

(Through games of December 14.)

	W.	L.	Pct.	Pts.	Op. Pts.
Colorado	3	0	1.000	219	159
Kansas	2	0	1.000	156	124
Missouri	3	1	.750	276	287
California	3	1	.750	257	237
Iowa State	1	1	.500	145	139
Nebraska	1	1	.500	148	135
Kansas State	1	2	.333	208	222
Oklahoma	0	3	.000	209	243

GAME SCORES.

CALIFORNIA: 52 Oregon State 50; 64 Oregon 52; 77 College of Pacific 84 (double overtime); 64 St. Mary's 51.

COLORADO: 88 B. Y. U. 66; 65 B. Y. U. 46; 66 Colorado A and M 47.

IOWA STATE: 78 Carlton 60; 67 Bradley 79.

KANSAS: 83 L. S. U. 58; 73 Tulsa 66.

KANSAS STATE: 57 U. C. L. A. 86; 81 Arizona 86; 70 Wyoming 50.

MISSOURI: 49 Illinois 77; 63 Indiana 60; 97 Iowa 94; 67 Wisconsin 56.

NEBRASKA: 61 Iowa 84; 87 South Dakota 51.

OKLAHOMA: 64 Baylor 80; 66 Wisconsin 77; 79 Baylor 86.

REMAINING GAMES THIS WEEK.

Tonight: Arkansas at Missouri.

Friday: Colorado at California; Rice at Kansas; Denver at Iowa State.

Saturday: Colorado at California; Washington at Kansas State; Rice at Kansas; Bradley at Nebraska; Ohio State at Oklahoma.

Colorado will seek to establish itself somewhere near the class of Missouri this week end in the first genuine strength test of its pre-Big Seven tournament schedule.

The Buffaloes will carry an unbeaten streak of three games into Berkeley to meet California for a 2-night stand on the Bears' home court Friday and Saturday. To date, the defending Big Seven co-champions have run over B. Y. U. twice and Colorado A. and M. once. The Bears, playing their first season under Pete Newell, late of Michigan State and San Francisco, certainly will pose a more severe test than either of the Skyline Eight entries.

Narrow Loss to C. O. P.

Only a double-overtime loss to College of Pacific in Berkeley last Friday separates Cal from an undefeated season also. The Bears fell, 77-84, in that one, then rebounded Saturday to whack St. Mary's, 64-51. Earlier they had beaten Oregon State and Oregon on the road, an impressive double.

C. U.'s test must be met on three fronts: (1) Playing a P. C. C. team on its home court long has been regarded as one of the most wicked assignments in college basketball; (2) Cal is ranked in a class with U. C. L. A., which is undefeated in its first three games, including an 86-57 manhandling of Kansas State; (3) in 6-7, 220-pound Bob McKeen, the Bears will mount a fine match for Burdette Halderson, the Buffs' 6-7 senior pivot and defending conference scoring champion.

Two years ago McKeen was a second-string all-American as a sophomore, scoring 234 points in Southern division play, the most ever notched by a second-year hand and the third highest of all-time in the lower bracket of the P. C. C.'s double-front. His 457 points that season gave him co-ownership of the school single-season record.

Near Luisetti's Mark.

Last year the huge pivot hit 437 points in 27 games to run his three-season total . . . he was eligible for varsity play as a freshman . . . to 1,179 points. He'll open the conference season with 543 tallies, only 69 lengths removed from Hank Luisetti's all-time record.

In Bob Blake, 6-2 junior forward, and Larry Friend, 6-4½ sophomore guard, McKeen boasts two capable aides who are traveling among the top scorers in composite individual scoring of tournament teams (see table below).

Another item that projects this series as the week end's top feature, of course, is the fact that Cal is this year's tourney guest team. If it sweeps both ends of the Colorado set, or even earns a split, it can be classed as good enough to reach the finals in Municipal Auditorium December 30. The ninth annual affair opens a 4-day run December 27.

The doubleheader at Berkeley will mark C. U.'s last action before it moves into tournament play. Kansas also will recess after standing against Rice Friday and Saturday in Lawrence.

Missouri, meanwhile, has wiped out any lingering doubts that it merits not only the tournament favorite's role, but No. 1 billing for the league race as well.

Tigers Are impressive.

Since rebounding from the 49-77 holocaust at Illinois, to clip Indiana, 63-60, at Bloomington, the Tigers have added two more Big Ten victims in impressive fashion. Saturday they outshot Iowa, 97-94, in a record artillery duel at Columbia. They followed by blowing down Wisconsin, 67-56, Monday. Iowa was second-ranked in the United Press poll when it came into Tigertown. Illinois now is rated third in the A. P. and U. P. polls.

Off the strength of this string, M. U. has vaulted all the way to sixth in the latest AP balloting; ninth in the UP.

The Tigers are expected to write a tighter grip high in the polls by overrunning Arkansas tonight in Columbia. That game will close M. U.'s pre-tournament play.

Until Colorado establishes itself against California, Kansas must be regarded as the only other early muscle-member of the league. The Jayhawks broke Tulsa's 4-game victory string last night in Lawrence, 73-66. Earlier Phog Allen's club had flashed unexpected power in demolishing L. S. U., 83-57, in its opener.

Lester Lane, Oklahoma's nifty senior guard, maintained his bulge over the conglomerate scoring field by throwing in 22 points in the defeat by Wisconsin and 23 more against Baylor last night. This gave him a mean of 22.6 for three games,

over Dallas Dobbs of Kansas who moved up to 20.5 and Burdette Haldorson, Colorado's 6-7 center, who slid from 22.5 by notching only 12 in the victory over Colorado Aggies.

Here is the way the top scorers line up now:

Name.	Pos.	Team.	G.	FG.	FT.	PF.	TP.	Ave.
Lester Lane, g,		Oklahoma	3	22	24	8	68	22.6
Dallas Dobbs, g,		Kansas	2	14	13	4	41	20.5
Burdette Haldorson, c,		Colorado	3	20	17	9	57	19.0
Norm Stewart, f,		Missouri	4	19	28	13	66	16.5
Chuck Duncan, c,		Iowa State	2	12	7	4	31	15.5
Rex Ekwall, f,		Nebraska	2	8	14	7	30	15.0
Bob Blake, f,		California	4	22	12	6	56	14.0
Gary Thompson, g,		Iowa State	2	11	8	7	30	15.0
Bob Friend, f,		California	4	20	18	8	56	14.5
Bob Reiter, c,		Missouri	4	19	17	15	55	13.9
Red Reichert, g,		Missouri	4	13	23	16	49	12.3
Med Park, f,		Missouri	4	15	19	12	49	12.3
Bob Jeangerard, f,		Colorado	3	13	10	3	36	12.0
Lyn Hart, f,		Oklahoma	3	9	18	1	36	12.0

MOVE TO SAVE A TEAM.

Terre Haute Fans Raise \$11,000 in \$62,000 Drive.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 15. (AP)—The Terre Haute Fans association has raised \$11,000 in a drive for \$62,000 to keep a

Three-I league baseball franchise in Terre Haute.

The fans pledged the money toward tickets at a meeting last night and will report their program at a league meeting in Chicago Thursday. The Phila-

delphia Phillies dropped the franchise and canceled the lease on the Terre Haute ball park at the end of the 1954 season.

Star Want Ads. advertise the needs of hundreds of homes and offices to the people of this community and get results. Dial BA. 5500.—Adv.

FIRST HALF STATISTICS

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Padgett, f	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	2
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Warren, c	DNP								
Alberts, c	DNP								
Anderson, g	DNP								
Dobbs, g	2	5	40	3	5	0	0	1	7
Heitholt, g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hollinger, g	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Johnston, g	DNP								
Parker, g	3	3	100	0	1	0	4	1	6
Welfe	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	2	
TEAM REBOUNDS						8	3		
KANSAS TOTALS	10	23	44	13	24	15	16	10	33

TULSA ()

Downer, f	DNP								
Duncan, f	0	0	-	2	2	0	0	1	2
Elliott, f	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Johnston, f	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson, f	5	11	46	3	4	3	1	2	13
Stob, f	DNP								
Buenzow, c	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
Courter, c	1	3	33	1	2	1	4	4	3
Krouse, c	DNP								
Yates, c	0	1	0	2	2	0	1	0	2
Born, g	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Evans, g	0	4	0	2	3	1	2	0	2
Hacker, g	0	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2
Jobe, g	DNP								
Stewart, g	2	3	67	1	3	0	0	1	5
Wynes, g	DNP								
TEAM REBOUNDS						1	2		
TULSA TOTALS	8	26	31	13	18	6	13	14	29

Half Time Score: KU 33
Tulsa 29

Officials: JOHN LLOYD & KEN TRYOR
~~Walter G. ...~~

<u>Griff</u>	FG	FG	PF	TP
UCLA	1	2	4	4
air	5	5	3	15
work	5	1	3	11
work	0	0	3	0
bud	6	2	4	14
	17	10	17	$\frac{34}{5}$ 6.8

<u>Rowell</u>				
UCLA	1	0	3	2
air	0	0	1	0
work	7	1	3	15
work	1	0	4	2
bud.	4	2	2	10
	17	3	17	$\frac{29}{5}$ 5.8

<u>Young</u>				
UCLA	0	0	1	0
air	1	2	2	4
work	2	0	0	4
work	5	2	3	12
bud.	4	5	2	13
	12	9	8	$\frac{33}{5}$ 6.6

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NINTH ANNUAL BIG SEVEN TOURNAMENT BRACKET

Monday

8 p.m. Colorado vs. Oklahoma

9:45 p.m. Nebraska vs. Missouri

Tuesday

8 p.m. Kansas vs. Iowa State

9:45 p.m. Kansas State vs. California

Free throws records will be in most peril when Big Seven tournament basketball teams hit the planks of Kansas City's Municipal auditorium in their ninth annual post-Christmas extravaganza which begins a four-day run Monday.

This is a logical consequence of the new bonus rule which gives the ~~skwx~~ offended player a second free throw chance if he sinks his first charity off a one-shot foul.

~~Skwx by vix fox~~ Under direct fire will be the single tournament mark of 28 gift flips ~~now vix d x byx~~ established by Iowa State's 6-8 center, Delmar Diercks, in 1952; ~~and~~ the career record of 47, erected by another pivot, Bill Johnson, of Nebraska over the past three years, and the single game team ceiling of 36 wrought by Kansas against Oklahoma in last year's finals.

~~Two vixen vix v four x year vix vix~~ Oklahoma's senior sharpshooter, Lester Lane, is certain to press both individual marks. Thru the Sooners' four pre-meet games he is averaging an even nine charities per start, having flipped thru 36 of 53 tries. He needs only to lift this mean a fraction to overhaul Diercks' tournament mark. And since he already ~~skwx~~ has ~~vix vix~~ netted 29 free throws in three previous tournaments..... he is one of a handful of players who will take part in their fourth ~~tour vix~~ meet..... he can average considerably less than 9-per-game and still topple Johnson's career figure.

Simple arithmetic shows that if Lane merely meets his average during tournament play he will close out with 56 charities for his tourney career, or nine more than Johnson canned during his three year duty.

Another four-year hand, Kansas State ~~xxxx~~ forward Jim Smith also threatens the single-tournament record. He has dropped 43 in five games for a 8.6 average. And since becoming a regular over the last three games, he has accounted for 32 of this total. During this span he has gone to the line 44 times. This is an average chance of slightly more than 11 times per game. Since Smith is ~~x~~ travelling at a 75-percent ~~efficiency~~ accuracy pace, it is not difficult to see that he will vie seriously with Lane in shooting at Diercks' record. Even Johnson's career standard is within reach even tho Smith has netted only 21 tosses during his previous nine games of tournament action.

Too, Smith has notched 13 throws twice to date, in a single game, against Wyoming and Washington, thus brushing the present one-game tourney mark of 14 held jointly by Kansas State's Dick Knottman (1952), and Kansas' Bill Brainard (1953).

~~Two teams, Kansas and Oklahoma~~ The team free throw mark for one game already has been bettered twice. Kansas nailed 38 in its 100-72 win over Rice December 18. Oklahoma hit 37 in a ~~19-84~~ ⁷⁹⁻⁸⁶ loss to Baylor December 14.

Under team records even Stanford's single-game high of 103 points, scored in a rules experiment game against Iowa State in 1951, is not save. Kansas and Iowa State both have been at the century mark in pre-meet games.

~~Only~~ Only three performers, two of them four-year men, are conceded a chance of cracking the tourney's 100-point career scoring elite. And elite is the correct word, for only 12 men ~~are riding in~~

xxx have achieved that bracket to date. Roughly this is only one percent of the conference players who have taken part in eight previous meets. Guest team personnel is not included since their one-year stands eliminate a career chance of three or four years.

The 1954 trio seeking the circle are Chuck Duncan, Iowa State's 6-5 center; Bob Heiter, Missouri's 6-9 pivot, and Bob Jeangerard, raven-haired Colorado forward. Oddly the latter, altho a four-year man, did not will be competing in only his third tourney. He saw no action as a freshman.

Duncan will come in with a 77-point aggregate in two previous meets. He is averaging 18.8 points thru the Cyclones' five pre-meet games, xxxv second best among pre-tourney scorers. If he maintains this mean thru the tourney he can press his Kansas City total to 133 points, comfortably beyond the century mark.

Heiter needs only 25 tournament points to reach the ~~champion~~ 100-club, since he has collected 75 in three previous meets. He is travelling at a 13.0 clip, maintenance of which would shoot him to 114 for tournament play.

Jeangerard, by matching his seasonal average of 11.7 can just ~~match~~ match 100 points. He needs 35 to reach the century level.

Two veterans, Burdette Waldorson, 6-8 Buffalo center and Oklahoma's Lester Lane, already are safely in the Century Circle with 108 and 107 points, respectively. And the former has seen action ~~in~~ in only seven games despite his ~~previous~~ ~~three-year~~ ~~four-year~~ stripes. By stretching his current 24.5 thru ~~his~~ average in tournament play, Lane can reach 181 points for four meets, a total which would place him second only to Clyde Lovellette, the old Kansas collusus, who 's 222 in three meets ~~xxxx~~ appears safe for some time.

Haldorson has averaged 18.6 thru CU's first six games, which means he could reach 164 points by equalling that mean in tournament play. This would outstrip every ~~player known in the tournament~~ member of the present Century Circle save Lovellette.

Here is the present Century Circle Lineup:

	G	FG	FT	MFT	PF	TP
Clyde Lovellette, g, Kansas	9	93	36	18	33	222
Jesse Priscock, f, Kansas St.	9	49	37	15	32	135
Jim Buchanan, g, Nebraska	9	58	18	10	15	134
Dick Knostman, c, Kansas St.	9	46	39	15	22	131
Jim Stange, c, Iowa St.	9	40	38	12	28	118
Delmar Diercks, c, Iowa St.	9	35	43	19	37	113
Bill Stauffer, c, Missouri	9	39	34	11	30	112
Bill Johnson, c, Nebraska	9	32	47	28	27	111
Burdette Haldorson, c, Colo.	7	38	32	12	19	108
Lester Lane, g, Oklahoma	9	39	29	15	19	107
Ernie Barrett, g, Kansas St.	9	43	15	7	30	101
Jerry Waugh, g, Kansas	12	43	15	1	20	101

Here is the tourney breakdown on the 1954 nominees

	G	FG	FT	PF	TP	Pts. Needed
Chuck Duncan, c, Iowa St	6	27	23	16	77	23
Bob Reiter, c, Missouri	9	30	15	28	75	25
Bob Jeangerard, f, Colo.	6	21	23	8	65	35

III

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<u>Frank</u>	2	14	17	5	45	$\frac{24.5}{4 \sqrt{98}}$
2 Taylor	1	8	7	2	23	$\frac{18}{4}$
O. At	1	9	12	2	30	$\frac{16}{2}$
	4	31	36	10	98	<u>24.5</u>

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<u>Holden</u>	3	20	17	9	57	$\frac{17.2}{5 \sqrt{86}}$
col	01	5	3	2	13	$\frac{5}{36}$
Col	1	5	4	2	16	$\frac{25}{1}$
	5	30	26	13	86	<u>17.2</u>

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<u>Pyler</u>	1	8	2	2	18	$\frac{28}{24}$
Indon	1	6	11	2	23	$\frac{19}{18.7}$
rice	1	7	2	1	16	$\frac{4 \sqrt{75}}{35}$
rice	1	7	4	2	18	$\frac{22}{3}$
	4	28	19	7	75	<u>18.7</u>

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<u>Quinn</u>	2	12	7	4	31	$\frac{17.5}{4 \sqrt{70}}$
DV	1	7	3	2	17	$\frac{4}{30}$
Crigh	1	9	4	2	22	$\frac{24}{2}$
	4	28	14	9	70	<u>17.5</u>

<u>Parsons</u>	3	13	10	3	36
col	1	1	2	3	4
col	1	4	2	1	10
	<u>5</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>50</u> <u>10.0</u>

(17)

<u>Friend</u>					36
Or. St	1	4	8	4	13
Oregon	1	6	1	4	13
St. M.	1	7	4	1	18
COP	1	4	4	4	18
CU	1	3	0	1	6
CU	1	8	4	3	20
	<u>6</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>91</u> <u>15.2</u>

(6)

<u>Chwall</u>	2	8	14	7	30
Proby	1	10	1	3	21
	<u>3</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>51</u> <u>17.0</u>

Blake

Or. St	1	5			70
Oreg.	1	6			18
St. M.	1	5			10
COP	1	5			11
CU	1	5			8
CU	1	2			4
	<u>6</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>61</u> <u>10.1</u>

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<u>Thompson</u>	2	$\frac{29}{29}$	11	8	7	20	$\frac{17.8}{71}$
DU	1	$\frac{13}{71}$	7	3	3	17	$\frac{7}{21}$
Crighton	1		11	2	1	24	$\frac{24}{71}$
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	4		29	13	11	71	<u>17.8</u>

<u>Walter</u>	2		7	4	7	20	$\frac{10.2}{41}$
DU	1		4	0	2	8	$\frac{10}{41}$
Crighton	1		5	3	1	13	$\frac{10}{41}$
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	4		14	9	10	41	<u>10.2</u>

<u>Winters</u>	3		9	12	5	30	$\frac{10.5}{42}$
wash	2		2	8	5	12	$\frac{10.5}{42}$
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	4		11	20	10	42	<u>10.5</u>

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<u>J. Smith</u>	3	$\frac{28}{37}$	7	24	7	38	$\frac{16.3}{65}$
wash	1		7	13	4	27	$\frac{25}{65}$
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	4		14	37	11	65	<u>16.3</u>

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<u>Stewart</u>	4		19	24	13	66	$\frac{15.2}{76}$
ark	1		4	2	5	10	$\frac{26}{76}$
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	5		23	26	18	76	<u>15.2</u>

(13) Park

4	15	19	12	49
1	4	5	4	17
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5	21	24	14	66

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 $27.2 + 49 = 76.2$
 $76.2 / 5 = 15.24$
 $15.24 + 1.6 = 16.84$
 $16.84 / 1.3 = 12.95$
 $12.95 + 0.2 = 13.15$
13.2

(14) Hart

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1	4	4	1	12
1	4	6	1	14
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4	13	24	7	50

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 $50 + 12 = 62$
 $62 + 14 = 76$
 $76 / 5 = 15.2$
 $15.2 + 1.3 = 16.5$
 $16.5 + 0.5 = 17$
12.5

(98) Bunter

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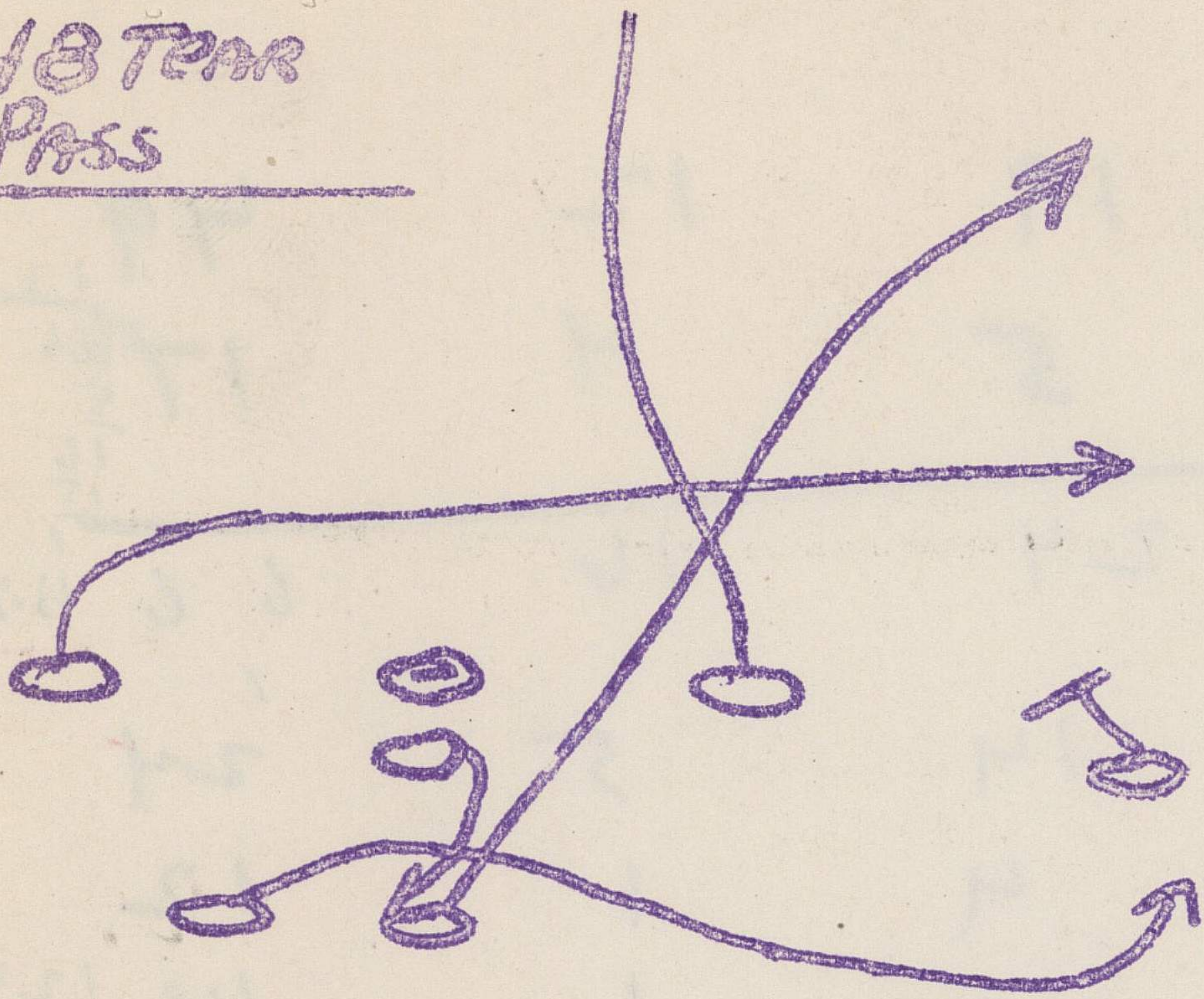
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(10) Wentham

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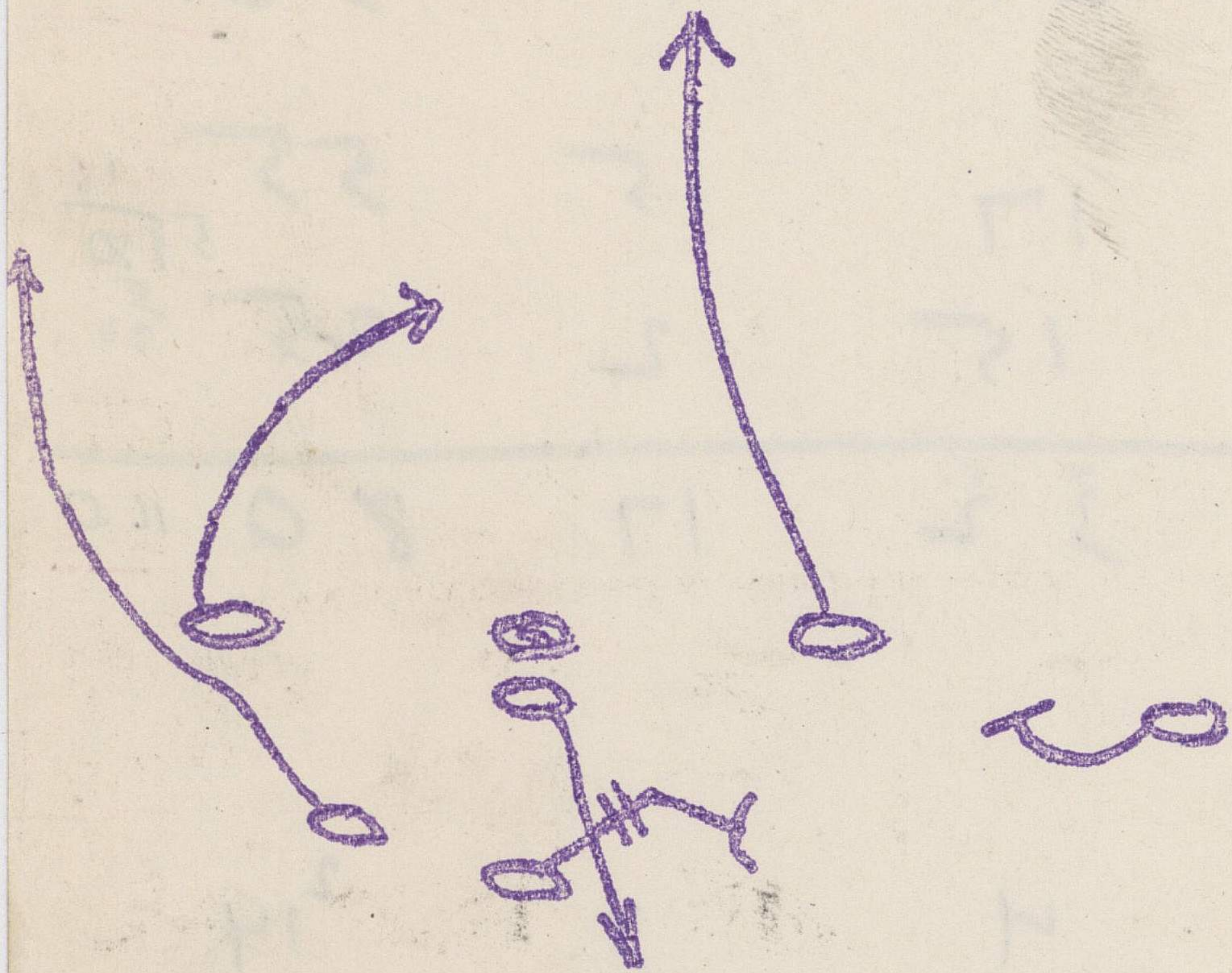
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15.7

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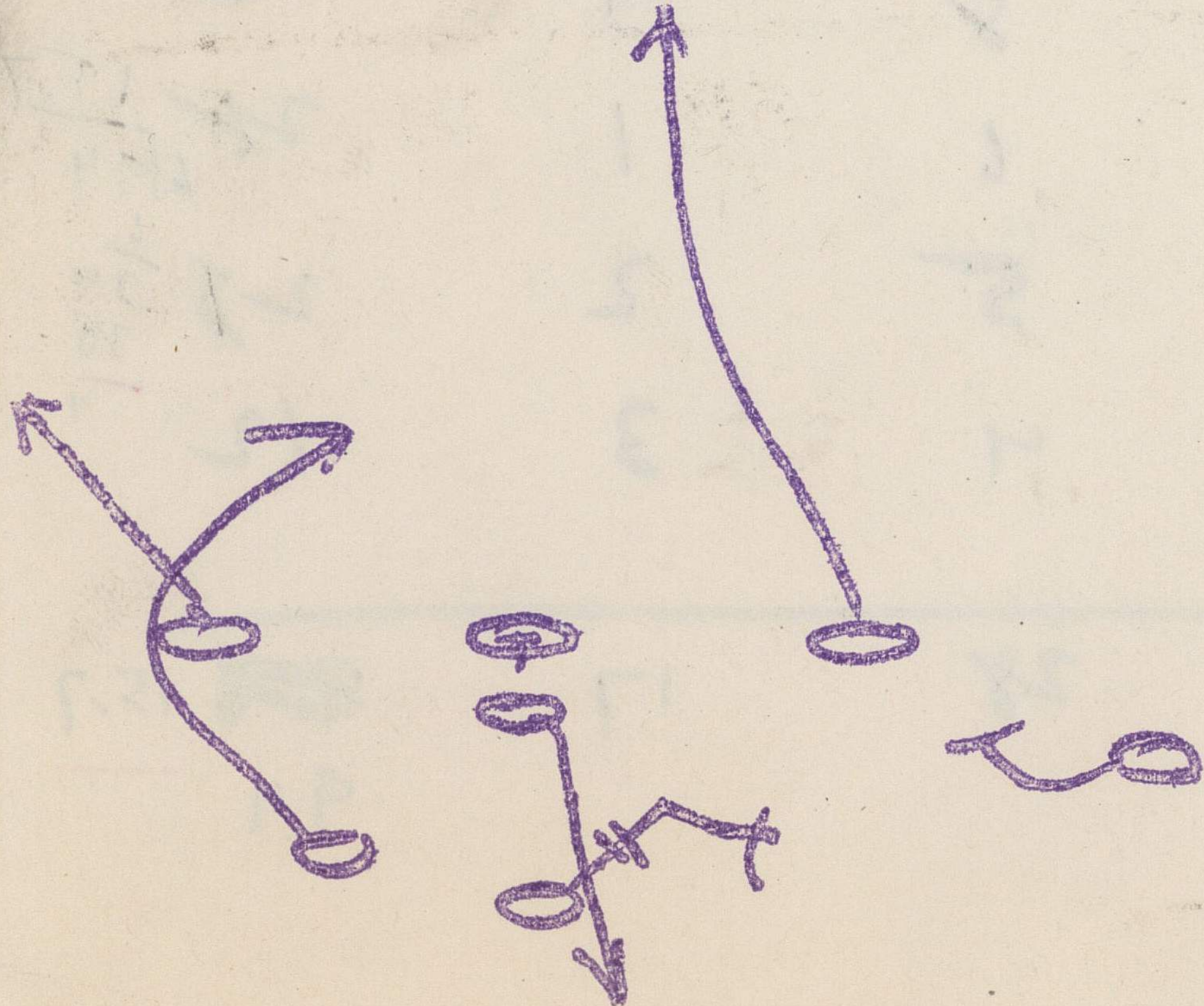


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IN MIDDLE



35 Pass - LH
IN MIDDLE



<u>L. Smith</u>	4	13	15	6	41
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	5	14	18	10	50
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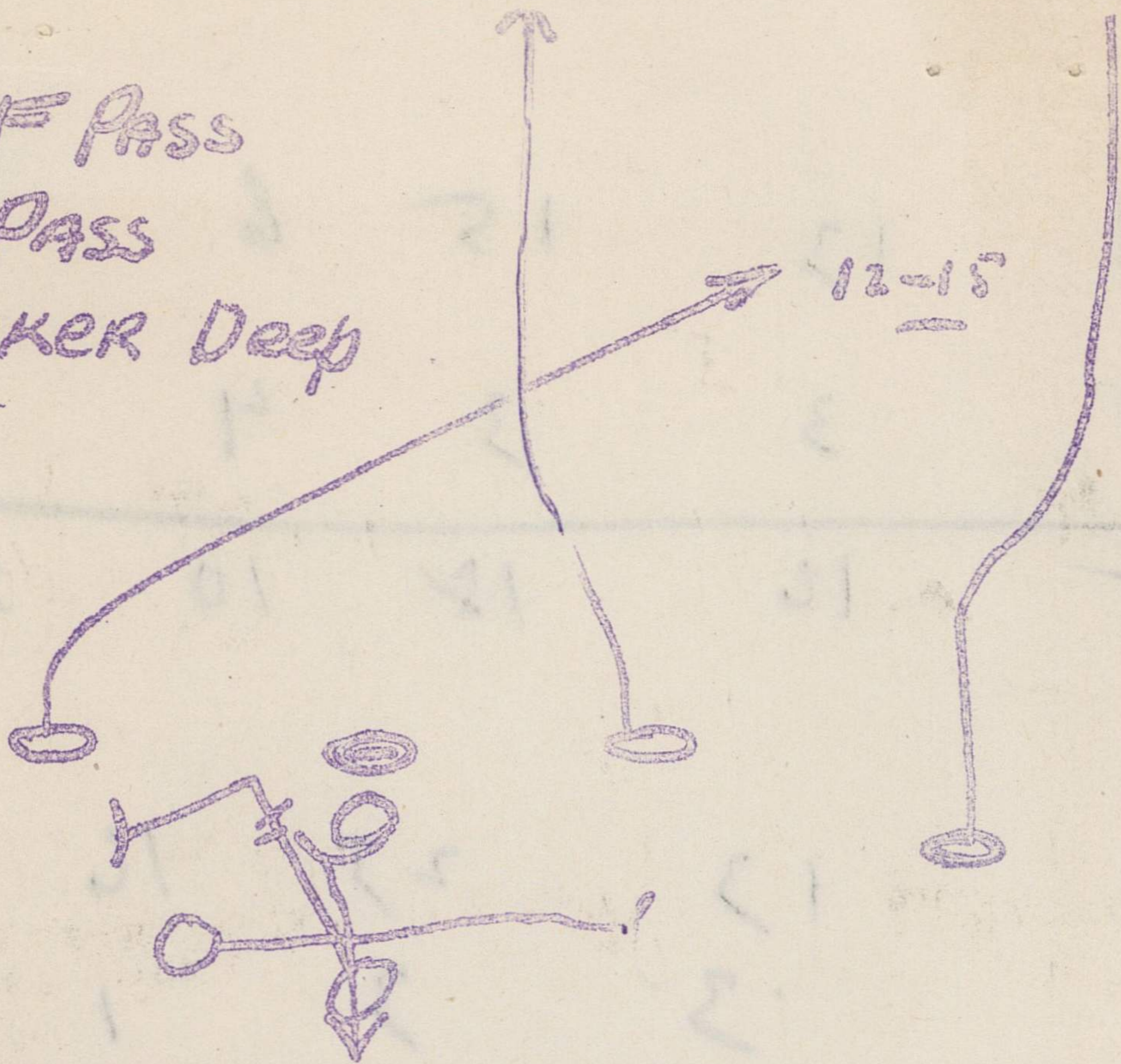
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ark	1	3	3	1	9
	5	16	24	17	58
					<u>11.6</u>

<u>C. Smith (F)</u>	2	7	19	6	33
road	1	6	4	3	14
	3	13	23	9	49
					<u>14.7</u>

<u>Fayler</u>	2	8	14	5	22
road	1	5	5	5	15
	3	13	19	10	37
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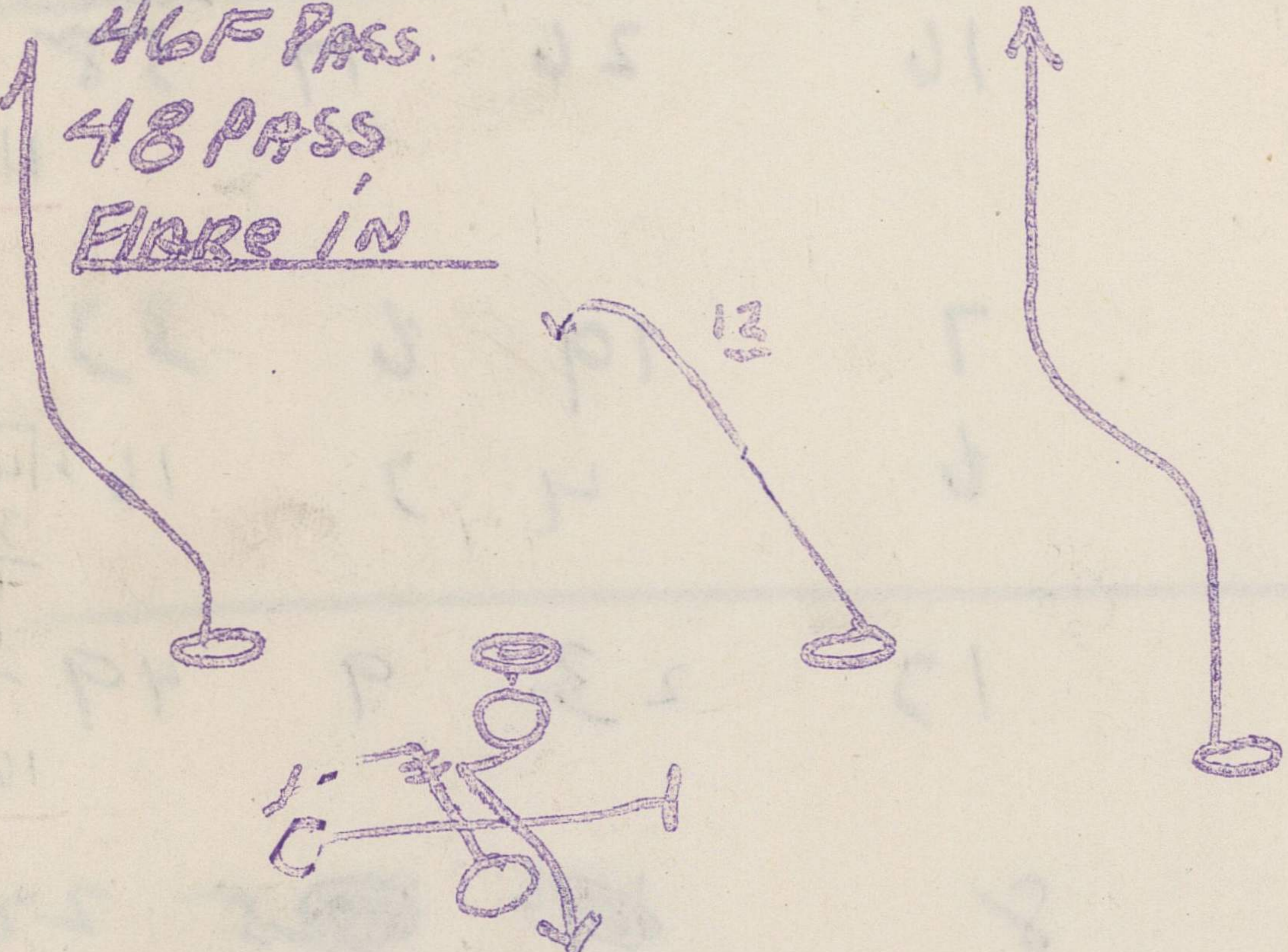
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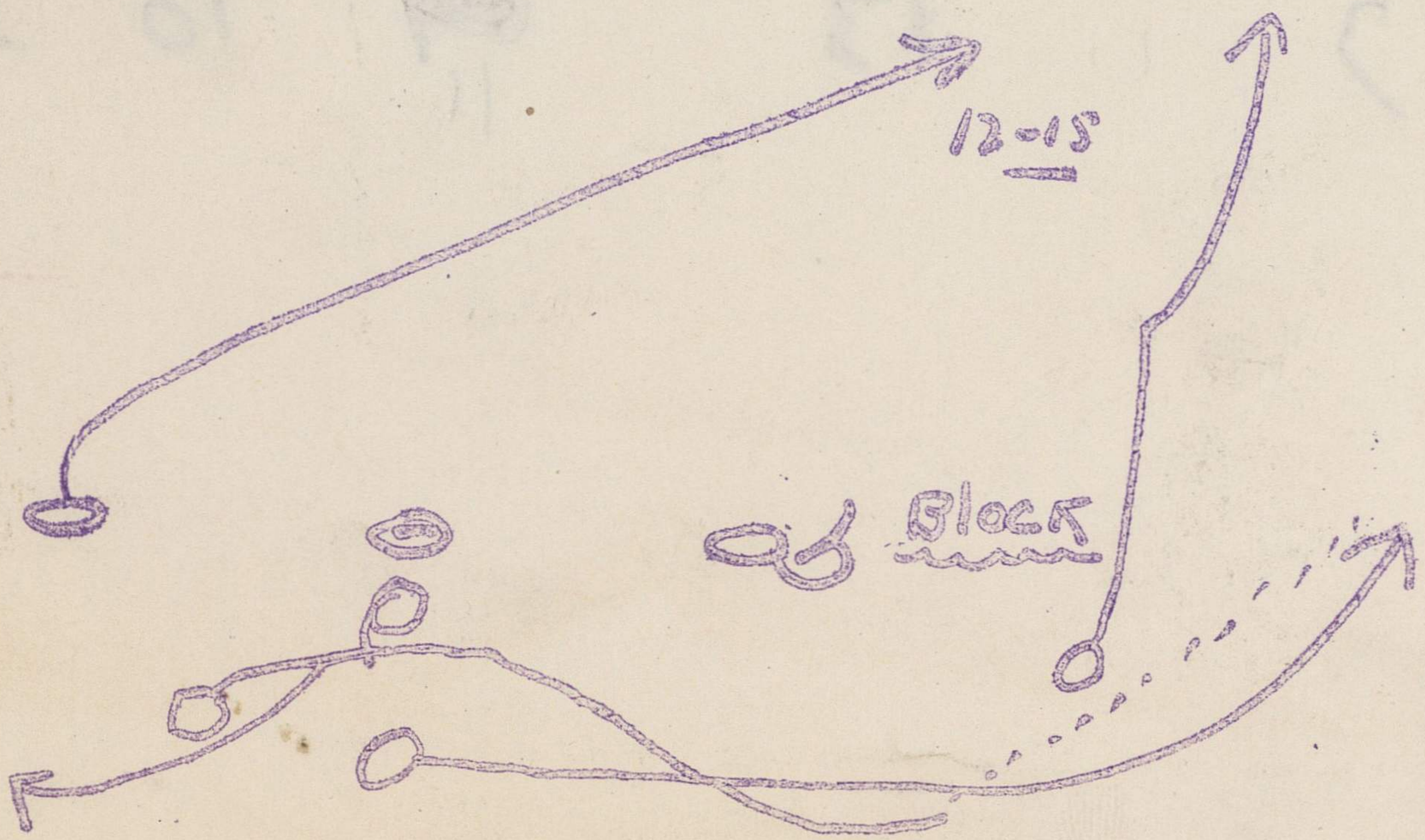
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27F Pass
29 PASS
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v-6
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Ohio Wastes 34 Freeman Points, 54-50

BERKELEY, CAL. (AP) — A last-minute outburst by forward Mike Diaz gave California a 54-50 victory over Ohio State Wednesday night before a near-capacity crowd of 6,500.

Ohio's Robin Freeman put on a spectacular 34-point performance for the Buckeyes, who held a 26-23 halftime lead in the second and last game of the series. The one man attack was not enough to stave off the Bears, who also won Tuesday night.



FREEMAN.

Forward Larry Friend was Cal's high man with 12 points.

The teams were rarely more than a field goal apart. Though outshot from the floor, 42 per cent to 32 per cent, the Bears tucked away 24 field goals to 18 for the Buckeyes.

Ohio State—50.

California—54.

	G.F.T.F.				G.F.T.F.		
Miller, f	5	1	1	Friend, f	6	0	2
Kelley, f	1	0	2	Blake, f	4	2	3
Ropes, c	0	0	3	E. McK'n, f	0	1	1
Freeman, g	11	12	1	B. McK'n, c	4	2	0
Mosier, c	0	0	1	Diaz, g	4	1	1
Ellis, g	1	1	4	Heff, g	5	0	1
				Winetrub, g	0	0	2
Totals	18	14	12	Arrillaga, g	1	0	2

Totals 24 6 12

Score at half—Ohio State 26, California 23.

Missed free throws—Ohio State: Miller 2, Kelley 1, Ropes 1, Freeman 2, Ellis 2; California: Friend, B. McKeen 3, Diaz 1, Heff 1, Winetrub 1, Arrillaga 1, E. McKeen.

Buffaloes Blister Huskers

By **GEORGE FRANCO**

Post Executive Sports Editor

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30.—Colorado's basketball teams have fallen heir to the dubious distinction of "matinee idols" in Big Seven conference tournaments here.

The man behind it all is Bill Strannigan, the ex-Colorado A&M tutor currently in his first season at Iowa State after a successful tenure in the mountain country.

When Strannigan guided Iowa State to its thrilling 82-to-81 triumph over perennially strong Kansas following Colorado's 73-71 overtime loss to Oklahoma one game earlier, the Buffs got the tag. They're the lone current conference member that has not won in the opening round.

They responded well to the designation here Wednesday afternoon in the consolation semifinals by overwhelming inept Nebraska, 89 to 47. That gave them the right to meet California in the consolation title contest Thursday and a chance to seek revenge for two earlier losses to the Bears on their recent west coast swing.

BUFFS CLICK

In direct contrast to its below-par showing in Monday's losing effort to Oklahoma in the tourney opener, Colorado did everything near-perfectly in stomping the Huskers.

The Buffs mixed a blistering score pace by the regulars and a better-than-average rate by the reserve units with a glove-tight defense to end a four-game win drouth.

It was never a contest after the Huskers matched the first basket of the game by Colorado's Bob Jeangerard. The Buffs took the lead on Burdette (Burdy) Haldorson's free throw with only 2:03 played and were off to a record-breaking tourney victory margin of 42 points. This eclipsed the old mark set in 1948, when the Buffs tromped Harvard by 33 points. It was also a school scoring mark.

Jeangerard and Haldorson high-

lighted Colorado's brilliant first half by getting 33 of the Buffs' total as they paced a gigantic 52-23 advantage. After that it was just a matter of what the final edge would be.

Coach Bebe Lee used his regulars for only 18 minutes in the contest and cleared his bench of fifteen reserves. Only two Buffs failed to crack the scoring columns.

In the other consolation bracket game, California's Bears completely ruined Kansas' hopes for some glory by trimming the Jayhawks, 65 to 62, for the latter's second straight loss in the tournament. It was the first time in the history of the tournament a Kansas team had lost two straight.

The Bears refused to wilt under the pressure applied by the Kansans and managed the victory even without the presence of Bob McKeen, their mammoth center.

COLORADO (89)					NEBRASKA (47)				
Player	FG	FT	PF	TP	Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Coff'an f	3	0	2	6	Ekwall f	0	0	4	0
Yardley f	2	2	1	6	Boich f	0	2	1	2
Pet'son f	0	0	1	0	Smith f	3	5	2	11
Jean'rd f	6	8	3	20	Fagler f	2	0	4	4
Ran'los f	1	0	1	2	Doebele f	2	0	2	4
Helzer f	1	1	3	3	Renz'an c	2	0	4	4
Hald'on c	9	7	0	25	Matzke c	3	2	3	8
Hannah c	1	4	0	6	Prokop c	1	0	2	2
Walter c	2	0	0	4	Buel g	1	0	1	2
Harrold g	3	0	1	6	Roy g	0	2	0	2
Mans'ld g	0	2	0	2	Coufal g	0	0	1	0
Grant g	0	0	2	0	Wells g	1	0	1	2
Mock g	1	2	0	4	Gibson g	2	2	1	6
Now'ay g	1	1	3	3					
Mor'son g	1	0	1	2					
Totals	31	27	18	89	Totals	17	13	26	47

HALF TIME SCORE—Colorado 52, Nebraska 23.

FREE THROWS MISSED: Colorado—Coffman, Yardley 2, Jeangerard, Rangolas, Helzer 3, Haldorson 2, Hannah, Walter, Harrold 2, Mark, Mowbray. Nebraska—Boich 2, Smith 3, Doeble, Renzelman, Matzke 2, Prokop 2, Roy 2, Gibson.

KANSAS (62)					CALIFORNIA (65)				
Player	FG	FT	PF	TP	Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Ellstun f	7	7	3	21	Blake f	0	0	3	0
And'son f	1	4	1	6	E.McK'n f	2	0	2	4
King f	2	0	0	4	Friend f	5	5	3	15
Da'port f	0	0	1	0	Mastrov f	0	1	0	1
Padgett f	0	0	0	0	Hagler c	4	4	4	12
Johnson c	3	2	5	8	Brown c	3	5	5	11
Br'nard c	2	7	4	11	Diaz g	0	0	0	0
Dobbs g	3	3	0	9	W'traub g	2	2	3	6
Divich g	0	0	1	0	Hess g	5	4	4	14
Parker g	1	1	2	3	Ar'llaga g	1	0	1	2
Hol'ger g	0	0	0	0					
Joh'ton g	0	0	3	0					
Totals	19	24	20	62	Totals	22	21	25	65

HALFTIME SCORE—Kansas 35, California 37.

FREE THROWS MISSED—Kansas: Ellstun 3, King, Davenport, Johnson 4, Brainard 2, Dobbs 2, Parker. California: Blake 3, E. McKeen, Mastrov, Hagler 2, Brown, Weintraub, Hess 3, Arrillaga.

MISSOURI WINS IN MEET, 75-58; COLORADO OUT

Cyclones to Play Kansas Tonight.

TOURNEY FACTS.

Results.

Oklahoma 73, Colorado 71 (over-
time).

Missouri 75, Nebraska 58.

Games Today.

FIRST ROUND.

8 p. m.—Iowa State vs. Kansas.
9:45 p. m.—Kansas State vs.
California.

By Maury White.

(Staff Writer.)

KANSAS CITY, MO.—
Everything didn't happen
just the way it was sup-
posed to here Monday night
as the ninth annual Big
Seven basketball tourna-
ment got off to a rousing
start.

Oklahoma, a short team not
given much of a chance, opened
the four-day meet by upsetting
Colorado, 73-71, in an overtime.

Sooners Stall.

The surprising Sooners stalled
the last three minutes of the
regular game, then failed to
even get a shot off—but won on
sophomore Jimmy Peck's jump
shot with three seconds to go.

Peck's other 16 points and
guard Les Lane's 31 gave
Oklahoma terrific outside
scoring against one of last
year's conference co-cham-
pions which has the same
squad back.

Missouri, ranked seventh nationally in the last Associated Press poll, broke loose early in the second half to beat Nebraska, 75-58. Norm Stewart led Tiger scoring with 26 points. Gary Renzleman was high for the Huskers with 19—all in the first half.

Cyclones vs. Kansas.

Tonight's action pits Iowa State against Kansas in the 8 o'clock game with guest California meeting Kansas State in the second game.

Undefeated Kansas, defending meet champion, will start four sophomores and guard Dallas

BIG SEVEN—

Continued on Page Ten.

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Nebraska—58.			Missouri—75.				
	G.	FT.	F.		G.	FT.	F.
Ekwall, f	4	1	2	Park, f	2	9	3
C. Smith, f	1	2	0	Filbert, f	0	0	1
Doeble, f	0	0	0	Richards, f	0	0	0
Fagler, f	1	3	1	Reichert, f	2	0	4
Boich, f	0	0	0	Rust, f	1	3	1
Renz'lmn, c	5	9	3	Blackman, f	0	1	1
Roy, c	0	4	0	Reiter, c	5	3	4
Matzke, g	1	5	2	Denny, c	0	0	0
Buel, g	0	0	2	Graham, c	0	0	0
Prokop, g	1	0	0	L. Smith, g	4	3	0
Wells, g	0	0	3	Ross, g	0	0	3
Coufal, g	2	2	3	Stewart, g	10	6	4
Gibson, g	1	0	2	Ronswick, g	1	0	2
				Fowler, g	0	0	0
Totals	16	26	18	Totals	25	25	23

Score at half—Missouri 35, Nebraska 29.
 Free throws missed—Nebraska: Ekwall, Smith 2, Doebls 2, Fagler, Renzleman, Roy 2, Matzke 3, Coufal 2; Missouri: Park, Reichert, Rust 2, Blackman, Reiter 2, Smith.

Officials—Cliff Ogden of Wichita; John Lloyd of Kansas City.

Colorado—71.			Oklahoma—73.				
	G.	FT.	F.		G.	FT.	F.
Coffman, f	1	3	2	Burk, f	0	2	5
Yardley, f	0	2	2	Mobra, f	0	0	0
Jean'ard, f	8	7	3	Thompson, f	2	1	3
Ranglos, f	1	0	1	Hart, f	1	1	2
Haldorson, c	6	8	5	Muller, c	4	6	4
Hannah, c	1	0	0	Lane, g	13	5	4
Harrold, g	1	2	4	Peck, g	5	8	1
Mansfield, g	0	1	1	Hamilton, g	0	0	0
Mock, g	0	0	3				
Mowbray, g	5	2	1	Totals	25	23	19
Totals	23	25	22				

Score at half—Colorado 37, Oklahoma 35.

Regulation—Colorado 68, Oklahoma 68.

Free throws missed—Colorado: Coffman, Jeanegerard 2, Ranglos, Haldorson 3, Mansfield 2; Oklahoma: Thompson 2, Hart 2, Muller 7, Lane 2, Peck.

Officials—John Frasher of Illinois, Alex George of Notre Dame.

Peck's Heave Wins, 73-71; Tigers Rip Huskers, 75-58

BY DICK SNIDER

Daily Capital Sports Editor

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Oklahoma's sawed-off Sooners pulled one of the prize upsets of Big Seven tournament history here Monday night when they stunned Colorado, 73-71, on Jimmy Peck's jump shot three seconds before the end of the first overtime period.

Missouri gave the favorites an even break for the night when it rolled past Nebraska, 75-58, in the second game of the opening doubleheader of the ninth annual classic before only about 7,000 fans in Municipal Auditorium.

Plenty of patience, plenty of Peck, and an even bigger dose of little Lester Lane rang the bell for Oklahoma, which won its first game after four defeats.

Even then the patience, in the form of a deep and lengthy stall, almost spoiled the brilliant Sooner bid.

The Sooners, who had kept it close all the way, came from six points back to tie the game at 68-68 with 3:59 remaining in regulation time. It still was tied when they got the ball again with 3:23 to go, and they called time out.

OU Coach Bruce Drake's strategy called for a stall, and the Sooners really put it on. They held the ball for three full min-

Tourney Scoreboard

GAMES TODAY

8 p. m.—Kansas vs. Iowa State.

9:45 p. m.—Kansas State vs. California.

RESULTS MONDAY

Oklahoma 73, Colorado 71 (overtime).

Missouri 75, Nebraska 58.

utes, using only two passes in the process. At one point, Peck stood near the center of the court and bounced the ball for a full minute.

With 23 seconds left, OU called time out again, and then came back to continue the stall. With less than 15 seconds to go, the Sooners moved toward the basket finally, only to see their bid foiled. Lane was driving toward the bucket when the buzzer sounded ending the regulation game.

In the five-minute overtime, Lane hit a long jump with 3:46 left to move Oklahoma in front, 70-68. Nick Mansfield trimmed that gap to one point with a free toss with 3:25 to go, but Peck got that one back with 45 seconds remaining.

Bob Jeangerard tied it for the last time with 30 seconds to go with a long jump shot, but that set the stage for the crashing Sooner climax.

Once again they stalled until less than 15 seconds were left. Then they moved in, and Peck fired the clincher from about 10 feet out. Colorado never had a chance to retaliate.

Peck, 5-9, and Lane, 5-10, two of the smallest in Oklahoma's stable of basketball runts, put on a great show. Peck hit 18 points, including the dramatic winners, and Lane connected for 31. Lane, tournament scoring champion here last year, hit 13 field goals, most of them from far out.

Oklahoma, which barely manages to muster a six-foot average for its squad, was whipped in rebounds, 55-38, by the heavily favored Buffs. But the Sooners hit 25 of 54 shots from the field for 46 per cent.

After a tight first half in which Oklahoma led most of the time, altho Colorado owned a 37-35 lead at intermission, the Buffs built their biggest leads midway in the second half. These were brief margins of six points at 65-59 and 67-61.

Then Oklahoma closed in, and dealt the Buffs their fourth straight loss after a three-game winning streak at the start of the season.

Missouri, winning its fifth game against two losses, built a 35-29 halftime lead over Nebraska, and then widened that to 21 points at 72-51 four minutes before the end.

The Huskers, making their first appearance here under new

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Big Seven Quintets Tip Off Pre-Season Tourney Tonight

By JAY SIMON
(Daily Oklahoman Sports Writer)

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26—The ninth annual Big Seven basketball tournament opens at Municipal Auditorium here Monday night with guest team California apparently having the best chance to lift the championship from conference members since Southern Methodist won the initial meet in 1940.

Coached this season by Pete Newell, who shifted from Michigan State, California has compiled a 7-1 record in pre-tournament action, including 57-44 and 59-45 decisions over Colorado, one of the favorites to win the Big Seven crown.

The Golden Bears, paced by all-America hopeful Bob McKeen, trimmed Ohio State, 74-63 and 54-50, last week while handing the Buckeyes their first defeats of the campaign. Cal's only loss thus far was an 88-77 double-overtime decision to College of Pacific.

Kansas, which seems to have another title contender despite the loss of three regulars from last year's co-champions, enters the four-day mixer with the only unblemished record. The Jayhawks have rushed past Louisiana State, Tulsa and Rice twice while remaining at home and preparing a deep squad of youngsters for the tournament and the league race which begins the following week.

Missouri, claiming three triumphs over Big Ten quintets; Kansas State, winner of its last three starts over major foes, and Colorado, which didn't lose a single man from last year's team which tied Kansas, all must be considered serious challengers along with California and Kansas.

Oklahoma, still seeking its first victory after four starts, and Iowa State and Nebraska, both rebuilding under new coaches, all are capable of springing surprises, but do not figure to contend for the title.

Iowa State, guided by former Colorado A&M coach Bill Stranigan, boasts a 4-1 record, but hasn't beaten a real good team yet. The loss was to Bradley by 12 points.

NEBRASKA, which stands 2-3, riddled Bradley 93-68 at Peoria but in turn lost to Memphis State as well as Iowa and Alabama. The Huskers are coached this season by Jerry Bush, who fashioned winning teams at Toledo before moving into the Big Seven last summer.

Oklahoma, which has bowed to Ohio State, Wisconsin and Baylor twice, tips off the tournament at 8 p. m. Monday against Colorado. The second game Monday night matches Missouri and Nebraska.

The first-round will be completed Tuesday night with Kansas and Iowa State colliding in the opening game and California opposing Kansas State in the other. Semifinals are slated Wednesday night and finals Thursday night. The four first-round losers will play consolation bracket games Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

After Southern Methodist won the first Big Seven tournament title in 1946 the only guest teams to reach the finals were Oklahoma A&M in 1947 and Minnesota in 1950. Both were beaten by Kansas State in the title match. Last year's guest team, Washington, failed to win a game.

Oklahoma was runnerup to Kansas last year, the Jayhawks winning in the finals, 82-73, for their second title. Kansas State owns three tournament crowns and Missouri and OU one apiece.

Probable Starters

OKLAHOMA	Pos.	COLORADO
6-3 S. Thompson	f	B. Jeangerard 6-3
6-0 Bobby Burr	f	Bob Yardley 6-3
6-3 Fred Muller	c	B. Halderson 6-9
5-10 Lester Lane	g	Tom Harrold 5-11
5-9 Jimmy Peck	g	Chas. Mock 6-0

TIPOFF—8 p. m., Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City.

NEBRASKA	Pos.	MISSOURI
6-2 Stan Matzke	f	Norm Stewart 6-4
6-5 W. Fagler	f	Med Park 6-2
6-5 G. Rentzelman	c	Bob Reiter 6-9
5-10 Duane Buel	g	Lionel Smith 6-1
6-2 Chas. Smith	g	Red. Reichert 6-1

TIPOFF—9:45 p. m.

The Pairings

Here are first-round pairings in bracket order with won-lost records of teams in parentheses:

UPPER BRACKET

8 p. m. Monday—Colorado (3-3) vs. Oklahoma (0-4).
9:45 p. m. Monday—Missouri (4-2) vs. Nebraska (2-3).

LOWER BRACKET

8 p. m. Tuesday—Kansas (4-0) vs. Iowa State (4-1).
9:45 p. m. Tuesday—California (7-1) vs. Kansas State (3-2).

'Shorties' Hold Tourney's Key

Tall Men May Take Back Seat In Big Seven Cage Meet

BY DON PIERCE
Special Correspondent

ANY BASKETBALL coach still will welcome a 6-9 pivot man when he goes after the Big Seven tournament title. But the little guys are going to have a lot to say about what team captures the ninth annual meet, which opens a four-day run Monday in Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium.

Fact is, the ever-increasing fleet of little men in the midlands circuit is threatening to swing much of the spotlight away from the towering denizens of the keyhole. Oklahoma's Lester Lane, a nifty 5-10, 170-pound guard, may have signalled such a trend last year when he won the tournament scoring championship on 64 points.

In so doing, he outdistanced Kansas' All-American B. H. Born, 6-9; Burdette Haldorson, Colorado's 6-7 center who later won the conference point scepter; Bob Reiter, Missouri's 6-8 hook-shot artist; Nebraska's Bill Johnson, 6-7, and Kansas State's brace of Roger Craft, 6-7, and Jerry Jung, 6-11.

For seven years previously pivot men—none of which stood less than 6-4—had monopolized the individual tournament scoring crown.

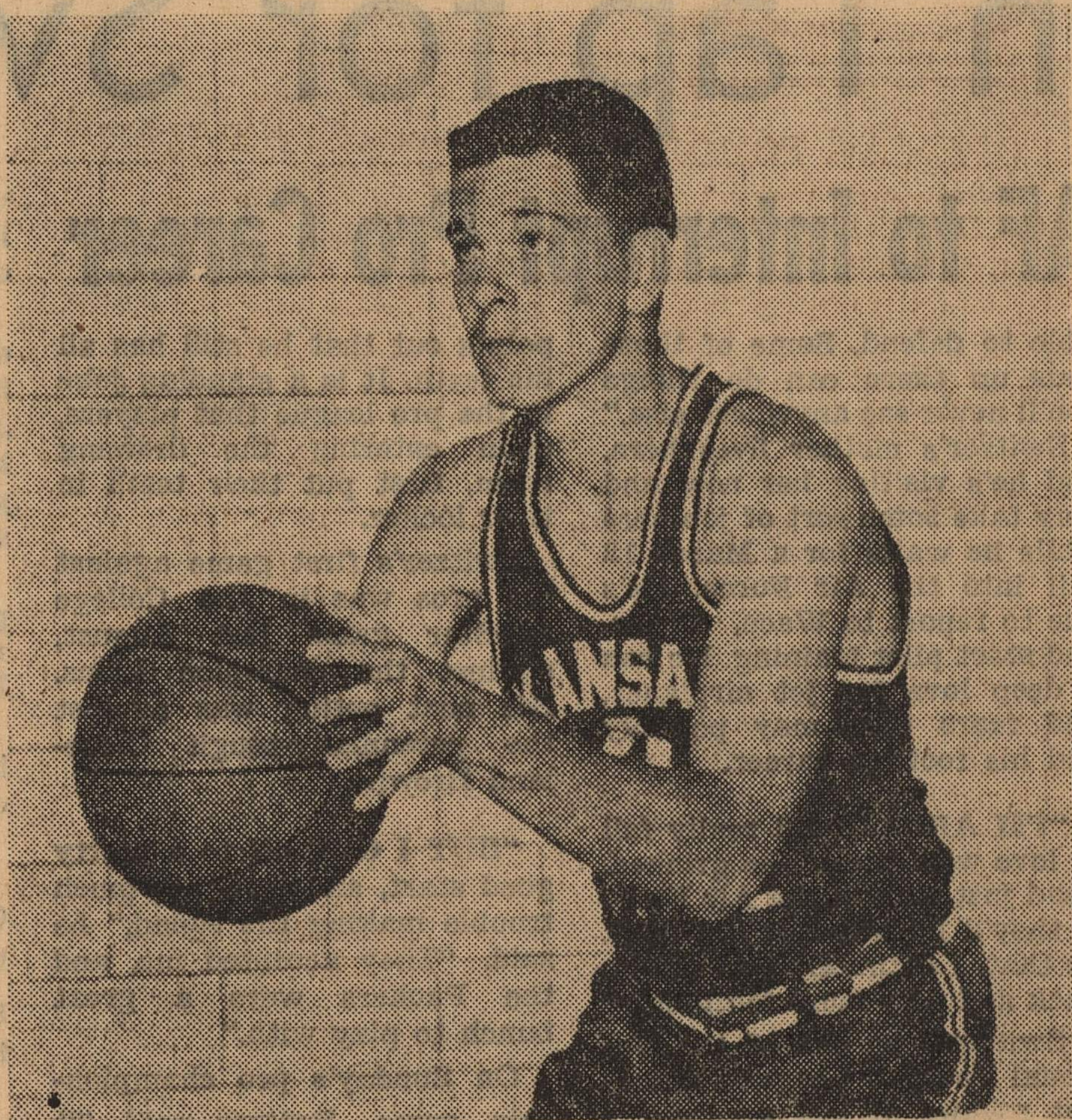
Lane, and his stablemate, the 5-9, 155-pound Jimmy Peck, typify the backlines that most conference teams now have in operation. Iowa State will come in with a pair of comparative midgets in Gary Thompson, 5-10, and Larry Wetter, 5-10. Kansas is mounting Dallas Dobbs, 5-11, and John Parker, 5-11, in its backline. Colorado floors Charles Mock slightly out of the midget class at 6-0, and Tom Harrold, 5-11. Kansas State alternates three; Kent Poore, 5-8½; J. R. Snyder, 5-10½, and Pachin Vicens, 5-9. Nebraska's regulars are Duane Buel, 5-10, and Billy Wells, 5-11.

Only favored Missouri and California, this year's guest team, will not start backlines containing two men under six feet—or, in the case of Colorado, one under 6-0, and another exactly at that level.

This trend can be traced to three points: 1. The niftier, nimbler little men can bring the ball up quickly and more efficiently, especially against various pressing defenses. 2. The little men can play the front line of defense, against the enemy's smaller men, thus keeping the big players against the board for rebounding. This serves a dual outlet for the fast-break. 3. The advent of increased importance of speed in the game has forced all coaches to employ more small, elusive scooters.

TIME WAS WHEN the league was loaded with towering guards. Fifteen years ago Nebraska floored perhaps the tallest backline tandem the conference ever has seen, in Don Fitz and Don Held, both 6-4. Missouri had the 6-4 John Lobsiger in its rear defense. Iowa State boasted the 6-5 Carol Schneider. Kansas State carried the 6-3 Larry Beaumont. Since the war Claude Houchin, 6-5, and Bill Hougland, 6-4, of Kansas, and Iowa State's Jim Strange, 6-7, who also played center, have been notable backliners.

In contract, the tallest guards slated to start in next week's



KENT POORE . . . A K-State Shorty

tourney are 6-1 Frank Hess of California and the 6-1½ Lionel Smith of Missouri.

As reflected in Lane's 1953 tournament scoring championship, the shooting shorties are not without imposing credentials. Thru pre-meet games of December 18, that same Lane leads all tournament scorers with a 24.5 average. This has been accumulated on 98 points in just four games, all of which the Sooners have lost.

Dobbs is second at 18.7, and Thompson, a sophomore, third at 17.8. Haldorson is no better than fifth at 17.2. Reiter is ninth at 16.0. Bob McKeen, California's 6-7, 220-pounder, is tenth at 15.7. Craft and Jung are not among the top fifteen.

FOR THE RECORD the remaining members of this elite are: 4. Chuck Duncan, c, Iowa State, 17.5; 6. Rex Ekwall, f, Nebraska, 17.0; Jim Smith, f, Kansas State, 16.3; 8. Chuck Smith, f, Nebraska, 16.3; 11. Norm Stewart, f, Missouri, 15.2; 12. Larry Friend, f, California, 15.2; 13. Med Park, f, Missouri, 13.2; 14. Lyn Hart, f, Oklahoma, 12.5; 15. Gene Elstun, f, Kansas, 12.5.

If Lane is able to retain his scoring title, he will be the first and only repeater since Clyde Lovellette, the old Kansas mastadon, was winning three in a row from 1949 thru 1951.

Here is the roster of tournament point kings:

1946—Gerald Tucker, c, Oklahoma, 64; 1947—Bill Waters, c, Oklahoma, 40; 1948—Gene Peterson, c, Kansas, 51; 1949—Clyde Lovellette, c, Kansas, 64; 1950—Clyde Lovellette, c, Kansas, 82; 1951—Clyde Lovellette, c, Kansas, 76; 1952—Dick Knostman, c, Kansas State, 71; 1953—Lester Lane, g, Oklahoma, 64.

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kansas city, mo., dec. 30... lester lane, quite likely the finest small man bruce drake has developed at oklahoma, will be shooting at two tournament records here friday when the surprising sooners battle iowa state for third place in the final night of the ninth annual big seven classic in municipal auditorium.

most coveted within lane's range is the single - tournament scoring mark of ~~82~~ 82, which kansas' old mastadon, clyde lovellette, has held since 1950. the jump-shooting sooner guard, now playing his fourth tournament, will move against the cyclones with a two-game meet total of 58 points. this means he'll need 25 points to overhaul lovellette's present standard. and at the rate he's been travelling all season that isn't asking too much.

lane's two-game average here against colorado and missouri, is 29 points. his overall mean for six games, four of them pre-tournament losses, now is 26.

second record in his sights is bill johnson's career tournament free throw record of 47, compiled by the 6-7 erstwhile cornhusker center, over the past three years. lane has scored 14 charities to date to lift his tourney total of 43. he, of course, has had the advantage of an extra three games, since he is one of a handful of four-year men now seeing their final tourney action. the parcell gunner might own this new mark by halftime.

lane also is striving for retention of his meet scoring championship, which he won last december on 64 points. ~~that~~ no previous scorer, save lovellette, who ~~was~~ won that crown all three years of his competition, ever has scored a repeat of this bauble.

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 1ST SEMI-FINAL GAME
 MISSOURI VERSUS OKLAHOMA

GAME SHOT STATISTICS

MISSOURI PLAYER	FGA	FGM	PCT	FTA	FTM	REBOUNDS
PARK	10	4	40	12	11	14
REICHERT	12	3	25	0	0	2
REYER	20	8	40	16	12	14
SMITH	11	3	27.3	5	3	9
STEWART	14	6	42.9	8	7	9
VILBERT	8	5	62.5	5	4	2
JENNY	0	0	00	0	0	1
IRAHAH	0	0	00	0	0	0
					TEAM - -	3

TOTALS 75 29 38.7 46 37 54

OKLAHOMA PLAYER	FGA	FGM	PCT	FTA	FTM	REBOUNDS
BURR	4	3	75	2	1	7
THOMPSON	9	3	66.7	0	0	8
MULLER	4	2	50	2	1	3
LANE	25	9	36	13	9	4
PECK	20	8	40	10	8	4 2
MOBRA	1	0	00	0	0	2
HAMILTON	1	1	100	0	0	0
WHEELER	0	0	00	2	1	0
HART	3	2	66.7	4	4	10
ABBEY	3	1	33.3	8	5	3
					TEAM - - -	2

TOTALS 70 29 41.4 41 29; 41

1ST HALF STATISTICS

MISSOURI	38	14	36.8	23	18	33
OKLAHOMA	36	13	36.1	16	10	18

lane will be paired with his most threatening pursuer for both the single-tournament scoring mark and this year's meet scoring crown, in the cyclones' ~~vs~~ ~~convex~~ chuck duncan. the husky 6-5 pivot comes into the final night trailing the flashy sooner guard by a single point. his 34 in the 82-81 upset of kansas tuesday, is the turney's single-game high to date, and he added 23 more again t wednesday as the cadinal and gold fell before kansas state, 60-70, following ou's narrow 87-95 loss to missouri in the opening semifinal. missouri guard norm stewart and burdette halderson, colorado's 6-7 center, are the closest to the top pair with 45 each.

the tournament never has seen as many good little men no tournament in nine years has seen as many good little men as the present one. yet lane, and his sophomore stablemate, jimmy peck, must be considered the best of these backline shorties.

consider this: oklahoma had scored 160 points in ~~thax~~ its first two tournney starts. of this total, lane and peck have accounted for an even 100, or 62 percent of the redshirts' entire offense. they collected 51 between them as ou pressed brawny missouri all the way and reaped 49 ~~xmwx~~ tuesday's 73-71 first-round overtime upset of colorado. no other backline is within whispering distance of such a feat.

the ~~tiger~~ missouri-kansas state scrap for the flag will be the first tournament meeting between the two teams, state never has been beaten in a king-row test, having one all three previous trips to the finals. missouri is 1-1 at that level, having edged past oklahoma, 44-42, and bowed, 65-75, to kansas, in 1951.

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TIME	MISSOURI	TIP TO:--Missouri	OKLAHOMA
18:46	Reiter hook off post	2	
18:25			2 Muller, driving in
			3 Muller f. by Stewart on shot
18:06	Smith f. by Peck	3	
	2nd shot	4	
17:55			5 Lane 1 hand push from side
17:39	Reiter f. by Muller	5	
	2nd shot	6	
17:28	Park f. by Muller	7	
	2nd shot	8	
16:56	Stewart 1 hand push	10	
16:44		Missed	Peck f. by Smith
16:27	Smith jump from side	12	
16:03			7 Peck push from side
15:49	Reiter tip in	14	
15:34			8 Peck f. by Reichert
			9 2nd shot
15:29	Park f. by Thompson		
			TIME OUT OKLAHOMA
	Park's f.t.	Missed	
15:25	Stewart hook off post	16	
15:11			11 Lane push from side
14:57	Smith jump from side	18	
14:42			13 Muller tip in
14:22	Smith under basket backhand	20	
14:09			14 Lane f. by Smith
		Missed	2nd shot
14:03		Missed	Muller f. by Reiter
13:23	Reiter hook off post	22	
	" f. by Muller on shot	23	
12:52			TIME OUT OKLAHOMA
12:44			15 Peck f. by Reichert
			16 2nd shot
12:00			18 Thompson, driving in
11:17			20 Burr long 1 hand from side
10:31			22 Lane jump shot
10:27			TIME OUT MISSOURI
10:12	Park f. by Burr	24	
	2nd shot	25	
10:01			24 Lane dribbling under
9:47	Reichert under basket	27	
9:14	Park driving in and under	29	
8:38			26 Burr lay in
7:33	Stewart from side	31	
7:08	Stewart driving in	33	
7:02			TIME OUT OKLAHOMA
6:38			28 Thompson side jump
5:54	Park f. by Hamilton	(2) Missed	
	2nd shot	34	
5:41			30 Hamilton jump from f.c.
5:25	Reiter f. by Hamilton	35	
	2nd shot	36	
3:47		Missed	Lane f. by Reichert

toueney dribbles: kansas state's appearance in the
 finals against missouri wil mark the fifth consecutive season one of
 the sunflower powers has reached the finals. kansas and k
 -state have split the last four championships..... ou holds a 3-1 tourney
 edge over iowa state only cyclone victory was wrought in 1952,
 when state pushed the so ners into the meet cellar with a 79-76 win....
 kansas state's semifinal victory over iowa state may have been
 costly... jim smith, starting wildcat forward, wrecked a knee in the
 first half, and maybe hung up for two or three weeks.... tex
 winter's other starting forward, joe powell, didn't play against
 the cyclones because of a sprained ankle... and gene wilson, a s
 frontline starter the first two games, is out with a broken bone in his
 left hand.

don pierce

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MISSOURI	ECV	EGW	ECJ	ELV	ELH	BEBOUINS
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9	9
10	10	10	10	10	10	10

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PARK	4	1	25	9	8	11
REICHERT	7	1	14.3	0	0	0
REITER	11	4	36.4	10	7	6
SMITH	8	3	37.5	4	3	7
STEWART	6	4	66.7	0	0	5
FILBERT	2	1	50	0	0	1
						TEAM - - - 3

TOTALS 38 14 36.8 23 18 33

OKLAHOMA PLAYER	FGA	FGM	PCT	FTA	FTM	REBOUNDS
BURR	2	2	100	0	0	3
THOMPSON	6	2	33.3	0	0	5
MULLER	4	2	50	2	1	3
LANE	14	5	35.7	5	2	1
PECK	8	1	12.5	7	6	0
MOBRA	1	0	00	0	0	1
HAMILTON	1	1	100	0	0	0
WHEELER	0	0	00	2	1	0
						TEAM - - - 1

TOTALS 36 13 36.1 16 10 18