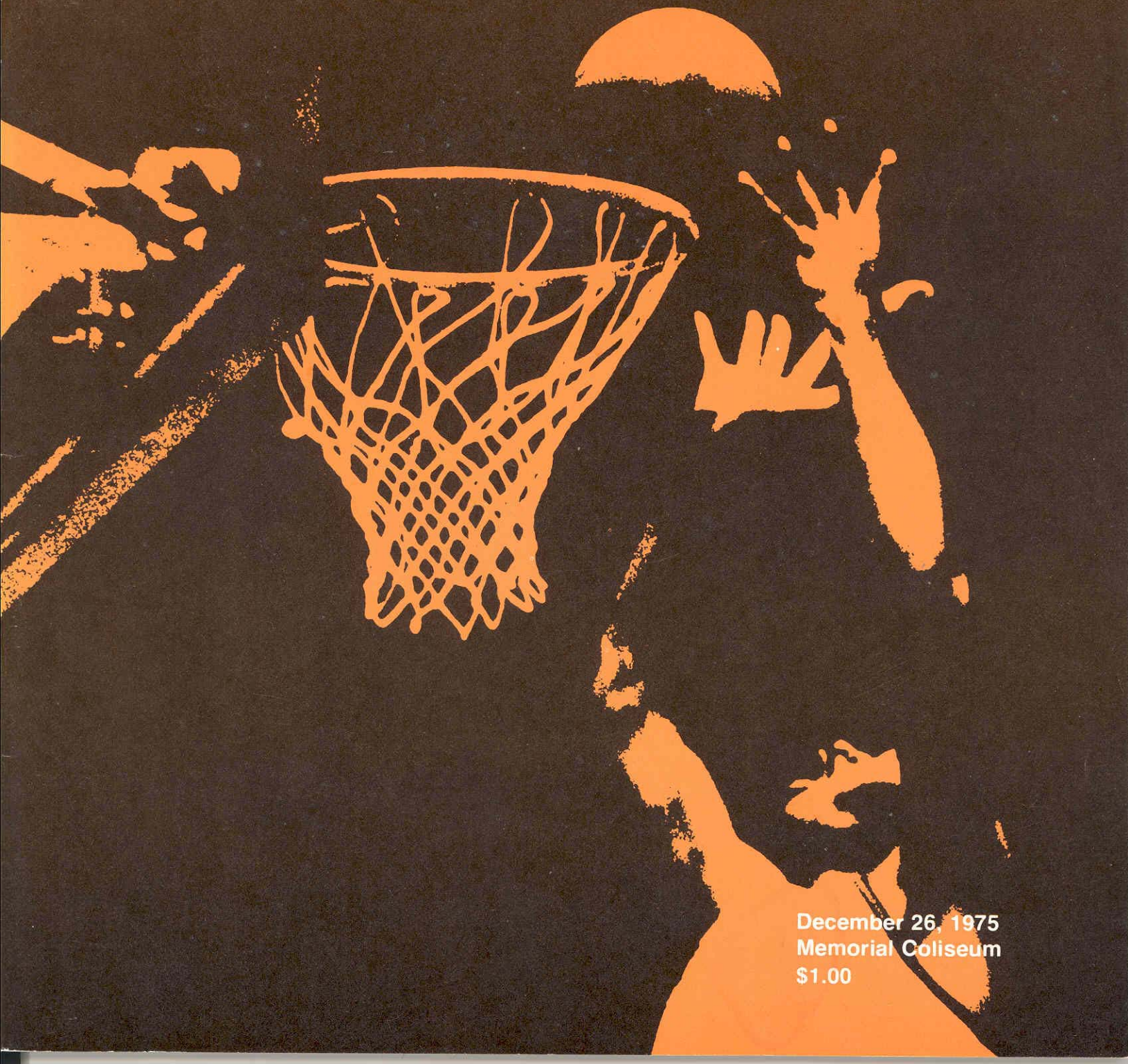


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The whole Oregon State University basketball program took a turn for the best recently when it went from good to excellent with the return of Lonnie Shelton.

There is no denying Shelton's effect on the Beaver program. He was the team's leading scorer and rebounder last year, and saved most of his best performances for the times they were needed most.

This year's Beaver team looks even better than last year's, when the surprising OSU bunch finished a solid second in the Pacific-8, drumming USC twice in the process and beating the tough Bay Area teams three out of four.

For starters, three out of the five starters from that club are back. There is George Tucker, the slick little guard they call "Ice-T"; there is Don Smith, an amazing corner shooter; there is also Paul Miller, as good a long distance bomber as there is in the league.

The only missing cogs are Doug Oxsen and Charley Neal, but with the elevation of last year's good reserves and the addition of Rocky Smith, Ralph Miller's cup runneth over with replacements.

Shelton's numbers last year were impressive: the big center from Bakersfield averaged 18.2 points and 9.4 rebounds per game.

The rest of the scoring was well balanced for last year's team, but the

next three scorers are back in Smith (11.1), Tucker (10.7) and Miller (9.8).

Tucker was also a runaway leader in team assists with 159, 16 ahead of Neal, whose playmaking and driving ability will be missed.

But just when it looked like the Beavers had a weak spot at guard, Miller produced a hot shooter in Rocky Smith, who comes to the Beavers from Butte, Calif. junior college, where he had a whistling 26 point-per-game average in two years.

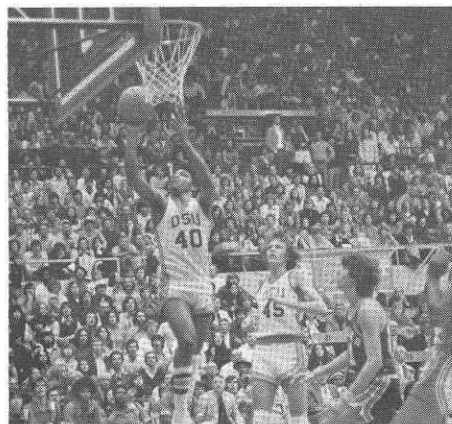
The Beavers were wounded early in the year when Rickey Lee, who was almost a sure starter, broke the same

bone that kept him out for most of the 15 year as a freshman—only this time, it was on the other foot.

"We'll miss Rickey," says Miller of the Benson of Portland sophomore. "He's one of those kind who can swing both ways, and we needed that."

It may not matter much for now. The opening lineup of Shelton, Smith, Miller, Smith and Tucker is solid. When Lee comes back, he will add just that much more firepower.

The Beaver reserves add the depth that Miller has sometimes needed over his five years at OSU. First, there is Roosevelt Daniel, a 6-6 forward who



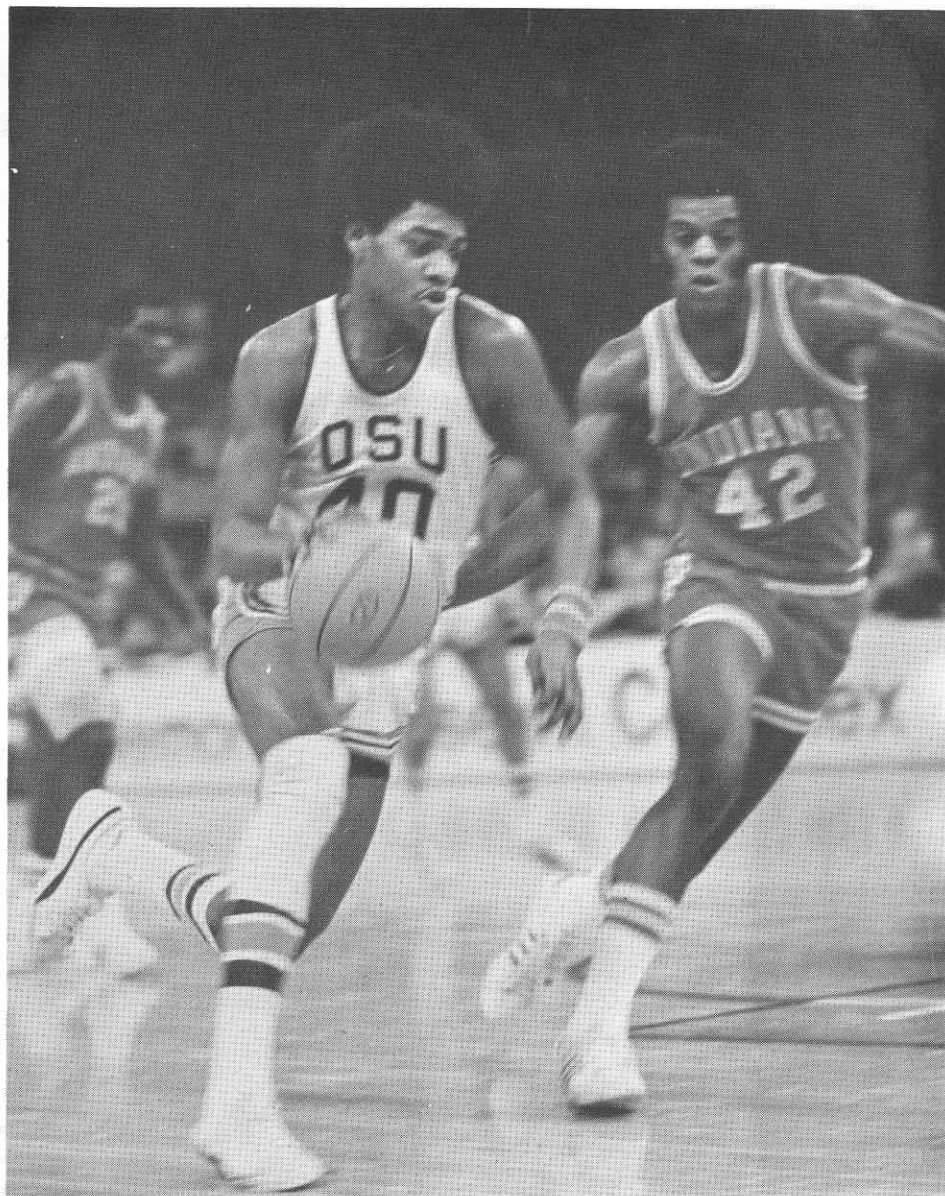
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown
30	Rocky Smith	G	6-2	180	Jr	Oroville, Calif.
32	Rickey Lee	F-G	6-6	205	So	Portland, Ore.
33	George Tucker	G	6-4	165	Jr	Pasadena, Calif.
34	Leon Jordan	G	6-3	190	So	San Bernardino, Calif.
35	Rockne Johnson	F	6-6½	200	Fr	Duluth, Minn.
40	Don Smith	F	6-7	215	Jr	Bakersfield, Calif.
42	Ed St. Clair	F-G	6-5	185	Fr	Livermore, Calif.
43	Dave Penilton	G	6-2½	175	Fr	Sacramento, Calif.
43	Steve Bakke	G	6-0	180	Sr	Portland, Ore.
44	Roosevelt Daniel	F	6-6	200	Sr	Montgomery, Ala.
45	Paul Miller	F	6-8	195	Sr	San Luis Obispo, Calif.
50	Darrell Kitt	G	6-1	175	So	Tacoma, Wash.
52	Tim Hennessey	F-G	6-5	200	Sr	Kentfield, Calif.
54	Mark Gregg	C	6-10	200	Jr	Glendale, Calif.
53	Lonnie Shelton	C	6-8	250	Jr	Bakersfield, Calif.



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will get a lot of playing time.

Then, there is Tim Hennessey, a 6-5 forward who is one of the scrappiest players on the roster.

Leon Jordan and Steve Bakke add depth at guard. Jordan, who was one of Miller's prize recruits of last year, seems ready to break into the big time; Bakke, a walk-on from Portland's David Douglas High School, is an excellent shooter.

Shelton's backup at center is Mark Gregg, a skinny 6-10 Californian who has beefed up and done well in pre-season.

The Beaver roster shows three freshmen of note—Ed St. Clair, a 6-5 forward from Livermore, Calif.; Dave Penilton, a product of Ron Jones' program at Grant High of Sacramento; and Rockne Johnson, a 6-6 forward from Duluth, Minn.

The strengths of this year's Beaver team will be the same as last season: excellent shooting (.489, best in the conference by eight-hundredths of a point) and outstanding team defense (lowest average in the conference).

Obviously, this is an Oregon State team that selects its shots carefully (only California, Stanford and WSU took less shots) and plays Miller's full-court pressure defense perfectly.

Look for the Beavers to surprise nobody this season. With the talent they have, they may not have to.

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE

Date Dec. 29, 1975 Site Portland Memorial Coliseum

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No.	VISITING TEAM (Last Name, First) OREGON STATE	FIELD GOALS		FREE THROWS		Re- bounds	Pers. Fouls	TOTAL POINTS	Ass'ts	Turn- overs	Bl'kd Shots	Steals	Mins. Played
		Made	Att'd	Made	Att'd								
40	Smith, Don	10	18	2	2	5	0	22	2	6	0	1	39
45	Miller, Paul	3	3	0	0	29	4	6	2	3	0	0	19
53	Shelton, Lennie	8	11	6	6	10	5	22	8	3	4	1	28
30	Smith, Rocky	4	10	0	0	2	4	8	3	2	0	1	23
33	Tucker, George	1	6	1	5	1	5	3	3	4	0	0	26
44	Daniel, Roosevelt	2	5	5	10	5	3	9	2	2	0	1	29
43	Balke, Steve	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	14
52	Hennessey, Tim	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	0	1	8
54	Gregg, Mark	1	2	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	5
34	Jordan, Leon	2	3	0	0	1	1	4	0	1	0	0	9
	TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)					6							
	TOTALS	32	59	14	23	40	26	78	24	24	4	5	200

PERCENTAGES: FGs: 1st Half .500 2nd Half .586 Game .562
 FTs: 1st Half .778 2nd Half .500 Game .609

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Rebounds:

No.	HOME TEAM (Last Name, First) FLORIDA STATE	FIELD GOALS		FREE THROWS		Re- bounds	Pers. Fouls	TOTAL POINTS	Ass'ts	Turn- overs	Bl'kd Shots	Steals	Mins. Played
		Made	Att'd	Made	Att'd								
10	Thompson, David	1	7	1	2	1	2	3	0	2	0	0	11
44	Davis, Harry	9	10	0	1	10	2	18	2	5	1	3	35
13	Grady, Greg	3	8	2	2	5	3	8	0	1	1	1	26
11	Byrd, Carlton	1	5	2	4	2	2	4	2	6	0	1	34
40	Warren, Larry	2	8	0	1	2	1	4	2	3	0	1	22
23	Perkins, Zach	3	7	5	6	5	5	11	4	3	0	0	19
3	Allen, Herbie	5	10	3	5	4	5	13	0	3	0	2	28
32	Harris, Eugene	2	3	8	8	2	2	12	1	1	0	0	19
34	Smalls, Wayne	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	6
	TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)					6							
	TOTALS	27	60	21	29	37	24	75	11	25	2	8	200

PERCENTAGES: FGs: 1st Half .500 2nd Half .412 Game .450
 FTs: 1st Half .688 2nd Half .769 Game .724

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Rebounds:

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Oregon State	37	38			75
Florida State	37	38			75