

Cougars Roost Atop Cage Pile With OSC Quint

By FRED TREADGOLD

The Northern division jig-saw puzzle is once again scrambled. And like the man who impatiently is trying to piece things together to resemble something recognizable, northwest hoop fans are restlessly awaiting the time fill this week when the haze clouding the pennant picture should be completely swept away.

Right now it's a two-way scrap between Oregon State and Washington State, both of whom have stayed almost neck-and-neck throughout the last half of the season. Nine wins and five losses—the latter number blasting the venerable theory which said that no team could win the championship with over four defeats—grace the record sheets of both squads. Just one game behind, but a mighty big one game, is Washington with a percentage of eight victories and six reversals.

Northern Division Standings		
	W.	L. Pct.
Washington State	9	5 .643
Oregon State	9	5 .643
Washington	8	6 .571
Oregon	5	9 .357
Idaho	3	9 .250

Washington Meets State

Big things are on tap for Friday and Saturday in the basketball way. Washington's runner-up group, not mathematically out of the race yet, entertains Washington State's on-the-spot Cougars at Seattle. Always strong on their unstable home floor the Huskies could toss a monkey-wrench into the Washington State pennant machinery by copping one, let alone two victories.

Down at Corvallis Oregon State with championship hopes running high will tackle an up-and-down Idaho Vandal quintet. Capable of knocking over any club in the loop, Idaho has been the victim of circumstances, getting plenty of bad breaks and dropping the close ones. A double win by Idaho would put a serious crimp into the pennant hopes so lovingly fondled by Oregon State. Whereas, two wins this weekend by the Beavers would probably shoo the Orange-

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Frosh Splash In Windup With Eugene

University of Oregon's Duckling swimming team drops the lid on another season of swimming today when they do battle with the Eugene high school mermen in the men's pool at 4:30.

This will be the last frosh appearance of a host of mermen. Their next Oregon showing will be in the role of varsity swimmers.

Leading the way out for the frosh will be Co-captains Earl Walters and Al Peterson. Their joint totals have been nothing short of terrific in competition thus far and they are considered fine prospects for further competition.

The Eugene preppers' strength is still unknown but they aren't expected to rate with the Ducklings.

The Oregon first year men have been defeated only once in dual competition this season, while compiling a record of three wins. The Oregon State Rooks and the Ducklings split a series, and from here the frosh coasted to wins over University high school, and the Salem high school team.

A survey indicates that 66 per cent of coeds wear anklets.

Baker, The Dalles Lure Duckling Team

University of Oregon's freshman basketball team departs Friday for a weekend series against The Dalles and Baker high schools which will wind up its casaba campaign.

The Ducklings tasted their third defeat of the season Monday night when they lost a 43-40 struggle to Salem high on the latter's floor. Oregon had previously defeated Salem by a 51-41 score at McArthur court. Dutch Simmons, Viking forward, was top scorer with 20 points. Al Popick dunked in 12 counters to pace the Frosh.

Against The Dalles and Baker John Warren's hoopsters face two of the strongest prep quintets in the state. The Dalles is a top contender for its district championship and a berth in the state tournament. Baker has already clinched a spot in the state playoffs.

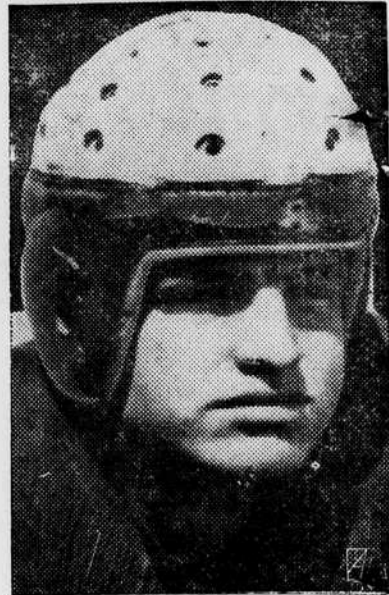
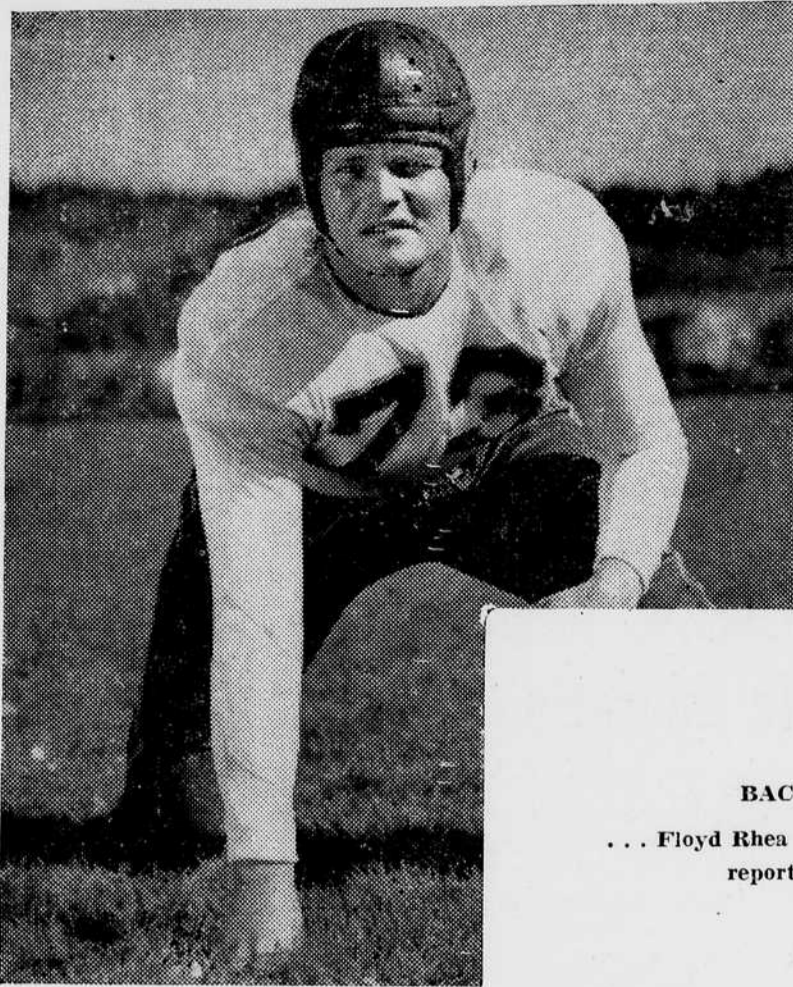
The Bulldogs are coached by Hank Anderson, ex-University of Oregon basketball star, and hold a record of 15 consecutive victories.

The starting lineup will be the same for Oregon as in recent games, and includes Bob Erlandson and Roy Seeborg, forwards; Jack Hannam, center; and Al Popick and Sammy Crowell, guards.

In addition to the starting quintet, Warren announced that the traveling squad will include Bill Bloomquist, Don Asselstine, Paul Floquet, and Royal Denton.

Lame Duck coeds edged into an excellent position from which to pounce upon the WAA basketball championship, when Gamma Phi Beta surrendered a game yesterday via the default route.

The Gamma Phi default kept the Lame Ducks' slate clean, for on the Gerlinger indoor court Monday afternoon, the latter, sparked by Pat Carson's 12 points, toppled the Pi Phis, 23 to 22.



BACK IN HARNESS . . .

. . . Floyd Rhea (right) and Cliff Giffin. Giffin reported; Rhea was missing.

60 Recruits Greet Oliver For Spring Grid Practice Rehearsals Start Today

Oregon Football Coach Gerald A. "Tex" Oliver surveyed 60 recruits for spring grid practice in downstairs McArthur court yesterday—some raw, others not-so-raw, and a "good nucleus of veterans"—and remarked emphatically: "We're not going to be entirely weak next year."

Reason for Oliver's optimism, even amidst perhaps the greenest spring turnout he has ever met at Oregon, was the presence of a "better nucleus of veterans."

Veterans Back

Among the veterans who reported yesterday and around whom Oliver will build his 1942 machine are Halfback Tommy Roblin, Guards Val Culwell and Cliff Giffin, Tackles Ed Moshofsky and Merritt Kufferman.

Conspicuous by his absence was Elliott Wilson, 6-foot 3 1/2-inch center, who left school recently to join the United States marines.

Jimmy Newquist, Floyd Rhea, and Russ Nowling, standouts on the 1941 Webfoot eleven, were missing, but they will be in uniform and ready to go when practice opens today.

Oliver Pleased

Oliver was pleased to see such a "big" turnout, and was particularly glad to see "many" who

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ND Splash Looming For Duck Mermen

By WALLY HUNTER

Coach Mike Hoyman's undefeated University of Oregon varsity swimming team, which is considered one of the strongest on the coast, is hard at work again this week in preparation for the Northern division swimming meet.

The ND tussle drops in on the Webfoots Saturday, and will bring with it Idaho, Washington, Oregon State, Washington State, and Montana. The Ducks will be rather fat favorites to cop the title because they have decisively beaten the strongest team of this quartet, Washington, in a dual meet earlier in the season.

Also-Rans

The Beavers, Vandals, and Cougars, can be relegated to the "also-ran" class because of past performances. Oregon State has been beaten by Oregon twice, and by Washington. Washington has lost to Oregon. Washington State was dunked by Oregon State, and Idaho was shamed by Washing-

ton and WSC.

The San Jose-Stanford and Olympic club-defeating Webfoots have wasted little time in musing over their laurels since returning to the Oregon campus. They arrived in Eugene Monday afternoon and went immediately to the men's pool, where they had a loosening-up workout.

Yesterday it was more of the same with emphasis being put on distance grinds. Today will be the heaviest day that the Ducks will have. Coach Mike will probably push his mermen through a very heavy workout and then spend the remainder of the week in tapering off. Friday will find them easing through nothing more than just a shadow of a genuine drill.

The Webfoot squad is still in fine physical condition, and should stay that way. Several of the team members contracted slight colds in "sunny Cal," but these are all expected to take a back seat by meet time.

American Institute of Chemical Engineers has issued a charter for a student chapter at the University of Texas.

WAA Hoop Playoffs Next Week

On the Gerlinger indoor court yesterday Hendricks hall coeds took the measure off Kappa Gamma with a score of 13-to-3. Beverly Goetz led the Hendricks girls to the rather-lopsided victory, scoring more than half the latter's points.

Susan Campbell was defeated for the first time this season on the Gerlinger outdoor court Monday, when it lost to a Chi Omega outfit, 19 to 4.

Chi Omega, behind Nancy Lewis, broke ahead early in the game and was never headed. Miss Lewis registered 8 of the Chi O's 19 points, while Jean Gill marked up 4 for Susan Campbell.

This week sees the finishing up of individual league play, with the semifinals and finals being scheduled for sometime next week.

Today Chi Omega takes on Highland's Hoopers.