

One day not too far gone, a new inexperienced Webfoot team was out on the court for the first practice of the season and an anxious mentor was watching what was later to become the National Champion basketball squad, take shots at one of the hoops at one end of the floor.

Although the squad was inexperienced, it had a number of trick shot artists and then it had some fellows who showed artistry in their foot work. But one boy in particular, was a fellow The had to duck out the way when he came in to lay the ball in the basket, for fear of knocking up against the backboards. He wasn't the tallest fellow who had ever ventured on to a basketball floor, not by a long way, for the Aztecs in Central America used to have some boys just under eight feet who carried on a similar sort of contest in the shade of a nearby jungle.

Lots of Him

Slim Wintermute was then just a sophomore with an unusual amount of inches to augment a good left handed hookshot.

Another fellow a few years later, yes, but never-the-less with talented left hand and a goodly number of inches to his credit, has surprised the Northern Division hoop experts by breaking through an experienced varsity squad, to land in a berth on the first team. This fellow is none other than Freshman Roger Wiley.

According to his coach "Hobby" Hobson, this lad is just far developed as Slim was in his second year of college competition, and has three more years to make a new name in the already highly touted national niche which is reserved for the "Tall Firs."

Freshmen for Duration

Freshmen all over the country have done a lot of keep the pep bands pepping during this last year, because of their eligibility in the varsity sports field.

Oregon, for instance has three Freshmen on the traveling varsity hoop squad, who have added new pep as well as height to the Webfoot attack. As yet the freshmen have not had an opportunity to enter into the other competitive interschool sports, but when the time comes for the curtain to be drawn on all sports, it will be after most of the yearlings have gone to draw the curtains on something just a little bigger.

These Frosh basketball games that have been played on IcArthur court within the last two weeks have shown just as such offensive attitude as any team could show in the way of their scoring in the senior circuit.

Stan Williamson, who was the "jackrabbit" for the Golden-greens Friday and Saturday evening, is another one of the aspiring Astoria fishermen who seem to be coming in an endless trek from the Columbia city. Boys like Williamson don't stop thinking basketball after the season is over, for during the summer months a number of these coastal hoopsters get together at lunch time, to throw a rock through a tin can nailed up on the door of one of



RAY TURNER .

... the man who broke Wally Palmberg's scoring record last year with some 192 points for the Idaho Vandals.

Rog Wiley ND Leader

His 47 points still paid off in dividends, giving him the top spot in the league individual scoring chase, but Oregon's Roger Wiley heard the sound of pounding feet in the not-so-far background.

The lanky Webfoot center was pressed by Washington's tight checking over the weekend and could add only eight points out of the series. His average consequently dropped down to less than 7 per game.

Most serious challenge came from Chuck Gilmur, Washington's great center, who pocketed 24 in two games to up his total to 44. This was good for an average of 11 per contest.

Best average was still in the hands of Don Durdan, Oregon State's half-pint guard, who in two tilts canned 29 points for a 14.5 game mark.

Another high game average was enjoyed by Gail Bishop, Washington State, who has tanked 40 in three appearances -a 13.3 average.

Erland Anderson, Beaver center, sports an 11-point average, making 22 points in two games. **Durdan** Closes in

Durdan stands the best chance



FIGHTING FOR THE LEATHERNECKS Christ (Duke) Iverson, renowned as a vicious blocker when he was quarterbacking at Oregon in 1941, has donned the olive livery of the Marine Corps.

so far, to threaten the year-old scoring record set up last year by Ray Turner of Idaho. The wiry Vandal center eclipsed the sixyear-old mark of 187 set by Wally Palmberg with a 192-point performance, and a 12-points per game average.

Clarification of the scoring situation should be forthcoming after this weekend's four games.

Oregon and Washington fight it out in a two-game ordeal at Seattle while Oregon State travels to Idaho for a couple of tilts.

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Astorians Show

More Astorians are going to get their chance to show their former teammates that they made a big mistake when they chose to come to Oregon, and that's when the Rooks tangle with the Ducklings tonight in Corvallis. Jack Love and Walker undberg are doing a lot of Rook chores tonight, in an effort o establish State College as the new home for Astoria's basketball varsatility.



THREE BLIND MEN (BLIND TO AMERICA'S WILL TO WIN) **OPEN THEIR EYES BY INVESTING** YOUR CHANGE IN WAR STAMPS

Next Saturday afternoon at 2:30, the Oregon State swimming team comes to Eugene to attempt to make a dent in Oregon's aquatic championship cup. This meet here in Eugene will mark the first official meet that either team has participated in so far this season.

The Oregon State team came in third in the Northwest conference last season, and according to reports in their paper, the team is out for either blood or first place in the conference this season. Next to the University of Washington, these ideas of first place seem to be fairly wellfounded, having had a turnout of 25 men to try for positions on the swimming team. Oregon's small turnout for places on the swim team seems comparatively small and puny.

Oregon State was supposed to have their first meet of the season with the University of Washington last week, but due to adverse weather conditions the meet was called off and no mention. as yet, has been made of rescheduling the meet.

Some idea of the number and caliber of the men that the northern contingent has on its squad can be fairly well seen by bringing to paper the names and the number of men that would have made the trip to the University of Washington if the weather would have permitted. Among this number were: Coach Walt Adrion, coaching the team for the first time this season, Bob LeTourneaux, former member of the squad and now assisting Coach Adrion in the coaching spot, Swartz, Morrison, Woodward, Simpson, Wells, Hart, Lundberg, W. G. Hershburger, Bob Belton, John Gilman, John Karamonos, and Dean Jackson, manager.

Jack Swartz, member of the traveling squad, handles the backstroke, Bob Morrison; breaststroke and backstroke, Vic Simpson; freestyle, Bill Hershburger; freestyle, Hugh Smith; diver, and John Karamanos; diver and sprinter.

This Vic Simpson is a transfer from Stockton junior college and a boy who the State team seems to put quite a bit of confidence in. Up from the freshman team, Don Wells swam for the Olympic club in San Francisco, and seems to be a strong prospect for the varsity team.

The Oregon State team has three freshmen from whom they are expecting great things. They are Don Wells, John Hart, and Walker Lundberg.

Although the squad has lost a lot of valuable men through graduation, transfers from other schools have made prospects brighter. The team has three lettermen returning; namely, Jack Swartz, Bob Morrison, and Emmet Woodward. Colds and flu nave taken their toll of the squad.

Influenza has also taken a heavy toll on the pool at the Oregon campus. Chuck Nelson, Oregon's churny freestyler, is laid up in bed with it, and there was considerable doubt in Coach Mike Hoyman's mind whether Chuck will be able to compete in Saturday's meet.