



Uncle "Hec" Edmundson and a battery of Seattle sports scribblers have been making much ado lately over varsity center Roger Wiley's act of leaping into the ozone and batting the precious leather spheroid from the hoop. Uncle "Hec," Mr. Big of Washington basketball, raised a verbal stink over the issue in the Washington-Oregon series last week. The official ruling on the matter at that time went against Freshman Wiley.

The basketball rules book states, however, that a player has to touch the hoop or any part of it with his hand or body, to commit an illegal defensive act. Back in Eugene, after their northern division series with the Huskies, the Ducks trimmed the Harlen Globe Trotters the other night. The officiating interpretation of Mr. Wiley's performance was slightly different here, although cage coach Howard "Hobby" Hobson has instructed young Wiley to be alert and on his toes for any rules infraction.

It Would Be Funny

We wonder what would happen if the Oklahoma Aggies hoop troops put in an appearance up north. It so happens that that mid-western college boasts of a sophomore court sensation who towers an even seven feet from the pinewood boards. Uncle "Hec" would probably holler loud and long if his Huskies were to face the Oklahoma Aggies.

The latest Dick Dunkel basketball survey communique places Illinois in the national number one drivers' seat. The Illinois gang, boasting of four seniors who have played together for over six years, three of them in college, have beaten a number of the outstanding casaba teams in the east and midwest this year.

We can remember when Oregon was named number one basketball team of the nation. If you will recall, it was only a comparatively few number of weeks ago.

The call has come from the soldier camps all over the country for used civilian athletic equipment. The boys, your buddies, need a little recreation. A quick search into the fraternity closet will reveal a couple of used mitts and baseball gloves, maybe an old ball bat or a used basketball or a tennis racket, or baseball shoes, any number of items that you actually don't use much any more.

The fellows in khaki will more than appreciate a supply of used athletic equipment. Why not get on the ball today, and turn over your donations to the Chevrolet Company here in Eugene. Dick Strite, sports editor of the Register-Guard, is conducting the campaign, a worthy one.

Quinn Succeeds

All basketball eyes are focused on the coming series with Idaho Vandals. The fact that the green and gold cage machine has already administered two lickings to the potato picking lads, doesn't count for a continental in the scheduled twin bill of melon-tossing action next Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The Moscow aggregation has a man to fill the shoes of last year's conference-leading scorer, Ray Turner. The 1943 point pirate is a lad who plays center for the Vandals, a gent by the name of Fred Quinn. He banged home 42 points in a two-game series with the Oregon State Beavers, and northern division basketekers just aren't in the habit of grabbing 27 points the first evening and then coming back for 17 more the second night against the Corvallis kids.

Washington State has stepped on the accelerator to jump into first place, by virtue of a double-killing of the injury-ridden Beavers. The loss of veteran Don Durdan has hurt the OSC five, but Washington State's speedy-laden quintet is not taking a defeat from anyone at this stage of the race. It begins to look as though "Hobby" Hobson's prediction that the Ducks would be every bit as tough as the Huskies, is bearing fruit.

Just Thoughts

POCKETFUL OF IMPRESSIONS: We've mentioned it before, but we'll again state that attendance at intramural contests this year has been poor to say the least. . . . Wally Borrevik's basketball comeback has been the talk of McArthur Court. . . . The USC Trojans are swiftly spread-eagling the southern division race. The Southern Cal outfit boasts of an all-veteran fivesome. . . . Hank Luisetti and Jim Pollard, playing in the Super Seven Casaba League, have hit the basket for an average of 17 points per contest. Hank's played in 10 games, and Jimmy six. . . . What a basketball team the Oregon freshmen would have had, if it weren't for the graduation-varsity of Dick, Williamson and Wiley. . . . The row between a member of the Globe Trotters and the cage ref the other night was over the right of the colored boys to clown on the court. The ref decided that it was a basketball game, and so frowned on many of the stunts the New York five usual-

Water Trials Find Upsets

By ROLLIE GABEL

Yesterday's time trials were, as a whole, entirely satisfactory as far as Coach Mike Hoyman was concerned, with some nice new times brought into light, and a couple of upsets occurring that weren't supposed to happen.

In the 300-yard medley the team composed of Prowell, McCauliffe and Houston came out on top of the team composed of Tugman, Huestis, and Nicholson. This medley consists of three separate strokes being swum by two respective men; two men swimming the free style, two, backstroke, and two swimming the breaststroke. In the 220, came the upset of the meet. A duel ensued between Dick Smith and Chuck Nelson for first place. Nelson started the first 100 yards with 57 seconds which is quite remarkable in itself, but Smith caught Nelson at the 200-yard mark and finally passed him in the last lap winning first place. This first place also gave Smith the fastest time for the 220 this season. The upset came between Allen and Hoffman for third place in the 220. Herb Hoffman was the cause of this upset by defeating Dick Allen, two-year letterman, and winning third place. Chuck Nelson came in for second place honors.

Other Results

In the 60-yard free style event Fox took first place honors.

Chuck Nelson took first place by barely edging out Dick Smith in the 100-yard free style event.

In the 150-yard backstroke, Prowell took first place away from Tugman in a final sprint that gave Prowell his fastest time of the season.

The 220-yard backstroke showed the least of all the events

Splash Man Allen Cuts Water Swath

By DON LONIE

Assemble, pool fans, and gather 'round for a sneak peek at a wet 50 per cent of the famous splash-flash two-man water wheel combination of Allen, Smith and Co. Free styling their way to a slippery 5:28.1 in the initial 440 dip against the Oregon State fish last Saturday afternoon, instantaneous, incorporated, sipped victory from the same cup as did the balance of the water wing boys from around our campus.

Having decided favorably on a course of action this term consisting of interviewing the men that make us famous athletically speaking, we start our series with aqua ace Dick Allen, the splashing, thrashing son of Neptune who doesn't care how he gets there and usually does.

Long Time

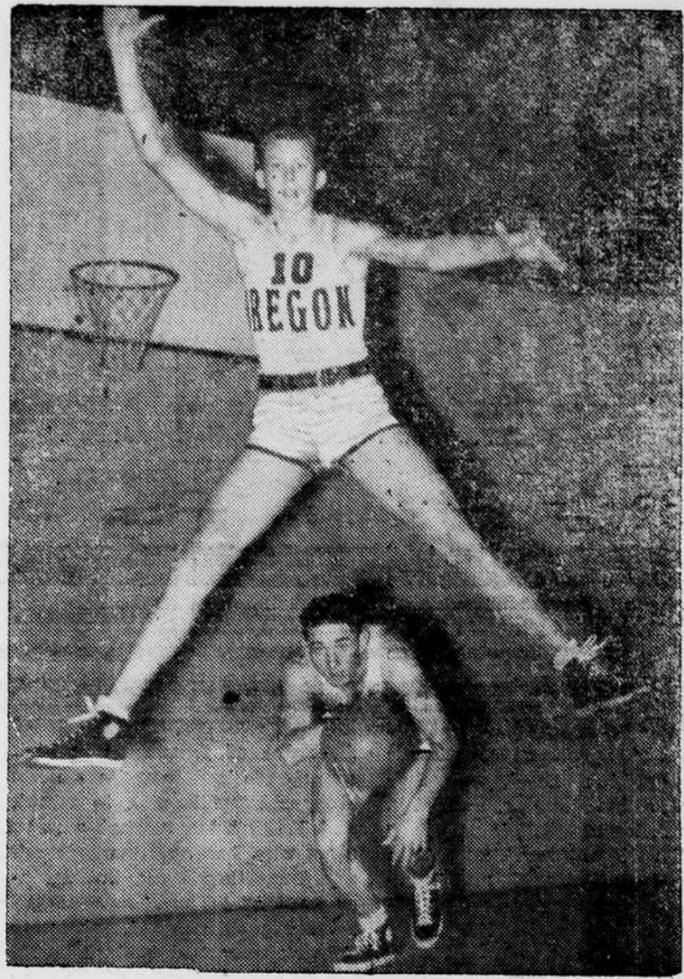
For many moons now Dapper Dick has been pitting his wits against the fathoms nightly in his workouts at the drip-tank or men's pool as some would have

ly stage. One of the visiting lads got kind of huffy about things, and was almost nixed from the contest. . . . An amusing angle is that the college attendance at that non-conference game was greater than that at any northern division game the Ducks had against Washington. . . .

It Could Happen

Oregon is still a little better than mathematically-in-the-race, and at the rate of upsets that have been occurring lately, don't be surprised at anything. The team to beat at this date, seems to be Washington State. Anybody who called a winner now would be definitely climbing out on the well known limb.

We did most of our predicting in the football season. Let's let it go at that.



ONE'S HERE, ONE'S GONE . . .

Wally Borrevik, (top) is battling for a center starting position on the 1943 Duck varsity. Little Paul Jackson is now in the armed forces.

to Coach Mike Hoyman, in that, the winner, Huestis, stopped the clock for the poorest time trial since Christmas vacation.

Fox took first place honors in the 100-yard free style, competing against Korrell, Pinkerton, and Nicholson.

Another Reversal

The second upset of the meet came in the 440 free style event, the event that is the most grueling of all. Competing in this event were six men: Smith, Allen, Nelson, Gautier, Hoffman, and

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