

By BOB STILES

This year Hobby Hobson has had nothing but bad luck in the development of a credible squad to represent Oregon on the maple courts. With only a sprinkling of collegiate transfers, 4-F's and 17-year-olds, the viewpoint at the first of the season didn't look very bright; but with the progression of the long practice season a team began to take shape.

The first blow to Hobson was when Lowell Welch, a three year letterman from Berkeley (Calif.) high, was lost to the squad because of grades.

This loss was suffered early in the year before the team had acquired any polish, therefore someone was quickly put in his place and the practice continued.

As the pre-season games progressed one of the mainstays of the team was Luke Baccelleri, He hails from Roosevelt high in Portland where he led the city league in scoring. As his 1-A draft status would lead you to suspect, he was drafted.

Thus the team was again broken. From here Hobson again began the job of finding the right team combination.

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With the present term soon to end, and the conference season to begin soon after the Christmas holidays Hobby worked the team to the utmost to have them prepared for the coming season.

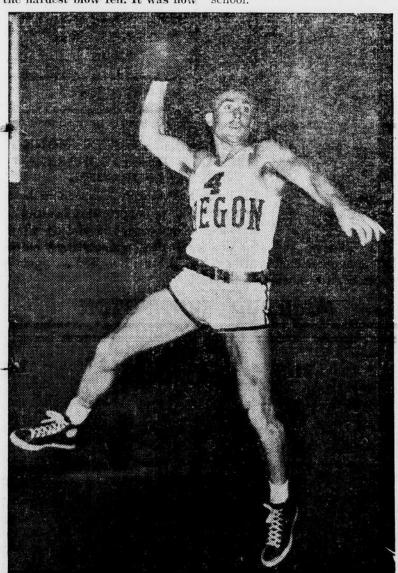
It was when the grades for the past term were turned in that the hardest blow fell. It was now

### Amphibian Group Meets Wednesday

Tryouts for the Amphibian club will be held Tuesday afternoons on January 11 and January 18 at the Gerlinger pool. All University women are eligible.

that Kenneth Hays, a 6' 7" freshman with three years experience from Waitsburg (Wash.); and Ted Holmes, a player with 3 years experience at Palo Alto (Calif.) high and 2 years at Menlo junior college, were lost to the squad because of scholastic deficiencies.

It is blows of this nature that make coaching such a difficult profession—but we are sure that regardless of what happens in the future Hobson will turn out a team that will be a credit to the school.



George Andrews, another one-time star of Oregon teams of the past. He's serving Uncle Sam indirectly, but no less effectively, by being in the Canadian army.

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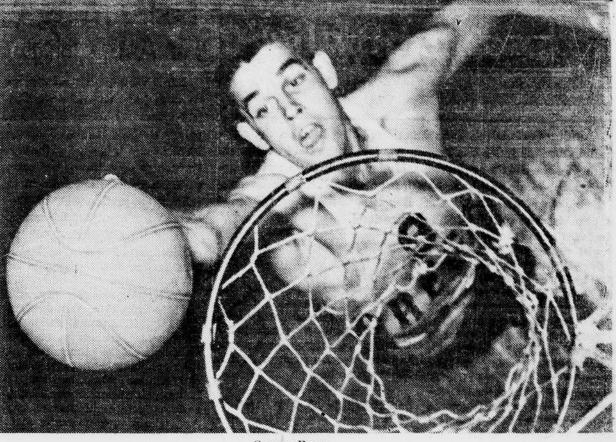
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George Bray . . .

... a 6' 4" freshman center, who is one of the mainstays on this year's Webfoot team.

## Bears Boast 70 Hoopmen

Not one, not two, but three teams will represent the University of California on the hardwoods during the coming season.

Coach Clarence M. "Nibs" Price has always been a strong believer in "basketball for everyone". When greeted by some 70-odd cage aspirants at the signup three weeks ago, he decided to make it possible for not just 12 to 15 but 30 to 40 men to see plenty of action during the 1943-44 season.

He will divide the squad into three teams; one to be called "Gold" Bears, another to be called the "Blue" Bears, and the third to be called "Cubs".

Although navy regulations concerning trainees studying at the University will permit their participation in Saturday night games only, a total of 30 contests will be played. Each quintet will play ten games; the Gold and Blue Bears against college and service fives and the Bear-cubs against high school teams. The personnel of the Gold and Blue Bear squads will interchange, depending on the toughness of the opposition.

The Bears will be young from the standpoint of experience but should be strong enough to offer any of the college and service teams interesting competition and will make a strong bid for the southern division title against Southern California and U.C.L.A.

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The girls' intramural basketball season will begin Thursday, January 20. The games will be held in the Gerlinger gynat 5 every night except Friday.

After a spectacular volleyball tournament, a successful and closely contested basketball season is anticipated.

Many houses who did not enter a volleyball team are expected to participate. Among them are the Tri Delts, Chi Omegas, Gamma Phi Betas, and a group of Eugene girls not affiliated with any living organization.

Practice began January 3. A practice schedule is posted on the bulletin board near the cage in Gerlinger and all house athletic managers may sign for team practices on this schedule. Because there is such a short time before the games begin, houses are urged to start practicing right away. Physical education instructors are available to assist with rules if so desired.

The Thetas, after reaching the volleyball finals, are expected to place a strong team on the floor. With last year's all-star forward, Marge Gordon, leading the attack, the Pi Phis expect to provide plenty of competition.

Although Nancy Lewis and June Hitchcock are not on the campus, Chi Omega reports an enthusiastic group. With such players as Beverly Cameron, Jean Kirkwood, Dot Fleming and Dorothy Shepherd, the Chi O's should be a contender for the championship.

The Stephen twins should strengthen the ADPi's representation. Hilyard house has a group of flashy forwards, led by Doris Horton, and will make things interesting for other courtsters. The DG's anticipate a big season with a large turn out expected. As usual the Kappas, with all-star Alysone Hales, should show any opponent a good game.

With Mariane Blenkinsop, acting as a nucleus for a strong zone defense, University House will undoubtedly vie for honors. Little is known of the always strong Highland team, but they will undoubtedly be in the thick of things

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