

# Duck Tracks

By BOB STILES

When I see a paper, any kind of paper, I like to see how the different sports editors handle their columns. I definitely feel that Bob Frank in the OSC Barometer missed his field completely when he took up the job of writing a column to let the school know how things were going in the field of sports. After reading his article from the issue of Jan. 18—you know, the issue immediately following the game in Eugene between the Beavers and the Ducks—I believe he should be congratulated on the fine way he twisted the facts into a fictional story.

The first thing that came to my attention was the statement that the Beavers could have won the game if their shots had gone through the hoop. This is the fundamental rule of basketball—always to play in such a manner as to be able to put the ball through the basket. I admit that they could have won had their shots been good, but I will also say that even a high school team playing against the Ducks could win if they made all the shots that they could take. Frank says that "if the Orangemen had played the type of ball they are capable of the score would have been different." Well, by the same scale of consideration, the second game the Webfoots played in Seattle the score would have been different had the Ducks ever received the ball to take a shot at the basket.

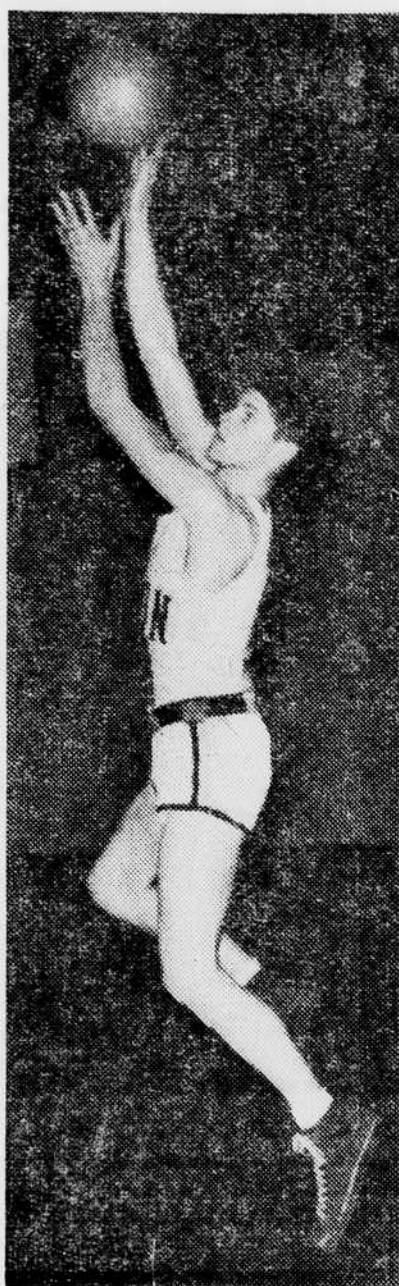
Considering that the students that attended the game were mostly freshmen that had never heard the Oregon yells we think they did very well for themselves. Mr. Frank said, "We are not telling this to stir up antagonism but rather as a pitiable story and also as a hint to you Beaver rooters." If the school spirit at Oregon State is such that it takes a plug in the Barometer to stir it up, I

would like to be in Corvallis to hear OSC yells when Washington thunders in upon Mr. Frank.

"When our cheer leaders get out there to lead a yell, really boom out. If you don't know the words, boom out anyway. (That will really be good). Let's make them so loud that they will echo in the ears of Hobbie Hobson down in Eugene, and let it remind him that we have three more games with Oregon and after those games he will be laughing out of the other side of his face.

"Not that we wish Mr. Hobson any bad luck for actually we hardly know him, but if Oregon doesn't have any more spirit than demonstrated Saturday, he certainly can't have much of a team to back up." This was part of the concluding paragraph of his column.

It must have been stories like this that the heads of our nation had been reading when they came to the conclusion that the news space in all American papers could be greatly reduced.



**ERNIE DANNER . . .**  
... is an outstanding player on this year's Webfoot squad. Although he started school winter term he immediately won a starting position.

## Basketball Play Begun by Girls

The official girl's basketball season was opened Thursday with four scheduled games. Two of the games, however, were forfeited because the teams either didn't show up or were late. Highland house was given the game from the Kappa's who were late and the Pi Phi's forfeited their game to the Hilyard house.

Upset of the day was the Sigma Kappa's win over Theta's, 19 to 9. The game was fast and hard but the Theta's were not up to their usual par. The game was characterized by especially good sportsmanship by both teams despite a lot of fouls.

The Gamma Phi's won their game against Mill lodge 15 to 7. The Alpha Xi Delta-Alpha Gamma Delta game was nip and tuck from start to finish. The Alpha Gams led all of the first half and at half time they were one point ahead. The second half was exciting and rough but a very well played game by both sides. The final score gave the Alpha Xi's an edge of 14 to 12 over the Alpha Gams.

There will be open house at the YWCA this evening from 7:30 to 10:00, everyone is welcome.

## Pre-Met Quint to Meet A. A. U. 'Oregonians'

The air corps pre-mets will play their first home game of the season Sunday at 3 p. m. under the arc lights in McArthur court. The pre-mets will consist of a well-rounded team known as the "Oregonians" in the A.A.U. League. Little is known about the "Oregonians" except that they are sitting in first place in the A.A.U. and have a strong aggregation.

As for the air corps boys, they have played just one ball game against an independent Springfield quintet, and the Hendricks hall cagers came out on the long end of a 46-31 score. Last Monday the pre-mets scrimmaged the ASTU five and soundly trounced the engineers 50-12. However, "Honest John" Warren did not play four of his starting engineer five and this scrimmage, therefore, could hardly be used as a comparative basis of the ability of the two quintets.

The starting lineup for the pre-mets will probably have Hitchell, Thompson, and Butchus, with the other two sports wide open.

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## Teams Begin Preparations For Coming Activity Season

Activity, activity, activity is the word around the girl's gym today as the preparations for the various intramural sports grows nearer and nearer to an end and a beginning. It is the end of practice, but the beginning of real competition for a lot of top players and teams. With basketball games starting January 21, badminton games soon to begin, and table tennis games to begin the week of the 24, we can really see activities in process.

For our basketball team of the week, we choose the Delta Gamma's who have a strong team to offer to any competitors. Under the able leadership of Margurite Losli, the Dee Gee's have turned out in such strength that they have enough good all-around players for two teams. Their all star and efficient forwards are a definite asset to the team. Leading them is Helen Johns, an all around good player. Also in this trio of forwards is the speedy Shirley Gray and Jackie Kinfield.

Not only do the Dee Gee's have strong forwards, but their guards play a beautiful defensive game. Guard Rosie Alber is a precision player when it comes to handling the ball, and Phyllis Miller is another strong guard for the Dee Gee's. Added strength to the Dee

Gee team will be Eliza Houston, another top guard.

According to Pat Howe who is head of the table tennis intramurals there are going to be some very good and exciting games played. With the single elimination type of tournaments, every player will be doing her best on every game. A definite threat to her opponents in table tennis is Betty Lou Cramer from Highland house.

Pat Howe also reported that there is talk of a consolation tournament for the players who are eliminated early in the games. Entries to participate in the tournament must be in by January 21.

February 2 and 9 are the days for the swimming intramurals and there are now definite sounds of activity as the various house teams and swimmers begin to practice and get organized for the coming meets. A strong team is reported for the ADPI's with Lois Winsley, Charolette Wick, Doris Trask, and Carmen Green turning out for the meets.

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**TAYLOR'S . . .**  
Welcomes all the DADS to the UO campus.  
  
Come in often while you are here. Come in for relaxation and really see the students, "where the gang all meets."  
  
13th and Kincaid

**MAYFLOWER**  
ELEVENTH AT ALGER  
ACTION! THRILLS!  
Don't Miss It!  
HUMPHREY BOGART  
in  
"SAHARA"

Harry's  
**VARSITY BARBER SHOP**  
Welcomes the Dads of the UO students.  
Come in and be spick and span for the weekend.  
across from Kappa Sigma

**Welcome Dads!**  
You may have your tires inspected promptly for your trip back or be sure that your son or daughter has done so.  
Come in and see us and you are insured of the exact state that your tires are in.  
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**DADS Enjoy Your Weekend**  
  
Relax and have a good time. Let our services increase the pleasure of your visit.  
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