Ducks Beaten By WSC Cougar



Last night and tonight will go a long way in proving decisive for the Ducks in the Northern division race. They have two close wins over the Idaho Vandals, but since we don't know too much yet about the Vandal team this year, it's hard to draw a conclusion from the two hard-won Webfoot victories.

Washington State, however, has proven that they have a top

flight club that will be almost, if not as good as any team in the conference. They have four returning lettermen plus the gigantic 6-foot, 8-inch center, Vince Hansen. Last Saturday, Hansen cast in 25 points in a king's X game against Eastern Washington college. That gives you a fair idea of the job the Ducks have in stopping him. After last season's final place WAA Open Winter finish, Coach Jack Friel hopes to pull a rags-to-riches trick by winding up on top this year.

If the Cougars knock over Oregon twice, or if Oregon trips WSC

Picked by the experts to finish up on top again this year, the Washington Huskies lived up to for and play three practice games than most people expected. The the predictions when they dumped to be qualified. the Oregon State Beaver twice last weekend. OSC has a veteran team this year and was picked as the possible successor to Washington, but the twin defeats leave them a long, hard road to climb to the pennant. Idaho is in much the same predicament, also having two losses on the red side of the league standings column.

The more upsetting the series, the more uncertain the title will probably be, as the teams start pushing over the favorites, and right now it looks like there will be plenty of that before the cur-

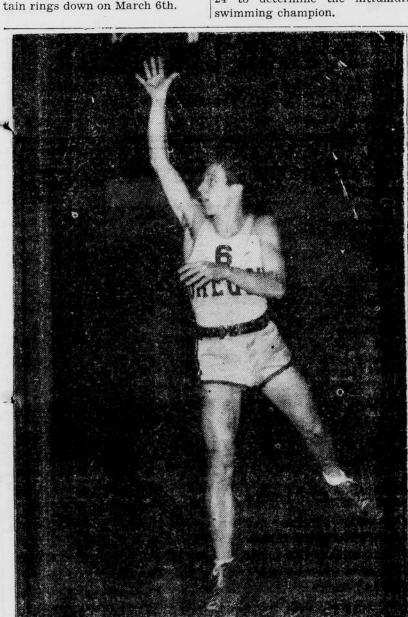
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The basketball season for women officially opened Thursday, Janticipate in the tournament, which gon's two-point victory. starts on January 18, is to sign up

On Thursday, January 18, at 4 tournament will begin, followed by the basketball series at 5 the same afternoon. As yet the captains of the basketball teams and the contestants for the badminton rallies have not been chosen. The basketball All-Star game will be held at Bartelt, g 0 0 1 the conclusion of the tournament Stamper, f 1 1 0 on January 28.

There will be two swimming Kotnik, g 1 0 meets held on February 7 and 14, both of which will be at 7:30. There will be another meet on February 24 to determine the intramural



BOB HAMILTON Captain of this year's varsity, led his teammates against Washington State last night, in an effort to win their third straight victory.

Ducks Hop on Vandals Twice In ND Openers

By sweeping their two-game ser ies with Idaho, the Ducks ended the first weekend of conference games in a tie with Washington for top place.

Both of the wins were hard fought, close ball games with the Ducks coming from behind in the last minute of the first game for a 42-40 victory. In the second game the Ducks managed to hold the upper hand throughout most of the game leading 24-19 at halftime, and then racking up a 41-38 win.

Captain Bob Hamilton and Freshman Dick Wilkins led the Webfeet in scoring for the two games with 21 points apiece. Hamilton got 12 the first night and 9 the second, while Wilkins garnered 11 and 10. Ken Hays was close behind with nine points each night.

Tall Ken Hays was the hero of the Ducks' first night win, tipping in a basket with less than a minute to go that put Oregon ahead for the first time during the game. twice it will leave the winning uary 4, with the first practice Hamilton added a free throw a team up on top in the hoop race. games. Each team planning to par- few seconds later that secured Ore-

> Idaho's Vandals proved tougher veteran Leonard Pyne and Freshman John Taylor proved plenty p.m. in Gerlinger, the badminton hard to handle during both games.

Score: (first game) Oregon (42) Wilkins, f 5 1 3 11 Smith, f 2 0 2 Hays, c 4 1 Hamilton, g 4 4 Allen, c 0 1 1

O'Conner, f 2 2 Overhaulser, f 1 Taylor, c 6 1 Pyne, g 3 0 Carbaugh, g 2 3 2 Call, f 3 0 Smith, g 0 0 0 Totals16 6 15 Score: (second game) Oregon (41)

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Lt. Don Kirsch, Oregon basket- Carnovale, f 1 ball captain in '42-'43, has been Brooks, c 2 0 wounded in France. He was a 3- King, g 0 1 year man in basketball.

Smith, g 0 1 0

Smith Top Scorer For Oregon, With 16

Oregon's Ducks, after winning two games in a row, finally were tripped up by the veteran Washington State Cougars, 46 to 36.

Washington State secured a good lead over the Webfeet early in the game, and held it at halftime when the score favored them, 24 to 19. The Cougars maintained their edge until

the beginning of the fourth quarter, when the Ducks caught five and finally, with six minutes left to play, brought the score to 35-34.

At that point the Cougars also rallied, and gradually built up their lead to the ten-point margin, which they held as the game

As has been the case so often this season, the Ducks started slow and then had a big rally—only this time Oregon faltered in the stretch and had to be content with a second-place finish.

Freshman Del Smith was the big man in the point scoring department, leading the Webfeet with 16 points. Mort Joslin, playing his third year for WSC, was high for the Cougars with 15 counters.

Tonight's game at Pullman will wind up the present Inland Empire trip for Oregon. They return home this week to prepare for Saturday night's game with OSC at



H. S. 'HEC' EDMUNDSUN University of Washington coach He hopes to win the championship for the second straight year.

Huskies Drop fg ft pf tp Boom on OSC

The Oregon State Beavers very definitely took it, from the Washington Huskies in the last tilt of their two-game series at Seattle last Saturday night. The Huskies rolled up a big second half score and the result was an overwhelm-

A lot of the Beaver humiliation was due to the fact that their big 6-foot 6-inch forward, Ted Hen-13 ningson, was unable to play, and Hal Puddy, the sophomore center, went out on fouls shortly after the

Don McMillan, one of Washington's two lettermen, was high-point man for the evening with 15. Top man for the Bevos was Hal Puddy 3 10 with seven.

Half-time score was Washington | Head basketball coach at Wash-9 18, Oregon State 14. 6 Oregon State (22) fg ft pf tp 9 Strait, f 0 0 1 0 0 Puddy, c 3 0 McGrath, g 1 0 Moore, g Simms, g 0 0 Totals 7 Washington (42) fg ft Vandenberg, f 3 0 McMillan, c 6 Jorgensen, g 2 Revling, f 0



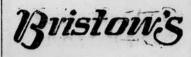
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ington State college. His Cougars defeated the Ducks last night.

have added geography to their curricula during the war, reports Dr. Raymond E. Murphy of Pennsylvania State college.

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