

Sports

Oregon Gains Co-Tie With WSC Cougars

Ducks Come From Behind To Nip Beavers 47-38

OSC's carefully laid dreams of a Northern division championship took a decided beating last Saturday, as Oregon's high-powered Webfoots poured on a second half rally to win over the Beavers 47-38.

McArthur court wasn't big enough to hold everyone that wanted in, but over 7,000 screaming fans saw the Ducks trip the Beavers to end the scheduled 1945 Northern division race in a tie with Washington State.

The second half pressure was too much for OSC Coach Slat's Gill's team, as the Lemon and Green quint went on a scoring spree that saw them cut off a halftime deficit of two points, and surge ahead to end the four-game series with two wins and two losses. Oregon won their first game from the Beavers 51-44, but the Orange quint came back to win the next two 55-51 and 45-43. And then Oregon's final game victory which gave the Webfoots their first top spot finish since 1939.

Oregon State led during most of the first half, although the score was tied four times. The Beavers had their longest lead of the game during this period, as they pulled ahead by four counters three different times. The Orangemen held a 17-15 halftime margin.

Something seemed to click on the Duck squad when they came out for the second half. Where they had been missing shot after shot in the first half, they made an abrupt about face and swept the Beavers off their feet with a barrage of points.

Hamilton hit the tying basket a brief five seconds after the second half whistle blew. Rocha countered for OSC with a whirl shot from the corner. Then Reedy Berg, who played a bang-up game as replacement for Smith, hit one for the Ducks to knot the score again. He also had a free throw on a foul by Henningsen which went bad, but Hays reached over Rocha and tipped it in. That was the turning point of the game as the Beavers were never able to regain the offensive.

All of this happened in the first two minutes, and when Hamilton canned another 30 seconds later, the Beavers were clearly on the run.

Oregon built up a 28-21 lead at the seven-minute mark on baskets by Bartelt and Wilkins plus gift tosses by Berg and Hays. The Beavers staged their final threatening rally at this point as they capitalized on Webfoot miscues to make good a flock of free throw chances. Labhart hit his only field goal to bring OSC to within one point at 28-27.

Ken Hays, who was everywhere when he was needed, provided the Ducks' spark again, making good a free throw and a basket. Wilkins and Hamilton followed suit and the Ducks blasted the Beaver defense wide open during the final minutes as they slipped in for unopposed lay in shots.

Towering Red Rocha topped the scorers with 16 points, making all eight of his free throw chances. His opponent Ken Hays was high for the Ducks with 13 counters, Dick Wilkins and Bob Hamilton

trailing with 11 and 10 respectively.

Three players were ejected on personals with Red Rocha leading the parade with five minutes left, followed by teammate Henningsen 30 seconds later. Wilkins was the only Duck to be ousted. He had his fifth foul called with three minutes remaining.

Score:

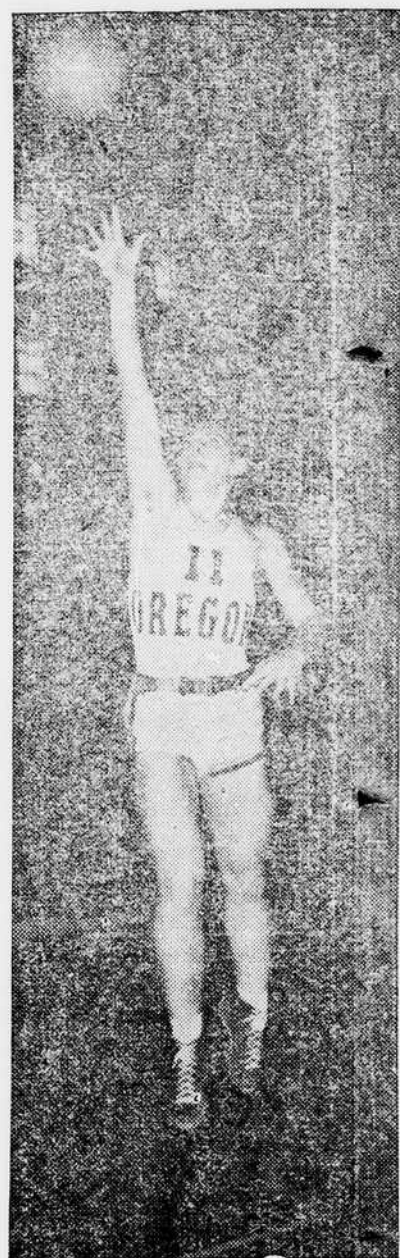
Oregon State (33)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Henningsen, f	1	4	5	6
Labhart, f	1	3	5	5
Sertic, f	0	0	2	0
Strait, f	2	0	0	4
Rocha, c	4	8	5	16
Puddy, c	0	1	0	1
McGrath, g	1	0	0	2
West, g	0	1	1	1
Moore, g	1	0	1	2
Simms, g	0	1	0	1
Totals	10	18	19	38

Oregon (47)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Wilkins, f	5	1	5	11
Smith, f	0	1	4	1
Berg, f	3	1	4	7
Stamper, f	0	0	1	0
Hays, c	3	7	5	13
Allen, c	0	0	0	0
Hamilton, g	4	2	2	10
Bartelt, g	2	1	2	5
Hoffine, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	17	13	23	47

Half-time score: Oregon State 17, Oregon 15.

Missed free throws: Oregon State—Henningsen 3, Labhart 4, McGrath; Oregon—Wilkins, Smith, Berg, Hays, Allen, Hamilton 3.

Technical foul: Moore.
Officials: Emil Piluso, Paul Warren.



JIM BARTELT

Regular Duck guard will be paired off against the Cougars' floor captain, Gregg, when the two teams clash at Moscow.

Vacation Plans Intact

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Final examinations will end Friday, March 23, and registration for spring term is set for Monday, April 2.

League Champions Set For National Tourney

The 1945 basketball race was practically wound up this week, as only a few scattered teams over the nation are still vying for their league title.

With most of the district championships decided, the NCAA has begun issuing invitations to the annual playoff for the national championship.

For the west, Utah (the defending champions), Oklahoma, and the University of Arkansas will compete, along with the winner of the WSC-Oregon playoff, for the Western crown and the right to play the Eastern winner in New York.

This is how the races ended (the champions named first and the runnerup last):

- Eastern (mythical): Army, Navy.
- Eastern intercollegiate: Penn, Cornell.
- Western conference: Iowa, Ohio State.
- Pacific Coast southern: UCLA, Southern California.
- Pacific Coast, northern: Washington State and Oregon tied.
- Big Six: Iowa State, Kansas.
- Big Seven: Utah, Colorado university.
- Southwest: Rice, Arkansas.
- Southern: North Carolina, Duke.
- Southwest: Kentucky, Tennessee.
- Ohio conference: Akron, Otterbein.
- Mason-Dixon: Am. university, Johns Hopkins.

Southwest border (unofficial): New Mexico.
Mo. V. (unoff.) Oklahoma Aggies.

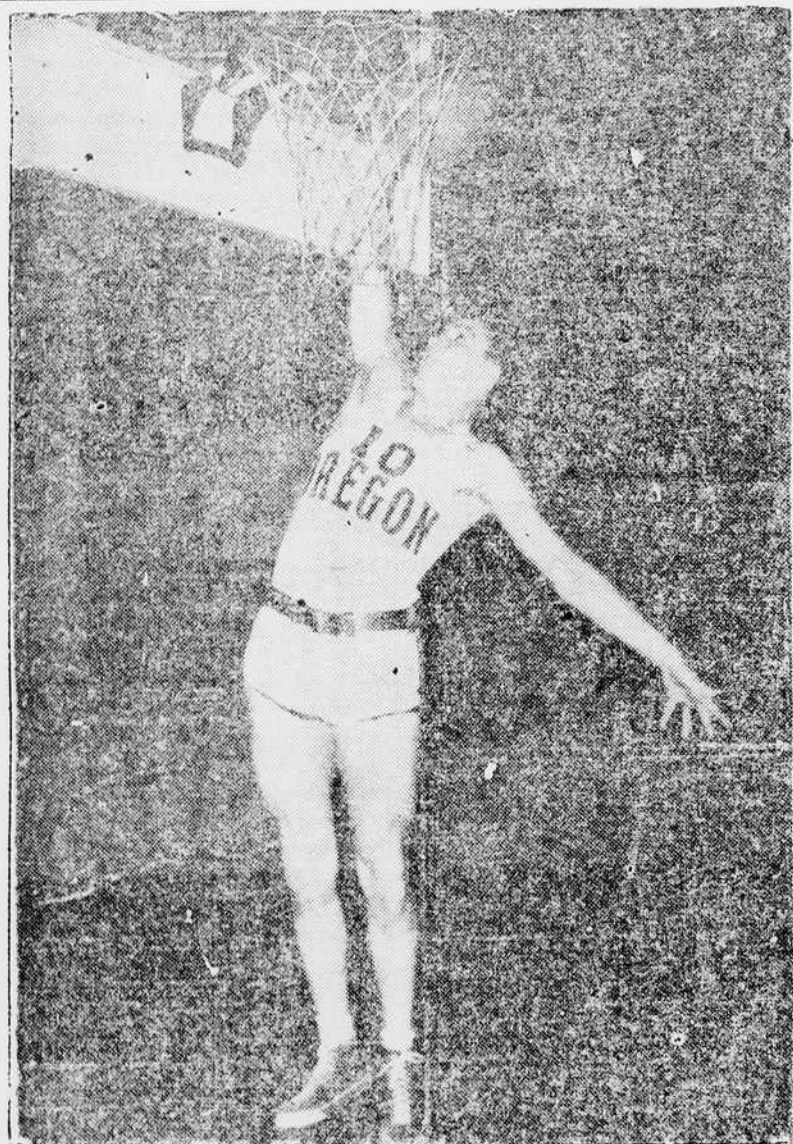


COUGAR MENTOR

WSC Coach Jack Frier will lead his team into tomorrow's playoff against Oregon. He last took the crown in 1941.

Northern Division Final Standings

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
OREGON	11	5	.688	815	728
Washington State	11	5	.688	753	673
Oregon State	10	6	.625	715	652
Washington	5	11	.313	714	797
Idaho	3	13	.188	603	750



TOP WEBFOOT SCORER

Dick Wilkins, six-foot, two-inch freshman forward, placed third among Northern division scorers with 207 points. His total was high for the Duck squad during conference play.

Emerald Scribes Pick Their Northern Division Stars

Following their annual custom, the Emerald sports staff has picked their Northern division All-Star team. Here they are, our version of the 10 best players in the conference. They were picked entirely upon the basis of performance, and not of opinion or of promising ability:

First Team:

- Forward: Wilkins, Oregon.
- Forward: Rocha, Oregon State.
- Center: Hansen, Washington State.
- Guard: Joregson, Washington.
- Guard: B. Hamilton, Oregon.

Second Team:

- Forward: Joslin, Washington State
- Forward: Vandenberg, Washington
- Center: Hays, Oregon.
- Guard: Pyne, Idaho.
- Guard: G. Hamilton, Washington State.

Miss Holliday Asks Conklin's Removal

A request for the removal of Gene Conklin, junior in liberal arts, from the athletic board has been made by Audrey Holliday, ASUO

Holliday's recommendation has not yet been decided upon by Acting President Orlando John Hollis who has asked Conklin to supply him with his "side of the story."

The recommendation was made after Conklin, present at a meeting of the ways and means committee of the state senate, allegedly was "indiscrete" in an extemporaneous discussion of the possibility of reintroducing compulsory athletic tickets.

Conklin admitted he got "hot under the collar" during the discussion but denied any indiscretion. Mr. Hollis, who must approve any recommendations for appointments or removals from the athletic board, announced he would not reach a decision until Saturday.