

# DUCK TRACKS

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True, it doesn't do very much good to take issue with the insipid, rabble-rousing type of thing that the Oregon State Barometer seems to be printing these days, but it may not hurt to defend one's views of a situation. This simple discussion of whether the OSC Beavers actually fastbreak this season was definitely not designed to grow into the wild-eyed name calling battle of adjectives to which it has deteriorated, but the point is there for discussion. And the question still is, "Do the Beavers fastbreak this year?"

The Barometer's Assistant Sports Editor John Eggers, who along with this fella' "Sad55 Sack, caused all of the hoorah with their slightly insane, twisted version of what Howard Hobson thinks, says, "... the foregone conclusion among coaches, writers and players ... that Oregon State IS a fastbreaking ball club." This may be a foregone conclusion in some quarters, but it is not unanimous—there are still a few holdouts.

## The Stop-Watch Answer Again

When the question first came to the fore . . . and that was quite some time before the plow-boys started to yelp in their seed catalog . . . the suggestion came up that the Aggies fastbreak should actually be timed with a stop-watch.

That was deemed the only method whereby an opinion could be formed that was based on any kind of authority. Because we have to admit that a stop-watch is impartial. Time several ball clubs in action and then make a comparison, and by this method form an opinion.

Well, we have done just that, and the results are interesting. Since the argument came up there has been only two opportunities to time games. These games were the final Oregon-Washington game, and the last Beaver-Duck battle at Corvallis.

Just those two games are not enough to form a definite opinion, and you cannot get an over-all picture of what a team does in only one or two games—but it does give an indication of the speed at which they travel.

## The Webfoots Travel Fast

In the final Oregon-Washington battle the Webfoots averaged a total of 8 seconds to take the ball the entire length of the floor and cast-off. The Huskies took 9½ seconds to do the same thing. When the Webfoots and the Beavers met at Corvallis last Saturday night the Ducks maintained their average of 8 seconds, and the Staters took 12 seconds.

Here is the system that was used. When a team gained possession of the ball out-of-bounds, via either a successful basket attempt by the other team, or on a violation of the rules, the watch was started. When the offensive team took a shot at the basket the watch was stopped. This elapsed time was then marked down and later averaged up. Only when the ball traveled the full length of the floor was it counted.

If the offensive team lost possession of the ball before they took a shot it was not tabulated. Likewise if there were any violation of the rules before the shot were taken it was not marked. The watch then, was actually started when the ball went into play and was stopped when the ball hit the backboard or rim on a shot. If the shot attempt did not hit the backboard, or rim, the watch was stopped when the ball passed the basket.

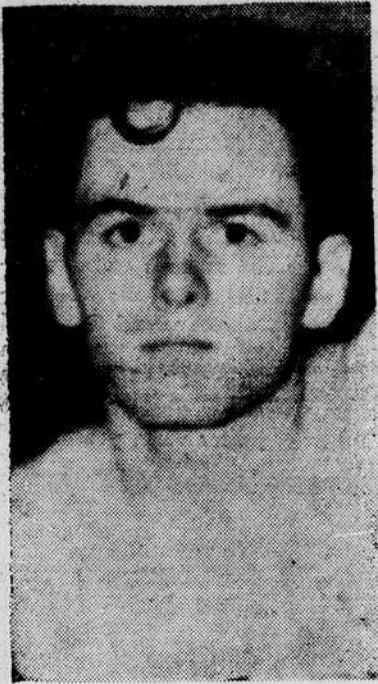
## One More Duck-Beaver Battle

That, of course, was for only two ball games, but there will be more. There are two more Idaho games and one more with the Beavers, and a pair with Washington in Seattle. We can keep the watch on the Idaho series and on the final Beaver-Duck battle. Publicity Director Art Litchman has kindly consented to do the timing job at Seattle.

At the conclusion of these games we should have a pretty fair picture of the average speeds of some of the teams in the conference.

## The "Salmon" Makes a Quick Trip

It might be interesting to note that the fastest time tabulated for a dribbling trip the length of the floor was made by Oregon's Guard Stan Wililamson. In the last of the Washington series in the Igloo the "Salmon" took the ball from out of bounds, dribbled the entire length of the floor, and pushed up a successful lay-in all in four seconds.



STAN WILLIAMSON

# IM Wins - Sig Eps, Theta Chi

## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS B League

Sig Eps 29, Chi Psi 10  
Theta Chi 37, Delts 9

By JERRY McNEW

Theta Chis' smooth working quintet romped to an easy 37-9 win over Delta Tau Delta, and Sigma Epsilon trounced Chi Psi 29-10 in the only two intramural basketball games played yesterday afternoon.

These two tilts marked the end to the regular schedule of IM play with interleague championship games slated to get underway next week.

The Sig Eps, shooting only when the right number of basket strings appeared in their sights, built up an 18-3 halftime lead over a fighting Chi Psi squad and then out-scrambled the losers in

a rough and tumble second half to win easily 29-10.

Ralf Erlandson dropped in 10 points in the first half for the winners and was still high at the final whistle to take scoring honors.

Theta Chi displayed its usual keen passing and tight defense against the Delts, who could get close enough to their own goal for only 6 points against 18 for the victors in the first half. Theta Chi poured it on in the second frame, controlling the backboards and hawking the ball to win going away 37-9.

Bill Cramer and Merv Hanscam led the scoring for the winners with 11 and 10 counters.

## Bruin-Bear Tiffs Top SD Schedule

### PCC STANDINGS Southern Division

	W.	L.	Pct.
California	5	1	.833
U.C.L.A.	4	2	.667
Stanford	2	4	.333
U. S. C.	1	5	.167

This week's southern division action has the California Bears playing U. C. L. A.'s Bruins in what could be the decisive games Friday and Saturday at Los Angeles while Stanford meets U. S. C. at Palo Alto.

The Golden Bears, somewhat dejected as a result of last week's games, will remain in the southland in order to take on the Stanford Indians the weekend of the 21-22 of February.

In the scoring department, Johnny Stanich of UCLA still leads the field with 78 points, on 35 field goals and 8 charity tosses. Jack Rocker is in second place, one point behind Stanich.

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Stanich, UCLA	35	8	10	78
Rocker, Cal.	29	19	9	77
Barksdale, UCLA	29	15	18	73
Hanger, Cal.	24	23	15	71

## Clubbers Down DUs

Campbell club moved up another notch in the intramural handball tournament by defeating Delta Upsilon in two straight games yesterday afternoon.

## Dads' Weekend Sports Program Friday

- 2:30 Swimming—Men's Pool  
Oregon vs. Idaho
- 3:00 Basketball doubleheader—  
McArthur court  
Frosh vs. Lowell high  
Frosh vs. Medford high
- 8:00 Basketball, McArthur court  
Oregon vs. Idaho

### Saturday

- 2:00 Swimming—Men's pool  
Oregon vs. WSC.
- 2:00 IM Basketball—court 43  
Fijis vs. Legal Eagles
- 3:00 Basketball, McArthur court  
Frosh vs. University high
- 8:00 Basketball, McArthur court  
Oregon vs. Idaho

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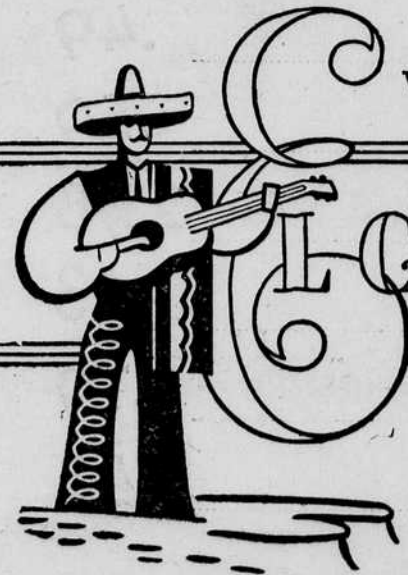
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