

# Boss Hobson Irons Out Kinks Preparing for Weekend Tilts

In preparation for their two weekend tilts with the Washington Huskies, Oregon's cagers spent a large share of yesterday's practice session ironing out the kinks in their fast break attack. Using two teams as units, Coach Howard Hobson had his men drilling on the recovery of rebounds and driving down court for rapid-fire shots.

As Hec Edmundson's quintets are also famous for their whirlwind style of play, the games can be expected to be some of the fastest in northern division competition this year. The first pair here were pretty much a fire-horse brand of ball with Washington copping the opener 60-58, with Oregon retaliating the following night 64-54.

### Traveling Squad

Probable men who will make the jaunt to Seattle for the two-game grind are Ken Hays, Roger Wiley, George Bray centers; Captain Stan Williamson, Bob Lavey, Reedy Berg, Al Popick, Roy Seeborg, guards; and Ed Dick, Dick Wilkins, Jim Bartelt, and Bob Wren, forwards. The 12-man squad is slated to leave for Husky territory early Thursday morning.

At present, the two hoop teams are battling it out for third place in loop competition. Washington now holds a half-game edge over the Ducks by virtue of seven wins and seven losses, while the Lemon and Green has won six and lost seven.

The Huskies are anything but sefttoughs on their own court this season. No team has been able to sweep a series from them on the Washington maples, with even the touted Oregon Aggies bowing to them 60-44. The Washington State Cougars, riding the crest of an eight-game winning skein also came to grief 59-40 on

the Washington floor last Saturday.

### Series Even

In addition to the battle for third slot, it may be rather a personal duel between the two coaches. Since Hobson and Edmundson have been squaring off with each other in division play, both coaches' records stand at 23 wins apiece.

In Webfoot scoring statistics, including the Idaho series, Hays, the rangy center, has moved into the top rung. The big red-head has 136 points in 13 games or an average per game of 10.5. Williamson skidded to second slot with 129.

Hays also leads in field goals with 50. Williamson has the most free throws with 39 and personal fouls with 42. Oregon has out-scored its opponents 733 to 698.

### Statistics:

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hays	50	36	37	136
Williamson	45	39	42	129
Dick	40	23	33	103
Wilkins	37	13	33	87
Wiley	28	16	19	72
Popick	26	10	35	62
Berg	22	14	15	58
Lavey	9	10	16	28
Bartelt	11	1	11	23
Wren	6	4	11	16
Bray	2	6	5	10
Seeborg	3	0	3	6
Totals	280	173	262	733



JACK NICHOLS . . . husky University of Washington center on whose broad shoulders Uncle Hec Edmundson will place most of his scoring hopes when they play host to the Webfoots Friday and Saturday. Nichols is the top Washington scorer and one of the leaders in the conference, rivaling Oregon State Red Rocha at the center post.

# EMERALD Sports

## Oregon Swimmers Drill For Conference Finals

Marked on the swimming slate for March 1 the northern division finals will climax the 1947 season, and John Warren's charges are concentrating on speed and sprints in preparation for that cream-of-the-crop event.

For the next two weeks every Duck swimmer scheduled to make the Seattle trek will churn at least two or three sprints and short distances in addition to the regular workout.

Each college in the conference is allowed four entries in each event, and since there are five teams in the ND approximately 20 picked contestants will hit the pool in most of the races. Due to the tremendous capacity of the pool field house, Washington will play host to the other schools—Oregon, OSC, Washington State, and Idaho.

One of the most hotly-contested events will probably be diving. Ray Staub of OSC, Webfoots Benny Holcomb and Tom Corbett, and Washington's Newton and Hoff, have all displayed plenty of class in conference competition, and the crowd-pleasing event will be given a prominent spot when the finals get under way March 1.

### BASKETBALL

- Iowa Navy Preflight 59, Parsons (Iowa) 50.
- Bradley Tech 60, Boston college 56.
- Abilene Christian 63, Texas Wesleyan 61.
- Fordham 69, New York State Maritime academy 41.
- West Virginia 80, T emep6 0.
- Virginia Tech 47, VMI 41.
- Loyola (Chicago) 72, Miami (Ohio) 57.
- North Carolina State 83, Duke 57.
- Springfield 63, Boston U. 51.

er baseball player, as Bartelt planned on turning out for the spring sport, but now figures he will just rest and soak up some of the hoped for spring sunshine on the McKenzie river.

The first American motorcycle of record was built in 1868 by W. W. Austin. The machine was a velocipede type of bicycle propelled by power from a small coal burning steam engine.

## Oregon, OSC Take to Road

### PCC STANDINGS Northern Division

	W.	L.	Pct.
Oregon State	10	1	.909
Wash. State	9	4	.692
Washington	7	7	.500
Oregon	6	7	.462
Idaho	0	13	.000

With a pennant virtually assured, Oregon State moves into the Inland Empire for four games in five days, beginning with Idaho at Moscow Friday and Saturday, and Washington State next Monday and Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Oregon will travel to Seattle to battle it out with the Huskies for third and fourth place in the conference. These two games will bring to a close the 1947 basketball season for the Washington squad, but Oregon will return to Eugene to await the final tiff with Oregon State March 1.

Oregon State can clinch the title by beating Idaho twice before having to meet the runner-up Cougar quintet. Idaho in the meantime must lose the three remaining tilts to be the first team ever to go through a conference schedule without a victory.

The Ducks will likewise have to take both contests with the Huskies if they want sole possession of third place.

Last week, the Huskies drained the hopes of the Cougars for the championship by trouncing them 59-40 Saturday night, thus eliminating the Pullman crew from all but a slim mathematical chance at tying the leading Beavers.

## Hoop Review...

## Jim Bartelt

Husky is the word for hoopster Jim Bartelt, but despite that, he isn't inclined to fight. In fact, he doesn't even list boxing as one of his favorite sports. Instead he likes to play golf, swim, participate in baseball and of course play basketball.

"I enjoy golfing, but I am not too good," he commented when asked about his achievement on the greens. He wouldn't quote any figures on his above or below par score, but according to Stan Williamson, the reason for no comment on the score is obvious. Jim doesn't birdie too often.

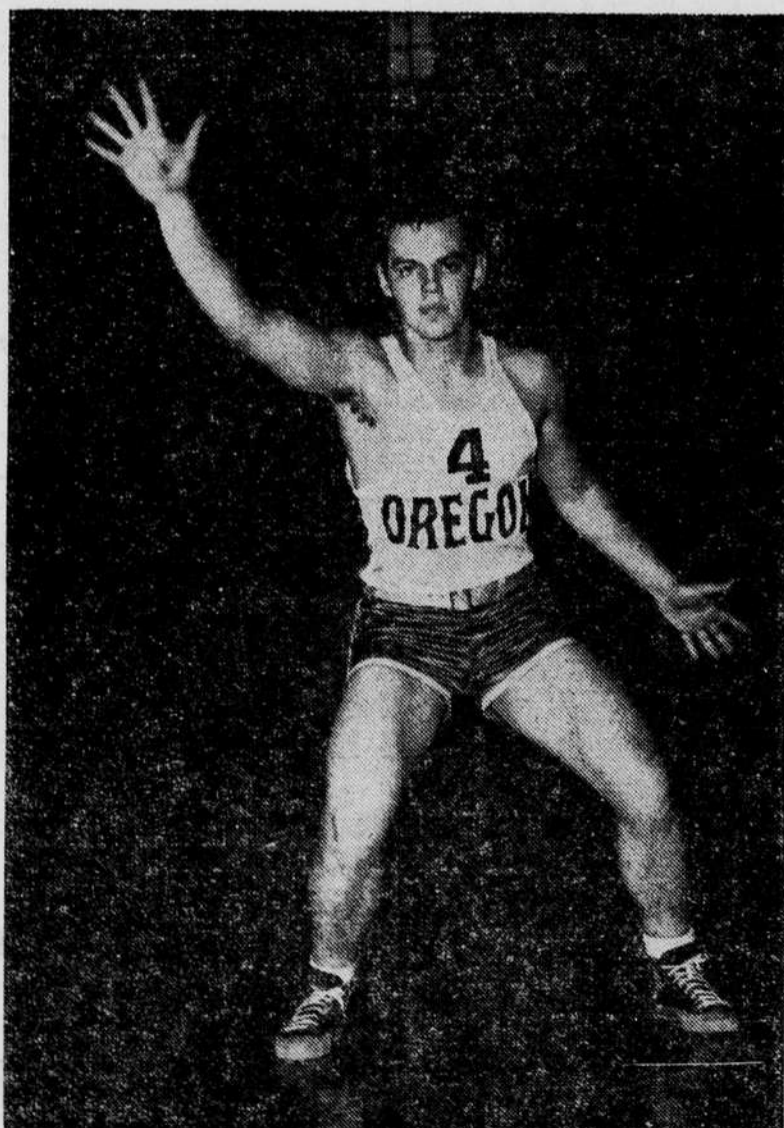
He can golf, swim, play baseball, that we know. How about his basketball record? First, let's point out that Jim didn't join the team until this term.

### Joined Team Late

He was discharged from the service in November of last year and then re-enrolled at Oregon. He had played one season for the Ducks in 1944-45 before leaving for the service, and quickly won himself a berth on this year's team as soon as he turned out.

Since making the team, he has seen considerable action and turned in several outstanding performances, especially against the Washington Huskies in the first game. He is aggressive and watches the ball closely, ball hawker always. He is a good shot from his forward position and is hard to stop once he readies for a cast at the hoop.

Prior to playing for the Ducks, Jim was a member of Al Simpson's Ashland hoop quintet, winning all-district, all-conference, and all-state awards in 1944 as a prepper.



His team moved into the finals of state play that year and went on to annex the championship.

### Respects Rocha

Red Rocha's terrific scoring spree of Tuesday night didn't surprise the agile Bartelt. He considers the lanky

OSC center an outstanding player with a good touch on backboard play. However, according to Jim, it is Lew Beck that holds the OSC team together in its rapid fire scoring procession.

Coach Hobson almost had another