

# DUCK TRACKS

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Will someone kindly tell us just why Oregon students booed the Oregon frosh basketball team during its two preliminary games Monday and Tuesday nights? The reason is certainly not at all clear. The Frosh court-



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mien are one of the best first-year aggregations ever to perform under the Oregon colors, the games are certainly lively and well-played, and filled with action, and their opponents have been the cream of the prep crop of the state. Just what more can the spectators want? The Ducklings' games were shifted to their present time to provide entertainment for the waiting fans, and to give the youngsters experience playing before crowds. At that time the crowds were expected to be favorable, but if the present attitude prevails the idea will backfire. Judging from the crowd's reaction one would have thought the game was being played on the prep club's floor, not the college quints'. The Frosh play again Saturday night; the least the spectators can do is keep quiet, if they don't have the decency to support their own future varsity hoopers.

Bob Amacher, after his performance against Washington State, easily earns the title of the most improved ball player on the Oregon team this year. The lanky sophomore, in his first real season of varsity action, although he traveled with the big boys last year, shackled Vince Hanson almost completely both nights. He outjumped the highly-rated Hanson all the time, and by wrapping his long arms over Hanson's shoulders kept the veteran from shooting. If Amacher can repeat his performances against the Beavers Saturday night there will be no question of which team will have the backboards.

## Sportsmanship Was Excellent

Sportsmanship and good feeling certainly marked the two contests this week, on the part of both squads. Considering that Washington State was gunning for the pennant, and that the Webfoots killed all such hope Tuesday night, the good feeling was especially surprising, and very nice to see. Vince Hanson was especially pleasant to the Oregon players, and certainly ended his colorful college career on a high plane. After Bob Amacher made the tip-up that broke his four-game scoring drouth Hanson was the first to give him a congratulatory slap. And after the game big Vince had quite a lengthy confab with Amacher before they retired to the dressing room. The sport loses a fine player and a good sportsman by Hanson's graduation.

Oregon has its big chance Saturday night to wreak a bit of revenge over the country-cousins from Corvallis. If the Beavers win they have the championship sewed up, but if they lose, then the title picture is again clouded. Washington has two home games with Idaho, and the Huskies will be playing all out to make sure there are no upsets. And we think that the Huskies will defeat OSC in a playoff.

Aside from prejudice against our fellow-statesmen, we believe that the Huskies would be a much better representative from the Northern Division than the Beavers. The Washington quint certainly hasn't realized its capabilities this year, while the Beavers have been playing over their heads. Its going to take a big, experienced outfit to play California for the Pacific coast conference championship. Washington comes closer to filling the bill than Oregon State, although it is doubtful whether the Seattle quint is good enough to beat the Bears.

## Ducks Found Shooting Eye

If Oregon plays like it did against the Cougars in the Tuesday contest they will run the Beavers off the court. The Webfoots were fast-breaking to perfection, and finally hitting the basket. Tuesday night Oregon hit for a percentage of .341; if they run against the Beavers Saturday, and hit for .300, the Ducks will win, even if OSC shoots .500 ball. The Oregon five gets off many more shots than the Beavers.

The state prep hoop tourney is nearly ready with the district entrys about settled. Already assured of berths are Prineville, Klamath Falls, Marshfield (the defending champs). Springfield, Astoria, West Linn, St. Helens, Jefferson, and Washington. Marshfield again looms as a team to watch. Students wishing individual game tickets can make arrangements through McArthur court, and season tickets for \$10 are also available.

Ex-Webfoot griddler Chuck Elliott, now throwing his weight around in the professional ranks, has moved to the Chicago Rockets, from the New York Yankees, under the All-American conference's share-the-talent plan. . . Paul Evenson, the Friar Tuck of the OSC football line, has signed with the San Francisco Forty-Niners to play pro ball.

# Champs Too Nimble For Tired Old Men

By JOHN BARTON

Theta Chi, champions of 1948 intramural play, beat out the all-star faculty team, 36-31, at McArthur court last night. Theta Chi toyed with the "old men" throughout the game, keeping a large enough lead to stay out of trouble.

Standout offensive player for the faculty was Leo Harris, athletic director. Harris stood outside the keyhole and directed the faculty play, at the same time guarding against the Theta Chi fast-break. The fast break, however, failed to materialize, thanks to Harris' guarding.

## Profs Deadly

Theta Chi opened the game fast, with forward Roy Baughman sinking three quick lay-ins before the faculty got their wheel-chairs into defensive position. The gray-beards finally got warmed up in the last minutes of the first period and finished trailing Theta Chi 11-9.

Throughout the contest the faculty showed its deadly accuracy from the free-throw line, putting in five without a miss at one time.

The second period showed fairly even play by both teams. Dick Miller sparked the faculty offense on a series of line-plunges through the key-hole for lay-ins. Theta Chi

played their second team for most of the quarter to give the "old boys" a chance.

## Harris Shoots

In the third period, Theta Chi really got going and built up a big lead, after a 17-16 edge at the half. The hillmen plunked in shots long and short, while the faculty contented themselves with missing long shots. Third quarter score was 29-21, Theta Chi.

High point of the fourth period was Leo Harris' long-expected shot. Harris had a perfect percentage in the game; he shot one and missed.

A slight drive put the faculty a little closer to the champs, but the youngsters won without trouble.

Theta Chi	Faculty
Hebrard..... F.....	Sprague, 0
Baughman, 8..... F.....	Miller, 12
Kelley, 4..... C.....	Koch, 9
Collie, 1..... G.....	Kirsch, 6
Hutchinson, 8..... G.....	Kireillis
Substitutes: for Theta Chi: Grimberg, Ruth, Harber, 3, Collier, 4.	
For Faculty: Hughes, Harris. Officials: Norm Henwood and John Jones.	

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## Sets Point Mark



Dick Wilkins, veteran forward who will play his last game in the Oregon colors Saturday night against OSC, set a new all-time Northern Division record for points scored in varsity play Tuesday night.

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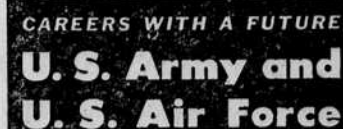


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