

DUCK TRACKS

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It's been nothing but Cotton Bowl talk around here lately, and the 1948-49 basketball season has been all but crowded into the inside columns. But John Warren's Oregon cagers have been in practice since October 18, and will bang into the pre-season game slate tonight at Salem, against the Willamette University Bearcats.

Coach Johnny Lewis and his Bearcat quint will be remem-



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bered for their upset over Oregon last year, one of three pre-season defeats handed the Ducks in 13 games.

The 16-game Northern Division schedule doesn't get going until next term, and the Ducks have another 13-game pre-season schedule to wade through before conference play gets underway Jan. 4 against Idaho. In addition, the Warrenmen will participate in a conference pre-season tourney in San Francisco Dec. 27-28-29.

edition will stack up with other ND squads will be determined when the season starts, but from watching the Ducks in practice, we'll venture the opinion that they won't be pushovers for any opponent.

Despite the loss of two terrific guards, Stan Williamson and Al Popick, and other steady performers like Dick Wilkins and Reedy Berg, Warren has managed to build a potent squad from the remains of last year's team.

If Mr. 'Big' Goes so Will the Ducks

Oregon will still have the best "big" man in the Northern Division. Center Roger Wiley, seeing his final year of competition at Oregon, will again dominate play under both backboards. Again, if Wiley goes, the Ducks will go as a team.

Backing Rog up on the boards is Bob Amacher, another six-foot, eight-incher, who is developing into a sharp defensive player. Bob Lavey looks like the boy to take over for Williamson in setting up Oregon floor play. Lavey is speedy and a good shot.

If Jim Bartelt's ankle shows any improvement, the veteran forward will also be right in there for a starting place on the front line. Then there's Paul Sowers, a transfer from Vanport Don Peterson up from the frosh, Dick Unis, speed-burner from last year's team, Paul Cooper, Bob Don, Kenny Seeborg, and a host of others.

The material's there, and the Webfoot basketballers should win their share of games this year. The whole Northern Division hoop picture looks pretty bright, with both Washington teams and Oregon State also figured to have strong teams. And Idaho's "black-shirts" can't be overlooked.

Cotton Bowl Bid Brings Extra Cash

Back to the Cotton Bowl, and there's still plenty to be written. It's not official yet and probably won't be for a while, but as of now, it looks like the Webfoot football team will net its school anywhere from \$15,000 to \$20,000 extra by playing in the Cotton Bowl instead of Pasadena's Rose Bowl.

Cotton Bowl Chairman Dan Rogers claims that the Ducks will get at least \$105,000, and possibly \$115,000, as their 42½ percent of the gate. California's share of the Rose Bowl receipts is figured to run about \$96,500, after deductions for the Tournament of Roses, the Big Nine, and expenses.

Oregon still gets the same \$6500 Rose share to add to its Cotton Bowl take, or a total of \$111,500, possibly plus. Money comes in big Bowls this year, and no mistake.

Transportation for Long Texas Jaunt

Soon after the big announcement, plans stared snowballing for transportation to Dallas. Oregon students are reported to be investigating bus charter possibilities, and the Portland Oregon Journal has announced plans to run chartered Pullmans or a complete train to the Texas classic.

Tentative departure date was set at Dec. 28, with the return run to leave Jan. 6. Private parties in Eugene and Portland will probably charter planes for the trip, and many students are already grooming their cars for a long jaunt to Texas. How about a winter vacation in the land of cotton?

IM Playoff Action To Start Today

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

4 p.m.—Sigma Chi vs. Phi Delt A
4 p.m.—DU A vs. Sig Ep A
4:45 p.m.—Minturn A vs. Delt A
4:45 p.m. Delt B vs. ATO B

In the final play of the IM volleyball season yesterday, there were four games played and two forfeits. Today will begin the playoffs.

The Sig Eps won a forfeit from the Yeomen in the opening game of the day.

The same results followed for the Delt as the Hunter hall team failed to show up for the game.

In the Sherry Ross-Pi Kappa Alpha series the Pi Kapps won two easily by 15-7, 15-8 scores.

The Tekes didn't have much opposition from the Cherney hallmen as they won two quick games by a 15-6, 15-7 count.

The fastest played games of the day came when the powerful ATO team completely outplayed and outscored the six from Merrick hall. In the first game the Merrick men managed to get three points and that was all, the score being 15-3. The second game was perhaps the quickest game played all season with the ATOs winning with much ease, 15-1.

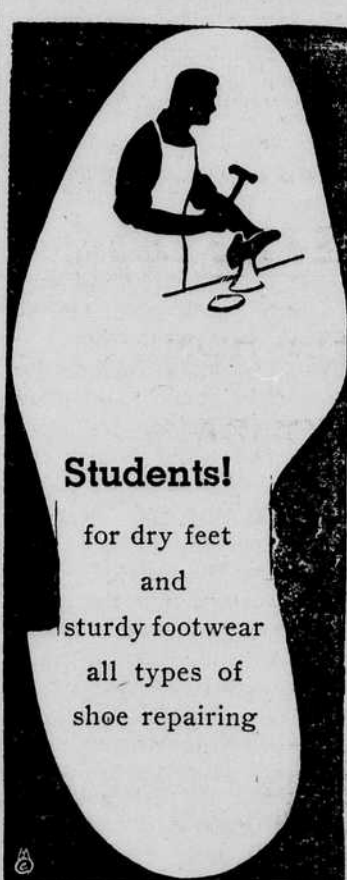
The Fizzeds easily won two from the Wesley house with scores of 15-9 and 15-2.

Pitt Wants Hamilton

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 1 (AP)—Pitt today picked Navy Capt. Tom Hamilton to direct its athletics provided Uncle Sam will release him for the job—and Hamilton wants it.

The choice was made by the University's Board of Trustees with a deep bow to the wishes of the Navy Department and the fervent hope the Navy will accept. As an active officer, Hamilton is prohibited from negotiating with civilian authorities.

Capt. Hamilton will "be offered the post as soon as it is possible for him to properly receive the invitation," a statement by Pitt Chancellor R. H. Fitzgerald said.



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Yearlings Prepare For Lincoln High Swimmers

In their first appearance of the year the University of Oregon freshman swimming team will open the coming swimming season at 2:30 Saturday, December 4, in the men's pool. Providing the opposition will be a group outstanding swimmers from Lincoln High School of Portland. This however is a regularly scheduled meet for the frosh.

Five members of the Lincoln team swim for the Multnomah Athletic Club of Portland. One of the most outstanding of swimmers on the Cardinal team is Gordon Edwards, city in and outdoor 200-meter champ. He is also one of the finest prospects from the state in the last ten years.

Edwards has been swimming for Jack Cody at the MAC for the last four years and has set a blistering pace. The second outstanding swimmer for the Cards is Bob Vinton also a Cody protege. He is an outstanding sprinter and is a member of the PNA junior championship relay team. Vinton also is the state AAU junior mens 100-meter champ. Along with Edwards and Vinton is Bill Sturdivant, another fine prospect from Portland.

As for the frosh team, Coach John Borchardt is somewhat handicap-

ped because the team is small in number. However, he expects that with what swimmers he has they will show up well come Saturday afternoon.

The present roster for the frosh that will make up the team for the meet will be Bob McKinney, Ted Antosen, Jack Schiffer, Dick Ruckdeschel, Ralph Hickinbotham, Alikan Parrish, Chong S. Choo, and Pat Blue.

Football 'Doubleheader'?

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 1 (AP)—Possibility of a football "doubleheader" here on New Year's day was reported in the making today.

A local group—irate over the selection of thrice-beaten Texas to oppose Georgia in the Orange Bowl classic—was reported attempting to bring Santa Clara and either Penn State or Tulane here for a game under the lights, a few hours after the Texas-Georgia contest.

Bowl Bid Accepted

NEW YORK, Dec. 1—(AP)—Another bowl program was completed today when Villanova college accepted a bid to meet Nevada in the Harbor Bowl at San Diego, Calif., January 1.



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