Sigma Chis Annex I-M Volleyball Title

Emerald Sports Editor

A sure sign that the 1948-49 basketball season is underway finally has presented itself. Every year around this time, the college news bureaus around the nation come through with ever-helpful basketball dope books, and Oregon State's 1949 basketball press book is the first to arrive at this office.

Oregon's '49 basketball "Duck Dope", compiled and edited by news bureauites Art Litchman and Bill Stratton, will be rolling off the machines today or Monday. It should be followed by booklets from other schools very shortly.

The Beaver volumn received yesterday is resplendent in its bright orange covers, graced with visages of Oregon State Coach Amory T. "Slats" Gill and Cliff Crandall, Aggie guard candidate for All-American honors.

Compiled and edited by Oregon State Athletic News Bureau Director Irwin Harris, the book contains the usual information and statistics, which go a long way to prove why the Corvallis cagers have been considered for the Northern Division championship.

Cliff Crandall Still Top OSC Cager

Only one player, Norm Carey, was lost via graduation, and Gill has several promising transfers and sophomore candidates to merge with last year's co-champion quintet. And more important, Crandall will still be around to plague rival teams with his uncanny play-making, floor ability, and foul shot accuracy.

Gill's whole squad and system is moulded around that boy, and his performance will be as important to OSC's chances as will Roger Wiley's for the Webfoots.

John Warren's Ducks won't get their chance to play Oregon State until Feb. 25, when the first contest of a four-game Oregon-OSC series is scheduled at Eugene. The two teams play again on the 26th, this time at Corvallis, with the final two contests set March 4 and 5.

The Northern Division schedule will open for Oregon Jan. 4 at Moscow, when the Warrenmen meet the darkhorse Vandals. Another Idaho game Jan. 5 at Moscow, and then two more at Pullman Jan. 7 and 8. Thus, the Webfoots open the season with the always-dreaded Inland Empire invasion, with its killing four-games-in-five-night schedule.

First home conference series starts Jan. 14, against Idaho. The University of Washington Huskies are slated to play the Ducks in Eugene Feb. 1 and 2, while Washington State plays here Feb. 15 and 16.

Also included in yesterday's mailbag was a basketball dope release dispatched from the PCC commissioner's office, including a complete PCC cage schedule and a preview of every conference team, both Southern and Northern Divisions.

Beavers, Trojans Favored for Crowns

This preview represents a consensus of team chances, and it will be interesting to see how it stacks up with final standings In the release, Oregon State's Beavers and the USC Trojans are favored to win the divisional championships. Washington and Oregon are figured right behind the Beavers, with Stanford and UCLA in on the SD race.

Coast basketball followers will have a fine chance for desions on the relative merits of Conference teams late this month, when eight PCC squads participate in he double- elimination tournament at San Francisco's Cow Palace.

The tourney scheduled for Dec. 27, 28, and 30 will pit OSC and USC in the opener, followed by UCLA vs. Washington State, Oregon vs. Stanford, and California vs. Washington.

Teams Vie for Tourney Championship

When the fireworks are over, each team will have played three games and a tournament champion will have been de-

This is the last "Emerald" published this term, so "Duck Tracks" will accordingly retire until after vacation. Hope we'll be able to crow about an Oregon victory in the Cotton Bowl New Year's Day. "In Dixieland we'll take our stand . . .'

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DUCK TRACKS Eveland, Santos Spark 'A' Mates; ATO Wins 'B' Toga From Sigma Chi

By Dave Taylor Emerald Intramural Editor

Sigma Chi "A" and ATO "B" closed the current intramural volleyball season yesterday, capturing their league championships by defeating Minturn hall and Sigma Chi "B," respectively.

Major battle of the afternoon was the Sigma Chi-Minturn tilt, with the Ed Eveland-Louis Santos bout headlining the main event Sigma Chi chalked up the victory, 15-6 and 15-12.

In the initial game, Sigma Chi opened by inching away to an early lead which the Hallmen were unable

stop the Eveland and company onslaught by calling time, but wheels of the Sigma Chi machine, lubricated by Eveland's lightning-fast kills. rolled forward to cop the game,

The second frame looked like a carbon copy of the opener, as Sigma Chi edged off to a 7-3 bulge. At this point, Santos inspired his teammates and they came roaring back to tie the count 8-all.

This sudden thrust brought a Sigma Chi time out, but didn't stop the Minturn drive as they went into the lead for the first time during the entire event.

They remained on the long end of the score until Sigma Chi loos-

Fruit Bowl at San Francisco; Em-

poria Teachers vs. Southwest Mis-

souri Teachers in the Mo-Kan Bowl

at Kansas City; and Toledo vs. Ok-

lahoma City in the Glass Bowl at

At 8-4, Minturn attempted to | ed a rapid five-point burst to walk off with the laurels. Ken Morin figured highly in this round as he shared the offensive load with Eveland.

Led by the brilliant playing of Walt McClure and Pete Miller, ATO "B" grabbed its league title by taking two out of three frames from Sigma Chi "B" 15-10, 4-15, and 15-7.

Sigma Chi moved off to command, but ATO knotted the score at 8-up. Setups from McClure to Miller took their toll as ATO pushed on to tuck away the opener, 15-

Tables were turned in the second set, when Sigma Chi exploded with an overwhelming barrage of points to completely annihilate the ATO squad, 15-4.

In the deciding round, ATO surged out in front with five consecutive markers before the Sigma Chi defense could organize and take the

This didn't stop the determined ATO attack, as they rolled the score up to 14-3. Here the Sigma Chi team tightened its play and added four tallies before allowing the fray and championship go to ATO 15-7.

Notre Dame Irish Heavy Favorites To Defeat Southern Cal '11' Today

Toledo, Ohio.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4 - (AP) - Southern Louisiana Univ. in the Notre Dame's intersectional clash with Southern California in Memorial Coliseum at Los Angeles is a standout in today's final go-round of the regular college football sea-

The Irish from South Bend, ranked second only to Michigan in the Associated Press' final 1948 poll of the nation's grid experts, will be 20-point favorites to trounce the Trojans and wind up their third straight undefeated campaign. A crowd of around 100,000 will witness the game.

The Irish-USC battle will be broadcast over Eugene radio station KORE, 1450 kcy, starting at 12:45 p. m., PST.

The Clemson Tigers, another major unbeaten eleven, also are expected to close in a rash of touchdowns against the Citadel at Charleston, S. C. The Southern Conference leaders were ranked No. 11 in the final national poll.

Five extra-curricular, or bowl, games also are on today's card, as follows:

Missouri Valley vs Evansville in the Refrigerator Bowl at Evansville, Ind.; John Carroll vs. Canisius in the Great Lakes Bowl at Cleveland; San Francisco State

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