

## Freshmen Basketballers Prime For Pair of Weekend Prelims

Though they haven't played a regular game since Christmas vacation Oregon's freshman basketball team has been improving steadily since then.

While the varsity was making the Inland Empire invasion, the Ducklings made good use of McArthur court, getting in two practice games with local teams.

### Crush Junction City

Late last week, they met a highly-touted Junction City five and simply ran away from them, 63-31. The Tigers couldn't keep up with the bigger and faster Yearlings, who dominated action on both boards and scored almost at will. Bill Korpela, a guard from Astoria, paced the winners by dunking in 15 points.

Yesterday the Frosh took on Eugene high, and for the first time this year were up against a

taller team. But they played one of their better games to date, and rolled to a 72-48 win, after leading 32-23 at halftime.

### Axeman Game High

The Axeman, with six men 6-3 on up, made a game of it in the opening half, but the ball-hawking and superior speed of the freshmen paid off in the final half. Two guards, Korpela with 11 and Ken Hunt, all-state from Marshfield with 17, paced the little Ducks.

Guard Clark Hollis was high for Eugene with 14, all but two being made in the first half.

The next games for the Yearlings will be preliminaries to the Oregon-Idaho series this Friday and Saturday, when they take on Oregon vocational school and Eugene high.

## Ducks Limp Home From Inland Trip With 1-3 Record

Oregon's casaba team returned yesterday from the Inland Empire invasion with an unexciting record of one win and three losses. The Webfoots were unable to connect with the bucket consistently throughout the entire trip, hence the poor record.

Idaho's unruly Vandals gave the Webfoots a run for their money before finally falling 50-48, in the opening game of the invasion, but from there on, Oregon was close but always behind at the final gun.

### Vandals Bounce Back

John Finley, head Vandal coach who is rated as one of the "ten best informed men in the country on basketball," had his charges ready the second night, and the hometowners, after a thrilling first

half, romped through to win 60-52.

Moving to Pullman, the Ducks found that town equally un hospitable, as Washington State swept the two-games series 46-43 and 43-40. In both games the Webfoots moved close in the closing moments but were unable to overtake big margins. Two finds of the trip were sophomore guards Johnny Neeley and Don Peterson, who were both close to starting positions when the trip ended. Neeley was fourth and Peterson sixth in individual scoring in Northern Division action at the close of the trip.

### Bartelt Ready

Another hopeful sign was the return to active duty of three-year letterman Jim Bartelt at forward. The 6-foot 2-inch senior has not as yet reached last year's form but is at least on the way after being hampered by a bad ankle for most of last term.

The Webfoots will take it easy, facing no more competition until they open their home season in the Northern Division against Idaho this Friday and Saturday. Finley's Vandals will be making their Willamette valley invasion, meeting Oregon State after they tangle with the Webfoots.

The key man in the Vandal attack (Please turn to page 7)

## Eugene Hockey Six Tops Salem By 5-3 Margin

Eugene's strong Redwings came through with their initial victory in Oregon Hockey league play at the local arena Sunday night, defeating the Salem Hornets by a slim 5-3 margin.

Instrumental in the victory were members of the University of Oregon, counting for four of the five Redwing tallies.

After a slow first period that saw the Hornets sink their only three counters and take an early lead, Eugene came back for a fast second stanza with Roger Newton, Frank Sauer, John Olsen, and Dick Gillespie each canning one for the victors.

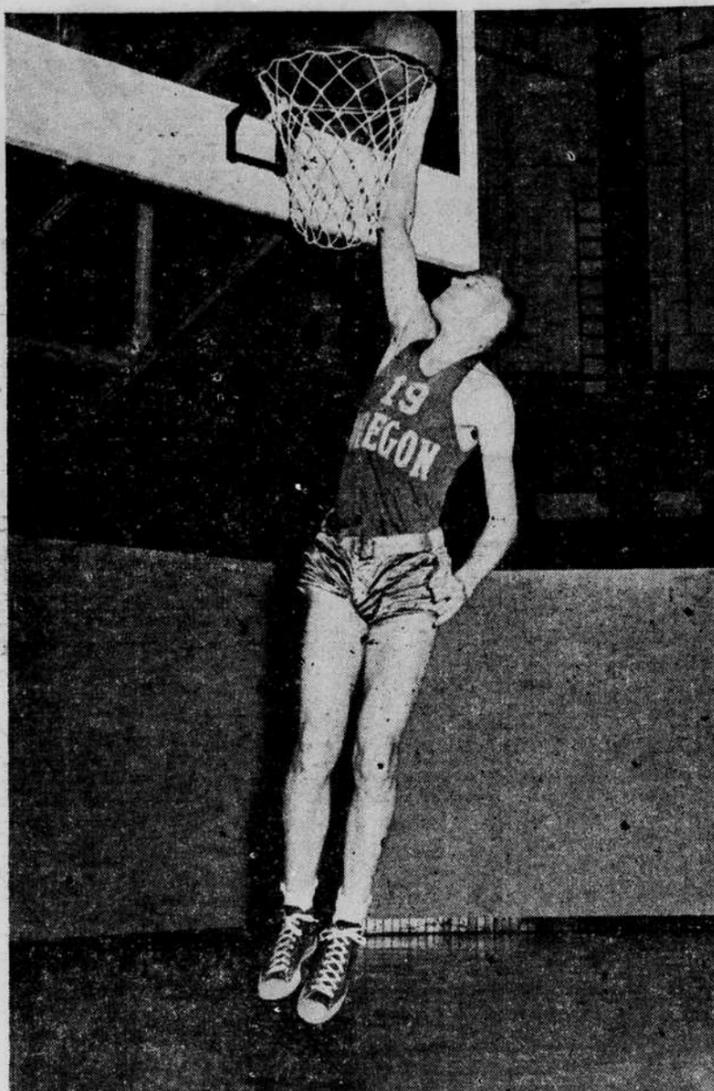
In a rough and tumble third frame Olsen again came through, tripping one past Salem's Linn Orton to finish the scoring. Only minutes later Olsen was down on the ice as a result of a corner collision with two Salem players which resulted in his being carried from the game.

The league opener was played before a capacity crowd of 700, the largest crowd ever in attendance at the local arena for an athletic contest.

Oregon students who played for the Redwings were: Newton, Olsen, Sauer, Don Severson, Ed Worth, Will Walla, Dick Runyard, and Jim Hoffer.

Wednesday night sees the Redwings playing at Salem in a rematch with the Hornets. They return to local ice next Sunday night against the Corvallis Beavers.

## Bob Says Bye-Bye



TAKE A LAST GLIMPSE at big Bob Amacher, letterman forward. You probably won't see him again. The 19-year-old junior parted company with the Webfoot cagers recently after differences with Coach John Warren.

## Aiken Switch Depends On Salary Differences

Jim Aiken, coach of Oregon's footballing Webfoots, headed for Nebraska yesterday and the question was whether he would still be holding that position when he returned.

The possibility of the coaching job at Nebraska hangs in balance, and the big thing is: will Oregon offer him enough to remain here in Eugene, or will the Cornhuskers go high enough to draw him there.

The gravel-voiced coach recently went into a discussion with President H. K. Newburn and Athletic Director Leo Harris, during which time the subject of salary and security were brought up. This was disclosed by Harris, who added that at that time Aiken indicated he was satisfied to stay at Oregon.

Aiken's decision to travel to Ne-

braska reportedly was prompted by his responsibility to his family.

The Oregon Webfoots open their ND home basketball season January 14 and 15, with a two game series with Idaho scheduled in McArthur court.

## Swimmers Prep For Intra-Team Meet Saturday

Accent this week in the Men's Pool is on speed and more speed, as all members of the swimming squad get in their final licks prior to staging what should be one of the classiest meets ever held at Oregon on this coming Saturday at 2:30 p. m. It's an intra-squad affair, the Varsity taking on a strong combination composed of freshmen, transfers and ineligibles.

Coach John Borchardt will field about as talented a group of swimmers as can be found anywhere this side of the Mississippi and perhaps further at that.

### Varsity Experienced

The varsity is blessed this year with an experienced squad of lettermen and fine material up from the unbeaten frosh team of last year.

Their opponents will include such fancy fin movers as Bob Kang, the latest sensation from Hawaii, who two years ago captured two seconds and a third in the Senior AAU Nationals at San Diego. Kang is favored over the varsity's veteran Earl Walter in the 100 yard backstroke and the pool record is certain to fall.

Also this aggregation will have such fine distance men on it as Joe Nishimoto, transfer from Ohio State, and one of the finest distance prospects from the islands since the great Bill Smith made his appearance.

### Uyeda Rates Raves

In addition to Nishimoto the varsity's opponents will have little Carl Uyeda, who despite his lack in stature, is considered to be one of the best up and coming distance men by his coach, Sakamoto, one of the top notchers of tutoring field.

The sprints will see a battle between Louis Santos, the number one varsity man, and Pete Van Dyke, who already this year has come

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