

# Duck Hopes, Amacher Both Return

With spirits already soaring after the weekend sweep of a series with Idaho, Coach John Warren's basketballing Ducks went back to the work mill yesterday and were greeted by the presence of big Bob Amacher.

The return of the 6 ft. 8 in. forward sent Oregon's stock up another notch, and it places them in good shape for the coming series with Washington in Seattle.

It was during the Webfoot's sojourn in San Francisco early in the season that Amacher got peeved and took a powder.

### Everybody Happy

The differences existing then have been ironed out, and now he's back in everyone's good graces.

It will take a little while for the 208 lb. Junior to get himself in the groove again, but this shouldn't put him back too much.

The regulars worked out early yesterday and were given a breather toward the end of practice.

With the important Husky series in the offing, all hands were anxious to maintain the keen edge they showed in taking two from Idaho. That Saturday clambake, a 58-50 af-

fair, had fans sitting on pins until the final whistle.

There were less than three minutes remaining when Idaho's Dick Geisler flipped in a charity toss to knot the score at 50-50. It was good that Geisler made it, because that was the last point the Vandals collected that night.

A moment later Jim Bartelt worked in behind the key and pushed a one-hander through the meshes to make it 52-50. Rog Wiley then followed up to tip in a rebound, and Paul Sowers pumped in four more, two on free throws, to wind up proceedings.

Things started off in rather tame fashion, so tame, in fact, that certainly no one would have thought Sowers would have hit the hoops for 18 healthy points. He registered only three in the first half, while teammate Wiley, who also collected 18, was arching in eight. But after intermission the former Vanport ace started a blitz, virtually carrying the whole offensive load by himself.

However, it was Idaho's Bob Pritchett who caught the fancy of the crowd. The strapping 6 ft. 3 in. forward hit the bull's eye time after time, and it was only a surplus of personal fouls, forcing him to leave the game,

that prevented his point total from going any higher than the already high 19.

This boy didn't confine his activities to just shooting, either. He was scrapping all over the floor, and frequently went high into the ozone to snatch a rebound. He was the game's MVP.

### Vandals Right Back

Fans thought they were in for a replica of Friday night's lop-sided game when Oregon ran up a quick lead and levelled off at 23-13. Warren then sent in a new unit and Preston Brimhall, Roy Irons, Gerry Gunnell and Jack Rainey promptly closed what was once a huge gap to just a peep hole.

It was Oregon on top 25-23 as the half ended, and an aura of uncertainty was the only thing certain about the game.

The Webfoots came out brandishing a fistful of war clubs in the second half, and quickly converted them into field goals and a six point lead. But the Vandals were obstinate. They deadlocked the game 43-43 on Brimhall's free throw and hung on until the fading minutes. The Ducks were just not to be denied.

## Eugene Six Tramples Corvallis

University of Oregon players came through in fine style Sunday nite at the local ice arena as the Eugene Redwings defeated a scrappy Corvallis Beaver team before a capacity crowd of cheering ice hockey fans.

Roger Newton, back to the form that gave him a hat-trick in every regular game last year and one in the playoffs, really went to town in the second frame and took his three goals on two assists from Coach Tom Ferris and one lengthy drive unassisted.

### Three Quickies

Speedy Don Severson started the Redwing scoring barrage when he canned the opening goal of the game at the 4:30 mark of the first period, and his shot was followed in rapid succession by Tommy Gillespie's two quick ones, both on assists from brother Dick.

Big Bill Corcoran finished up the scoring of that frame when he potted the first of his two goals for the Beavers. It was a cleanly played period with no penalties being meted out by Referee Bob Gilmore.

Corcoran came back early in the second to give Corvallis their only other tally for the evening, then Newton took over the show.

### Penalties Galore

The final frame opened with a bang when Newton and Rodgers, of the Beavers, were put out of the game for two minutes apiece as a result of roughness on the boards. Two minutes later a near riot broke out as diminutive Gene Thiessen tackled giant Dave Turple in a fist fight and both benches poured players into the fray. Thiessen went to the penalty bench on a major infraction, drawing five minutes while Turple sat out for ten.

Seven seconds later John Olson potted in the eighth Redwing tally while both teams were playing two men short from the previous penalties. Olson took his turn on the penalty bench for boarding.

### Brawl Barely Averted

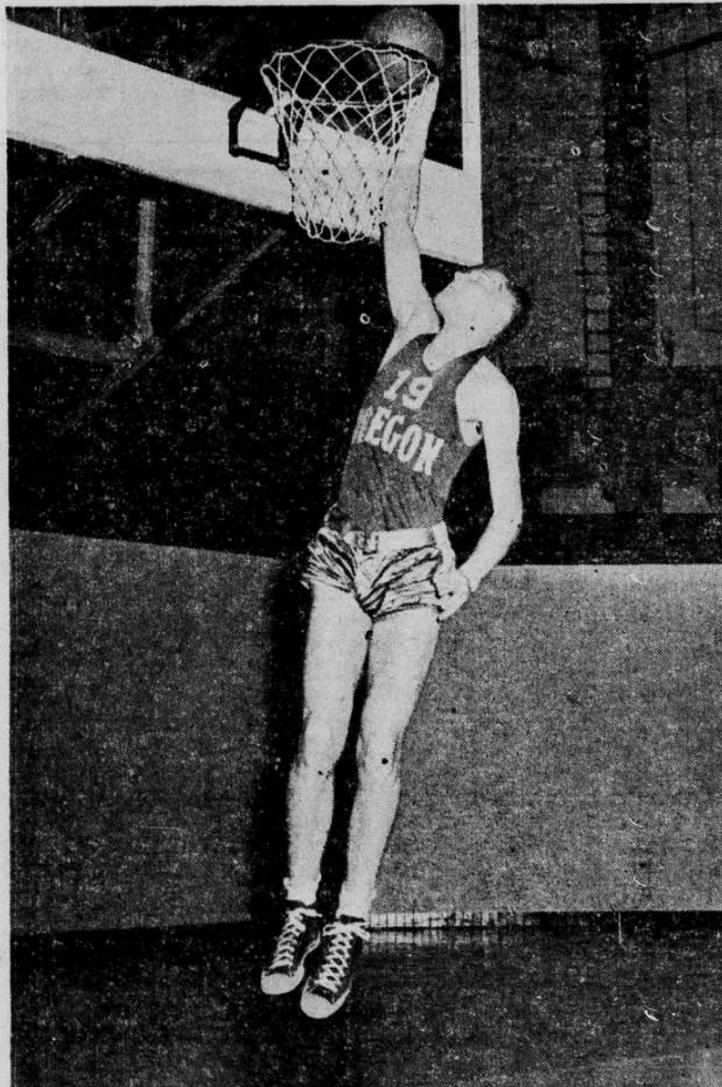
As he entered the game two minutes later, he and Beaver Jim Rodgers each drew a major penalty for the second major fight of the game which, like the one only minutes before, brought several other skating fighters into it before officials succeeded in breaking it up.

The Gillespie brothers again came into the limelight as they each scored one in the final minutes, giving Tom a hat-trick to add to Newton's.

Thiessen added to the final action as he fired in the eleventh Eugene goal seconds before the whistle.

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## Bob's Back, Oregon Has Him



UGLY DUCKLING RETURNS—Oregon's cage-masters yesterday were greeted at the practice court by the return of Bob Amacher, ace forward. The big fellow left the squad several weeks ago, but matters have been taken in hand, and now all is peace between him and Coach John Warren. With Amacher, the Ducks stand a good chance to throw a few scares into Washington this weekend.

## Crandall Sparks Oregon State To 42-31 Triumph over Idaho

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 17—(AP)—Oregon State College trounced the University of Idaho, 42 to 31, as the teams opened a two-game Pacific Coast conference, Northern Division basketball series.

Oregon State piled in 16 of its points on free throws, with big Cliff Crandall coming in with six in six trips to the foul line in a second half session after Idaho had staged a rally.

The Beavers jumped to a 15-6 lead before the Vandals snapped out of a scoring slump and made the halftime count 18 to 10. Then in the second half, Oregon State held its 10 point lead as the scoring saw-sawed until 10 minutes were gone.

At this point goals by Roy Irons, Bob Pritchett and Nic Stallworth

closed the gay to six points, 28-22, and after an OSC foul shot, Stallworth dropped in a long one to narrow the Gap to five points, 29-24.

Crandall totaled 16 for the game, but only four points were on field goals.

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## Transfers, Frosh Annex Swim Meet

Just as predicted, a classy squad of transfers and freshmen stroked the varsity swimming team into submission, 39-36, in the Men's Pool last Saturday. And despite the fact that records did not fall as fast as expected, the crowd was still treated to one of the finest exhibitions seen in these parts for several years.

It was a nip-and-tuck affair all the way, the decision not coming until the final event. The varsity was handicapped by the absence of Bob Hiatt, number one distance man, and just how his mates would have fared had he been able to compete is another story.

### Van Dyke Sizzles

Outstanding show of the day was put on by transfer Peter Van Dyke, high point man, who took firsts in the 100 yard freestyle and the 440 yard free-style as well as anchoring the victorious four man relay team when his mates were behind 36 to 32. The 7 big points gave them the necessary margin for victory.

Van Dyke's time in the 100, although not a pool record, was well under the varsity record of 54.1 at 53.9. This is his second fastest time ever turned in at the Men's Pool.

The lone official record of the day came in the 100 yard backstroke when Bob Kang and Earl Walter squared off with Kang having too much stuff in the final 40 yards and pulling away to a new record of 1:02.7, easily surpassing the previous standard of 1:04.0 set by Sherman Wetmore in 1940.

### Nishimoto Sizzles

Another outstanding perfor-

mance was turned in by Joe Nishimoto, a transfer from Ohio State, who, in winning the 100 in the fast time of 1:05.5, only missed the pool record by an even second. This is quite a feat when one figures that Nishimoto is in reality a freestyler and had won the 220 yard freestyle in good time of 2:25.0 just a little earlier.

Best news of the entire meet was a young man named George Balch, who was completely unknown before the meet and came from behind to nip Tom Nekota in the 60 yard freestyle sprint and place second.

He will definitely add strength to the varsity in this event and will help them no end in their quest for ND laurels.

### Summary:

300 yard Medley—Won by Varsity (Walter, Harman, Nekota). Time 3:14.0.

220 yard Freestyle—1. Nishimoto (F); 2. Hargraves (V); 3. Braucher (V). Time: 2:25.

60 yard Freestyle—1. Moorhead (Please turn to page five)

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