

# DUCK TRACKS

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It took a long time for the Webfoots again to take a non-conference team into camp, but John Warren's boys beat a good one when they defeated the University of San Francisco.

The Dons, who probably won't be as high this week, were ranked eighth in the country before the two game stand here. They had an impressive record, especially against Eastern teams. That's where they got their high rating.

## Lofgran Paces Don Cagers

Pete Newell has a well-coached team that always looked cool and steady, even when going down to defeat. Don Lofgran is one of the better cagers to appear in Eugene this year, and there have been quite a few good ones.

The lanky forward wasn't as effective Saturday as he was the opening night, but he still was the big wheel-horse of the USF quint. Friday he hit seven for fourteen shots from the field and clicked in all six free throw attempts, a pretty good performance.

Saturday, though, he wasn't hitting his field goals nearly as well, only six for twenty-four, and he only had two chances from the foul line and missed one of those.

Lofgran, incidentally, is in the same category as Ollie Matson, the sensational football star and track flash that recently enrolled at USF. He wanted to come to Oregon, but like Matson, his grades were too low so he went to San Francisco. The Dons claim they follow eligibility rules, but they apparently give them a very liberal interpretation.

## Dons Have Poor Attitude Toward Officials

One big thing we didn't like about the Dons was their attitude, especially concerning the officiating. Lofgran was generally an exception here, but most of the other 'Frisco hoopsters were guilty.

When Oregon was stalling Saturday night, the Dons were crying over every foul called on them, no matter how obvious they were. It happened all through the game, but was especially noticeable in the last three minutes.

This isn't in defense of the officials. Neither Al Lightner or Max Allen covered themselves with glory either night. They called the usual Northern Division game, which isn't good except by comparison with some other Northern Division tilt.

The weekend had some very interesting consequences. Washington has apparently folded completely, or else Idaho is rapidly improving. It could well mean that Art McLarney has spent the majority of his career as head basketball coach at the Seattle school.

After all, the Huskies are almost a cinch for the cellar. That will be the first time in history. Its the second time Washington has ever lost three out of four games to Idaho in one year. That makes things look bad for the ex-Washington State great.

## McLarney in Hot Water

McLarney can try and salvage something from the season in the coming series with WSC March 4 and 5. It will be just about his last chance to win, though, unless the Washington attitude towards coaches undergoes a radical change.

It will be especially difficult for McLarney to hang on after the high ratings sportswriters gave the Huskies before the season began, when they rated Washington right along with Oregon State as the logical teams to walk off with the championship.

The Seattle school has long had a reputation for canning coaches that aren't winning games. They gave Jimmy Phelan the boot after that old master had a couple of off years and dropped Pest Welch, his successor, a few years later. One or two rumors have floated down from Seattle that Howie Odell better produce, now that he's out of the hospital, or else he'll be looking for a job next December.

## Beaver Series Important to Both Clubs

Last weekend set up the coming games with Oregon State as one of the best series between the two schools. It means the title for Oregon State if they get three wins or a split and one Washington State loss.

But the Webfoots could throw a curve into that little plan. Last season the Ducks took three out of four from the Beavers and were the only Northern Division team to beat them in Corvallis.

Warren's only title hope is to sweep the series from the Beavers. Otherwise, Oregon State will finish ahead of the Webfoots.

The Oregon State games will give Washington State a good chance to take the title, if the Cougars can get by Idaho and Washington. The latter doesn't seem too tough at this stage of the campaign, but those Vandals look more rugged as the season closes.



ART McLARNEY

# IM Moves into Final Days; Three Teams Register Wins

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

4 p. m.  
Delts vs Theta Chi (A)  
Fizzeds vs Phi Delts (A)  
4:45 p. m.  
Theta Chi vs SAM (B)  
ATO vs Sigma Chi (B)

By Dave Taylor

With the intramural basketball playoff going along at full speed, your sports scribe will turn prognosticator and attempt to predict the results in today's round.

In the opening game today, defending champion Theta Chi gets a close nod over rugged Delta Tau Delta five, but the choice is made with reservations since the Delts have the height advantage in Bob Kehrli and Darrel Hawes. They will have to get on their respective horses to keep pace with rapid moving Bill Hutchinson and company.

IN THE OTHER "A" fracas set for today, Phi Delta Theta should be able to hand the Fizzeds but not without a stiff battle or without stemming the point making of chunky Ed Gudel. But to counter Gudel's tallying, the Phi Delts have two graduates from last year's Frosh squad, Bob Taggesell and Brad Fullerton, which should decide the issue offensively. Defensively, the Phi Delts have the rangy Taggesell to gather in rebounds, but are weak in other departments.

Switching now to the "B" contests, Theta Chi's lanky combination shouldn't have too much trouble downing Sigma Alpha Mu if Rog Mockford isn't moved up to the Big Red's main string to stop a Delt uprising.

The Hilltoppers have an overwhelming height advantage which could easily be the balance of power.

DEFENDING CHAMPION Sigma Chi also should roll over ATO in the last scheduled "B" game of

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By Roger Eddy

In the first day of action in the intramural basketball championship playoffs, McChesney whipped Alpha Tau Omega 34-31, and Lambda Chi Alpha administered an impressive 38-26 drubbing to Sigma Chi. Beta Theta Pi's B boys got hot to trounce Phi Kappa Sigma, 25-11, winning their league title and a playoff berth.

McCHESNEY GRABBED an early lead and held on to it till late in the first half, and didn't regain it until the last period.

Forward Dick Mase led the men of Chesney with 18 hard-earned points.

Burt Bergstrom, their other forward, collected only six markers, but looked as good by setting up many of Mase's lay-ins, and con-

trolling the backboards for the dormers.

In the second game Sigma Chi failed to hit till the second quarter after Lambda Chi had piled up a 9-0 lead.

THE LAMBDA Chi's only held their own from there on in, and the halftime score read 17-10.

In the early part of the game both teams used a modified fast break, but later the Lambda Chi's slowed the game down.

John Doolittle hit 13, and Jim Crakes 8 for the winners.

Behind Ball's 8 tallies, Beta Theta Pi rallied in the last half to defeat Phi Kappa Sigma and take its loop crown.



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