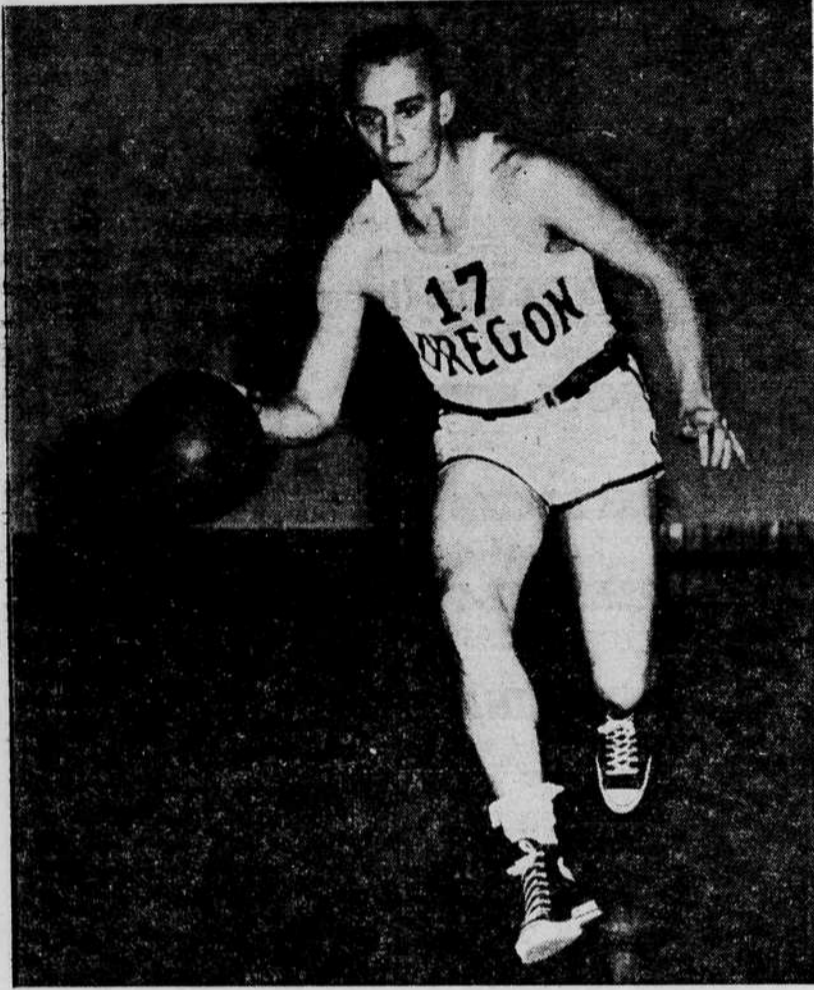


# EMERALD Sports



PAUL SOWERS again paced Oregon scorers with 35 points in three Conference games. Paul was the only Oregon man among Division scoring leaders.

*We're not ready.....*

## Point Hungry Ducks Prepare For Huskies

The spectre of a point-starved basketball team is haunting John Warren as he prepares his charges for a weekend series at Edmondson Pavillion in Seattle.

Figures released today show forward Paul Sowers, injured back and all, as the only Webfoot with a better than 10 points a game average for Oregon's three Conference tussles. His 35 points, scored against Washington State College in two encounters at McArthur Court, and Oregon State in a Gill Coliseum meeting, give the Baker boy an 11.67 points per game average. Runner up Dale Warberg's 25 scores against league opponents gives him an average of 8.33 points per night. Mel Krause has slumped to a 6.67 nightly total, and Will Urban and Jim Vranizan are hitting at a five per game clip.

### SCORED ONCE, ONE WIN

Coach Warren's charges displayed their ability to score only in the first Washington State game, their lone Conference win. Since then their famine has attracted much notice. Reviewers of the Civil War game in Corvallis last Friday night picked on the Oregon marksman-

ship as one of the most glaring of the team's deficiencies. Faced with the necessity of picking a 10 man traveling squad for the games against Washington, Warren cannot rely on the figures to help him. They show such pre-season stalwarts as Mel Streeter with six points in three games, and two other spot playing regulars John Neeley and Bob Lavey with five apiece. Jack Keller with three field goals and four free throws is also in a deep slump.

The one consoling thought around the Igloo these days is the belief that if the team breaks their fast, someone is going to suffer but good.

*We are.....*

## Slats Gill Pleased On Eve of Invasion

CORVALLIS—After winning two out of its first three conference games at home, Oregon State's defending PCC championship basketball team faces its stiffest test of the campaign—the gruelling four-game-in-five-nights invasion of the Inland Empire.

The Beavers, who looked by far their sharpest of the winter in whipping Oregon, 65-49, here

last Friday, open their road trip with a return series against powerful Washington State at Pullman Friday and Saturday. From Pullman, Coach Slats Gill and his men will move over to nearby Moscow for the initial series against Idaho next Monday and Tuesday nights.

### COUGARS-BEAVERS SPLIT

In the league openers here two weeks ago the evenly matched Beavers and Cougars split, WSC taking the first game, 42-38, in a defensive battle and the Orange coming back the second night for a tight 54-53 decision. Biggest problem confronting the Beavers is how to stop Gene Conley, WSC's sensational 6 foot, 8 inch sophomore center. He collected 33 in the first series.

Idaho is likely to be just as rough as the Cougars on its home floor. Gill figures the Vandals were Oregon State's stiffest competition in its march to the title last winter. Chuck Finley's club trounced the Orange, 51-39, in the opening encounter at Moscow last year and fought the Beavers to the wire in the other three contests.

### GILL LIKES SQUAD

Gill was highly pleased with the showing of his team against Oregon. He used a starting lineup with three guards that proved blazingly fast. Tommy Holman, normally a guard—he's only 5-10—was moved to forward to team with Bob Payne. Len Rinearson and Ray Snyder alternated at center and Dick Ballantyne and Bill Harper spearheaded the attack from their guard slots. Whether Gill will stick with this comparatively short quintet against the tall Cougars remains to be seen.

After three stiff workouts at home, the Beavers will depart for the Palouse country Wednesday night, arriving Thursday in time for a practice session on the Cougars' court.

A big mouth is best for kissing says a film cameraman. Also for blabbing too much.

## Defense Wins In Intramural Cage Conflict

By CLYDE FAHLMAN

### THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

- Basketball**  
 3:50 Phi Kappa Sigma B vs. Campbell Club B  
 3:50 Sigma Nu B vs. Delta Upsilon B  
 4:35 Theta Chi B vs. TKE B  
 4:35 Sigma Alpha Mu B vs. Lambda Chi Alpha B  
 5:15 Sigma Alpha Epsilon B vs. Delta Tau Delta B  
 5:15 Alpha Tau Omega B vs. Chi Psi B

### Handball

- 4:00 Sigma Alpha Mu vs. YMCA  
 "Slow and deliberate" and "fast and furious" were the extremes reached in Wednesday's "B" basketball action. Winners of the three games scheduled were McChesney, Minturn, and Phi Delta Theta.

McChesney took the initial encounter by a 18-13 score over Pi Kappa Alpha. The 6-5 half-time score favored the winners. Barton Cross and Charles Olson, McChesney forward and guard respectively, paced scoring with five apiece.

### DEFENSE AND OFFENSE

Baskets were near standstill in the second game as Minturn toppled Beta Theta Pi 11-4. It was strictly a defensive game as the halftime score read 5-4. Nobody scored over one field goal although Louis Santos added a free throw for three points and scoring honors.

In the final game Phi Delta Theta routed Pi Kappa Phi 32-5. The winners ran-up a 15-2 halftime score. Leading point getters were Dick Garrett and Don Farnam with eight and seven points respectively.

Campbell Club scored a "3-0" handball victory on Gamma's failure to appear.

## Conley Leads Division Scoring For Second Week

LOS ANGELES—Like Bill Sharman of the USC Trojans in the Southern Division, lanky Gene Conley of Washington State is in a position to set a Division record for points scored in a single Conference season.

The WSC sophomore has averaged 15.8 points in six games this year, and by adding only a few points to his average can pass the record of 265 points set by Jack Nichols of Washington in 1948. Nichols averaged 16.55 a game. Conley has accounted for 95 points and is far-and-away the scoring leader of the Northern Division.

Based on average points per game, Dick Ballantyne of Oregon State ranks second in the Northern Division. He has averaged 13 points in three games.

Another Cougar, Lloyd Schmick, boasts the best free throw percentage figure in the ND. His average is .900 on 9 out of 10 attempts.

Oregon State has the best offensive team record.

## Rooks Pointing For Frosh Games

Oregon State's Basketball Rooks are rounding into shape, as they prepare for their little Civil War battles against the Frosh. Coach Paul Valenti was reported pleased with the work of Center Bob Adrian and Forward Irv Lahti in Friday's 43-27 win over Hood River.

Valenti however planned more work with his guards, Ben Pitzer and Carlyle Staab before committing himself on the Frosh battles.

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## Frosh Top Sales Experiment Fails

The Oregon Frosh Basketball machine completely outclassed the highly touted Oregon Lumber Sales quintet, 71-53, in a March of Dimes charity contest Tuesday in McArthur Court.

The game was highlighted by the sparkling hook-shots and tip-in work of Chet Noe, sky-scraping Duck forward who was high point man for the night with 24 counters.

Guard Bud Covey rang up 15 tallies. Other outstanding Frosh were Sam Conchetti and Jim Livesay, both of whom scored 9 points.

The Lumber Sales crew were paced by Chuck Rufner with 13 and Center Gacek with 12 points.

An experimental rule which allowed bonus free throws for all fouls after the first fifteen did not apply to the Ducklings as they were only whistled for 13 infractions.

## Coaches to See Alumni, Friends On Winter Trip

A heavy winter travel schedule covering more than 30 cities in the state has been announced by Leo Harris, director of athletics at the University.

Harris and members of the Oregon coaching staff will meet with Webfoot alumni and friends of the athletic program to discuss the general policy and the future prospects of Oregon athletic teams.

### HARRIS, BOWERMAN TRAVEL

The tour of the state will be broken into three trips. The first begins Monday, January 23 at Klamath Falls, moves to Medford on Tuesday, and concludes Wednesday at Coos Bay. Harris and Bill Bowerman, varsity track, and freshman football coach will make the trip.

At Klamath Falls the local arrangements will be handled by John Houston, assisted by Scott Warren and Joe Peak. The Medford meeting will be under the direction of Bill Barker and he will be assisted by Rod Keating of Ashland, and Dr. Clarel Ogle of Grants Pass.

### COMMITTEES HELP

In Coos Bay, Leonard Mayfield will head the committee and will be aided by Bill Borchert, Ben Chandler, Jerry Extre, and Chester Hugins. The meeting will include alumni from the adjacent coastal region and several participating committees have been named.

In February, Harris and baseball coach Don Kirsch and Jerry Lillie will spend several days in eastern Oregon, and during March, Jim Aiken, Kirsch, and business manager Howard Lemons will visit Astoria, Salem, and Portland.

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