

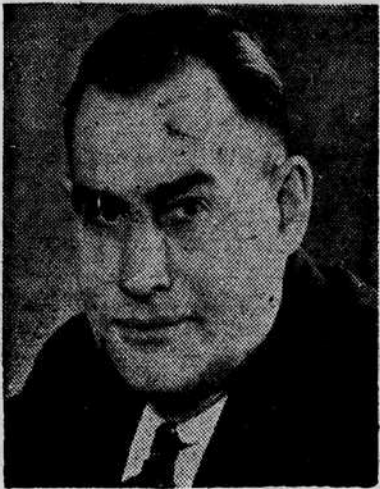
DUCK TRACKS

By GLENN GILLESPIE

Coach Don Kirsch's smooth-working freshman basketball team came through Tuesday night at Corvallis, against the Oregon State Rooks. The Ducklings dominated the fourth and last "little civil war" game to win 62-45, and take the Frosh-Rook series, 3-1.

That makes 16 wins for the Frosh this year, against one loss, a one-pointer to Paul Valenti's Rook's. Only one more game for the Fresh this year, Saturday night at McArthur Court against Klamath Falls high school.

Center Chet Noe, six-foot, seven-incher from Los Angeles, continues to look more like a varsity prospect in every game. Noe was high scorer against the Rooks with 17 points. Greater accuracy at the free-throw line, where he missed five would've given Noe an even better evening.



JOHN WARREN

The Frosh missed 16 free throws against the Rooks, and have been having foul shot trouble for several games. They made only two of 17 attempts in the first half of the Grants Pass game last Saturday night. Keith Barclay continues to look like another varsity prospect with uncanny shots from forward spot. Kirsch's guards, including Bud Covey, Nick Schmer, and Sam Conchetti, all have performed well at times, but are lacking in size.

Frosh Can Be Proud of Their Record

The Ducklings can be proud of this year's record. Especially proud, since they lost four or five key men in mid-season, and then came out of it so smoothly.

Now if the varsity cagers can equal the Frosh performance against OSC, Oregon fans would be ready to forgive and forget an otherwise dismal basketball season. This is Oregon's last chance to win a Northern Division series, and also the last chance to win a conference game away from home this year. Gill Coliseum, with those thousands of avid State fans, is a poor place for Oregon's last chance. We'll see what our Ducks can do.

Coach John Warren, still not feeling too well from that case of virus pneumonia, will be with his team off and on this week at practice, and may be on the bench this weekend. It not, it will all be up to Kirsch, and he's done a good job so far.

Over in Corvallis, canny Slat's Gill is busy trying to devise an offense that will sweep the Ducks off their feet. One of the games this weekend may turn into one of those offensive shows, like that overtime 79-72 Orange win over Oregon last year at McArthur Court.

Forwards in Bad Scoring Slump

If either Paul Sowers or Dale Warberg can get out from under their serious scoring slumps, the Webfoots will have a better chance to produce this weekend. Captain Will Urban is doing a fine job in every way, especially in the Idaho series.

Urban's 34 points boosted him into the Oregon scoring lead, with 130 points in 13 games, one less than the other regulars. Jack Keller is right behind with 124 points, and Sowers and Mel Krause follow with 101 and 100 points.

The final Oregon-Oregon State series—Friday night at Gill Coliseum, with \$1.50 tickets still on sale at the McArthur Court ticket office. And Saturday night here at the Court, in the 1949-50 Oregon basketball finale.

The Beavers will have two more important games after the Oregon series. March 3 and 4, the Orange travel to Seattle for a key series against Washington. In other games this weekend, Washington plays Idaho at Moscow, and Washington State plays a non-conference series with Gonzaga University. The Cougars finish the following week, with a split series against Idaho.

It looks like Jack Friel and his Cougars have cinched the ND championship, if a miracle doesn't change things. The Northern-Southern Division playoff is scheduled for March 10, 11, and 13, in a best-two-of-three series on the Southern champ's court.

Waibel Deal a Blow to Oregon Baseball

So now we can turn to Oregon baseball, which may be a rather controversial subject before long. Oregon's hopes took another blow when Pitcher Dick Waibel signed a professional contract with the Portland Beavers.

That's a total of six ball players with one or more years of collegiate eligibility left at Oregon who took off for richer pastures. Kirsch, turning his interests to baseball for a moment, was rather outspoken about the Waibel deal, and he's justified.

As Kirsch explained, collegiate baseball can't hope to survive, if professional clubs continue to rake the baseball cream from the campuses before college days are over.

Pitchers and catchers will begin work by this weekend, while infielders and outfielders are scheduled to start Monday after next.

Omega Nudges Delts By 16-15 Tally As ATO, Chi Psi Clobber IM Foes

By PETE CORNACCHIA

Omega came from behind in the fourth quarter to edge Delta Tau Delta, 16-15, Wednesday night in the only game of three intramural "B" clashes that had any bearing on league championships. ATO handed McChesney a 23-8 whipping and Chi Psi rolled over Nestor, 25-5, in the other two contests.

The Omega win sent the dormers into a League 4 deadlock with SAE, which will be settled when the two quintets meet today.

Two push shots by Bill Kinder and one by Frank Lawrence gave Omega a 6-2 lead at the end of the first period. Bob Gitner gave the Delts an early 2-0 lead, but his set shot was all the losers could manage in the quarter.

Jack Gaudian's free toss made it 6-3 at the start of the second canto but this was matched by Joe Hobart's charity shot for Omega. Each club traded a field goal before Gaudian dropped in another gifter to make it 9-6 at halftime.

Hunter, Adair Push Tie

Omega was slowed down to one basket in the third quarter, this by Kinder after Jack Adair's lay-in had narrowed the count to 9-8. A basket by Jerry Hunter and a gifter by Adair knotted the count at 11-11. Carl Knutson's pivot shot gave the Delts a 13-11 lead shortly before the end of the period.

The dormers opened the final canto with a rally of their own. Lawrence's lay-in tied things up, his gifter regained the lead for Omega, and Kinder scored from close in to run the margin to 16-13. This was enough to cover the only Delt tally of the quarter—a pusher

Frosh Butcher

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Frosh (62)	Rooks (45)
Barclay, F8	Storey F0
Torgerson, F3	Shirtcliff, F8
Noe, C17	Adrian, C5
Covey, G10	Staab, G2
Schmer, G13	Pitzer, G16
Livesay, F2	Lahti, F10
Bonnemann, C 4	Danielson, F4
Conchetti, G3	
Mueller, G2	
Totals.....62	Totals.....45

The Hot Stove

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stop who will not play shortstop.

The hurler is the long overdue Dan Bankhead, the soft-spoken Tennessean whom Rickey brought up during a disastrous 1948 campaign. The big boy was one of Brooklyn's better minor league pitchers during 1949, and comes up with a "now or never" label.

The shortstop is the International League's best ball player of 1949, 23 year old Bobby Morgan. A mainstay of the Montreal Royals, young Morgan will probably be shifted to third base to battle Billy Cox, Ed Miksis, and Hollywood's Jim Baxes for the spot. Morgan was top hitter in his league, and batted over 20 home runs.

Over in Chicago, where the Cubs are trying to regain the glory that once was, another of Branch Rickey's refugees will be given a chance to crack the starting nine. He is Preston Ward, a big, free-swinging first baseman who almost did it for Brooklyn in '48.

Along with Ward, the Cubs will send Billy Serena and Cy Block into the lineup at third base. Both have been on the major-minor elevator for some time, and are probably coming up for a last look. The Bruins are also going to unveil Catcher Carl Sawatski, a stumpy distance hitter who poled a number of homers for the Nashville Vols, Chicago's Southern Association affiliate.

by Vern Beard in the last few seconds.

Kinder led the Omega scoring with eight points, while Beard topped the losers with four.

ATO was held to one free throw in the first quarter of their struggle with McChesney, but the story should have ended there—as far as McChesney is concerned. Toscas dropped in a fielder and two free tosses for a 4-1 lead, while the ATOs were only flirting with the basket.

Chuck Olson scored from close in at the start of the second period to stretch the gap to 6-1. Exit McChesney. Smooth and lanky Tom Mathews then potted three straight from the field to indicate that the ATO's relations with the hoop might grow serious. His spree gave the Greek quintet a 7-6 lead at the halfway mark.

Mathews got help from George Kittilson in the third quarter and the winners rolled on to a 15-6 lead at the final turn. Scoring almost at will in the final period, ATO added four field goals while Brent Robbins looped in the only McChesney score for the 23-8 final score. Mathews piled up 10 points, and Toscas led the losers with 4.

Chi Psis Smothered

The poor man's Harlem Globetrotters—Chi Psi—had little trouble with Nestor. The white-suited lads frolicked to a 2-1 first-period lead, despite missing several dozen lay-ins.

Prett Holt and burly Del Clemmons began to hit in the second quarter and paced the winners to a 11-3 lead at halftime.

The Chi Psi scoring tempo increased in the third frame and it was 21-5 at the start of the final quarter.

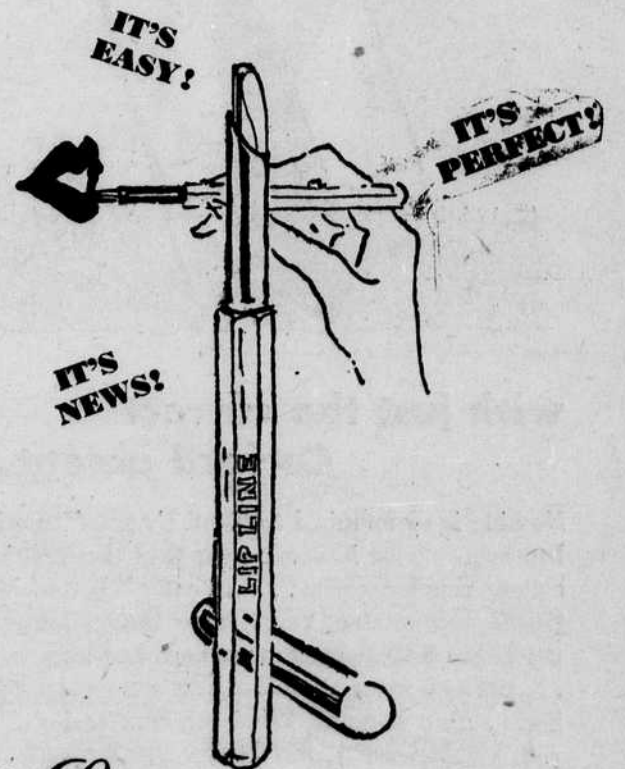
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