

# ND Season Opens in North

## Ducks Take Four Wins In a Row

With a win-loss record of six and five, the Oregon varsity basketball team faces a rugged weekend with two games against the highly touted University of Washington quintet, to be played Jan. 5 and 6 at Seattle.

Oregon's last varsity basketball outing consisted of a two-game McArthur Court stand against what should have been a badly out-manned Santa Clara squad.

### Double Triumph

The Webfoots were victorious both nights, Dec. 29 and 30, winning the first game 77-53 and stumbling through to a 47-46 triumph in the second. In the initial encounter, Oregon led the Broncos by ten points with just four minutes remaining in the game, when the Ducks went wild. With Mel Street and Ken Hunt leading the way with four points apiece in that end-of-the-game spree, the local entry fattened their margin to 24 points, while holding Santa Clara scoreless. Oregon led by a scant 33-30 at the half.

Race-horse Guard Jack Keller paced the Ducks with 14 points, ably backed by Curt Barclay with 12, Jim Loscutoff 11, and Mel Street 10. Jack Nalty, six-four Santa Clara center, pumped in 16 points to lead all scoring.

With less than 10 minutes of the first game gone, John Warren sat his starting five on the bench. They were back in the second half.

The second game was a comedy of errors, with the Californians clinging to a 28-27 edge at the half.

Apparently in an attempt to get some Santa Clara fingerprints on the backboards, Coach Bob Feerick of the Broncos boomed his height into the game. That factor, plus the same, agonizing-to-watch ball control system that they employed in the first game brought the visitors to within the grasp of victory.

The respectably-sized crowd was waiting for the Ducks to break away from the Broncos as they had the night before, but although Warren kept his top men in practically the entire game, no break away was to be had. With a little more than four minutes left in the game, the Broncos owned a 42-41 lead.

However, for a five minute period, the Bronks were held to a single free throw, while Oregon pushed in half a dozen points.

### UCLA Series

The UCLA-Oregon two-gamer December 8 and 9 at the Igloo unveiled a spectacular reversal of form, in that the Bruins smothered the Ducks by 20 points the first night, and were themselves buried by 18 points the following evening.

The story behind the collapse of the Californians seems to lie in their lack of height, and consequent reliance on the unpredictable shooting average. The first evening, paced by Forward Jerry Norman, the Bruins maintained a sizzling average, and thereby hung the tale.

### Bruins Bounced

In the second game the shooting fell to a .282, which did not prove to be enough to carry the UCLA attack.

# EMERALD Sports

## Kramer, Pancho, Gussie, Pauline Vie Tonight in Igloo

The famous Bobby Riggs professional tennis troupe, featuring the great Jack Kramer and Pancho Segura, will appear in McArthur Court at 8 p.m. tonight for their second annual singles-doubles demonstration.

Despite the substitution of Pauline Betz and Gussie Moran for Pancho Gonzales and Frank Parker, who participated in the 1950 tennis show at Eugene, an outstanding exhibition of net skill is expected.

Kramer, who holds more major amateur and professional titles than any other player has ever acquired, will meet Segura in the opening three-set match. Although Kramer is currently enjoying a 27-13 margin over Segura in their nation-wide tour, he still remembers that Pancho upset him for the world professional crown last summer.

### Kramer U. S. Champ

Kramer seized the United States Singles Championship in 1946 and 1947 and placed second in 1943. He was a member of the National Doubles Championship squad in 1940, 1941, 1943, and 1947. Segura, while playing for Miami Univer-

Even though the Webfoots claimed a 32-22 bulge at the half, most of the spectators who witnessed the first game, and came back for more, were waiting for the roof to fall in on the Oregonians. When the final gun sounded, however, the dome was still on, and Oregon emerged with a 72-54 victory, their sweetest of the season.

### Three Out of Seven

In the rest of the current season, the Ducks have a record of three won and four lost, all games being played on the road.

Dec. 1, in the season opener for Oregon, the Webfoots dropped a tilt to the University of Utah at Salt Lake City, 59-39.

But the Webfoots came back the next night to snatch a tight one from Utah State by a 66-64 count for the first road victory in almost two seasons.

The third game of the 1950-51 season found Oregon closer to home, but no better off, when the Webfoots dropped a heartbreaker to the University of Portland, 68-67, in Portland.

### Cowboys Tough

The UCLA series, described above, came next for the Ducks, and they hit the road once more, this time to Laramie, Wyo., for a series with the University of Wyoming Cowboys. The Cowpokes took both games, 88-57 and 73-55. Speed, ability and general classiness sold victory for the Wyoming squad.

Back in their own northwest once more, the Ducks sailed into Tacoma

sity, captured the NCAA title in 1943, 1944, and 1945.

Kramer and Segura both captured victories in the 1950 McArthur Court exhibition. Kramer overcame a 3-0 deficit to defeat Pancho Gonzales and his 100 m.p.h. serve 6-3, 6-3. The match lasted only 35 minutes. Segura was hard-pressed to achieve a 9-7, 7-5 victory over Frank Parker. Segura and Gonzales seized a quick 4-1 lead over Kramer and Parker, in the doubles match, but the veterans rallied and won 7-5.

Mrs. Pauline Betz will meet Gussie Moran in the second match tonight. Mrs. Betz, winner of the National Women's Singles Championship in 1942, 1943, 1944, and 1946, has easily won 20 matches from Miss Moran, who managed to win 7 out of the 29 played (two ended in ties).

Kramer and Miss Moran will meet Segura and Mrs. Betz in a mixed-doubles match which might be the closest of the evening. Admission price for Oregon students and children is 50 cents, 90 cents will be charged for adult admission, and reserved seats will be \$1.80.

## Refs Needed For IM Tilts

The intramural sports office has issued a call for referees for the winter term intramural basketball program.

Anyone interested is asked to contact Paul Washke at the intramural sports office in the School of Health and Physical Education, and to leave his name, address, and telephone number if Washke is not in.

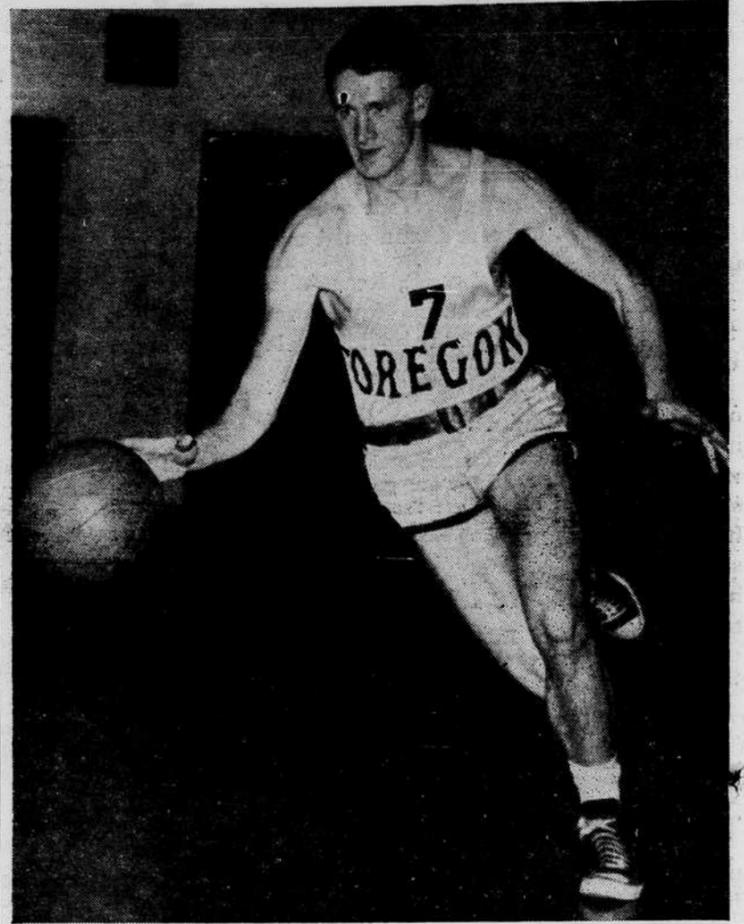
Entry blanks for winter term intramural track and bowling must be received by the intramural office before 3 p.m. Friday, Washke said.

Schedules for basketball and handball, also included in the winter term intramural sports program, were completed Tuesday and will be mailed to participating teams in time to arrive by Saturday. Teams which fail to receive these schedules by Saturday are asked to see Washke personally.

on Dec. 27 and 28 and took the College of Puget Sound to town twice, 72-65 and 68-66, the latter showing that Oregon does win a heartbreaker itself once in a while. The Santa Clara series followed these games.

There is little contentment to be found by people who are contented to remain discontent.

## Husky Hunter



**RAPIDLY IMPROVING** Ken Hunt, Junior guard for the Oregon Ducks, may be an early insertion into the Webfoot lineup against the University of Washington in Seattle this weekend. Hunt has shown more drive than in past seasons, and is sharpening his shooting eye and ball-handling ability.

## Rose Bowl May Be Abandoned, Says PCC Head

RIVERSIDE, Cal. (AP, courtesy Station KUGN)—There is a possibility the Pacific Coast Conference may not participate in future Rose Bowl games.

This possibility was introduced yesterday by President H. E. Paul Everest of the PCC.

Everest said conference officials were disturbed by the growing intensity of post-season football games. He added the officials will hold a special meeting in Dallas, Tex., next week to discuss the future fate of the Rose Bowl game.

The National Collegiate Athletic association is meeting next week in Dallas. PCC officials will hold their special meeting following the NCAA convention.

Everest made his statement in the presence of conference Commissioner Victor Schmidt. Everest said there has been no disagreement in any way with the Big 10 or the tournament of Roses association, which stages the game. He said the whole problem is strictly within the Coast conference itself.

If the PCC does decide to withdraw from the Rose Bowl game, the Tournament of Roses officials would have the right to name any two teams in the nation willing to play in the annual New Years day classic.

## SPORTS STAFF

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## Hood Tramway Starts Operation

PORTLAND, (AP, Courtesy Station KUGN)—The three-mile Mt. Hood aerial tramway between Government Camp and Timberline Lodge went into operation Wednesday.

The tramway—longest of its kind in the nation—cost an estimated 750-thousand dollars. Two tram cars will be operated, each seating 36 persons.

Officials of the Mt. Hood Aerial Transportation company and radio and press representatives made the inaugural run.

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## Frosh Lose Four Men on Grades

Oregon Frosh Basketball Coach Don Kirsch handed his annual setback at the hands of the all-powerful grade point average at the end of fall term as his Ducklings suffered four casualties.

The victims included Regular Forward John Reynolds, Guard Paul Poetsch, Forward Bob Stout, and Guard Al Christensen.

Reynolds ranked third in Frosh scoring with 23 points and also was outstanding in the backboard department. Poetsch had dropped in

five field goals in thirteen attempts for a respectable .385 average—second best on the Duckling squad. Stout was second in scoring (24 points) and in backboard recoveries (24).

### Season Record

Before the GPA lightning struck, the undefeated Ducklings had defeated the Portland and Linfield Frosh quintets and the Oregon College of Education varsity. Since the 1949-50 squad closed its season with nine straight triumphs, Coach Kirsch's charges are now enjoying

a twelve-game winning streak and will be seeking their 13th when they engage the Oregon State Rooks Friday, January 12, at Corvallis.

The Frosh edged the Portland Frosh 49-44 in their opener at Portland. On the following Friday, Dec. 8, the Ducklings routed the Linfield Frosh 66-42 at the local court immediately before the Duck regulars absorbed a similar treatment administered by UCLA. The Ducklings defeated the OCE varsity 66-55 the next night.

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