

Duck Tracks

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Now is the time for all good basketballs to come to the aid of Oregon.

A Northern Division championship hangs on the balance. If Oregon wins tonight and Saturday night, the Ducks will either have the title or will be deadlocked for first place honors, depending upon the outcome of the Washington-WSC double-header this weekend.

If the Ducks and Beavers divide the two-game series, the crown will go to Washington, provided that they take both games from the Cougars in the Husky Stronghold at Seattle.

If Oregon State outscoures the Webfoots in both encounters, and Washington wins at least one from their Pullman neighbors, the title, of course, will go to the Huskies.

However, if both doubleheaders are split, a playoff will be necessary in order to determine the Northern Division champs. The playoff probably would take place on a neutral floor.

If Coach Slat's pre-season predictions deserve consideration, the Beavers have more power than their record indicates. Gill picked Oregon, Washington, and Oregon State as the loop's top contenders for the toga.

Oregon State's official basketball press book, also expressing optimism, stated boldly: "Oregon State expects to be in the thick of the Northern Division championship race this weekend."

The wheel of fate comes to a halt under the strangest circumstances. The Beaver press agents were absolutely right—the Beavers are in the thick of the title race this weekend. However, this influence upon the selection of the champions will not permit them to seize the honors for themselves.

The past several months have not been entirely successful from the viewpoint of North Koreans, basketball fixers, or Beavers. Omitting the fortunes of the former groups, which probably can be considered less desirable than Beavers, we may turn to the subject of Oregon State 1951 hoop activities.

The Beavers celebrated their "Golden Jubilee" (Semi-centennial!) 50th year of basketball by descending into the Northern Division cellar, which they now dominate.

Yes, it's been 50 years, a long time. The first Beaver quintet, led by such cage stalwarts as "Ham" Bilyeu and "Rat" Rinehart, played OSC's first basketball game, dropping a 63-11 decision to Willamette University. It was the first defeat as well as the worst defeat of Aggie history.

The Beavers have special reasons for desiring a double victory this weekend. Unless they win both games, the Ags will finish the season in the division basement for the first time in history. Every other ND squad has seen cellar seasons before.

Oregon finished last with a 2-6 mark in 1923, the year that the Northern Division was formed, and also took last place in 1933 (2-14) and last year (6-10).

Washington State finished last in 1925, 1926, 1928, 1944, and 1946. Washington ended in the basement only once, in 1949. Montana accomplished that feat three times (1924), 1927, and 1929) before dropping out of the PCC hoop ranks.

SAE's Advance

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icks of SAE; Don McCauley of Phi Delt took third.

Hurdles—Won by Dick Morse of Phi Delt in 5.9 seconds. Buckley was second for SAE and Shan Trebbe took third for SAE.

Polevault—Tie for first place at 9 feet between Ed Kershner and Bert Simmons of SAE and Morse of Phi Delta Theta.

40-yard dash—Hal Davis of SAE won with a time of 4.9 seconds; Daryle Nelson of Phi Delt and Thorpe of Phi Delt were second and

The Grizzlies returned to the ND for one season, 1938, and finished last again.

Idaho holds the remaining basement finishes. Although the Vandals celebrated the creation of the Northern Division in 1923 by taking the ND and Pacific Coast Conference crowns, the Muscovites have had few championship seasons since then.

Idaho finished last for three straight seasons (it is difficult to determine a "straight" season in these present days of basketball fixing), jumped up to fourth place in 1933, and returned to the bottom of the pile for the following four campaigns.

The Vandals then finished only two games away from first place in 1938, but they bounced back to the cellar for the 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, and 1943 seasons.

The following years included rather strange developments. The Idahoans finished next to last in 1944 and gained their sixth basement finish in seven years in 1945.

This was discouraging, so the Vandals took the Northern Division title in 1946 before quietly settling down in the cellar again for the following two seasons.

Idaho now has another opportunity for a last-place season, depending upon the outcome of the Duck-Beaver games tonight and Saturday. Two Oregon wins will provide the Beavers with undisputed cellar possession.

One Duck triumph will mean a Vandal-Beaver deadlock for last place, while the unlikely event of two OSC victories will put the Beavers in fourth place.

Several former Duck hoop artists fired spheroids through iron rims with outstanding consistency during the District Seven AAU tournament which ended Monday.

Former Oregon Guard **Ernie Baldini** scored 26 points during the Eugene Rocket 61-57 quarter-final victory over the Oregon Lumber Sales squad while another ex-Duck, Paul Sowers, was netting 22 for Everybody's Drugs in a semi-final 66-57 Everybody's triumph over Copping's Tires.

The Rockets smashed through the semi-finals with a decisive 76-43 rout of the Florence Loggers as Baldini sank 14 field goals and 6 free throws for 34 points, the highest total in Eugene AAU competition this season. Another Rocket, ex-Oregon Center Bob Amacher, scored 14 points and took a good share of the rebounds.

The district championship battle featured the performances of four members of the 1950 Oregon hoop squad. Everybody's Drugs took the title with a 73-48 win over the Rockets as Dale Warberg and Paul Sowers spearheaded the attack, scoring 28 and 15 respectively.

Bob Amacher of the Rockets tallied 11, while Ernie Baldini pounded the hoop for 25 points, giving him a three-game total of 85.

Relay—won by Phi Delt in a time of 16.5 seconds—team of Thorpe, Morse, Nelson and Lou Urban.

Some Record

Columbia, marking time until it can clinch the Ivy league title officially, keeps on adding to its undefeated basketball string, now 29 straight.

The country's only major all-winning team this season crushed Brown last night, 93-55, for its 20th straight this season. Columbia won nine straight at the tail end of last season.

Oregon Foreign Students Gather For International Festival Saturday

Foreign students from all over Oregon will gather on the campus Saturday for the YM-YWCA International Festival. Representing countries in all parts of the world, these foreign students will meet to exchange ideas with each other and with American university students.

Foreign students from various colleges in Oregon have been invited to participate in the Festival activities, as well as International Relations League conferees and University Cosmopolitan Club members. University students also may attend the coffee hour and the luncheon.

Registration for the Festival will continue from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Student Union, and after lunch, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The luncheon will be at 12 noon in the Student Union soda bar. Tickets are not necessary.

A discussion will be led by Dr. Clifford Maser, dean of the School of Business and Technology at Oregon State College. The purpose of the discussion will be to help foreign students in this country know how to better interpret their country to Americans, and how, in turn,

to interpret this country.

Dr. Maser has studied abroad at the University of Cologne and the University of Vienna. He has also done work in Zurich, Paris, Berlin and London as executive assistant with Carolbronze, Ltd.

A coffee hour from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Gerlinger, will be an informal, "get-acquainted" affair for both foreign and American students.

Entertainment music and dances starting at 3:30 p.m. will be under the direction of the Cosmopolitan Club.

Numbers on the program will be a violin solo by Ellen Liebe, senior in music; a Guatemalan sun dance by Vicky Perez, foreign student from Guatemala; a dance of the Philippines by Mrs. George Olivar and Glory Galia, both from the Philippines; Japanese folk songs sung by Yoshiko Seki and June Nadata; two French songs sung by Maurice Morello and Pierre Pasquo, foreign students from France; German folk songs by a group of five German foreign students led by Gesila Calliebe; and two American folk songs, "Old

Smokey" and "Skip to My Lou" by the freshman music commission of the YWCA. The entertainment will be presented in native costume.

A dinner for foreign students will be prepared and served by the "Y" sophomore commission social chairmen at 5:30 p.m. in Gerlinger sun porch. Tickets for the dinner are 75 cents. Foreign students and Cosmopolitan Club members should make reservations by Friday noon at the YWCA.

Concluding the day's festivities will be a dance at 8 p.m. in Gerlinger Annex. Different dances of foreign countries will be featured and games will be played. Intermission entertainment will be furnished by Adriana Jaunlins, from Latvia, and Jane Brown, who will perform a ballet dance.

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Alumnus William Bruce IRL Conference Speaker

The International Relations League conference today and Saturday is also a homecoming for its main speaker, William J. Bruce, 1931 Oregon graduate in political science.

Bruce, now assistant director of the United Nations statistical office in Manhattan, N. Y., will speak at the conference banquet at 6:30

p.m. today in the Student Union. Since his arrival on the campus, he has been talking to political science classes.

When asked, Thursday if he believed there was an over-emphasis of the political aspect of the U. N., Bruce stated that a study of the organization would show some very quiet but effective work in economic and social aspects.

Bruce pointed out that three of the five committees in the General Assembly deal with the economic and social phases. "Delegations are always largely composed of economic advisors rather than political representatives," he noted.

"The technical assistance program for under developed areas is now proceeding from the planning stage to specific projects," Bruce related. The Economic and Social Council, now meeting in Santiago, Chile, is reviewing where and how the money is being spent.

Bruce has been with the statistical office since its organization in 1945. Work of the office includes collecting and publishing economic and social statistics to give a picture of current and long-range trends, thus providing a basis for the work of the General Assembly and Economic and Social Council. A second purpose of the office is the development of more accurate and adequate statistics in member nations.

Noting the changes on the Oregon campus, Bruce commented on the number of new buildings. "Friendly Hall was still a men's dorm when I was here," he said. "Oregon Hall was the Law School and Fenton, the library. Bruce, who also received a master's degree from Oregon in 1934, is affiliated with the Oregon chapter of Delta Tau Delta social fraternity.



WILLIAM J. BRUCE

'Basket Ball' Title Of Saturday Mix

The University Faculty String Quartet will perform at 4 p.m. Sunday in the School of Music Auditorium. Admission is free to students and the public.

Numbers featured will be Haydn's "Opus 76, No. 4, in B flat," often called the "Sunrise Quartet," and Schubert's "Trout Quintet, Opus 114." For the Schubert work, Ann Thompson, junior in music, cellist, and William Woods, graduate student in music, pianist, will be added to the quartet, while Mrs. Mary Kapp Allton, second violinist, will not play.

The regular members of the quartet are Edmund A. Cykler, professor of music, viola; George Boughton, assistant professor of music, first violin; Milton Dieterich, assistant professor of music, violincello; and Mrs. Allton, second violin.

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