

Duck Tracks

By Bill Gurney
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The man who guides the destiny of the Washington basketball team hit town Thursday with his charges, and put them through a short shooting drill to sharpen already sharp eyes for the Dad's weekend series against the Ducks.

Looking very dapper in his brown double-breasted suit, Tippy Dye had the usual coaches comment to make regarding the forthcoming series. He was of the opinion that the Ducks would bounce back from the pair of terrible lickings they received in Seattle, and would be tough to beat.

He also said that the toughest team his Huskies have played this year was St. Louis.

Watching Frank Guisness, Bob Houbregs, and company warm up was a spectacle of shooting accuracy. Houbregs, for example, hit something like twelve of his renowned hook shots without a miss.

Eugene's Dean Parsons Is on UW Varsity

And a little later Dye had his freshman protege, six-foot, eight-inch Dean Parsons from Eugene out on the floor practicing the same shot. Dye stood in back court and passed the leather in to Parsons, whereupon he would shoot with less easy skill than Houbregs, but with the promise of a lot of improvement in the future.

For Parsons is just a freshman at Washington, and went there after being an all-American choice during his prep days at Eugene high school. It is sad indeed that such a towering basketball nugget left his own home town for fields which must have been greener. At any rate, Tippy Dye will certainly realize all his hoop potentialities and make him a finished basketball player; albeit one who will no doubt prove a considerable thorn in the side of future Webfoot teams.

We were talking to Dean in the dressing room as he was removing his size 16 shoes, and he said that it was real nice to be back home.

The big boy with the infectious grin says he is "learning a lot about basketball under Tippy Dye," and likes Washington a lot.

Duck System Depends on Ball-Handling

On the other side of the fence, Oregon Coach Bill Borchert tried a new piece of strategy last night when he started Ken Wegner at a forward spot. Wegner, normally a guard, was moved to the front court in order to add speed and ball-handling talent to the Duck five, at the expense of rebound strength.

"Our system depends on ball-handling," stated Borchert, "and we use constant screening to break men loose for shots. Washington, on the other hand, uses a stand-around offense, with lots of opportunities created for men like Guisness to shoot long, drive in, or pass in to Houbregs for a hook shot."

In regard to his personnel, Borchert said he places a lot of stress on defensive play—"It's a cheap way to win ball games. In fact, most of our substitutions during the St. Mary's series were made because of defensive lapses."

Peterson Led Oregon in Upset Last Year

If the Ducks should come through for a surprise upset in this series, it would be a triumph of spirited desire and will to win against a team which in the last analysis has just plan "got the horses."

Of course there was last year, when the Huskies came to Eugene February 23 and 24 with much the same team which they have now.

The Ducks lost 77-68 Friday night, but boomed back Saturday to score a phenomenal 52 points in the first half and walk off with an 82-75 victory. Playing a vital part in that stirring win was Bob Peterson, then a 19-year-old sophomore. Peterson scored 28 points for an Oregon record in Northern Division competition, and included in these were 14 free throws for another record.

Here's Hoping Dads Get Treat

So there is a precedent for that sort of thing. In fact, the Huskies have not swept a series from Oregon at McArthur court since 1944, and have managed just three wins in their last 14 starts on the local maple boards.

In conclusion, we hope that the visiting Oregon dads, between spells of inquiring why Junior got that one-point, and writing checks to pay for various extra-curricular activities, will get a chance to see the youthful Webfoot hoopsters win a ball game.

Four League Togas Clinched in IM Play

By Bill Brandsness

Four league champions appear as the Intramural hoop play pounds into its last rounds. These champs along with the ones that will win their respective league titles in the next week will enter the championship tourney starting Monday, Feb. 10. After all the shouting is over there will be an 'A' division winner and a 'B' division winner.

Roughly the 'A' division picture looks like this—Minturn hall won the league five crown with four straight wins. Campbell Club won the league seven diadem with four wins also. In league one Phi Gamma Delta is leading with a 4-1 record. Phi Delta Theta is close behind with a 3-1 record.

In league two Phi Kappa Sigma is leading with a 3-0 record, but they are followed closely by a smooth working crew from the Alpha Tau Omega house, which is holding a 2-0 record and play the Phi Kappa Sigs today at 10:00 p.m.

Sigma Nu is holding down league three for present with a 3-0 standing, but they have to down Chi Psi to keep the league from ending in a three-way-tie. The tie would include Sigma Nu, Chi Psi, and Lambda Chi Alpha. Each team would have three wins and one loss.

Delts Nearly In

Delta Tau Delta looks like a shoo-in for the league four honors. Finally Nestor hall with a 3-0 record and Sederstrom hall with have to fight it out for the league six championship.

The 'B' division began to take some shape as two of the league champs were decided last night. In league one Phi Delta Theta beat Sigma Chi in a very bitterly fought contest to become winner of that championship. In another thrilling contest Sigma Alpha Epsilon slipped past Alpha Tau Omega in the last seconds of play to become the league two champion.

Phi Gamma Delta came one game closer to the league three crown as they dumped the Lambda Chi 'Bs' last night. Delta Upsilon with a 3-0 record and Phi Sigma Kappa with a 2-0 record will fight it out for the league four championship. French hall is leading league five and Minturn needs only one more win to walk off with

the league six championship.

SAE Wins in Final Seconds
In the most exciting game of the day SAE knocked off ATO to win the 'B' division league two championship by a slim 22-21 margin.

With ten seconds to play ATO held a 21-20 lead. Ray Karnofski drew two foul shots and sank both to push SAE ahead. The lads from ATO had several chances to win, but lost out as the gun went off. Karnofski was high for SAE with nine points and Lyman was high for the losers with eight.

In another league championship game Phi Delta Theta beat Sigma Chi 25-19 to become the 'B' division league one winner. The score at half time was 10-10 after Sigma Chi blew an early first quarter lead. In the third quarter the Sig machine fell to pieces and the Phi Delts took quick advantage to put the game on ice. Lewis was high for the winners with nine. Calderwood was high for the losers with seven.

Fiji's Close to Title

In another vital 'B' game Phi Gamma Delta trounced Lambda Chi Alpha to bring themselves within one win of the league three title. The Fijis lead all of the way and finally ended up with a 26-14 victory. Bowles scored eight for the Fijis and Ransom hit eight for Lambda Chi.

In three other 'B' division games that do not stand in light of the league championships, Sherry Ross-Omega downed Gamma hall 24-17, Theta Chi beat Beta Theta Pi 26-13, and Delta Tau Delta edged Sigma Alpha Mu 16-11.

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joust, and Allan Wakienekona as entries.

The Oregon entries.
300 yd. medley: Henry Kalura, Dick Ruckdeschel and Jim Allan.
200 yd. freestyle: Gordon Edwards and Phil Lewis.

50 yd. freestyle: Milton Kotoshirodo and Dave Houck.

200 yd. individual medley: Yosh Terada and Allan Wakienekona.

Diving: Pete Charlton and Hal Davis.

100 yd. freestyle: Milton Kotoshirodo and Harry Fuller.

200 yd. breast-stroke: Allan Wakienekona and Dick Ruckdeschel.

200 yd. back-stroke: Henry Kalura and John English.

440 yd. freestyle: Gordon Edwards and Phil Lewis.

400 yd. medley relay: Dave Houck, Harry Fuller, Jim Allan and Milton Kotoshirodo.

Distance: Gordon Edwards.

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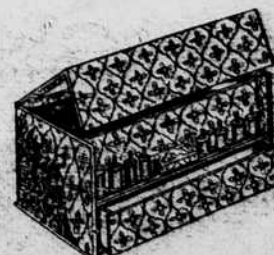
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