Basketballers Pull Surprise, End Season in Third Place

FINAL NORTHERN DIVISION STANDINGS

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| Washington | 1 2 | .875 | 1030 | 781 |
| Idaho | 7 7 | .562 | 931 | 942 |
| OREGON | 8 | .500 | 936 | 948 |
| Washington State (| 5 10 | .375 | 823 | 928 |
| Oregon State | 3 13 | .188 | 770 | 891 |

Third place in the Northern division with eight wins and eight losses-that was the record of the surprising Oregon 1952 basketball team. For the entire season, their mark was 14-16, against some of the nation's leading cage squads.

When the season started, it would have been hard indeed to find an expert who would have predicted such a successful performance.

For the Ducks had a new coach, whose previous experience had been in high school ranks only. Fans wondered whether Bill Borcher would be able to make the transition. He gave them their answer.

Also, there was the matter of material. The Ducks had lost four all-division athletes from Coach John Warren's 1951 second place aggregation; the brilliant guard combination of Mel Krause and Jack Keller, plus rebounding star Jim Loscutoff and sharpshooting Curt Barclay.

The experienced nucleus Borcher was left with consisted of one 1951 regular, Bob Peterson, and the "fireman", Ken Hunt. Tall Mel Streeter had also seen considerable action in 1951.

Borcher installed a new system, and the system "took." It was based on teamwork, passing, and Karr, Lauren Loveland, R. William defensive play, with a liberal dash of the traditional Duck fast break.

Key man for 1952 was Captain Hunt, a senior, who was first team all-Northern division. Chet Noe,

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leading "big men," and both copped | with Idaho. But the Beavers outall-division second team honors. n addition, Peterson made the CCiier's magazine all-coast team, and also nabbed honorable mention All-America honors. Driving sophomore Ken Wegner was awarded honorable mention in the Northern division

The Duck record includes a victory over vaunted Wyoming, and three out of four wins from archrival OSC. Until the third Beaver clash on Feb. 29, Oregon still had a chance for a second place tie vals.

lasted the Ducks, in a draetaoi lasted the Ducks, 55-52, in a dramatic finish to the McArthur court fray. With about a minute left freshman Ron Bottler hit a clutch basket to make the count 53-52, OSC leading. Then Hunt tried a desperation howitzer with seconds left which failed, and with it died Duck hopes for second.

The next night, Mar. 1, with the pressure off, Oregon waltzed to a 66-57 win over their Corvallis ri-

MEN PLEDGE UO FRATERNI

All 21 fraternities pledged men during winter term open rushing, according to the list released by the office of student affairs. The 49 men pledged were:

Alpha Tau Omega-Hichard Du-Bosch.

Beta Theta Pi-Paul Jackson, Norman Forbes, Kenneth Reiser.

Chi Psi-Jim Harris. Delta Tau Delta-James Harbaugh, Allen Henry, Ron Morgan. Delta Upsilon-Robert Burgess, Norm Sievertson, Hugh Ward.

Kappa Sigma-Marvin Eby. Lambda Chi Alpha-Jim Case. Phi Delta Theta-Norm Kolb, Paul Byrne.

Phi Gamma Delta-Rob Fausett. Richard Lozo

Phi Kappa Psi-Richard Vinson. Phi Kappa Sigma-Robert Christensen, Robert Hinman, Dave Phelon, Jame Solidum.

Phi Sigma Kappa-Frank L. Brownell.

Pi Kappa Alpha-Robert Ander-

Childers, Harold Childs, Rexford Davis, Alan Packer, Don Rogers. Sigma Alpha Mu-Irwin Holzman.

Sigma Chi-Charles Greenley, Hugh Marxer.

Sigma Nu-Jack Dennon, John Hepner, Charles Lemons, Donald Newman, Dennis Short, Charles Warnock.

Sigma Phi Epsilon-Craig Canfield, Dick Graham, Michael Hogan, Dick Newstrum.

Tau Kappa Epsilon-Henry Kaiura, Kenneth Lowe. Theta Chi-Robert Summers.





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