Ducks Now in Cougar Hunting Land

Eleven Players Hope To Protect Second Place

By Sam Vahey **Emerald Sports Editor**

Eleven members of the Oregon basketball team left Eugene early Thursday morning, bound for a two game, weekend basketball engagement with the cellar dwelling Washington State college Cougars.

The Oregons, firmly entrenched in second place in the Northern Division of the Pacific Coast conference, spent last night at Spokane and will journey to the WSC campus at Pullman Hank Bonneman; and five guards. this afternoon.

berg, Bob Stout and Harlan Wayne Johnson, was left in Eu- squad. Mickey: two centers, Chet Noe and gene with the flu.



COACH BILL BORCHER Oregon Fast Break vs. . . .

The invasion of the Palouse Hills will be of prime importance to the Webfoots in their effort to widen the gap between themselves and the three ND teams below them in the standings.

Two wins would virtually wrap up the runner-up position for Oregon as they have lost only four games to Idaho's seven and OSC's

At Washington State, the Ducks will run into a team that has been dropped deep into the basement of the division. Although the Cougars have lost nine of their ten games, they have, nevertheless, given all opponents a run for their money.

Last weekend the hapless boys of Jack Friel stayed ahead of Washington's high riding Huskies for three periods before finally succumbing in the last. frame, 69 to 56.

A recent acquisition to the WSC Barney Holland, Bob Hawes, Ken roster is towering Howard Mc- out for the college team until the Making the trip were four for- Wegner, Bud Covey and Howard Cant,6' 8", 255 pound center who last few weeks. He made his first wards, Keith Farnam, Ed Hal- Page. A twelfth man on the squad played end on the Cougar football appearance in the WSC lineup

McCant, a junior, played high



WSC Two Platoon System

school basketball but didn't turn last weekend against the Univer-

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Edwards Tries For 1500 Meter Water Record

Gordon Edwards, one of Oregon's top distance swimmers will try to break the national collegiate record of 20:41.8 in the 1500-meter event against Idaho Friday. The existing record is held by Bryon Canning.

According to Coach John Borchardt, Edwards has been pressing Canning's time in trials held at the pool this week. However, he made no comment as to how close Edwards came to the mark.

Borchardt also stated that if Edwards did crack the time, it would be the first time an Oregon athlete has established a national collegiate record since World War II.

The meets this weekend open Northern Division play, Friday, the Ducks compete against Idaho at 2:30 and Saturday meet the Washington State team at 2:00. The meets will be held in the men's pool and are open to the public.

Houbregs Raises Havoc With ND Casaba Records

Center Bob Houbregs, who broke the old Northern Division scoring record with six games still to be played, has also snapped a season record and is a near cinch to crack four others, statistics from the Pacific Coast Conference Commissioner's office showed.

Houbregs boosted his total for the first 10 games to 276 points Saturday night against Washington State, breaking the old record of 265 set in 1948 by Jack Nichols of Washington. His 28-point performance that night also boosted his field goal total to 103, topping the old mark of 98 set by Vince Hanson, Washington State, in 1945.

In addition to scoring, Houbregs also leads the Division in field goal marksmanship, 55.4 per cent, and rebounds, 134, while teammate Charlie Koon is the No. 1 free throw shooter with a perfect mark on 16 attempts.

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