

Duck Tracks

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As far as we can determine, big Chet Noe was the "Belle of the Ball" at Seattle last weekend, where Oregon's tenacious basketball quint dropped both games of a two-contest series with the University of Washington Huskies, even though the tall hoopster was a member of the losing team.

Noe Outscored 'Hooks'

Big Chet not only held the Huskies' great hook-shot artist, Bob Houbregs to 33 points in the series, but also managed to dump in a total of 44 counters on his own during the two tilts. Noe's performance did not go unnoticed by sportswriters in the Seattle area either.

We quote from a release by the Athletic News Service at the University of Washington. "Oregon's great defensive center, Chet Noe combined with the best 'sagging' defense the University of Washington has seen this season, limited Bob Houbregs' scoring potential for the Huskies last weekend, but the big pivot ace still went far from scoreless."

Undoubtedly, an average of 16.5 points per game in a series can not be considered as going scoreless, but in comparison with some of Houbreg's other performances this year, the total chalked up by him last Friday and Saturday was nothing to cheer about.

We don't intend to detract from "Hooks'" reputation in the least, however, but merely would like to point out that Chet Noe's accomplishment was no small thing. When a man who has a 24.8 points-per-game average is held to 17 and 16 points on successive nights, and is outscored in the bargain by his defensive opponent, it seems that said defensive opponent deserves a bit of recognition for his efforts.

'Greatest Pivot Man'

To get back to Houbregs again, however, who was described by his coach, Tippy Dye, as "the greatest pivot man in college basketball," the 6-foot, 7-incher is certainly living up to his advance press notices. Among other records he has already broken this year is the individual season's scoring mark of 265 set by Jack Nichols of Washington in 1948. At this point, "Hooks" has 370 counters, and unless he slumps terrifically in the two remaining games with Idaho, he should pass the 400 mark.

Noe Also Breaks Records

His value to the team is not confined to scoring, however, as he is the leading rebounder on the Husky squad with 292 rebounds, even surpassing teammate Doug McClary, who has garnered a total of 267 off the boards so far this season, including non-league tilts.

It looks as if Chet Noe will also break the former scoring record for ND season play, as he has currently accumulated 260 tallies in Northern Division competition, and needs only six points in this weekend's games to become the second highest scorer in conference history.

He has already broken the old Oregon conference record, set at 235 by Roger Wiley in 1949. Noe will also be shooting for the division rebound record this weekend. The present mark of 223 was set by Bob Peterson of Oregon last year, and Chet will have to add 33 rebounds to his present total of 191 to break the record.

The 1953 Webfoots as a team have also broken their share of records this year. They have scored more points than any Oregon quintet of years past, have both attempted and made more free throws than any previous Duck team, and their field goal average also breaks the former Oregon mark.

Oregon State's always dangerous Beavers are on the agenda for the Webfoots this weekend, and although the men of Slats Gill were upset twice last weekend by Washington State, they are still capable of giving the Ducks all they want, and perhaps even more. Both teams will be trying to get the advantage in the race for the Chancellor's trophy, and as always in the "Civil War" tilts, previous games' results mean nothing.

Any Way You Look At It

Apparently, Oregon has the runner-up spot in the Northern Division almost cinched, for any combination of an Idaho loss to Washington in the series at Moscow or even one victory for the Ducks over OSC will give the Oregon quint a mathematical certainty of finishing in second place. Even if Oregon should drop both of its tilts with the Staters, it is unlikely that Idaho will come up with a sweep of the Washington series.

If Oregon does take the runner-up slot this season, it will be the second time they have done so in the last three years. The 1951 Webfoot quint finished second, with Washington taking the title that year also. In past Northern Division games with Oregon State, Oregon holds a 60-48 margin in games won, and have a 13 to 7 edge in series won, with ten ending in ties.

MEADOWS' DERBY

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It's still Seton Hall's Pirates on top of this week's national hoop ratings, but file this prediction: they are due to be upset within the week, either against Dayton on Sunday, or against Louisville Monday, probably the latter. Last week the Pirates notched two more decisions, walloping Villanova, 83-68, and skipping past Loyola of Chicago, 52-49.

That gave them 26 consecutive wins for the season, which ties the national record held by Holy Cross and Long Island. The Setonians, who will participate in the National Invitational Tournament, will be aiming at a new mark when

they meet Baldwin-Wallace Friday.

The next three teams remained close behind. LaSalle's Explorers (22-2), scheduled to defend their NIT championship, laced Muhlenberg, 106-73, and turned in a 73-68, score over Georgetown; Washington (24-1) clinched the Northern Division title with 84-67 and 86-72 victories over Oregon; and Indiana (15-2) neared the Big Ten title as it tripped Wisconsin, 72-70, and thumped Ohio State, 81-67.

Western Kentucky, another NIT entry, rose from eighth to fifth as it splattered Middle Tennessee, 95-57, bested Tennessee Tech, 74-61, and romped over Kentucky Wesleyan, 108-57, to compile a 23-4 slate. Right behind is North Carolina State's Wolfpack (22-5), who trampled Washington and Lee, 108-69, and made up for an earlier loss by bounding North Carolina, 87-66.

Seventh spot is held by Manhattan. The Jaspers, with eighteen wins in 20 starts, edged St. Francis of Brooklyn, 62-60, and downed Brooklyn College, 74-51, to move up from ninth.

Down one position in eighth is Louisiana State; the Bengals, boasting a 19-1 record, sewed up the Southern conference championship Monday night. Last week they registered a 71-60 conquest over Pensacola Navy, and swept past a weak Georgie Tech outfit, 76-52.

Two newcomers round out the top ten. Miami of Ohio is ninth with 16 wins to offset three reversals; during the week the Ohioans measured Dayton by a 74-65 count and blasted Kent State, 99-57. The number ten squad is Brigham Young, the Skyline Brigham leader, who has a 20-5 mark following a 73-50 victory over Utah. Miami and BYU replaced Illinois and Kansas State, who fell to the second ten.

The most unusual game of the week saw 32nd-ranked Niagara travel six overtimes before defeating Siena, 88-81, at the latter's court.

Here are the ratings through

Sunday's games:

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| 1. Seton Hall (26-0) | 26. West Va. (17-5) |
| 2. LaSalle (22-2) | 27. Duquesne (17-7) |
| 3. Washington (24-1) | 28. Cal (14-8) |
| 4. Indiana (15-2) | 29. Columbia (14-4) |
| 5. West Ky. (23-4) | 30. Seattle (22-3) |
| 6. N.C. St. (22-5) | 31. Navy (15-4) |
| 7. Manhattan (18-2) | 32. Niagara (18-5) |
| 8. L.S.U. (19-1) | 33. Furman (17-5) |
| 9. Miami O. (16-3) | 34. Richmond (17-6) |
| 10. BYU (20-5) | 35. UCLA (17-6) |
| 11. Illinois (14-3) | 36. Villanova (17-8) |
| 12. Okla A&M (18-5) | 37. USC (16-6) |
| 13. DePaul (18-6) | 38. St. John's (14-5) |
| 14. Louisville (19-5) | 39. No. Car. (17-8) |
| 15. Kansas St. (13-4) | 40. Wyoming (17-8) |
| 16. Notre Dame (16-4) | 41. Tulsa (14-7) |
| 17. Fordham (18-4) | 42. St. Louis (14-9) |
| 18. Kansas (13-4) | 43. Maryland (13-7) |
| 19. Okla City (16-4) | 44. Minn. (12-6) |
| 20. Wake For. (16-6) | 45. Toledo (15-5) |
| 21. East Ky (15-6) | 46. Marshall (18-4) |
| 22. Geo. Wash. (13-5) | 47. Santa Clara (17-6) |
| 23. Holy Cross (15-5) | 48. Wichita (15-8) |
| 24. Penn (15-4) | 49. Murray (17-8) |
| 25. Duke (16-7) | 50. Rice (14-5) |

Dessert Changes Left to Chairmen

Final decision on any change in the way deserts are scheduled between campus living organizations will be left for social chairmen to decide spring term, it was decided at Monday's heads of houses meeting.

A plan whereby a calendar of open dates for women's houses would be kept in the office of women's affairs and men's organizations would fill in the dates on a first come-first served basis during a specified week each term was introduced.

Some felt that the present system of each house handling its own schedule was adequate.

A letter from Tom Shepherd, president of the Inter-Dorm council, concerning the failure some independent dorm social chairmen have reported in getting desserts with sororities prompted the discussion.

Jane Simpson reported the Religious Director's association was making available a list of religious speakers houses could draw on any time they wished.

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