

# Duck Tracks

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Before the recent state high school basketball tournament fades completely from our minds, it might be well to mention for the last time the aspects of the tourney which were particularly interesting or notable. Marshfield high school from Coos Bay, one of the pre-tourney favorites, walked off with the title, by virtue of a 62-59 victory over the Axemen of Eugene high, just a short walk down the street from the university.

## Semi-Final Tilt Was Thriller

Beyond any shadow of a doubt, though, the game which provided the most thrills for the spectators was the semi-final tilt between The Dalles and Marshfield, which was won by the Pirates from Coos Bay 75-71 in an overtime battle after the boys from the Columbia River area had tied the score in the last few seconds.

This year's tournament, while interesting, was not quite as spectacular as that of 1952, with such performers as the high-scoring giant from the Champion Lincoln team, Swede Halbrook, and three-time all-stater Bob Altenhofen, who tried, but failed, to match the scoring punch of the fabulous Swede.

Halbrook's tourney scoring record of 166 points for the four-game competition will undoubtedly stand for years to come, for it is doubtful if another hoopster will come along, for a few years at least, who can average 41.5 points per contest against the toughest basketball competition the state of Oregon has to offer.

## Happy Days Are Here Again

While we are on the subject of big, high-scoring basketball players, the facts indicate that the University of Oregon will be the school where seven-foot, one-inch Gary Nelson of Elma, Washington, chooses to continue his education, while at the same time playing more than a little basketball for coach Bill Borchert.

Luckily for Oregon, Gary will be getting out of high school at almost the perfect time, just one year after the aforementioned Wade Halbrook, now attending Oregon State. Until just a few short weeks ago, most Oregon students and basketball fans were preparing to resign themselves to three more years of contending with the tremendous height advantage possessed by the "Splendid Spire," as he has been dubbed.

As the showing of this year's Oregon Frosh team indicates, it looked to be an almost hopeless case for the Webfoots, for the Ducklings were able to down the Rook cagers on only one occasion, while losing to them four or five times. However, the pendulum is swinging back the other way now, for, having seen Gary play, we are convinced that he will not only be able to hold Halbrook down but may even outscore him, despite the one-year difference in experience.

## Gary Should Be Great

When we watched big Gary play, he was facing a team which had one 6-foot, 8-inch boy and one 6-foot, 7-incher in the starting line-up, namely the Vancouver Trappers. Although his teammates did not feed him to any great extent, Gary scored 30 points, and generally played a style of basketball which reminded one of finished college basketball players.

He has an accurate hook shot, is an able tipper, and gets good rebound position. Only occasionally did he resort to the simple method of "dunking" the ball down through the hoop from above, although his failure to do so can be explained in part by the excellent defensive play of his opponents.

The elongated lad from Elma has other qualities which should make him a success in college. He is a good student, is amiable, and even talkative on occasion, and he has that will to win which is indispensable to any good athlete. He seems to have enough stamina to work well with a fast break team, although he will have to fill out considerably to keep from beating in the rough going under the backboards in Northern Division play.

## More Grants-in-Aid on the Way?

We certainly hope that the plan of the Oregon Athletic Department to increase the number of grants-in-aid to athletes from 60 to 100 is backed financially by alumni and donors to the fullest extent. There is no doubt that Webfoot athletic teams this year have been and are being hampered by a shortage of manpower.

The football team often had trouble in finding enough qualified gridders to make the traveling squad, although injuries had some part in causing that condition. Furthermore, coach Bill Borchert had approximately the same problem in basketball.

## DUCKS FAVORED

# Big Pin Tourney Set Here

The first annual "Association of College Unions Northwest Division Bowling Tournament," one of the top sports events of the year, is on tap for April 11. The tourney will be rolled at the Student Union alleys with Dick Williams as the director for the event. The "S.U." alleys were chosen as the site for the big tournament earlier in the year.

Eight schools from Oregon and Washington have entered the one-day tourney. Included are: University of Oregon, University of Washington, Washington State college, Oregon State college, Yakima J.C., Clark J.C., Gonzaga, and Seattle University.

The tournament will consist of a six-game team event, and a

doubles and singles roll-off. All in all twelve games will be rolled by each individual team member. The Perpetual Challenge Trophy, awarded by the Brunswick-Balke-Calender Company, will be presented to the winning kegling team, and Brunswick will also award four permanent trophies to the team, singles, doubles, and all-events winners. The trophies will be put on display by the schools whom the bowlers represent.

This is the first year in which any event of this sort has ever been held among Northwest colleges and universities. Similar bowling tournaments are held each year by the Big Ten Conference, and they have met with great success throughout the years. In 1954

the University of Washington will be the host school for the annual tourney.

The Oregon Webfoots kegling squad, coached by Lou Bellissimo, ranks as the team to beat in the team event, but they expect stiff competition from the Washington Huskies. The strength of the other six teams is unknown except for the Beavers of O.S.C., whom the Webfoots defeated twice earlier in the year. The members of the Duck team and their averages are as follows: Norm Ruecker 185, Leo Naapi 183, Don Hannu 180, Jim Ekstrom 176, George Troeh 175, and Clarence "Som" Sorensen 174.

The bowling events will start in the morning and continue all day. The public is invited to watch proceedings throughout the day.

## Two UO Graduates Get Commissions

Two 1952 graduates of the University became commissioned ensigns Feb. 19 at a Newport, R. I., ceremony of the Navy's only officer candidate school.

They are James Schwarz, who received his BS degree in psychology, and Charles Peterson, who received a BA degree in journalism at last spring's graduation.

In four months of study the students at the training school covered the same naval subjects that college NROTC students do in four years. Main areas of concentration were on gunnery, navigation, seamanship, engineering, damage control and operations.

The graduates of the school will serve on combatant and non-combatant ships in the fleet, and some will go to specialist schools to receive further training as pilots, aviation ground officers, beach masters, underwater demolition team officers and members of the Marine forces in Korea as gunnery liaison officers.

To qualify for line of officer's candidate school, a man must be a college graduate between the ages of 19 and 27, and be able to pass the physical examination.

## Personnel Institute Has Grad Openings

Karl D. Onthank, director of graduate placement and a member of the board of directors of the Western Personnel Institute has announced that the organization is now accepting a limited number of graduate students for internship.

Open to men and women interested in counseling, guidance, or other phases of educational personnel work, the final choice from the applicants will be based upon a broad academic background with special emphasis on personal fitness for work in education or personnel. Applications must be filed by September 1.

Students desiring further information about the program should contact the graduate placement office in Emerald hall.

## Inspection Planned For Air Reserves

Annual federal inspection of the University's Air Force Reserve Officers Training corps facilities will be held next Monday and Tuesday.

The inspection is part of a program that will include 208 other AFROTC detachments throughout the nation, Puerto Rico and Hawaii. A later inspection will be held for the Army unit.

For the first time the inspections will be carried out by the newly created AFROTC headquarters of the Air university located in Montgomery, Ala.

## Art School to Host Accrediting Board

The National Architecture Accrediting Board will visit the architecture and allied arts school April 13 to 14, S. W. Little, dean of the school, announced.

The board visits the school once every three years to see that it maintains the standards necessary for accreditation by the board.

Members of the board who will inspect the school are Ray Jones, head of the school of architecture at the University of Minnesota, Thomas Fitzpatrick, head of the school of architecture at Iowa State College, and Walter Gordon, Portland architect.

## Emedee Sourdry Visits Architecture School

Emedee Sourdry, horticulturist and creator of the Children's Fairyland Park in Oakland, California, is currently a visiting faculty member in the architecture and allied arts school.

Sourdry is acting as a visiting critic in landscape architecture. He brought with him several models and photographs of his work, especially of Fairyland Park. These will be displayed in the school for one week. Sourdry will remain on the campus until April 10.

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