

Bowlers Claim National Title

Local Keglers Tip Boilermakers To Earn Mythical Championship

University of Oregon laid claim to the mythical national intercollegiate championship yesterday as a result of a close telephonic victory over the Purdue Boilermakers, kingpins of the Big Ten.

The Big Ten has long been considered the hotbed of intercollegiate bowling and the winner of that league has previously claimed the mythical top place in the nation.

Oregon earned the title of Northwest champion early in April when the Ducks came out first in a tournament of eight Washington and Oregon schools.

Texas A and M, titlist in the southwest, and California, recognized as the top bowlers in the southwest, were invited to enter the competition, but declined.

Close Score
Oregon's victory margin was a scant 29 points, 3494-3465. Four games each were rolled by the five men teams.

Coach Lloyd Valleley's Purdue squad turned in the two top individual performances. John O'Hara rolled the highest series for the Boilermakers, 751; and Lou

Seimia had the highest single game total, 243.

Oregon's top scorers were Norm Ruecker, with the highest series, 732, and Jim Ekstrom, with the highest game, 225.

Complete Oregon scores were: Leo Naapi, 201, 158, 181, and 175; total, 715; Ekstrom, 145, 225, 168, 155, total, 693; George Troeh, 196, 199, 148, and 142, total, 685; Sam Sorenson, 173, 157, 146, total, 476; and Norm Ruecker, 152, 167, 221, and 192, total 732.

Bruce Koppe bowled Sorenson's last game and knocked down 193 pins.

The loss of Don Hannu, one of the team members who had helped Oregon to its Northwest crown, handicapped the Webfoot keggers.

Bellisimo Oregon Mentor
Lou Bellissimo, Student Union recreational director, coached the Eugene bowlers to the mythical title, and also guided them to their regional crown.

The university's bowling team has gone undefeated in the last two years against all college competition.

Webfoots Beat Bearcat Squad

Oregon fought off a late-inning Willamette rally, yesterday at Salem, to defeat the Bearcats, 10-6, in the final non-conference game on the Oregon schedule.

Trent Hulls started on the hill for Oregon and gave up only one run to the Salem team in seven innings. With Oregon ahead, 7-1, Bill Blodgett came in for Hulls in the eighth, and gave up five runs to the Willamette nine.

Oregon put the contest on ice in the nine, however, with three tallies in the top of the frame. Jim Livesay, who hit four for five, highlighted the uprising with a two run homer.

Earl Averill got another big blow for the Ducks, a two run triple in the fourth.

OSC Tramples Huskies

Seattle (AP) — Oregon State defeated Washington, 9-1, in Seattle Tuesday to win its sixth straight Northern Division baseball game on the road, and strengthen its hold on first place in the conference.

Oregon State had 10 hits to 7 for Washington, but six Husky errors contributed to the loss. Bob Boub, Oregon State second baseman, was the top hitter with three singles in four times at the plate. Jack Pinion of Oregon State and John Garner of Washington both hit doubles.

Oregon State led all the way behind the pitching of Bailey Brem.

Sigma Chi in Finals

Sigma Chi advanced to the finals of the intramural softball schedule yesterday with an easy 20-7 victory over the Legal Eagles. By winning, the Sigs earned the right to meet Alpha Tau Omega in the final game, to be played Thursday afternoon.

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Beavers Meet Favored Ducks On Hayward Field, Saturday

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The Oregon State Beavers come to Eugene Saturday to perform in the Spring Sports day in a track meet that is not tabbed to be bright for OSC. The Aggies have lost four meets in a row to Bill Bowerman's Ducks and there seems to be little evidence for a different outcome this year.

Coach Hal Moe will bring some of the brightest stars in the northwest along with a team that has proven themselves one of the weakest in the conference.

Such outstanding performers as Merv Brock, who holds the all time sprint record at OSC, Ralph

Sutton, PCC javelin champion, Jim Holmes, one of the division's top pole vaulters, and John Witte, an outstanding weight prospect, will take the field against the Ducks.

From there on the Aggies' outlook gets darker. Don Chambers, their ace hurdler has gone from bad to worse this season and is no longer a consistent point maker. Except for three or four field events, OSC has no depth and in the distances they can field only one top runner. The Beavers have failed to win a distance event this year.

Oregon and Oregon State met earlier this year in the annual OSC relays. No score was recorded but Oregon captured 12 of 15 events.



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