

Webfoot Hoopers Ready For San Jose St. Series

Week-end Games Rate as Toss-ups

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The University of Oregon basketball team will play their first home game of the season tonight, Friday, when they match baskets with the San Jose State Spartans at MacArthur Court at 8:00 p. m.

Coach Bill Borchers' Ducks will be shooting for their second win of the season when they take the floor against the Californians. Oregon downed Portland U. 79-72 last Tuesday evening in their opener.

The Webfoots will have no easy time if they are to score a victory over the visiting San Jose squad. The Spartans have nearly their whole team back from last year which placed third in the California Intercollegiate Conference behind Santa Clara and the University of San Francisco. They won their first game of this season by a 75-55 score over San Francisco State and looked very sharp in doing it.

Most of the Spartan scoring punch is centered in their two little guards, Carrol Williams and Buster Burgos. Williams, a tiny 135 pounder, specializes in speedy movements to tally most of his counters and Burgos is noted for a deadly jump shot. Against San Francisco State Burgos racked up 22 points and Williams was close behind with 17.

Spartans Seek Revenge

Coach Walt McPherson's visiting quint will have added incentive to win against the Ducks since the Spartans still well remember the beating they took from Oregon in football this fall.

In their final workout of the week, Thursday afternoon, Borchers' hoopsters worked mainly on offensive formations. The Oregon head man was fairly well pleased with his team's performance against Portland and because of this he plans to stick with the same starting line-up as he used in that game. This would put Ed Halberg and Bob Stout at the forward slots, Max Anderson at center, and Ken Wegner and Barney Holland at the guard posts. Also due to be plenty of action is senior guard Bob Hawes. When Hawes goes into the game, Wegner will probably move to forward and Stout will come out.

Good Bench Strength

Other Duck players who will no doubt play important roles in the games this week-end are Ray Bell, Kent Dorwin, Jerry Ross, and Howard Page. All have looked pret-

ty good in practices to date and are expected to add much needed reserve strength for this year's Oregon team.

After this week-end's games, the Ducks will begin practice for next Wednesday's home encounter with Gonzaga university.

On both Friday and Saturday nights the Oregon JV's will play



KENNY WEGNER, aggressive guard, was named on the Northern Division All-Star team last year. He usually picks up his share of fouls, but makes up for it in point totals.

preliminary tussles before the varsity tilts. Friday the junior Ducks take on McChord Field and on Saturday they take the floor against Sand Point Naval Station. Both these frays will get underway at 5:45 p. m.

Frosh Improve

With the opening of their season not far off coach Don Kirsch's Oregon Frosh basketball squad has been working very hard during the past week in preparation for their first encounter.

The Ducklings, as a result of their becoming more familiar with the Oregon system, are improving steadily and appear to have the potential for a fairly strong team.

Kirsch ran his team through screening and passing drills Thursday afternoon with much emphasis on good ball handling.

From the practice sessions so far several boys have looked outstanding and appear to have the inside track in gaining starting positions on this year's team.

At the forward positions the leading candidates seem to be Bill Moore, the rangy hook-shot artist from The Dalles, and Larry Barnes, a 6' 4" stalwart from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Looking the best among the centers have been Gregg Lininger, a strong rebounder and fair shot from Ashland, and Frank Werner, a fine player from Spokane, Washington.

At the guard positions the Ducklings have more strength than anywhere else. Two all-stars from last year's Oregon High School State Tournament lead the way on the list of standout guards.

Hale Kane Wins Volleyball Titles

Hale Kane, independent men's dorm, made a clean sweep of both the "A" and "B" league volleyball finals Thursday afternoon as they downed the Phi Delta Theta "A" and "B" teams in two games each. Yesterday's victories cinched, for the Hale Kane six, their fifth straight "A" title, and their fourth straight "B" championship in volleyball.

The Hale Kane "A's" got off to a very fast start in the first game of the day, as they bowled over their opponents, the Phi Delta Theta six, a score of 15-5. Hale Kane scored six fast points to open the game, but the Phi Deltas stopped this spree momentarily by striking twice for scores of their own. After that, Hale Kane scored the nine points needed for the win while allowing the Phi Deltas only two more.

In a direct contrast to the first game, the second one saw the Phi Deltas come out strong and out-score Hale Kane for a while. At the 7-7 mark, the hard playing started, both teams matching point for point up to a 14-14 tie. During that time many fine saves off the net were displayed by both teams, and the all-around play was some of the finest of the whole volleyball season. Hale Kane won the game, 16-14.

In "B" league action, Hale Kane again showed their superiority by downing the Phi Deltas' "B" team in two straight games. The first of the two games was a very see-saw battle all the way. Phi Delta Theta's "B" team also went ahead in the second game, and ran up five counters to one for Hale Kane. Hale Kane then went on a rampage and took the lead, 8-5, before the Phi Deltas could get possession of the ball.

Hammer Starts Wrestling Drills

Thirty-five prospective wrestlers turned out Monday, November 23 to commence the wrestling season. Practice is held every night at 3:45 in the wrestling room in the PE building. According to the coach, Bill Hammer, there is room for more bone benders. Experience is not needed and those interested should see Hammer or Bill Denman.

There will be freshman and varsity teams and both have scheduled teams such as Washington State and Oregon State. The weight divisions are respectively: 123, 130, 137, 147, 157, 167, 177, and unlimited. Contenders are needed in the lower weights especially.

The matches will open at 2:00 in Mac Court Saturday, January 9, when the varsity will wrestle OTI, and the freshmen grapple Klamath high school.

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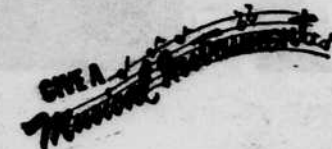
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