

EMERALD Sports

Duck Tracks

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Although Oregon had one of its best series of the year last weekend against the Brigham Young Cougars, the troubles that plagued the BYU squad both before and after they got to Eugene would be enough to make life discouraging for any team.

It all began earlier this month when star rebounder and high-scorer Nick Mateljan was refused admittance to BYU for the winter quarter in what administration officials termed "disciplinary action." It seems that the 6'4" senior had been in trouble around the campus and the school decided he was more trouble than he was worth.

Mateljan didn't like this treatment and hired a press agent to persuade the newspapers to print his side of the controversial story. Meanwhile rumors began flying around the town of Provo. People got after the University to print the facts about the case and it came out that Mateljan had stolen some books and resold them, accumulated a box full of parking tickets, and generally had a poor attitude.

Mateljan Loss Hurt

It was tough enough to lose a good player like Mateljan, but the team was badly in need of his experience and rebounding with only one other senior on the team and few tall players to take up the slack. Tough luck has dogged the Cougars anyway, with six of their 11 losses being by less than five points.

When BYU departed Thursday morning by air for Eugene, its troubles really began. First the team physician missed the plane by two hours and never did make it to the Duck-Cougar series. When the team got here Thursday night, five of the players found they hadn't packed their uniforms. They had to borrow five jerseys from Springfield high, whose colors are also blue and white, when a hurried shipment of Cougar uniforms got lost in Portland.

Earlier in the week BYU Athletic Publicity Director Dave Schulthess got on the plane at Salt Lake City for Eugene when he discovered someone had gotten him a ticket to Denver. He managed to get off, however, before he was shipped the wrong direction.

Game Movies Disappear

There were also difficulties in an exchange of game movies between Oregon and BYU. The schools had an arrangement to send each other movies of past games for scouting purposes and Oregon sent theirs in plenty of time for the series. It seems that the BYU movies sent to Oregon got lost in the mail shuffle, however, because they didn't arrive in Eugene until Friday morning. BYU Athletic Director Ed Kimbal had offered to sketch the Cougar plays for Coach Bill Borchert if the movies didn't show up but they came at the last minute to save his face.

In the games themselves, the Cougars had more troubles. Friday they ran into the record-breaking performances of Jim Loscutt with his 35 points and 32 rebounds. Saturday they really got the bad breaks when they took 21 shots at the basket and made only two in the first 10 minutes of the game. They could never make up the lead run up in the meantime by the red-hot Ducks.

To top it off, the weekend's games were two of the most poorly-refereed contests ever seen in Oregon as Bill Fouts and J. V. Glover drew the boos of the crowd time and time again with their incessant whistle-tooting. It was one of the few times in history that an Oregon crowd has booed officials for calling fouls on their own team and the calling was termed by BYU Coach Stan Watts as "lousy."

Loscutt Signs Autographs

Loscutt's point record was one of the big events of the season in Mac court this year as former record-holder Barney Holland was on the bench to watch big Jim's 35-point performance. Afterwards the grinning forward signed autographs on programs, cardboard, hot-dog holders, and other scraps of paper for admiring kids.

BYU Guard Terry Tebbs was one of the best back-court men to be seen in this part of the country in a long time. The fiery little Cougar point-maker lived up to his advance press notices as he scored 20 points each night with a high-arching one-handed jump shot as his main weapon. His aggressiveness in going after the ball more than once brought cheers from the the partisan Oregon crowd.

Freshmen Quint Loses Weekend Prelim Tussles

Oregon's basketball Frosh suffered their second twin-defeat weekend in a row as they lost a 60-54 decision to Martin Signs, a Eugene AAU club, on Friday and a 68-66 nod to Longview's Fernandez Loggers Saturday night.

Martin S's 60, Frosh 54

The lead see-sawed back and forth several times during the first half, but Martin Signs was on top 33-26 at halftime. In the second chapter, the Ducklings several times narrowed that margin to one point but were never able to find the punch to push ahead.

Doug Talbot, high man for the game with 25 points, opened the scoring for Martin Signs with a nice lay-in, but Wimp Hastings countered with a jump shot. A charity toss by Paul Tucharadt and a bucket by Dave Wanaka put the Frosh ahead by three points.

Then Talbot and John Reynolds started hitting, and the score was 15-10 for the visitors before Wanaka, Hal Duffy and Bob Faris scored to put the Frosh ahead for the last time.

Tucharadt got his hook shot working in the second period, and with the help of Dave Wanaka closed the margin to 33-32. Talbot jumped one in to make it three points, but Tucharadt came back with two free throws.

The closest the Ducklings came after this point was 41-40. After that Talbot's deft hand at the free throw lane kept Martin Signs well ahead.

Wanaka and Tucharadt led the Frosh with 13 points apiece.

Fernandez 68, Frosh 66

Guard Bob Ball, in addition to leading all scorers with 19 points, broke the Ducklings' back as he coolly sank two free tosses in the last three seconds. His chance came after the Loggers had stalled for more than a minute, with Fred Wilson doing most of the ball handling.

The first half started out like a repeat of Friday night's performance, with the Frosh behind 9-2 before they started to click. Martin Swan, a reserve forward with a deadly one-hander, kept the Ducklings in the game with four swishers in a row from outside. Halftime score favored the Loggers, 37-27.

Big Hal Duffy and a pair of reserves, Ted Tenney and Lowell Slick, sparked the Frosh second-half drive that nearly won the ball game. Slick sank two free tosses, Duffy hit a jumper, and Tenney connected twice to make the score 66-64 at the 3:50 mark.

Tenney missed two gift tries, but Duffy sank one each on both of his opportunities to tie the score at 66-all. Then came Wilson's stall and the fatal free throws.

Duffy was high for the Frosh with 12. The loss was the fifth in a row for the Ducklings and left them with a 2-5 record.

IM Schedule

Monday

Basketball

3:50 Yeomen A vs. Hale Kane A, court 40.

4:35 Delta Tau Delta A vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon A, court 40.

5:15 Beta Theta Pi A vs. Sigma Chi A, court 40.

Handball

4:00 Yeomen vs. Sigma Chi, courts 42, 44 and 46.

Varsity, Frosh Wrestlers Lose

Fort Lewis, hastily-substituted for College of Puget Sound, decisioned Oregon's varsity grapplers, 22-8, Friday night at Fort Lewis.

Oregon took on the soldiers after COP cancelled a scheduled Saturday afternoon engagement and managed wins in only two classes. In the 123-pound class, Roy Schlessler pinned Fort Lewis' Ken Wells in 2:55 of the first round, while Bob Williams won a decision over Bernard Haizilit in the 137-pound group.

Results:

123-pounds—Roy Schlessler (O) p Ken Wells (FL), 2:55 first round; 130-pounds—Norm Flippin (FL) d Darrell Klampe (O), 4:0; 137-pounds—Bob Williams (O) d Bernard Haizilit (FL), 5:2; 147-pounds—Ted Bienkowski (FL) d Dave Newland (O), 2:1; 157-pounds—Alvin Frank (FL) d Roland Wilson (O), 5:2; 167-pounds—Tony Zilson (FL) d John Moyat (O), 11:2; 177-pounds—Oregon forfeited. Unlimited—Bob Schofield (FL) p Dick Barker (O).

Lebanon high school's top-ranked wrestling team handed the Oregon Frosh their first defeat of the season by scoring a 24-11 victory at McArthur court Saturday. This was the seventh straight win in dual competition for Lebanon while Oregon's victory streak was stopped at four.

The Warriors upset three Oregon opponents who were favored to win and gained a forfeit in the unlimited class to score the decisive win. Lee Evans decisioned George Krupica in the 177-pound class, Jim Beaton won over Dick

UO Rifle Team Wins First Place

Oregon's small bore rifle team defeated the Springfield rifle team by a score of 953 to 936 Thursday evening.

Mike McKenzie and Dick Buffington fired scores of 196 out of a possible 200 to lead the winners. They were followed by Doug Gill with 190, Carl Groth, Jr., with 186 and Lee Tucker with 185.

Gill's score is the second 190 or better for him in as many matches. He fired 192 in a three-way match between the University of Oregon, Corvallis Hit-or-Miss, and the Eugene Moose club, last week as Oregon won.

A point of interest in Thursday night's match was the perfect score shot by McKenzie from the standing position. Veteran Springfield marksmen said that it was the first time in competition that they had seen a perfect score in the standing, or off-hand position, fired by a shooter using iron sights.

The match was a regularly scheduled match in the Willamette Valley Rifle league, a circuit composed of small bore teams from the Eugene-Corvallis area. The course fired in these matches is a standard 20 round course, five rounds being fired from each of the prone, sitting, kneeling and standing positions. All of the firing was done on a standard indoor, fifty-foot range.

University team members fire the government issue .22 caliber rifle equipped with standard iron sights while the other local rifle clubs use their own individual target rifles which are equipped with telescopic sights and other refinements.

The team is sponsored by the military department and is composed entirely of army and air force ROTC cadets.

Sports Staff

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Lolcoma at 156 pounds and Lyle Larson pinned Bob Drynan in the matches which had been considered probable Frosh victories.

The Frosh got its only fall of the match when Jack McBrien pinned Leroy Stevens in 1:18 of the third round in the 135-pound class.

Summary:

125-pounds—Ray Green (F) d Francis Lee (L), 4:0; 129-pounds—George Cray (L) p Jack Cooke (F), 1:00 first round; 135-pounds—Jack McBrien (F) p Leroy Stevens (L), 1:18 third round; 140-pounds—Lee Malick (L) d Jim Thiering (F), 4:1; 147-pounds—Jim Beaton (L) d Dick Lolcoma (F), 7:6; 156-pounds—Lyle Larson (L) p Bob Drynan (F), 1:30 first round; 167-pounds—Don Dexter (F) d Darrell Fort (L), 2:1; 177-pounds—Lee Evans (L) d George Krupica (F), 4:3; unlimited—Lebanon by forfeit.

Exhibitions: Ed Lilly (F) p Mack Wilcox (L), 1:38 third round and Jay Dearing (F) p Bob Strange (L), 0:28 second round.

Six Triumph In IM Action

Sigma Alpha Mu, Alpha hall, Nestor hall, Sederstrom hall, Cherney hall and the Legal Eagles hung up A league intramural victories in Friday action.

The Sammys used a pressing defense in topping Lambda Chi Alpha by a 34-18 count. They led at all quarter stops, holding 12-6, 21-8 and 27-10 margins.

Norm Ross led the winners in the scoring column with 7 while teammates Don Rotenberg and Stan Blauer contributed 6 apiece. Jack Marsh was high for the losers and the game with 14.

Alpha hall turned back a last-period surge by Gamma hall to edge out a 24-16 win. George McKnight of the Alphaholics led the scorers with 16 tallies, while John Bilben topped Gamma with six.

Nestor hall overcame French hall in a low-scoring game, 20-17. French trailed 16-9 at halftime but held Nestor scoreless in the third stanza and scored six of their own.

Jim Pipher and Joe Beeson led Nestor with 8 points each, while Fred Jaeger collected 6 to lead the losers.

Sederstrom's powerful five crushed the Dorm Counselors 30-17 to remain unbeaten. Center Don Steen registered 14 counters to lead his team, and Forward Vinton Sommerville had 8. Bob Basich and Phil White led the losers with 6 each.

The Dorm men had a 4-3 first-period lead but Sederstrom jumped into a 16-9 halftime advantage, and were never headed.

A high-scoring contest saw Cherney hall top Hunter hall by a 41-28 score. A last-half burst gave the winners the game after a close first half.

Cherney's Ron Dodge, who had 13 points, led his club to a 26-15 third-period lead and they held that margin. Steve Bigelow led the losers with 8 while Cary Mark and Terry Burke tallied 7.

After trailing at halftime 9-7, the Legal Eagles came fighting back to take a 28-16 win from Philadelphia House. Hal Daron and Jerry Banke scored 7 points apiece to pace the win, while Bob Lopez of the Phils had 6.

Meeting Planned For Sports Staff

There will be an important meeting of the Emerald sports staff Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Emerald office in Allen hall. The meeting is for the purpose of reorganizing the sports staff under new Co-Sports Editors Jerry Claussen and Chuck Mitchelmore.

All present Emerald sports staff members are required to be there and anyone else interested in writing sports for the paper is asked to attend.