

NCAA Tourney Looms as Races Draw to Close

As the basketball season wanes into the final four weeks, the major topic of conversation is the post season tournaments.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament starts in less than a month. The NCAA supposedly has most of the top teams nailed down, but the National Invitational tourney annually comes up with some of the best matches.

Regarding the NCAA, some teams already have berths nearly cinched, but in most cases the conference champion probably won't be decided until the final game, or games, of the season.

In the Pacific Coast conference, Oregon State has a commanding lead in the Northern Division. The Beavers have a 10-0 mark, four full games ahead of second place Oregon.

Stanford and UCLA (5-1) are tied for the Southern Division lead and square off in a crucial series this weekend.

Highly ranked Utah is pacing the Skyline Eight with a gaudy 7-0 record and should breeze in. Brigham Young trails with 4-2.

Clear across the country, Penn tops the Ivy league with 6-1. Columbia stands at 5-1, but either Cornell or Princeton, with two losses each, could sneak in.

The Western conference (Big Ten) is having a knock-down, drag-out struggle. Iowa and Minnesota are currently perched on top (5-2), but Illinois is pressing with 4-2.

Maryland, a deliberate offense team, leads the Atlantic Coast conference, but is pressed by Duke, North Carolina, and North Carolina State. But the Wolfpack is playing only for glory, being on one-year disciplinary probation from the NCAA and barred from competition in the big tournament.

Richmond leads the Southern conference and Kentucky, by virtue of Vanderbilt's Monday night win over Alabama, tops the Southeastern.

Favored Texas Christian (6-1) leads the Southwest.

Colorado is unbeaten in the Big Seven but meets once-beaten Missouri Saturday night. This one should go a long way toward deciding the conference champion.

In the Missouri Valley Tulsa and St. Louis are neck and neck. Tulsa stands at 4-1 and St. Louis is 3-1.

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Straub Frosh Whip Eagles; Forfeits Mar B-League Play

The Legal Eagles, the Straub Frosh, and Hale Kane wound up in a three way tie for first place in their B league. Hale Kane came in the easy way, winning from Sederstrom by forfeit. The Legal Eagles, undefeated going into the game, had a good chance to sew up the title, but were upset by the Straub Frosh, 15-13.

The Legal Eagles jumped off to a 5-2 lead over the Frosh at

the end of the first quarter of their game, but Straub came back to take an 8-6 margin at the half. Straub kept their margin between two and four points for the remainder of the game, leading 13-11 at the end of the third period.

Tall Paul Thalhofer led the Eagle assault with 9 points. Jerry Kershner paced the victorious Straubmen with 6.

Eagles (13)	(15) Frosh
Moore F.....	1 Johnson
Peterson 2 F.....	2 Boyles
Thalhofer 9 C.....	6 Kershner
Thom G.....	2 Maule
Ingerson 2 G.....	2 Cofer

Subs: Eagles—Altman, Granata, Waliser, Kattkamp, Farris. Frosh—Martin 2, Barnett, Doolittle.

Frosh Track Schedule Set

The freshman track and field double elimination tournament will begin Feb. 18 and run through March 4, the athletic department has announced.

Competition will be between the frosh dormitories, French, Nestor, Sederstrom, Omega, Cherney, Sherry Ross and Hunter halls are entered. Freshmen living in Campbell club and Philadelphia house will join Omega's team.

Freshmen living at home will compete with the dorm to which they were originally assigned. They should contact their dorm if interested.

Individual competitors will be permitted to enter up to four events in a single day, and three men from each dorm may be entered in each event.

The meets will be held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday on the intramural track. Field events will begin at 3:45 p.m. and running events at 4 p.m.

Dorm counselors and members of the varsity track team will serve as officials. Varsity track members will also sponsor the various dorms.

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McGhee Transfers To Junior College

Jasper McGhee, Oregon's block-busting sophomore full-back, has temporarily transferred to a junior college for winter term, the athletic department has announced.

McGhee is still in good scholastic standing and should be eligible to play football this fall. He reportedly intends to enroll at either an Oakland or San Francisco school to be nearer his home in Berkeley.

Handball Tournament Begins This Week

The all-campus singles handball tourney begins this week with first round matches. Contestants should consult the intramural bulletin board for time and place.

No house points for tournament victories will be given.

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Nestor Takes Forfeit

Nestor hall sewed up their B league championship by doing nothing more than showing up by game time Monday afternoon, as Hunter hall failed to arrive.

Bob Reid Elected Order of O Prexy

Bob Reid, a substantial point getter on Coach Bill Borchers' track and field team, was elected president of the Royal Order of the "O" Thursday, Feb. 3. Doug Clement is the retiring president.

Other newly elected officers include Jerry Nelson, who played guard on the varsity football team last season, as vice-president, and Bill Dellinger as secretary-treasurer. Dellinger was last year's national collegiate mile champion. These two newly elected officers succeed George Shaw and Kenny Hickenbottom respectively.

With approximately 25 active members, the main objective of this organization is the enforcement of school traditions.

Tourney Drawing Set for Basketball

The drawing for berths in the intramural basketball tournament will be held at 2:45 today in 106 PE. Team managers should have their representatives present.

French, Hunter, Nestor Triumph In IM Bowling

French hall remained undefeated in intramural bowling Monday as they humbled Sederstrom hall 2345-1760. Hunter and Nestor halls also triumphed, downing French B and Sherry Ross respectively.

Instrumental in French A gaining their fourth consecutive win was Don Jacklin, who rolled the highest series with 516, as well as the highest game with 195. Allen Gummer registered a series of 421 to lead Sederstrom.

Hunter hall had no trouble overcoming French B 2156-1768. Leading them was Kerry Livingston who rolled the afternoon's highest series with 526, including a game of 201. Dick Katz topped the losers with 461.

Nestor hall convincingly defeated Sherry Ross 2254-1859. Christenson sparked the Nestor quintet with a series of 497. Ken Kirkpatrick contributed the afternoon's highest game with 204. Leading the Sherry Ross rollers was Alan Forrester who notched a 463 series.

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