

Duck Tracks

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This year's Pacific Coast basketball teams are a young bunch, meaning that they count on a lot of sophomore talent that is the best in about five years. Another mark of youth on the teams is the lack of service veterans; only about a half dozen showing up in the teams' rosters which number more than 100 players. Here is a rundown on the importance of rookies to the nine teams:

Franklin Promising

Oregon—Forward Charlie Franklin is one of the best finds in many a year at Duckville. He is fast becoming team's top scoring threat and rebounder and has more drive than most of the veterans. Three members of the second team, Center Hal Duffy and Guards Wimp Hastings and Don Delbon, are also in their first varsity year.



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man in the PCC while Center Wayne Moss, a good rebounder, is another rookie who starts regularly. Two other sophomores on squad.

Trojans Use Rooks Too

Southern California—Guard Larry Hauser is starter and has been scoring well for Trojans. Three of second five, Forwards Norm Price and Jim Pugh, each 6' 4", and Guard Bob Raine, are new this year and have been big factor in Trojan success in PCC.

Washington State—Three of five Cougars are just up from freshman team. Center Bill Galbraith, 6' 7", is going to be a top post man with experience while Guards Dick Rask and Ed Steele have already had good scoring nights. Rookie Gerald Burnham is on the State second platoon.

California—Guard Earl Robinson is one of coast's best newcomers and gave Oregon a demonstration one night with 27 points. Forwards Don McIntosh, 6' 6", and Bob Washington, 6' 4", have been seeing action on second team as has Guard Bernie Simpson.

Vandals Live on Sophomores

Idaho—Vandals practically live and breathe on sophomores, with everyone on squad except Guards Jay Buhler and Bill Bauscher new to varsity play. Forward Jack Mitchell looks like top prospect, with two 20-point nights already. Center Jim Branom, 6' 8", and Forward Jerry Jorgenson, 6' 5", have been looking very good at times as has Guard Gary Simmons, top scorer against USC. Sophs Mark Cole, Joe Cerniglia, Gary Sather and Brent Thompson have all seen considerable action. This youth makes Idaho the team to beat in 1958.

UCLA—The powerful Bruins, as expected, don't have to rely on new men much this season, except for transfer Dick Banton, a starter at guard. Rookies Jim Halston, 6' 4", and Ben Rogers, 6' 6", have played some.

Washington—Despite eight lettermen, Huskies have used new boys a lot. Center Bruno Boin has started every game, has averaged nearly 17 points per contest and is hailed as greatest prospect since Bob Houbregs. Guard John Tuft was a recent starter until hurt and Forward Bill Stady has been seeing a lot of action. Guard Dick Crews is another rookie on traveling squad.

Gambie Leads Scoring

With PCC schedule nearly half over, Gambie has taken over scoring lead from WSC's Larry Beck. Top ten: Gambie, OSC, 139, 17.4; Beck, WSC, 119, 19.8; Bond, Stanford, 116, 14.5; Selleck, Stanford, 115, 14.4; Taft, UCLA, 105, 26.3; Anderson, Oregon, 104, 17.3; Brown, Stanford, 97, 12.1; Boin, Washington, 96, 16.0; Naulls, UCLA, 92, 23.0; Franklin, Oregon, 92, 15.3.

Comment on Oregon-Stanford series last weekend: Censored.

Bruins Lead PCC Huskies in Race

The Pacific Coast Conference basketball race, nearing the halfway point, boils down to this: Washington's Huskies versus the California schools.

The Huskies, last pride of the northern half of the league, prepared for their big series against UCLA by whipping Oregon State twice, 66-58 and 83-63, over the weekend.

The double win kept Washington even with Southern California, which took Idaho twice, 65-56 and 73-59. The Huskies and Trojans are tied for second at 5-1, just behind UCLA's 4-0. The Bruins went non-conference to defeat Arizona State at Tempe, 99-79.

To stay in the race, Washington will have to gain at least a split with UCLA next weekend.

Fourth-place Stanford maintained the pace by pressing the Ducks of Oregon twice, 75-55 and 73-60. The Indians held Capt. Max Anderson in check and their speed proved too much for the bigger Oregonians. Forward Bill Bond, center Barry Brown and guard George Selleck were the kingpins, with Brown holding Anderson to 18 points while scoring 34 himself in the two games.

The south's other representative, California, tuned up for further conference play by tackling the nation's No. 1 team, San Francisco, and putting on a clever defensive show before bowing, 33-24. The Dons thus earned their 40th straight victory—a new college record—but the Bears made it a contest by stalling. At one stage Cal held the ball nine minutes without taking a shot.

Washington's Bruno Boin pocketed 41 more points in pacing the Huskies to their pair. Oregon State put up stubborn first half resistance in each game, actually leading 37-35 at the second intermission, but were outgunned in the showdown.

Idaho was outmanned by Southern Cal but Vandal guard Gary Simmons was a hot potato with 33 points for the weekend. Trojans Jack Lovrich and Jack Dunne with 37 and 35 paced the winners.

Besides the Washington-UCLA set, next weekend's fare includes Southern Cal at Oregon, and Oregon State at California. The rest are idle.

"Eventide" Wins 1500-Mile Yacht Race in Mexico

ACAPULCO, Mexico (P) — The Eventide, Nalu and Mistress took first, second and third places in the over-all results of the 1,430-mile San Diego to Acapulco yacht race. Official times corrected for handicaps were announced Sunday.

The Eventide, 37-foot ketch belonging to Stephen Newmark, and out of Los Angeles, also won first place for Class C boats. With a handicap of better than 59 hours, her corrected time was nine days, 17:40:52.

The Nalu II, Peter Grant's 46-foot sloop out of Newport Harbor, Calif., was only seconds behind with a corrected time of nine days, 17:57:33. The Nalu, with a handicap of over 36 hours, won first place for Class B boats.

The Mistress, 37-foot sloop belonging to Dix K. Brow, and out of Coronado, Calif., had a corrected time of nine days, 18:47:14. She took second place for Class C boats.

The Legend, 50-foot sloop of Charles Ullman, out of Los Angeles, took first place for Class A boats, with a corrected time of ten days, 2:34:05, and sixth place in the over-all standing.

Matmen Drub WSC

The wrestling Webfoots made it two in a row over Washington State Saturday afternoon with a 23-7 victory over the Cougars. Last week, in McArthur Court the Ducks defeated the Pullman matmen, 19-11.

The Cougars were only able to score one victory and two draws against the Oregon team this time. In a feature match, 123 pound Webfoot Roy Schlessler evened his duel meet record with Vic Espeter, WSC, by outpointing him.

The Cougars' only win came in the 130 pound class when Cash Stone, WSC, outpointed Jack McLodrian, Oregon.

Duck Heavyweight J. C. Wheeler, Oregon's unbeaten "novice," pinned his opponent, Jack Domit, WSC, for the only fall of the meet.

The Oregon Ducklings, who were scheduled to meet Canby high school at Canby in another Saturday encounter, were idle when

the match was postponed because of icy roads in the Canby area. This match has been reset for Feb. 11 at Canby. The Ducklings have a busy week ahead of them starting tonight when they travel to Klamath Falls and meet the Klamath Falls high school. Friday they will meet the Oregon State Rooks in Mac Court at 12:30 p.m.

The Ducks will have two matches also this week, both of which will be in Mac Court. San Jose will be hosted Wednesday at 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday the Ducks will clash with Oregon State at 2:45 p.m.

The Results:
123-pound—Roy Schlessler (O), outpointed Vic Espeter (WSC).
130-pound—Cash Stone (WSC), outpointed Jack McLodrian (O).
137-pound—Ken Karnes (O), drew with Walt Pilkey (WSC).
147-pound—Dave Newland (O), outpointed Bill Randall (WSC).
157-pound—Howard Timmons (O), outpointed Don Parachini (WSC).
167-pound—Lloyd Freudenstein (WSC), drew with George Kineap (O).
177-pound—Ken Kesey (O), outpointed Ed Stevens (WSC).
Heavyweight—J. C. Wheeler (O), pinned Jack Domit (WSC).

San Francisco Still Leads Nation, 40 Wins

Streaking San Francisco, surviving some weird slowdown tactics by California, was the toast of the collegiate basketball world Sunday upon reaching the record-breaking milestone of 40 consecutive victories.

The Dons attained the mark Saturday night with a low-scoring 33-24 conquest of the Bears, who held the ball for nine straight minutes without attempting a shot at one stage of the second half.

The figure goes into the record books as the longest string of successes ever achieved by a major school and eclipses the previous standard of 39 set by Long Island University in 1935-37 and later matched by Seton Hall in 1938-41.

Fabulous 'Frisco, the nation's No. 1 team in The Associated Press rankings and acclaimed one of the all-time great collegiate clubs, has won 14 straight games this season after winding up the 1954-55 campaign with 26 in a row and the national championship.

All was not quite so serene, however, as far as Dayton, ranked second in the weekly listings, and Kentucky, No. 3, were concerned. The Ohio Flyers were jolted from the ranks of the unbeaten by ninth-ranked Louisville 66-64 in overtime and the Wildcats lost to Vanderbilt, No. 7 nationally, 81-73 in a Southeastern Conference test.

San Francisco had its hands full with California and had to rally for 10 points in the final five minutes of the first half to assume a 20-16 halftime advantage. After the Dons pulled ahead 26-21 in the early minutes of the second half, the Bears went into their "stalling" strategy.

Joe Hagler of California took the ball near the sideline in fore court and held onto it as the remaining players, with the exception of San Francisco's All-America center, Bill Russell, milled around under the basket. Russell, guarding Hagler, stood motionless some 15 feet from Hagler and made no attempt to harass the Bears' pivotman.

Action practically was at a standstill for nine minutes before California Coach Pete Newell, who formerly coached at San Francisco, called a time out. When play resumed the Bears took a shot and missed—and then the Dons went into a "freeze" of their own.

Gerry Moreman's driving layup with two seconds to go in the overtime stanza gave Louisville its 16th victory in 17 starts. The

setback was Dayton's first after 14 successive triumphs. The Flyers had led 60-56 with 1:32 left in regulation time, but baskets by the Cardinals' Bill Darragh and Charley Tyra forced the game into the extra period.

Babe Taylor and Al Rochelle found the range for 28 and 24 points, respectively, to spearhead Vanderbilt's victory over Kentucky. After the Wildcats built up a nine-point lead early in the second half, Taylor and Rochelle supplied the scoring impetus that brought the Commodores from behind.

North Carolina State, Illinois and Temple—ranked 4-5-6 in the poll—came through impressively in Saturday games, while North Carolina, No. 8, and 10th-ranked Duke were idle.

North Carolina State scored 11 straight points in the final three minutes to break up a close contest and down stubborn St. John's of Brooklyn 82-70. Illinois gained momentum after a slow start and overpowered DePaul 80-66 as George Bonsalle and Paul Judson paved the way with 20 points each. Unbeaten Temple bowled over Navy 93-74 for its 13th consecutive triumph with Hal Lear's 25-point output leading the Owl's attack.

Among the second 10 teams, Alabama, No. 12, turned back Georgia 99-75 behind a 43-point harvest by Jerry Harper; Jim McLaughlin and Jack Mimitz combined for 49 points as St. Louis, No. 17, outclassed 14th-ranked Cincinnati 104-86; undefeated St. Francis of Brooklyn, No. 15, stretched its winning skein to 13 with a 101-49 lacing of Ithaca; Southern Methodist, No. 18, set a school scoring record against Southwest Conference opposition by overwhelming TCU 105-64 and Oklahoma A&M No. 20, was upset by Tulsa 46-42.

Holy Cross, No. 11; Iowa, No. 13; Oklahoma City, No. 16 and Memphis State, No. 19, didn't play Saturday.

The Ohio State-Michigan State and Furman-West Virginia games produced a pair of individual scoring duels. All-American Robin Freeman of Ohio State collected 46 points to come within one point of the Big 10 scoring record, but his Buckeyes succumbed to Michigan State 94-91 as the Spartans' Julius McCoy tallied 40 points.

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