

EMERALD Sports

Ailments Plague Duck Wrestlers

By TOM HOWSER
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Injuries and colds spell out a rough time for Oregon's undefeated wrestling squad this weekend as they take on the powerful Oregon State College team this Saturday afternoon at Mac Court.

While winning their last match with OSC, 14-13, Coach Bill Hammer is faced with the possibility of having to forfeit one weight to the Beavers, which would mean giving them a five point advantage before the match even begins.

Hammer's concern is over the severely injured shoulder of 123-pound Bob Stevens, who won a 5-1 decision against the Beavers at Corvallis. Stevens had his already injured shoulder badly hurt in an exhibition match against Washington State last week, and his doctor sees little hope that he will be able to compete this weekend.

Stevens has been working out this week, but has not had any strenuous practice, so there is a slim possibility that he will be ready.

Two Under Weather

Veterans Ken Kesey and J. C. Wheeler are also under the weather, Kesey with a three-week-old shoulder injury, and Wheeler with a bad cold. Both men are slated to go Saturday, but whether or not they will be able to deliver their usual top performances is still doubtful.

The rest of the squad, however, is in good physical condition, and according to Coach Hammer are "up" for the match.

Olympic wrestler Lee Allen will be looking for his seventh consecutive victory this weekend, as will Jim Beaton and Dave Newland. All three of the men have gone undefeated this year, and should provide Oregon with a little insurance.

Kesey, at 177, is also undefeated, although he was held to a disputed tie at OSC two weeks ago. Wheeler has lost only one match this season, that a decision to John Dustin of OSC, as has George Krupicka, who also was decided at the State match.

J.D. Griffith and Stevens, have just about broken even on their matches this year, but both boys are coming along rapidly and should come out on the winning side of the ledger before the year is over. There is a possibility, however, that Stevens will be sidelined for a good part of the remaining season.

UO Out to Improve Showing

Practice this week has been brisk, with emphasis on conditioning and getting mentally ready for the match. The general opinion of the squad after the last match against the Beavers was that they should have done better, and they are going to be out this weekend to prove it.

Oregon State's record this year has been marred only once, that being the defeat handed them by the Ducks. They have won a total of seven matches against the one defeat.

The Frosh squad will not compete as a unit Saturday, since half of the team is out with a skin infection, and another member of the squad is having trouble with his back. They will, however, take part in several exhibition matches with members of the Rook squad as a prelude to the varsity match.

Hammer Expresses Concern

Hammer expressed some concern over the fact that Kesey, Wheeler and Stevens might not be at top condition, but said that "my boys know enough to take care of themselves, and I know they'll be out doing their best. We never like to lose to the Aggies."

Team reaction was best put by J. D. Griffith, the only Oregon man who fell victim to a pin in the last match. Faced with the prospect of having to compete again against John Owings, who placed in the West Coast Olympic trials, Griffith said, "He may have got me once, but I'll be ready for him this time, and he'll have a surprise coming — maybe."

The match has been moved up to 2 p.m. for the varsity encounter and 1:30 p.m. for the Frosh in order to avoid a conflict with the Dad's Day luncheon. They had previously been scheduled for 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Tar Heels Keep Cage Poll Lead

By the Associated Press

Collecting 62 per cent of the first place votes, North Carolina's unbeaten Tar Heels remained the top club in the Associated Press weekly college basketball poll today with the Kansas Jayhawks a close second.

Winners of 20 games in a row, the Tar Heels picked up 806 points on the usual basis of ten for first place, nine for second, etc. The nation's sportswriters and sportscasters gave Kansas 17 first and 756 points.

The Jayhawks, who lifted their season's mark to 17-1 by beating Oklahoma, had 48 second place votes to 17 for North Carolina.

Kentucky, which squeezed past Vanderbilt 80-75 last night, held on to third place with 474 points. The Wildcats are followed by Seattle, Bradley and Southern Methodist.

Louisville's Cardinals moved up a notch to seventh place and UCLA to eighth. Iowa State and Vanderbilt round out the first ten. Vandy was tied for the No. 18 position a week ago.

The top ten teams with first place votes and won-lost records through Saturday, Feb. 16 in parentheses:

1. N. Carolina (55) (20-0).....806
2. Kansas (17) (16-1).....756
3. Kentucky (2) (18-4).....474
4. Seattle (4) (19-2).....401
5. Bradley (5) (17-3).....387
6. So. Methodist (17-3).....341
7. Louisville (2) (17-4).....289
8. UCLA (18-2).....238
9. Iowa State (15-5).....130
10. Vanderbilt (15-4).....99

THAT'LL BE THE DAY...

Bailey's Rugged Workouts End Rumors He's Through

By PHIL KNIGHT
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They say Jim Bailey is through.

For the past two days, papers around the Northwest have run stories indicating that it's doubtful whether Oregon's great miler will ever run a good race again.

These stories explain that Bailey is suffering from a sore arch on his right foot, which, according to the Oregon Journal, "may put him in the ranks of the also-rans."

These stories are true in that Jim does have a sore foot. The second metatarsal bone on his right foot is too long, and it gouges into the flesh when he thrusts off with that foot and causes pain. This is the same foot that he broke in Vancouver, B.C., in the 1954 British Empire games.

Bailey has seen a doctor several times about this condition. Last week came the verdict that it will not get any better.

But Jim refused to be upset by the news and decided all there was to do was to begin working hard again. He had been taking things easy and pampering the foot, hoping it would get better, since his return from Australia. But last week serious training began.

His workouts have been confined to the grass, which provides a softer surface for the injured foot than the cinder track. Monday he ran for ten miles, and again Wednesday Jim zipped through a tough workout. After Wednesday's run Bailey reported that he was beginning to feel better.

It is likely that 1956's fastest miler will run the 880 in



JIM BAILEY, left, and Oregon track coach Bill Bowerman talk things over. Rumors that Bailey's bad foot may end his track career were scotched this week as Australian mile ace turned in grueling workouts Monday and Wednesday.

Northern Division meets. This, however, is not because of the injured foot, but because the Ducks possess many fine milers and two-milers, but are somewhat weaker in the half.

To all outward appearances, Webfoot track boss Bill Bowerman is as unexcitable as ever about the whole thing.

He knows, as do others who

Rask has 67 field goals to his

like to lose. Jim's been at the top. He got there through lots of hard work, and a tremendous desire to win. Bailey still possesses these characteristics and they will carry him to the top again — where he will stay until he decides to hang the spikes for good.

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Rask Maintains Frosh Point Lead

Chuck Rask, star guard for the Oregon freshman basketball squad, maintained his individual scoring leadership with 173 points in 12 games, latest statistics revealed Tuesday.

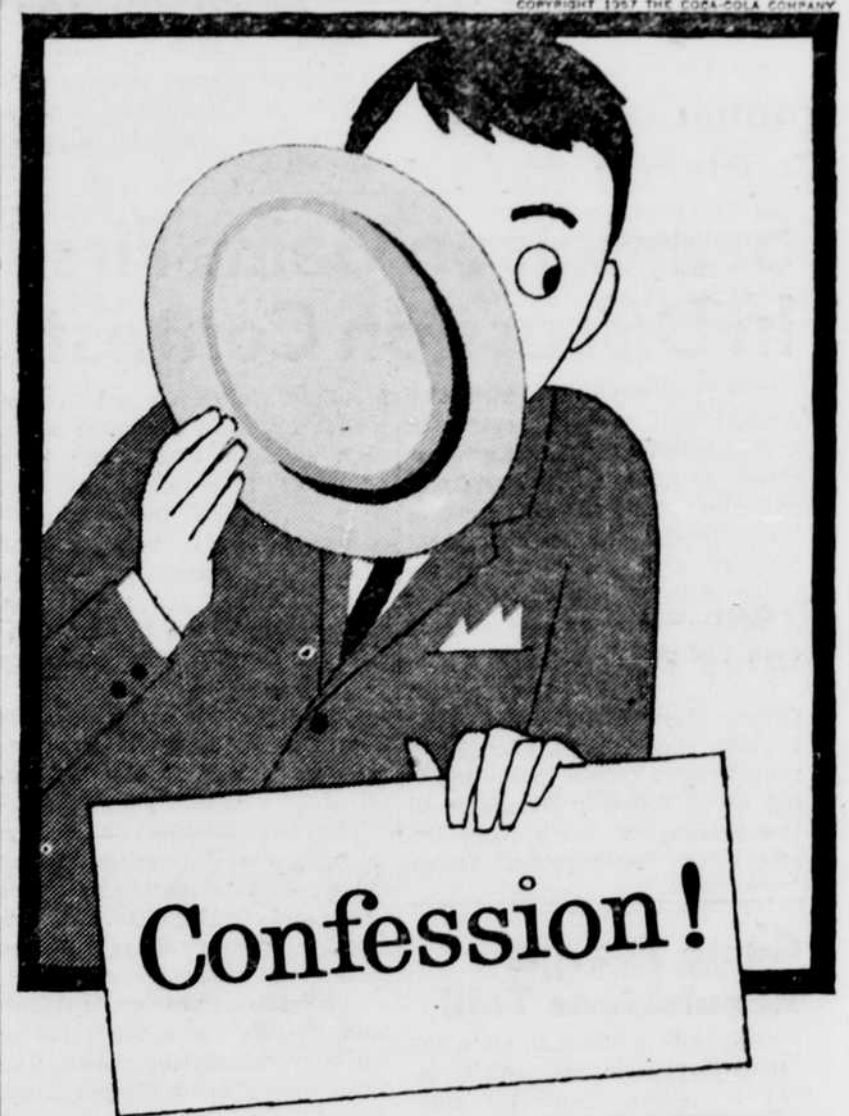
know Bailey, that Jim doesn't credit and has connected on 39 of 54 free throws to lead the team in both totals. Center Dale Jones is tied with Rask with 39 free throws, but has hit on only 56 shots from the floor for 161 points and a second-place 13.4 average.

Guard Doug Lundstrom is third in scoring with 153 points and leads the Ducklings in free throw accuracy, missing only eight of 34 attempts.

The Ducklings currently hold a 12-0 record this season and have averaged 71.9 points per game compared to their opponents' 56.9.

Next games scheduled for the Frosh are against Oregon State's Rooks on Friday night and Surroz Motors from Salem on Saturday night. This will be the third Ducklings-Rook meeting with the Frosh winning the first two.

| | FG | FT | PF | TP | Ave |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Rask, g | 67 | 39 | 35 | 173 | 14.4 |
| Jones, c | 56 | 39 | 35 | 161 | 13.4 |
| Lundstrom, g | 63 | 26 | 16 | 153 | 12.9 |
| Anderson, f | 47 | 38 | 38 | 132 | 11.0 |
| Robertson, f | 52 | 18 | 30 | 122 | 10.2 |
| Springer, f | 31 | 8 | 11 | 70 | 5.9 |
| Gross, f | 7 | 6 | 7 | 20 | 2.0 |
| Holman, c | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1.6 |
| Russell, g | 7 | 0 | 5 | 14 | 1.3 |
| Marsh, g | 3 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 1.2 |
| Creager, g | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0.6 |
| Syring, g | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0.5 |
| Pflug, f | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.3 |
| Allen, c | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Totals | 350 | 162 | 187 | 862 | 71.9 |
| Opponents | 244 | 195 | 166 | 683 | 56.9 |



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