

Trojans, Beavers Gain Early Conference Lead

PCC STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
USC	3	0	1.000	210	196
Oregon St.	2	0	1.000	123	104
Idaho	1	1	.500	144	142
Wash. State	1	1	.500	129	118
UCLA	1	1	.500	125	126
California	1	1	.500	100	100
Oregon	0	1	.000	58	64
Washington	0	2	.000	99	121
Stanford	0	2	.000	110	131

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USC's high-flying Trojans and the highly regarded Beavers of Oregon State remain unbeaten after the opening rounds of PCC cage action which started Friday. SC leads the league by a half game over nationally rated OSC as the Trojans have won three and lost none and Oregon State has a 2-0 record.

The men of Troy opened the season Friday night with a close 67-65 victory over Washington State on losers' floor. Saturday night SC defeated Idaho by the score of 83-77 as forward Jim Pugh and guard Monte Gonzales each scored 17 points. Gary McEwan of Idaho was high for the game with 18.

SC's third victory of the season came Monday night as they dumped Coach Tippy Dye's Washington Huskies 60-54. The 6'4" Pugh again paced the Trojans as he connected for five field goals and eight free throws. High for the game however, was 6'7" Doug Smart of the Huskies who scored 26 points.

Oregon State, which is ranked 10th in the nation by the United Press has scored impressive victories over two rugged opponents. The Beavers opened conference action Friday night with a 55-43 victory over defending champion California.

Dave Gambee led OSC scoring with 18 points and Earl Schneider led the Golden Bears with 12.

The following evening the Beavers met UCLA and again came out on top, this time by the score of 68-61. Ken Nanson, OSC guard, scored 31 points for Oregon State as the Beavers dumped the always dangerous Bruins.

High for the Bruins was center Ben Rogers who scored 15. Oregon State, according to experts, is the favorite for the conference title.

Defending champion California has split two games in conference action as they were beaten by OSC and defeated Washington by a score of 57-45. Ben Robinson was the leading Cal scorer against Washington as he connected for 16 important counters.

Stanford has found the going pretty tough in its opening games. On Friday night Coach

Howie Dallmar's Indians bowed to Idaho to the tune of 67-59.

Sophomore guard John Arrillaga and Dick Haga both scored 14 against WSC on Saturday, but Stanford still lost by a 13 point margin. Final score favored WSC, 64-51. Leading point getter for the Cougars was Jim Ross with 21.

Idaho has split even in two games as they lost to Southern California on Saturday and dumped Stanford on Friday in a 67-59 victory. The Vandals find themselves tied with WSC, UCLA and California for third place in PCC standings.

UCLA traveled north to meet Oregon State and Oregon in the opening rounds of PCC hoop action. The Bruins spotted Oregon's nine point lead and eventually defeated the Oregons.

UCLA's second game was against title favorite Oregon State and the Uclans came out on the short end of a 68-61 score.

The improved University of Oregon Ducks, who won seven out of eight non-conference games, opened the season Friday by facing the Bruins of UCLA. Coach Steve Belko's Webfoots who were leading by as much as nine points early in the second half eventually lost to Coach John Wooden's Bruins by the score of 64-58.

Sophomore guard Chuck Rask paced the Ducks as he scored 15 points. Uclan center Ben Rogers scored 20 and was high for the game.

Washington's Huskies usually a strong basketball power on the coast has run into nothing but trouble in its opening encounters. The Huskies opening game was against Cal on Saturday night with the Golden Bears emerging with a 57-45 victory.

Monday night Washington met league leading USC and lost by six points in a 60-54 decision. Husky center Doug Smart has already scored 39 points in conference play. The 6'7" junior is way ahead of all other UW eagers in the scoring column.

Washington State broke even in its two opening games as they beat Stanford by thirteen points and lost to the surprising Trojans of Southern Cal by a very close 67-65. Jim Ross hit for 21 points in the Cougars victory over Stanford.

Games scheduled for this Friday are Oregon at UCLA, Washington at California, Idaho at USC and WSC at Stanford. Saturday PCC schedule finds Oregon at USC, Washington at Stanford, Idaho at UCLA, WSC at California.

Winter 'Murals' Slated to Begin

Winter term intramural action, starting with basketball, is slated to get underway Monday. Other activities scheduled for this term include bowling and handball.

Sigma Phi Epsilon and Phi Delta Theta are the defending IM champions in basketball. Sig Eps won last year's A title by defeating Sigma Nu in a high scoring 39-32 game. Phi Deltas took the B championship for winter term 1957 by knocking off Beta Theta Pi, 44-36. Both squads would like to repeat their performances this year in order to try to gain the overall IM championship for the 1957-58 school year.

Phi Delta Theta, which won the IM football championship this past fall is currently leading all other organizations in the race for the entire year's championship. The Phi Deltas accumulated 310 points throughout fall term activities.

Theta Chi's are currently in second place with 289 points. Theta Chi B team won the volleyball championship during the fall. Hale Kane, which won the A volleyball title is in third position with 270 points.

In fourth place with 246 points are the Betas. They captured the runnerup position in IM football this past term.

The remaining six in the top ten of the standings are Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, P. E. Majors, Young Hall, Campbell club and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Winter and spring term intramurals have numerous activities so it is possible any organization can still win the intramural championship for the 1957-58 school year. Phi Deltas were last year's champions with Sig Eps being in second place.

ALUMS HONORED

Two Oregon Webfoot hoopers were named to the all-time Northern Division basketball team, picked in 1948 by sports editors and broadcasters.

They were Lauren "Laddie" Gale, forward on the 1939 Webfoot national championship team, and Urgel "Slim" Wintermute, also a member of that greatest UO five. Both were named on the all-Northern Division team two years in a row.

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Thompson Bought By Triple A Nine

University junior Stan Thompson was sold by the Class C Boise baseball club to Omaha of the triple A American Association League Monday and will report to St. Petersburg, Florida on February 10 for the beginning of a long spring training schedule.

The left-handed pitcher from Nyssa, Oregon will first train in a special camp in St. Petersburg with other top St. Louis Cardinal prospects; then later he will complete spring training with Omaha, Cardinal farm club, at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Last year, Thompson's first in organized baseball, the 20-year-old 170-pounder chalked up a 15-7 record for Daytona Beach.