

IMs Good for Fun and Chuckles

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The sports purist might be appalled by the sight, and the quality of play is not exactly the best, but the participants have a lot of fun, which is the object of the whole program.

The subject? The University's intramural basketball program.

If the rainy weather, last term's probation slip, or those upcoming midterms are getting you down, go up to the P.E. department some afternoon and watch a couple of intramural basketball games. Its good for a few chuckles at least, and could prove just the comic relief your body and soul need.

Two games were witnessed Friday afternoon on Courts 40 and 43: a "B" league contest between squads from Gamma and Robbins Halls, and a high class fray pitting "A" teams from Boynton and Robbins against each other.

Unfair Advantage

The Gamma-Robbins contest started out with Gamma having a rather unfair advantage, fielding four players instead of the three Robbins was able to put on the court.

Although by halftime both teams were at full strength, Robbins never seemed to recover from the huge 6-0 margin Gamma held at the end of the first quarter, losing 31-22.

But the quality of play, not the score, was important in this game. The contest, as played (or suffered) by the obviously out of shape participants, was at its best equal to the level of a seventh grade playground game. At its lower levels it was pure and simple chaos.

Pot-Bellied Players

The pot-bellied, pseudo-athletic players started out with a run and gun style of play, which, after about 30 seconds, was slowed down to a walk and gun game.

In the second half, with physical resources waning, both teams resorted to long, erratic, length-of-the-court passes, which sacrificed the precision of the game in order to preserve the declining strength of the players.

The second game, matching "A" teams from Robbins and Boynton Halls, proved a somewhat better example of basketball prowess. In fact, some of the players were really amazing.

It was a joy to watch the fantastic offensive moves that were made. Unfortunately, these contortions were conceived only as an alternative to passing the ball to an open teammate.

At one point, the Robbins team had the advantage of a four-on-one fast break. The shot? A 20-foot jumper, with three men open. It missed.

Plan Good Shots

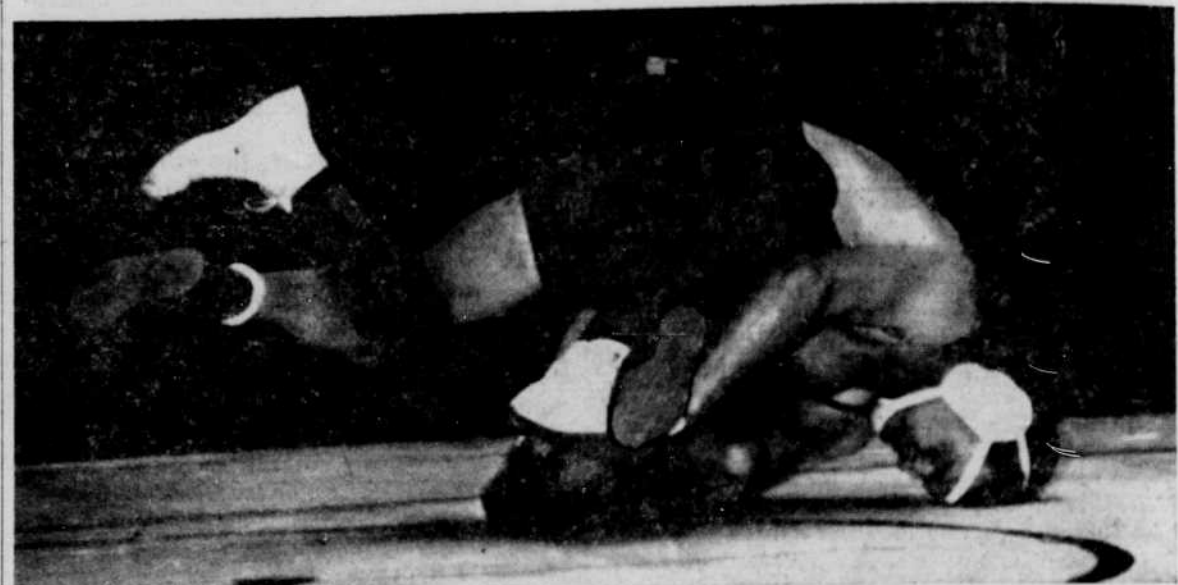
It should be noted that Boynton Hall was the only team which exhibited any amount of teamwork.

They consistently worked for good shots which, owing to an extremely low shooting ability, proved to be of no avail.

The participants in this game were in slightly better condition. They looked slimmer, more athletic, and had some slim idea of the fundamentals of the game. One short, fast guard from Robbins was especially good, showing great adeptness at dribbling and shooting. He was probably even a good passer, if he would have attempted such nonsense.

The final score, 39-22, in favor of Robbins, proved only one thing: a group of mediocre individual efforts can beat a team effort every time—at least in intramural basketball.

But this digresses from the underlying principle of the intramural program. The important point is that the participants received a little physical activity and enjoyment, all the while playing some of the worst basketball, teamwise, ever seen anywhere.



OREGON 167-pounder Bob Mitchell (top) is expected to see action this weekend for the Duck wrestlers as the grapplers meet Portland State in Portland Friday and Oregon State in McArthur Court Saturday night. Mitchell, who owns a 4-2-1 dual meet record this season, rides Portland State's Ken Williamson during PSC-Duck match Saturday. Mitchell went on to pin Williamson in the third round.

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WEBFOOT-PRINTS . . .

Scott Surprises

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Odds and ends . . .

Jim Barnett's still climbing the scoring ladder. And, by the looks of this weekend's Oregon basketball schedule, the Duck senior should improve another rung from sixth place. In fact, if Barnett scores just 27 points, he'll be resting in the fourth position among Oregon career scorers with 1,093 counters.

After a 34-point performance in the Oregon State series, Barnett moved into sixth place and, with the Ducks meeting the University of Portland Thursday and Friday and Hawaii Monday, a nine-point-a-game tally would, for those three contests, boost Barnett to the number four spot. He now has 1,066 points after scoring 184 thus far this season. Barnett's 20.5 PAC average is good enough for second place in the scoring column.

We received the weekly sports publicity mail from Oregon State Tuesday and John Eggers, sport publicist for OSU, writes that Beaver football coach Dee Andros has never seen a sports rivalry in college equal to the one between Oregon and OSU. Even Tommy Prothro gets into the act as the publicist adds that Prothro once said "it was much fiercer and more bitterly-fought than the USC-UCLA rivalry."

What a Rivalry . . .

Eggers then concludes, "Fans from both schools are likely to agree this (the rivalry) is a healthy situation, providing there are no fisticuffs, destruction of property and rioting." It's sure a good thing, we must add, that there were no "fisticuffs . . . and rioting" after the Beaver-Duck football game this fall. Things might have gotten out of hand if there had been . . .

Oregon basketball fans viewing the Frosh-Rook contest after the Oregon varsity win over Oregon State Saturday might have been impressed with Vince Fritz, a prep star from Central Catholic in Portland. We were, by the way. We saw him play three years in high school—earning all-star honors annually—and thus we can attest to the fact that he hasn't learned his hoop talent overnight.

Fritz scored 20 points in the Rook contest Saturday as the Beavers dumped the Frosh, 60-50, and 18 points Friday night in Corvallis as his team began the weekend by handing a 40-37 loss to the Ducklings. But he's had higher games. He tallied 48 counters one night in McMinnville against the Linfield JVs. . . .

Scott Surprises Ducks and Opponents . . .

Probably one of the more pleasant surprises for Art Keith's wrestling squad has been 130-pound Curt Scott. Scott, a junior, has competed in seven dual meets now and hasn't lost a match. He's already topped his 1965 mark of six wins and four losses and, according to Keith, Scott could still top that record by quite a bit more.

After practically each match Keith has remarked: "He's doing real fine; Scott's coming along." And if that can be interpreted as an improvement in each match, then Scott's future opponents don't have much to look forward to. Scott gained his first pin last weekend when he stopped OCE's Mike Vego. . . .

The only other Duck wrestler to make it through without a loss thus far is 177-pound Bruce Glenn. He is now 4-0, with three of those being won by falls. Glenn's a former AAU national champion so here's another spot where opponents might be worrying just a little bit. . . .

Oregon hoop scoring after 13 games:

Oregon Hoop													PAC	
	G	F	G	Pct.	F	T	Pct.	Reb.	P	F	T	Pct.	Avg.	Avg.
Barnett, g-f	10	158	64	.405	75	56	.747	68	30	184	18.4	20.5		
N. Jones, g	13	150	64	.427	40	25	.625	44	35	152	11.8	9.5		
Pinkstaff, c	13	134	52	.388	48	36	.750	103	34	140	10.8	9.3		
Craven, f	12	111	43	.387	28	16	.571	78	16	102	8.5	9.3		
KaFoury, g	11	76	31	.408	6	5	.833	19	22	67	6.1	12.3		
Jennings, f	11	49	20	.408	23	17	.739	41	18	57	5.2	2.5		
Thomas, f	12	54	22	.407	22	10	.455	50	23	54	4.5	0.7		
Smith, f	8	31	12	.387	15	9	.600	21	12	33	4.1	2.0		
Franz, c	13	37	14	.378	7	5	.714	27	20	33	2.6	3.0		
DuShane, g	9	26	10	.385	13	11	.846	16	19	31	3.4	2.0		
J. Jones, g	3	10	4	.400	0	0	.000	2	4	8	2.7			
Nicksic, g	7	3	2	.667	2	1	.500	3	3	5	0.7	0.0		
Romppanen, f	1	1	0	.000	0	0	.000	4	1	0	0.0			
Totals	13	840	338	.405	279	191	.685	561	238	867	66.7	67.0		
Opponents	13	859	345	.402	323	226	.700	642	233	916	70.5	77.3		

Ski Quacks Slate Overnight Trip

The Oregon Ski Quacks will hold an overnight trip at Mt. Bachelor this weekend in coordination with the Oregon Ski Team invitational championships set for Saturday and Sunday, giving members an opportunity to see championship skiing while skiing themselves.

IM Schedule

Basketball

- 3:50—Court 40, Debusk A vs. Ganoe A
Court 43, Henderson A vs. Thornton A
4:35—Court 40, Bean East A vs. Robbins A
Court 43, Boynton A vs. Parsons A
5:15—Court 40, Phi Gamma Delta A vs. Kappa Sigma A
Court 43, Pi Kappa Alpha A vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon A

Handball

- 4:00—Douglass vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon
4:45—Phi Delta Theta vs. Robbins

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