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Swimmers in Nor-Pac

By STEVE JETT
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Oregon men's swimming coach Dick Schliecher, for the most part, has surrendered the Northern Pacific championship to a kingpin from the north. He now is waiting for any leftovers.

Oregon plays host, Thursday through Saturday, to the Nor-Pac championships, which acts as a stepping stone to the NCAA championships later in the month at Long Beach, California. Oregon's goal for success can be spelled out s-e-c-o-n-d.

First place is guaranteed to be occupied by the Washington Huskies, according to Schliecher.

"I think second is feasible for us (Oregon), but there is no question about it, Washington will win the title," said Schliecher about the Huskies, who go gunning for their third straight Nor-Pac title.

Washington is given the edge for obvious reasons, mainly team depth and financial backing.

"You have got to respect Washington's depth," said Schliecher, "they have so much of it. In fact, their depth is their best in their history. Even if we could take first place in all events we still

could not win because of their depth."

Schliecher then turned to money.

"Washington and other larger schools get much more backing. Since 1975, Oregon has been running on little or no money. That definitely takes the air out of us."

Schliecher insists to keep an eye on one swimmer to lead the Oregon charge, Steve Hamilton, who is the current Northwest record holder in the 200 yard backstroke. The Huskies will counter attack in the same event with Bill Patterson, who defeated Hamilton earlier this season at Leighton Pool.

Along with Patterson, two other Huskies stand out. John Weston, in the freestyle, and Mark Prothro, an AAU finalist in the individual medley, will furnish additional Huskie strength.

Also, Washington freshman Steve Dougherty has the second best time thus far this season in the Northwest. Dougherty was the

best high school freestyler in Washington last year.

As for Oregon, the flu season brought added complications. At last count, three swimmers had been saddled by the bug. But Schliecher insists the entire squad will be healthy come meet time.

"In the last two weeks almost everyone has come in contact with it, but only three are ill right now. We should all be ready."

In the sprints and middle distances, Oregon will be powered by a cast led by Paul Buvick, John Seton, and Jay Evans.

If Oregon has any hope for a sweep in any event it will come in the diving competition, where Jim Voll, Jim Scoglund, and Sam Nixon could all place.

"I think we are ready for this meet," said Schliecher. "A lot of the swimmers had their best times of the season against Simon Fraser and a few even had lifetime bests."

But Schliecher emphasized, bagging second place "means the entire team must swim well."

Hoop playoffs underway, teams already eliminated

The University's intramural basketball playoffs are now in full swing, with a number of games having already been played.

In Division I, nine games have been contested, with nine of the 24 teams being knocked out of further competition. All nine games were played on Monday.

FEA advanced to the second round of play by defeating The Bulls. FEA will now face ATO in the second round today at 3:30. In another first round game, Rigormortis dropped a physical matchup with Sigma Chi. Sigma Chi will meet Smith at 3:30 today.

Zingloids beat Legal Eagles, and will face Short But Slow in the second round. Kappa Sigma hammered SPE and faces Callyplyglotists today. Beta Theta Pi bumped The Clods to advance to a game with Ram Jams today.

In other games today, M. Marauders face Beaver Bangers

by virtue of a victory over Wolf-pack, and Weil Blazers, victors over River Rats, face SAE. Theta Chi, winners over the Bannuci Brothers, faces Sigma Nu.

In Division II action, there was one game played Monday. The Brunners knocked off The Players to advance to second round action against River City Rednecks.

There were nine games played yesterday, but the results were not available by press time.

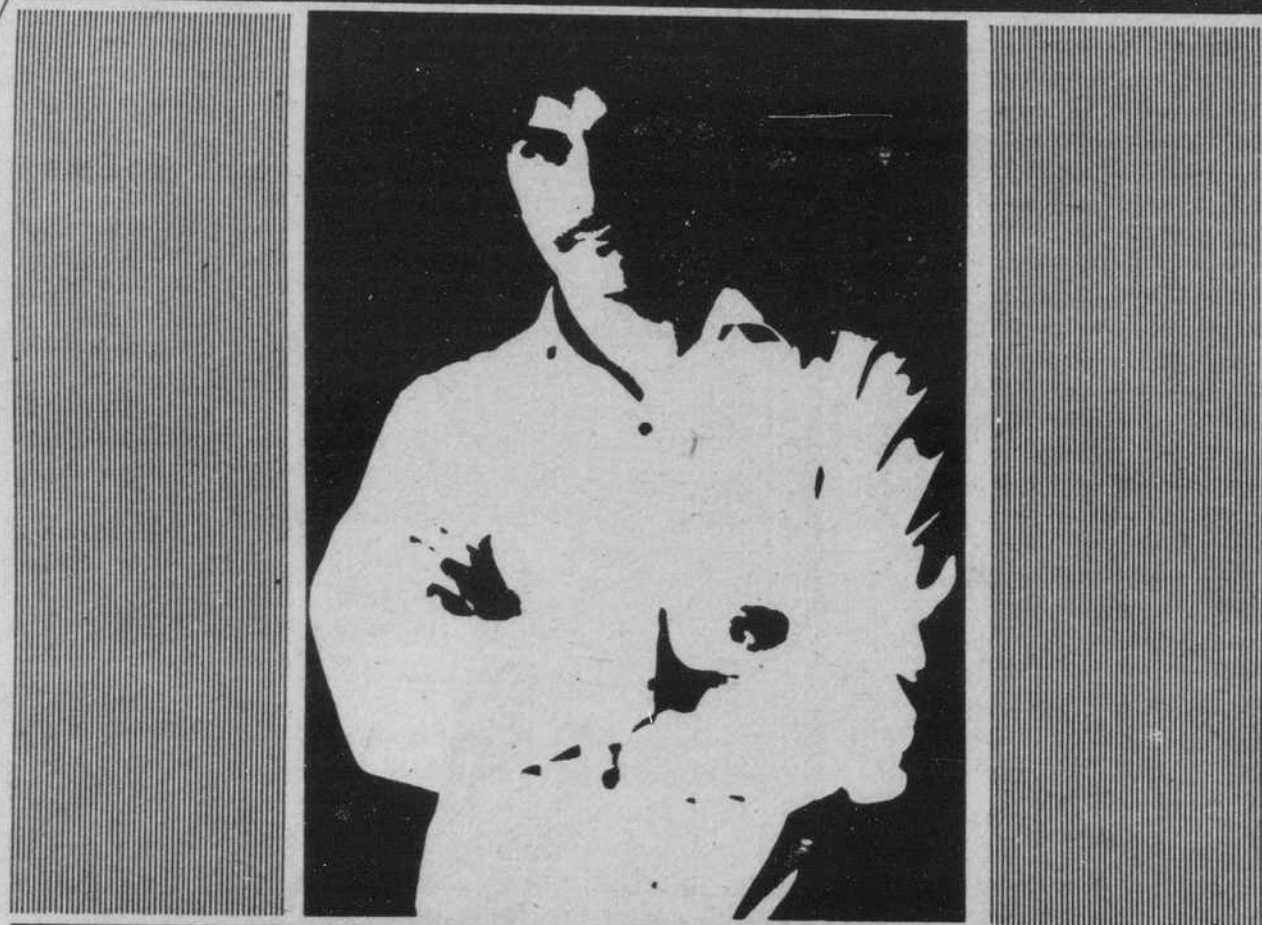
In upcoming action, Bean East will face Wilcox tonight.

Tomorrow's games feature action between SPE-Delta Tau Delta, Brummers-Rednecks, and Diamond-Ying Yang II. There will also be games featuring the winners of yesterday's action.

The championship game for Division I will be at Court 40, March 10 at 4:30 p.m. The Division II title game will be played immediately before the Division I game at 3:30.

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