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Cougs make a point four times as Ducks bow in crucial series

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It was a bad weekend for Oregon baseball. To say the least.

The Ducks lost four games to Washington State and in the process dropped five games behind the league-leading Cougars with only six games left.

The trouble started on Friday when Oregon lost what has got to be the fastest games ever recorded at Howe Field — 15 minutes. The game was the continuation of the contest which ended in a 2-2 tie two weeks ago in Pullman.

Starting where darkness forced the earlier suspension, the Ducks went down in order in the top of the 13th inning. WSU then managed to do what no other team has done

this year — beat Dean Kegler. And they did it with only three batters.

After Matt Minium opened the Cougars' half of the inning by grounding out, John Cook singled to rightfield. Moments later Cook scored the winning run after a double to left centerfield by 1977 All-Northern Division third baseman Dave Edler.

Cook had slowed at third after Duck leftfielder Mike Ritchie made a quick recovery of Edler's hit, but then took home after Ritchie's throw from the fence sailed over the head of the cut-off man.

"You can't underestimate the advantage they had on that 13th inning game," Oregon coach Mel Krause said. "They didn't pay any penalty, we payed the penalty both times, up there and down

here. There's no way you can call what they did a fair decision."

What the simmering Oregon skipper was referring to was the decision on how the game would be finished. At a Pac-8 athletic director's meeting on Thursday it was decided that the game would be finished at the start of the weekend series and that every player on both team's roster would be eligible to play.

Krause found fault on both of these points, stating that WSU already used everyone except the batboy up in Pullman and that a very crucial game was being decided in a haphazard sudden-death situation.

"Going into the series we had to take three of the four," Krause said. "And then all of a sudden, after one inning we have to take three of three. That's a tough situation to put a ball club in."

"You can't take anything away from Washington State though," he added. "They were good enough to do it and we weren't. Our pitching has not improved, their's has. That was the story of the series — pitching."

Friday's game

Washington State 000 000 210 — 3 6 0
Oregon 000 100 010 — 2 5 1

Kinnunen, Snider (9) and Crow. Kegler, Jordan (7), Thompson (7), Strahm (8), Richardson (8) and Nelson.
W — Kinnunen (6-3). L — Kegler (7-2). HR — Oregon, Dodd (7).

Saturday's games

Washington State 100 000 4 — 5 7 0
Oregon 000 021 0 — 3 4 1

Snider and Crow. Lazarich, Fisher (7), Jordan (7), Richardson (7) and Nelson.

W — Snider (2). L — Lazarich (1-1). HR — Oregon, Nelson (1) and Dodd (8).

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Ducks gear for Pac-8, showdown with USC

By MIKE BAER
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Just as everyone has predicted all year, the Pac-8 golf championships that begin today in Los Angeles should come down to a battle between the conference's two national powers, Oregon and host USC.

Both teams head into the tournament coming off good performances in the Sun Devil-Phoenix Thunderbird Classic that concluded on Saturday. Oregon, which had finished ahead of USC on their two previous confrontations, finished fifth, two strokes behind the third place Trojans.

Brigham Young once again took the top spot, beating host



Photo by Tim Leonard

Debbie Borchers had good reason to grimace Saturday, as she and the rest of the Ducks went down to a rather lopsided 9-0 defeat at the hands of Washington.

Huskies show who's boss by routing Duck netters

The University of Washington lived up to previous predictions by routing the Oregon women's tennis team 9-0 under Saturday's sunny skies on the Alder Street courts.

Washington dominated every match of the singles and doubles competition and when necessary, pulled out split set decisions to successfully defeat Oregon for the second time this season.

In singles, Patti Layton took her first set 6-3 lost the second by the same score before virtually giving away the third set, 6-0. The other women lost in straight sets, never really getting into their matches, although many featured long rallies and good tennis.

The final scores were not indicative of the style of play. Although many Oregon women managed to return shots, they repeatedly found themselves unable to handle the consistent, sustained pressure of the Washington women.

In doubles play, Oregon could not stay with Washington's consistency. About the only hope for a Duck win was in number two doubles with Debbie Borchers and Kim Jessup, the latter playing for the ailing Mo Hermann. The Oregon duo took the opening set 6-3, but after making a comeback from a 5-2 deficit in the second set, they dropped that set 7-6 and the third set 6-0.

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Singles — Mary Schutzen, Wash., d. Helen Vozzenelli, Oregon, 6-2, 6-1. Kathi Beck, Wash., d. Patti Layton, Oregon, 3-6, 6-3, 6-0. Lynne Marheska, Wash., d. Debbie Borchers, Oregon, 6-1, 6-1. Anne Burrows, Wash., d. Patti Marhart, Oregon, 6-4, 6-3. Gretchen Van Dyk, Wash., d. Tina Mickelson, Oregon, 6-2, 6-2. Lisa Moldrem, Wash., d. Sheryl Anderson, Oregon, 6-1, 6-2.

Doubles — Schutzen-Dyk, d. Vozzenelli-Layton 3-6, 6-2, 6-1. Marheska-Burrows, d. Borchers-Kim Jessup 2-6, 7-6, 6-0. Moldrem-Beck, d. Marhart-Mickelson 6-4, 6-4.

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