## Chinese drop volleyballers

The Oregon women's volleyball team received a taste of international play Sunday night in McArthur Court as the national team from the People's Republic of China beat the Ducks in three games. 15-10, 15-5 and 15-10 in an exhibition match.

Oregon played the Chinese tough throughout the three games, but an experienced frontline led by Bu Xiao Xia and Chen Ya Chun combined on 24 kills to put an end to the Ducks' upset hopes.

"Our goal was to score five points," said Oregon coach Chris Voelz. "We surpassed that goal and more."

Voelz credited China's place-

ment of the ball against the Ducks as the key to the match.

"They are very good," said Voelz. "We did fairly well, but it hard for us to adjust to the scene of the ball."

Voelz was amazed at China's ability to make the ball drop on the serve where the Chinese scored 11 service aces against the Ducks.

"Their balls would move two or three feet and then drop some," said Voelz. "We are used to the ball droppng eight to ten inches in American volleyball."

Besides the Chinese, Oregon tangled with two opponents on a Californian road tour last Friday and Saturday.

On Friday, the Ducks lost a crucial NorPac conference match to Fresno State University in four games. The Bulldogs of Fresno State won 15-17, 15-11, 15-8 and 15-9 to improve their league mark to 6-1. Oregon with the loss dropped to 4-2 in the NorPac, 16-8 overall.

"It was a real shame we did not execute at all against Fresno State," said Voelz. "We didn't make a great effort on defense. I'm just glad it wasn't for the championship."

Oregon's middle setter Sue Harbour had 29 kills against FSU while Shaunna Koenig and Cynthia Shepherd added 12 and 11 kills respectively for the Ducks in a losing effort.

"We did not play up to our potential," said Harbour on the FSU loss. "It was their biggest game of the year and they were up for us."

The Ducks rebounded from the FSU loss with a win over an inspired Cal-State Bakersfierld team in four games 15-8, 16-14, 12-15 and 15-11.

"They are one of the top Division Two teams in the nation," said Voelz of the win which upped Oregon's record to 17-8 overall. "We were glad to get out of there with a win."

Freshman Teri Kramer felt the team was sluggish in California.

"We were kind of in a slump," said Kramer. "We weren't working as a team — everyone was moving very slow."

 Voelz will install "higher intensity practices" this week as the Ducks prepare for road matches against the University of California and the University of San Francisco on Friday and Saturday



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Lisa Gemoya sets up a pass for a teammate in the Ducks' threegame loss to the Chinese national team last night in McArthur Court.

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