## **Ducks lose their shot** of upsetting Trojans

By Dave Charbonneau

The Oregon men's basketball team stayed close to USC the entire game Saturday and even had a lead midway through the second half, but the Trojans ran away at the end for a 77-69 win at the Sports Arena in Los Ange-

The loss dropped the Ducks to 0-2 in the Pacific-10 Conference and 4-7 overall.

Oregon had its opportunities Saturday but stumbled when it counted most. The Ducks went on a 13-2 run in the second half to take a 48-46 lead. Shortly after that, the Trojans hit three straight three-pointers, and USC's lead was back to nine.

Oregon still had its chances but failed to cash in. It looked as if the Trojans had sealed the victory until Claude Green was called for a technical foul. USC led only 70-63, but Orlando Williams missed both free throws.

Williams led all scorers with 21 points but continued to struggle from his usual comfort zone, the three-point arc. Williams hit a three for Oregon's first basket of the game and then missed his next seven shots from the arc, finishing one for eight on the night. Williams went one for six from three-point range Thursday night against UCLA.

The Ducks struggled on offense the entire first half and were lucky to be down by only eight at halftime. Oregon shot 32 percent in the half and finished the game hitting only 41 percent of its shots. The Ducks also had nearly twice as many turnovers (13) as assists (7).

The Ducks' other big setback Saturday was their inability to box out on defense. USC outrebounded Oregon 35-25 and killed the Ducks with offensive rebounds. In one stretch, the Trojans scored three straight baskets on offensive boards.

Besides Williams, forwards Jeff Potter and Damon Runyon were the only two Ducks in double figures, both finishing with 10 points.

Next up for the Ducks will be the 299th meeting with Oregon State. Saturday at McArthur Court. The Beavers were crushed Saturday by UCLA 104-71 and are also 0-2 and 4-7. The game will start at 1:00 p.m.

## NCAA chief issues call for review

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The head of the NCAA says the governing body of college sports should hire management experts to review the entire structure of the organization.

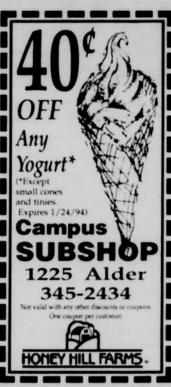
Cedric Dempsey, in his first appearance as NCAA executive director, said Sunday that restructuring and reform will set the NCAA's agenda in the coming years.

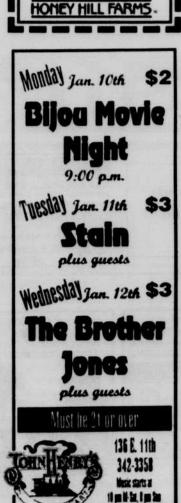
Dempsey made only one brief mention of a Division I-A football playoff, which is expected to be a major topic at next year's convention, along with restructuring.

Earlier Sunday, civil rights leader Jesse Jackson canceled his appearance to speak with NCAA officials about the concerns of black coaches and administrators over academic standards. A spokesman for Jackson said he was ill.

The Black Coaches Association, hinting at a possible boycott, has demanded the rescinding of Proposition 16, which is to raise academic standards for freshmen and is supposed to take effect in August.







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