

Cheerleaders, band preparing for Pasadena

Cheering squad set for Bowl

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When the Ducks go to the Rose Bowl, the football team won't be the only ones in the national spotlight. Oregon's cheerleaders will also strut their stuff Jan. 2.

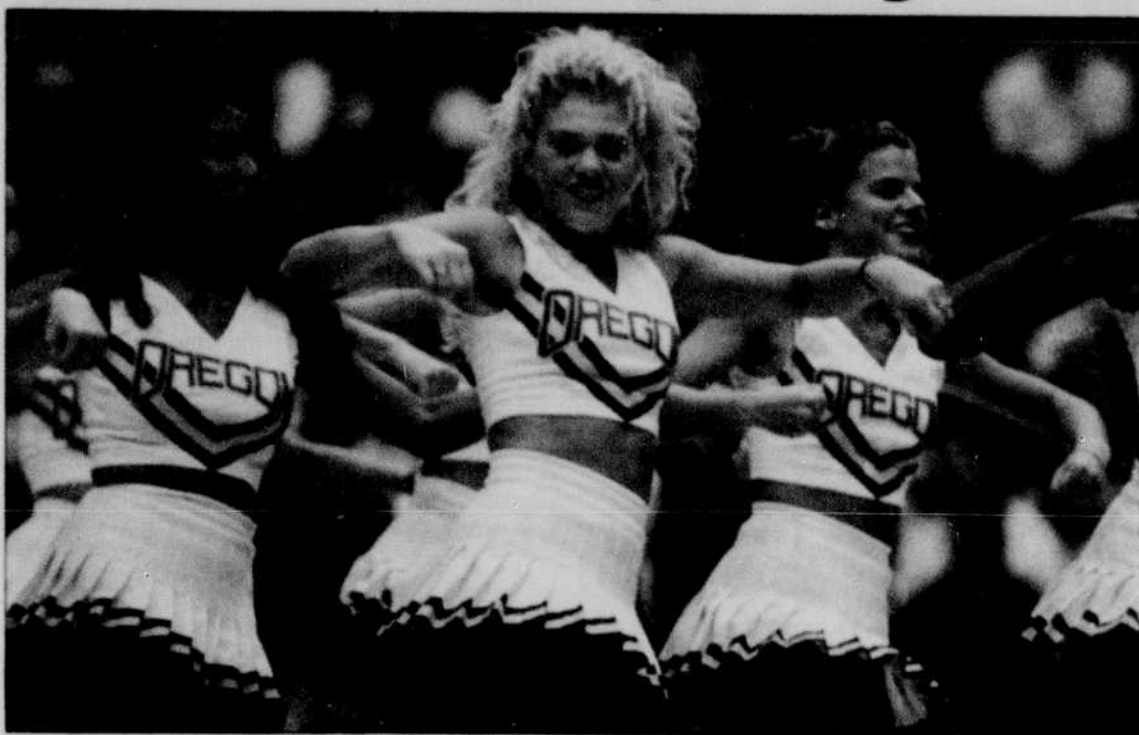
Members of the squad said they are excited and nervous about the game. "The Rose Bowl is not anything anyone expected and we all want to look totally perfect," said Angela Hunsaker, a freshman on the squad.

The team is relying on the experience of alumni and squad members who participated in past bowl games for guidance this time around. Junior Vickie Boonkoom remembers the Ducks' appearance at the 1992's Independence Bowl, but she said the Rose Bowl is ten times bigger.

Hunsaker said that nothing can compare to the pressure this appearance at the Rose Bowl is going to have on the squad.

"The pressure is intense, but more than anything we want to have fun," Hunsaker said. During Christmas break, basketball games will take up much of the squad's time. In some ways, it is still too early to be thinking about January.

Some of the cheerleaders said they feel challenged and recognize they'll be involved in their own competition with Penn State's squad. The Battle of the Bands and the battle of the cheerleaders will play out in



Though they are extremely excited about the Rose Bowl, the University cheerleaders have not really had time to concentrate on the big event.

Pasadena along with the football game, Boonkoom said.

"The competition is to see which squad can get their crowd more enthusiastic about the Rose Bowl. Our competition is to see which squad can get the crowd more loud and which squad can get more support towards their team," Boonkoom said.

Boonkoom is the dance captain for the squad. Her priority is to prepare material, particularly for the parade. The cheerleaders need to know the music selected by the band and they need to be ready with as much material as possible.

Their coach, Loraine Raisch, has gotten help from the cheer-

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Marching band ready for Roses

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If Rodney Dangerfield hadn't said, "I don't get no respect," the Oregon Marching Band would have probably said it first.

But with an estimated television audience of 450 million people in 90 countries and thousands of people lining the streets for the Tournament of Roses Parade to watch the band play, the 200-member OMB can no longer complain about a lack of recognition.

"Our band is high-quality," said Heather Daylene Ayers, a section leader for the drum line. "I passed up USC to play for the drum line. We put in a lot of time and effort and we play very good stuff. It's always been like this, but we're just getting more attention this year."

As the football team beat Washington and Arizona, media representatives from *The Oregonian*, *The Register-Guard* and Portland TV stations began descending on the practice field by Beall Hall almost every week to interview members of the band.

The OMB hopes the increased media attention and a Rose Bowl appearance will translate into more recruits.

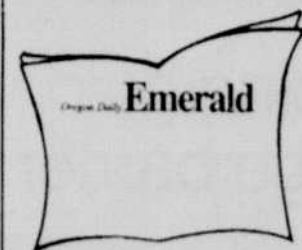
"This is the ninth bowl game I've assisted or had complete control over, and I think the Rose Bowl is a tremendous opportunity for the school and

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The marching band is looking forward to the benefit the Rose Bowl will have on recruitment.

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