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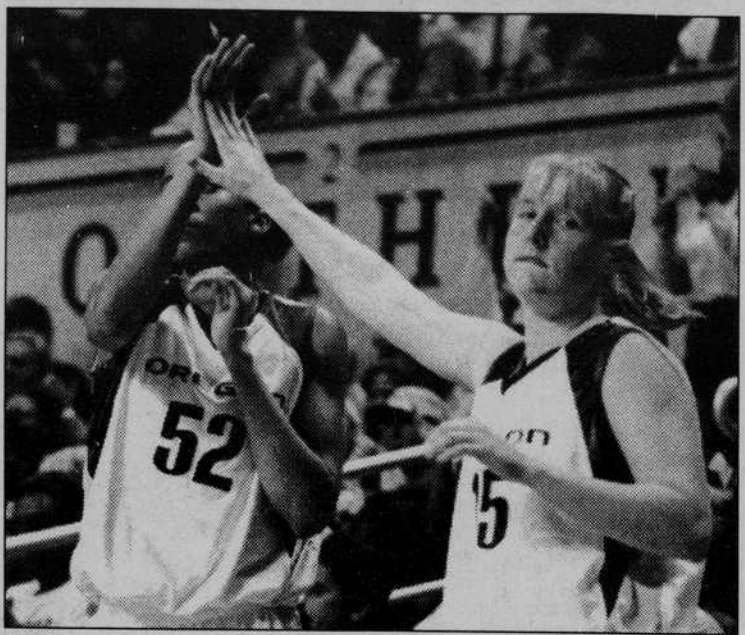
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Oregon's Nddi Unaka and Kourtney Shreve are among those who believe that the Ducks can make a run at an NCAA Tournament spot in their final five games.

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Women's

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young," Craighead said of Shreve. "She's in a position that she's never been in before. But I know we're going to do our best this week in practice to get her going because we need her. She'll come around."

In 31 minutes against the Huskies, Edwards was 4 of 7 from the floor, all coming in the final 12 minutes of regulation or in overtime. She also grabbed five rebounds and dished out four assists.

"I know I'm going to get about 20 minutes and share the playing time," Edwards said. "So when I get in there I just have to play my best and make my shots."

"It's very difficult not to start Alisa Edwards right now because she's done such a tremendous job," Runge said. "Not only defensively, which is the main reason she's playing more, but now she's shooting the ball well."

A halftime horror

The Ducks are 1-6 this season when trailing at the half. They picked their first win against Washington after trailing 22-23 at the half.

The Wolves are howling

Senior forward Angelina Wolvert had one of her best weekends in an Oregon uniform last week. She recorded her first double-double of the season against Washington State last Thursday, tallying a career-high 32 points and 10 rebounds. Then, against the Huskies, she grabbed a career-high 17 rebounds to go along

with 13 points. "I think her and Bri [senior Brianne Meharry] have really tried to hold this thing together, but we haven't been able to put a lineup together with all five people doing the team thing," Runge said.

From way downtown

Craighead is closing in on the school record for the most three-point field goals in a season. Missy Croshaw owns the school record with 70 during the 1993-94 season, and Craighead already has 63 this year.

She is also third on the all-time list for career threes with 91. The school record is 189, also held by Croshaw.

Additionally, Craighead is third in the Pac-10 with a .447 mark from behind the three-point arc and third in three-pointers per game (2.7.)

Mind over matter?

Senior forward Lindsey Dion's courageous play against the Huskies guided the Ducks to victory — even though she wasn't supposed to play in the game because of her sprained left ankle.

"To watch Lindsey Dion play on an ankle that's obviously very, very painful — it's hard to look at that and not be inspired," Runge said.

Her status for this weekend is still day-to-day, depending on how the ankle feels.

"It's just depends on how much pain she can tolerate," Runge said. "She's not at risk of re-injuring it; she's just in a lot of pain. Not that Lindsey can't handle the pain, but when her body won't activate it ... it's not even mind over matter."

Men's

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day's matchup with UCLA, will be shown locally on Oregon Sports Network.

Triple-double trouble

Oregon freshman Luke Jackson scored a rare triple-double in the Ducks' 85-73 victory over Washington Saturday.

How rare? It was the first Oregon triple-double since Ron Lee did it in 1972. It was the first ever scored by a freshman in a Pacific-10 Conference game. It was only the 14th triple-double in the conference since the Pac-10 started keeping track in 1985, and the second for a freshman in that time span.

Jackson's 14 points were not a career high, but his 11 rebounds and 10 assists were career highs. Jackson had only 31 career assists before Saturday's game.

Hicks throwing a block party

Oregon center Julius Hicks has picked up where Chris Christofersen left off when "Big Chris" in-

jured his hand before the Ducks' matchup with Arizona State. Hicks has 10 blocks in the past three games, and has spearheaded a defense that has allowed opponents an average of 67.5 points in the last four games.

"We're just allowing him to get into defensive position more," Kent said about Hicks. "It's important for us to keep him healthy. If he's healthy, obviously we're a much better basketball team."

Hicks has picked up his offensive intensity as well. "Juice" averages 7.8 points per game, but is shooting 64 percent from the field to lead the Pac-10 in that category.

For what it's worth

Oregon's Pit Crew will be happy to know that Arizona forward Michael Wright finally got caught.

In a game last weekend, Wright was called for spending more than 10 seconds at the free-throw line. When Arizona played in Eugene, Duck fans counted the number of seconds Wright took to release his free throws out loud, often reaching 17 and 18 seconds.

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