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lected earlier this month as the FSN national telecast and will remain so everywhere but the Northwest. The Oregon-USC game, which was already being broadcast by Fox Sports Net West 2 in Los Angeles, will now be sent to Fox Sports Net Northwest as well.

### Mother knows best

A little motherly care helped Christoffersen fight through a nasty sickness last week. The sen-

ior had his parents visiting from Denmark and was disappointed that he wasn't at full strength to play well in front of them.

"It was frustrating, but I'm finally getting healthy," Christoffersen said. "I had a cold, which turned into a case of bronchitis. I had problems breathing. My throat was all clogged up. But my mom's tea helped get me going again.

"She always tries to pamper me when she visits."

Christoffersen scored a combined eight points in just 28 minutes of action during the weekend.

"We knew he was in trouble, but I wanted to play him a little bit because of his parents being here," Kent said. "He looks a lot better than he did last week, that's for sure."

The 7-foot-2 center says he's now 100 percent and excited for this weekend's challenge.

### Dunks and drafts

Senior Freddie Jones impressed many Saturday with his thundering dunks, even those who have seen him play for years.

"I was checking into the game at the scorer's table when he dunked

over (Washington's) Errol Knight and I had to jump off the floor," Lever said. "I felt like a cheerleader. It was amazing. The people behind me were telling me to sit down."

Jones was invited to participate in the ESPN Slam Dunk contest that will take place at the Final Four in Atlanta. He'll also play for the college all-stars that weekend in a game against the Harlem Globetrotters.

Jones will then fly to Portsmouth, Va., for a pre-NBA Draft camp that takes place April 3-6. Christoffersen was invited to the camp as well.

In the draft projections on nbadraft.net, Jones is a first round selection (No. 24) by San Antonio and Christoffersen is a second round pick (No. 52) by Milwaukee.

### Bracketology madness

ESPN's Dick Vitale wrote in his latest column that the Ducks are

one of 12 teams that he believes can win the NCAA championship.

"On a neutral floor, the Cool Hand Lukes along with Freddy Jones and Chris Christoffersen, give coach Ernie Kent's Ducks a legitimate shot at the Final Four," Vitale wrote.

Yes, Vitale misspelled Freddie — again.

Also on ESPN.com, Oregon jumped one seed in the latest "Bracketology," where the entire NCAA Tournament field is predicted every week until the real bracket is announced March 10.

Oregon is a fourth seed and is projected to play 13th-seeded UNC-Wilmington on March 14 at Arco Arena in Sacramento, Ca.

The Seahawks (19-9) can boast something that Oregon can't — a win at Minnesota, where the Ducks lost in December.

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