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indicates that it is a much better team when Crosswhite is on his game.

"We notice (the correlation); we notice the numbers, too," Oregon head coach Ernie Kent said. "When he's on his game, he makes us a much better basketball team. But that doesn't mean we want to put any more pressure on him."

Last weekend's home split against the Bay Area school is a microcosm of Crosswhite's season. Against Stanford, he scored 14 points and grabbed five rebounds and Oregon won, 79-64. Two days later, Crosswhite had just four points in nine minutes and the Ducks lost, 86-75.

"He just has to go through it," Kent said of Crosswhite's learning process. "You can't force the issue. Sometimes you need to fail, or even be embarrassed, in order to learn. Consistency will come from the day-to-day practice efforts, which carries over to the games."

"Once he can figure that out, the sky's the limit."

Movin' on up

Despite its loss to Cal on Sunday, Oregon jumped a spot in ESPN.com's Bracketology, which predicts the NCAA Tournament lineup in March.

The Ducks are projected to be the No. 7 seed in the Midwest region, with its first-round matchup slated in Okla-

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homa City against 10th-seeded Tennessee (13-6).

With its win over Stanford, the Ducks now have two wins over teams ranked in the Ratings Percentage Index top-25 (the other is Kansas). Oregon's only "bad loss" is to USC, which has an RPI ranking above 100.

Remember, there's only 32 days until selection on Sunday.

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Adam Amato Emerald

Robert Johnson and the Duck big men, who struggled against Cal, will have their hands full down the stretch of the Pac-10 season.

Call for Nominations Faculty Distinguished Teaching Awards

Deadline for Nominations: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2003

Faculty, staff, students, and alumni are invited to submit nominations for any faculty members, .5FTE or greater, tenure or non-tenure related, who have taught at the University of Oregon for a minimum of two (2) years. The **Ersted Award** and **Thomas F. Herman Award** are presented annually at Spring Commencement to University of Oregon faculty members for distinguished teaching. Each award will be accompanied by a recurring monetary reward. (Please note: Graduate Teaching Fellows have their own competition and are ineligible for these teaching awards.)

Eligibility for Awards

Ersted Award for Distinguished Teaching

The late Mr. A. J. Ersted established the **Ersted Award for Distinguished Teaching** so the University of Oregon could annually honor faculty members "who have taught comparatively short periods and have demonstrated exceptional abilities to induce students to reason and not merely memorize." The Ersted Award is presented only to faculty who are early in their teaching careers. This teaching may occur at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Thomas F. Herman Faculty Achievement Award for Distinguished Teaching

This award honors senior faculty members who have achieved outstanding records as teachers. The **Thomas F. Herman Award** is presented only to faculty members who have academic rank at the University of Oregon for at least seven years, and who have demonstrated long-standing excellence in teaching and have contributed significantly to student learning at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Nominations will be accepted either through submissions of the following form *or* by e-mail. If your nomination is e-mailed, please make sure that you include all the information contained on this form.

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Vice President for Academic Affairs
207 Johnson Hall, University of Oregon

E-mail your nomination to:
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I nominate (print clearly) _____ for the

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