Taylor: Kent says team needs star shooter

per game. He's connected on 76 of 171 field goals (44 percent), including 33 of 82 (40 percent) from three-point range. While he's struggled as of late, Taylor's teammates continue to have the utmost confidence

"Bryce isn't in a shooting struggle," freshman swingman Malik Hairston

said. "We need to continue to get Bryce the ball and get him in scoring opportunities. We need to get him the ball and make sure he's involved in our offense

With eight games remaining in the regular season, the Ducks sit in ninth place in the Pac-10 and are in danger of missing the conference tournament. Kent said Taylor will

be key to Oregon closing the season on a positive note.

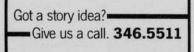
"We (need him), no question about it," Kent said. "Hopefully, being here at home will give him an opportunity to (play well). For Bryce, (success) is centered around confidence."

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Crosswhite: Second player to be suspended this season

Coming into this season, Crosswhite only needed 303 points to become the 25th men's player in Oregon history to score 1,000 career points. He was also poised to move into the top six all-time in blocks in Oregon history, needing only 18. He has 12 blocks this season.

As a freshman in 2002-03, Crosswhite earned Pac-10 all-freshman honorable mention after averaging 9.3 points and 3.8 rebounds per game. He ranked ninth in the Pac-10 in field goal percentage (.519).

The last Oregon men's basketball

player to be suspended was freshman Chamberlain Oguchi, who was suspended for one game against Illinois this season for failing to meet team academic requirements. Former duck Andre Joseph was the last player to be suspended for non-academic issues, missing one game following a post-game tantrum during the 2002-03 season.

Kent did not comment on the length of the suspension, saying only, "I really don't want to speculate.

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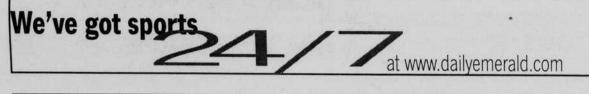






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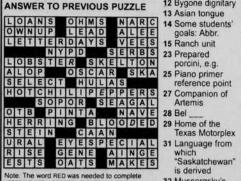
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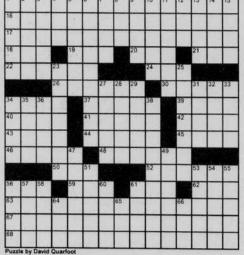
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