Ducks Face Vandal Threat This Week

Webfoots, Beavers Deadlocked; Hansen Takes Big Scoring Lead

NORTHERN DIVISION

Standings	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Oregon	8	5	.615	645	698
Oregon State	8	5	.615	628	581
Wash. State	7	5	.583	550	523
Washington	5	9	.357	627	691
Idaho	3	7	.300	387	436

SOUTHERN DIVISION

Standings	W	L	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
UCLA	3	1	.750	146	149
USC	2	2	.500	163	134
California	1	3	.250	145	171

The University of Oregon Webfoots must do it the hard way now. Coach John Warren's hoopsters enjoyed a two-game lead over the field before their last two games, but following a 55-51 defeat by Oregon State here two weeks ago and a 45-43 loss to the Beavers at Corvallis last Saturday night, the Webfoots now find themselves deadlocked with OSC for the northern division, Pacific coast conference lead.

An important series against the improving University of Idaho Vandals will be played here at McArthur court Tuesday and Wednesday, and the Webfoots must defeat Coach Babe Brown's aggregation from Moscow as well as stop Oregon State here Saturday, March 3, to have a chance for the coveted crown. Even with three successes the Oregons might find themselves deadlocked with the dangerous Washington State Cougars at the close of the season. Coach Jack Friel's Pullman quintet could clinch at least a tie by winning its two games against Washington in Seattle next weekend and take the final two games from Idaho.

The UCLA Bruins hold their first southern division basketball title in history after trimming USC 34-28 Saturday night. Jack Nichols of USC scored 10 points in the game to run his season's total to 48.

In week-end non-conference games, Washington State defeated Western Washington college 69-54 with Vince Hansen scoring 17, while Washington made it four straight over Gonzaga, 39-29.

Warren Reminds Webfoots

Coach Warren told his battered and bruised Webfoots here Monday that all thoughts of the fourth "civil war" skirmish against OSC might as well be forgotten—that the game here March 3 will mean virtually nothing unless the Oregons can get past Idaho here this week. The Vandals will be definite threats, having held Oregon to 42-40 and 41-38 decisions at Moscow early in the season. Since that time the Vandals have not only taken a two-game series from Washington's defending champions, but also decisioned Oregon State. Another letterman has also been added to the squad—Darwin Brown, a guard.

Coach Brown uses two other lettermen guards in his lineup—Leonard Pyne and Bill Carbaugh. Three freshmen are expected to be in the front line—John Taylor at center, Bob O'Connor and Jeff Overholser at forwards. The trio averages about 6 feet, 2 inches.

The Webfoots are not expected to be in top physical condition for the series against the Vandals, after Saturday's bruising and "bloody" battle at Corvallis where the Beavers won on a tip-in by sub Dick Strait in the last two minutes of play.

Oregon State held a slight edge during most of the contest, but except for mid-way in the first half when the Beavers held an 11-point advantage, Oregon was always within reach of victory. The halftime score showed Oregon State holding a 30-28 advantage.

Hays Star of Contest

Oregon enjoyed a momentary 32-30 lead early in the second half, but Oregon State moved out in front again and held the lead until the last three minutes when Bob Hamilton's hook shot from behind the key tied the score at 43-43. Strait's winning basket followed. Both teams had 16 field goals—Oregon State winning by the margin of two freethrows. The victory scored here two weeks ago was also won on the freethrow line by OSC.

Oregon was again handicapped by an over abundance of fouls. Both Dick Wilkins and Jim Bartelt, starters, were benched in the final three hectic minutes of the bruising battle on personal fouls—10 of the 21 charged against the Webfoots as against 15 collected by Oregon State.

The performance of Ken Hays, sophomore non-letterman center, in successfully checking OSC's Red Rocha, was the highlight of the game—and the lone consolation for the Webfoots. The shorter Hays held the 6-foot, 8-inch Beaver without a score from the field, a remarkable achievement against a hoopster who had averaged better than 20 points per game in his last four starts. Rocha did manage two points—from the freethrow line.

Hansen Near Record

Oregon took only a light workout Monday and will likely be a weary aggregation that takes the court Tuesday against Idaho. Oregon State, on the other hand, rests until meeting Idaho at Corvallis Friday and Saturday. If Oregon can win both games here, however, the pressure will be on the Beavers.

Big Vince Hansen of Washington State college can crack the northern division basketball scoring record by averaging just nine points for each of his four remaining games—which should be a breeze for the tall guy who has been moving at a clip of nearly 16 points a tilt.

The record, set by Gale Bishop when at WSC, is 224 points. Hansen has 189 for his 12 games.

Red Rocha was held to a couple in the Saturday night clash of the two pace-setting Oregon teams, but the Oregon Stater remained in second place with 178. Dick Wilkins of Oregon clung to third with 174 and Bob Jorgensen of Washington stayed in fourth with 164.

The leaders;

	G	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hansen, W.S.C.	12	74	41	36	189
Rocha, O.S.C.	13	76	26	41	178
Wilkins, Ore.	13	77	21	38	175
Jorgensen, Wash.	14	65	34	14	164
Hays, Ore.	13	52	14	38	118
Hamilton, Ore.	13	47	23	39	117
Smith, Ore.	13	27	54	49	106
King, Wash.	14	45	16	26	106
McGrath, O.S.C.	13	37	22	16	96
Hamilton, W.S.C.	12	38	14	26	90

The second ten: Bartelt, Ore., 87; O'Connor, Idaho (10 games), 77; McMillan, Wash., 73; Carnovale, Wash., 74; Labhart, O.S.C., 74; Pyne, Idaho, 72; Carbaugh, Idaho, 71; Rennick, W.S.C., 71; Taylor, Idaho, 70; Henningsen, O.S.C., 69.

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Willie Pep Favored Over Phil Terranova

NEW YORK, Feb. 19—(AP)—A top-heavy favorite, Willie Pep, defends his featherweight championship against Phil Terranova at Madison Square Garden tonight in one of the new wartime title bouts.

Opening a busy week on Promoter Mike Jacobs' fistic front, a crowd of some 14,000 is expected to shell out approximately $60,000 to watch the little fellows from Hartford and New York go 15 round or less.

The show is No. 7 on Uncle Mike's 1945 calendar and undoubtedly will boost his gross take past $400,000 for the year to date. The Sugar Robinson-Jake La Motta tangle on Friday should up the ante to nearly $500,000.

Pep, who expects to enter the army soon, arrived yesterday after finishing his training at Hartford. He was examined by Dr. William Walker of the state athletic commission and pronounced fit.

The Connecticut 127-pounder has shown little in recent bouts, but, being rated a great competitor, seems favored in all quarters to chalk up his 86th victory in 87 bouts. His one defeat came at the hands of the now retired Sammy Angott two years ago.

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St. Mary's Drops 31-27 Decision To Alumni

St. Mary's Catholic high, in its last game before the county "B" tourney opening at the Igloo Thursday, dropped a 31-27 decision to the Alumni quintet at St. Mary's hall Sunday afternoon.

The grads took a 12-9 lead at the quarter and held a slim 18-17 halftime advantage. The winners were ahead 28-22 at the end of the third period. Francis Heitzman paced the Alumni victors with 12 points and Jack Greig led the losers with eight.

Summary:

St. Mary's (27)		(31) Alumni
J. Greig, 8	F	12, Heitzman
Hunter, 8	F	2, P. Greig
Weitzel, 3	C	9, Stevens
Bartholomew, 8	G	4, Dion
Pourtales, 4	G	2, H. Guthrie

Subs: St. Mary's—Furrer 1. Alumni—Evonuk 2.
Referee: Ted Jones.

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Victoria Paddlers Beat W.A.C. Team

SEATTLE, Feb. 19. — A Victoria boys and girls swimming team defeated boy and girl paddlers of the Washington Athletic Club 45-33 here Saturday.

The boys' 200-yard relay was the closest event of the day, with Bob Miller W.A.C. anchor man, shading Victoria's Don Smyth by a whisker.

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Basketball Scores

HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

Eugene 62, University (Eugene) 24.
Pendleton 42, The Dalles 33.
Medford 35, Ashland 30.
Albany 37, Bend 35.

'B' Tourney In Spotlight

Gulfport Open Playoff Set; Leaders Under Par

DISTRICT 6 LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Eugene	9	0	1.000	49'	197
Cottage Grove	5	4	.556	293	274
Junction City	5	4	.556	256	268
Springfield	4	5	.444	259	288
University	3	6	.333	291	283
Roseburg	1	8	.111	224	301

SECOND-TEAM LEAGUE

Standings	W.	L.	Pct.
Springfield	8	1	.889
Eugene	8	1	.889
Junction City	4	5	.444
University	3	6	.333
Roseburg	3	6	.333
Cottage Grove	1	8	.111

The 21st annual Lane county "B" high school championship basketball tournament takes the prep hoop spotlight this week when an eight-team championship and six-team invitational event will open play at McArthur court Thursday evening. The single-elimination playoff, that carries with it two berths in the district "B" tournament, will be concluded Saturday night.

Pleasant Hill's defending county and district champions meet Coburg in the first championship game at 7 p. m. Thursday, followed by the St. Mary's-Lowell, Mapleton-Elmira, and Oakridge-Crow contests. Two 6 o'clock games will mark the opening rounds of the invitational affair, Creswell meeting McKenzie and Lorane playing Siuslaw. Mohawk and Lorane draw first-round byes.

Eugene Eyes 27th Straight

Only pre-tournament "B" game of the week will send Triangle to Crow for a Tuesday night game.

District 6 league play closes this week with Eugene and Cottage Grove playing final games at the Armory Tuesday night, with Eugene seeking its 10th straight league triumph—and 27th of the season—against the second-place Lions who trail the Axemen by four full games. University (Eugene) high also plays a league game Tuesday night at Roseburg—the final game for both teams.

Two non-league games will bring Albany to Springfield and send Junction City to Lebanon Tuesday night.

Friday night will see the final District 6 tilt, Junction City entertaining Springfield, with the Tigers hoping for a victory and a final second place in the standings. Eugene also plays Friday, traveling to Corvallis for a tilt against the Spartans. A victory would give the Axemen the southern division, No-Name league championship without a defeat, and the mythical No-Name league title in view of a double win from Salem, and victories over Oregon City and Milwaukie.

Robinson Leading Scorer

Eugene scored its 26th straight win of the season Saturday night by defeating University 63-24 at McArthur court after holding a commanding 32-10 halftime advantage. The Eugene B's walloped the University second team 50-21, with Ron Fraedrick scoring 14 for the Hatchetmen.

In the first-team game, Darroll Robinson of Eugene virtually clinched the league's individual scoring title with a 19-point performance, giving him 111 points for nine games as compared to the 99 for Randal Young of Roseburg. Doc Sargent of University moved into a third place tie with Wilbur Heath of Cottage Grove with 82 points, and Gus Hunter of Eugene advanced into fifth place with a 73-point total.

The leading 10 league scorers follow:

	G	FG	FT	PF	TP
Robinson, Eugene	9	43	25	23	111
Young, Roseburg	9	41	17	15	99
Heath, Cottage Grove	9	31	20	18	82
Sargent, University	9	34	14	25	82
Hunter, Eugene	9	28	21	9	73
Patton, Junction City	9	25	16	21	66
Barkemeyer, C. G.	9	29	5	18	63
Pulps, Eugene	9	23	8	15	54
Lane, Springfield	9	19	19	24	57
Gillanders, University	9	17	23	18	57

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Jockey Trampled To Death On Mexico Turf

TIJUANA, Mexico, Feb. 19—(U.P.)—A cinch strap which became unfastened during the second race Sunday was blamed today for the accident at the Tijuana race track which claimed the life of Jockey Clinton John Harrell, 26, Miami, Florida.

Harrell was unseated in the back stretch about 100 yards after the start of the race and was trampled to death by the horses as 4000 fans watched.

Swim, Pin Marks Set

(ASSOCIATED PRESS)

NEW YORK—Jim Rafferty won third straight mile of indoor track season, taking the event in 4:13.9 at NYCA games.

ST. LOUIS — Third baseman Mark Christman became first of American league championship Browns to sign 1945 contract.

NEW HAVEN—Alan Ford, Yale swimmer, swam 100 yards freestyle in 49.4 in 20-yard pool, breaking Johnny Weissmuller's world record of 49.8 seconds.

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Athletic Director Bernie Shively named head football coach at University of Kentucky after Albert D. Kirwin transferred to history department at own request.

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. — Andy Kerkes, Bridgeport, won eastern duckpin bowling title with 2004 total for 15 games.

DETROIT — Johnny Crimmins rolled perfect 300 game in Michigan state bowling tournament to gain three-game total of 803. His other games were 268 and 235.

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Major Leagues View Changes

CHICAGO, Feb. 19—(AP)—Big league baseball, hopefully preparing for its fourth wartime season, has undergone almost a complete turnover in personnel since Pearl Harbor.

How good a patch-and-pray job the sport has quietly accomplished the past three seasons is clearly shown in a study of the American league's national defense service list.

Up-to-the-minute figures disclose that each junior circuit club displays an average of 30 blue stars, five more than the active list of 25 players permitted during the season.

A total of 247 American league players have gone to war, including 19 since the close of the 1944 season. This compares with a present active list of 276 players, 128 of whom are 4-F with their 1945 status under sharp Selective Service scrutiny.

Latest National league manpower statistics are not available here, but Leslie M. O'Connor, chairman of the Major League Advisory council, estimates player losses are comparable in the two leagues.

The American league also can show three gold stars. Outfielder Elmer Gedeon and pitcher Forrest Brewer of the Washington Senators were killed in action as was catcher Ardys Keller of the St. Louis Browns.

In addition, pitcher Phil Marchildon, a 17-game winner for the Athletics in 1942, was taken prisoner after his Canadian air force plane was shot down over Kiel and Gene Stack of the Chicago White Sox died of heart attack while pitching in the army.

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AAU Track Officials Await Haegg, Lidman

NEW YORK, Feb. 19—(AP)—If Gunder Haegg and Haakon Lidman, Sweden's traveling athletes, reach here in time, they will be the big men in the National A. A. U. indoor track championships at Madison Square Garden Saturday night.

The pair checked out of their London hotel on Feb. 7 en route to the United States but haven't been heard of since. Dan Ferris, secretary of the A. A. U., almost has worked himself into condition to take Haegg's place in the mile run with daily pilgrimages to the docks in vain hopes of greeting them.

Plans are for Haegg to compete in both the one and three-mile and for Lidman to oppose this country's best and Donn Kinzle of the Royal Canadian Airforce in the hurdles.

Even if the two should fail to arrive until too late, one Swedish star is sure to compete. He is Sune Carlsson, one-time Swede sailor but now at private in the U. S. army at Fort Bragg. He won the 1943 3-mile walk and was third last year.

Despite the war's manpower demands, at least nine defending champions will be on hand for the meet.

Nelson, Snead In Golf Tie

District 6 League To End; Robinson High

By SKIPPER PATRICK

GULFPORT, Miss., Feb. 19—(AP)—Sammy Snead, of Hot Springs, Va., who revolutionized the golfing game with his slam-bang tactics, tried today to knock Byron Nelson off the golf throne in an 18-hole play-off for the Gulfport Open championship.

Snead, who led through three rounds, had to come from behind in the last 18 holes Sunday to gain a first-place tie with the Toledo, O., umbrella salesman in one of the most keenly fought tournaments of the professionals' winter series.

Seemingly out of the running for the title midway of the last round, Snead came back and shot a brilliant 33 on the final nine to catch up with Nelson, who had finished a half hour earlier.

Nelson was behind Snead two strokes, 208-206, after three rounds of play, but the Toledo stylist put together a 32-34—66, five below par, to assume command.

Snead needed a par-4 on the final hole to win the championship after he had birdied on the 15th, 16th and 17th. A tee shot parked in a divot on the 18th fairway, a bold approach trickled off the back edge of the green and a difficult chip got Snead in putting position where he bogeyed the hole.

Nelson completed his last round in 32-34—66, five under par. Snead's last effort was 2 under, 36-32—68.

Toney Penna of Dayton, O., turned in a 2-under par 69 and 4-under 67 for a 278 total and third place in the $5000 tournament.

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Portland Eagles Top Coast Hockey League

(ASSOCIATED PRESS)

The Portland Eagles went into undisputed leadership of the northern division, Pacific coast hockey league Sunday night with a 6-4 overtime win over the Seattle Ironmen when the losers walked off the ice in protest of the deciding goal.

In Seattle the Stars, spurred by big Dave Gilhooly's return to action, spanked the Vancouver, Wash., Vanguards 9-8 in a seesaw battle. Gilhooly pushed across three goals in the final period to help bring the winners out of a 5-3 deficit.

The Portland struggle, final scheduled meeting between the two teams which went into the game deadlocked for the lead, terminated abruptly after Bobby Morin had been credited with a tie-breaking goal. Seattle protested the puck had not gone in. Referee Galipeau and Linesman Vic Ripley said they did not see the puck but supported the goal judge.

Manager Frank Dotten took the Ironmen from the ice, the referee faced off the puck and Morin again tallied without any Seattle opposition. The visitors refused to return and the game ended.

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Helser, Federmeyer Sign Beaver Contracts

PORTLAND, Feb. 19 — (AP) — Pitchers Roy Helser and Clarence Federmeyer of the Portland club of the coast league have returned signed contracts, General Manager Bill Klepper announced Saturday. The pair were mainstays of the Beaver mound staff last season.

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Fort Wayne Retains Pro Basketball Title

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Feb. 19—(U.P.) — The world champion Fort Wayne Zollner Pistons clinched their third straight professional basketball title Sunday night by defeating the Sheboygan (Wis.) Redskins 65-52.

Bob McDermott, named by National league heads as the all-time professional basketball player in a recent United Press poll, was high-point man of the evening with 29 tallies.

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OWLS LOSE WEIGHT

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19—(AP)—Temple University basketball players lost an average of 3½ pounds each in defeating Penn State 63-60 in their Wednesday night "marathon" game, which went five extra periods.

Navy Lone Undefeated College Hoop Quint

By CARL LUNDQUIST

NEW YORK, Feb. 19—(U.P.)—Navy's nautical nifties, thanks to surprise help from Pennsylvania, were the only basketeers left today with a legitimate claim to top spot in the national picture.

The Midshipmen, who have played a difficult schedule, became the last major unbeaten team when Penn's Quakers upset Army at Philadelphia 61-52 Saturday night, for its 11th straight and earlier in the week handed Muhlenberg its second defeat in 22 games, 40-33.

Army had been billed as potential champion with 27 straight victories over a three-year period, but looked like anything but a powerhouse in succumbing to Penn, which had dropped five games during the season. Although the Quakers won the Eastern Intercollegiate title during the week, they were not considered in the class of the Cadets.

Other surprises included Illinois' victory over Ohio State which knocked the Buckeyes from the top of the Big Ten standings.

Section-by-section the races were winding up like this:

Big Ten—Illinois moved into a spot to challenge Iowa for the lead by beating Ohio State 56-41. Iowa won its only test against Purdue 48-43.

Big Six—Kansas, finishing strong, ousted Oklahoma from the lead with a 42-27 victory and strengthened its position with a 33-31 win over Kansas State. Iowa State took second place by topping Oklahoma 51-43.

Big Seven—The national collegiate from Utah took the when Colorado lost its ference game to Brigham 60-58. Utah has straight.

Pacific coast, northern L. A. gained its first title by defeating Southern California 28. George Pepperdine standing independent team in the area, was ing both the N. C. A. national invitational

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Southwest conference which won the title finished its conference with 12 straight latest over Texas and

Kiser Keeps Coast Mat Crown

By RAY COLLINS

Lucky for the "Grey Mask," the mystery man of the wrestling arena dropped a technical decision to Jack Kiser before a capacity crowd at the Armory Saturday night. And if Referee Walt "Sneeze" Achiu had failed to award the bout to the coast light-heavyweight champion there were hundreds of ringside fans awaiting to storm the ring. It so happened that the Mask didn't completely escape the ire of the fans, and suffered some lusty blows from the grappling railbirds who protested the Mask's head-butting and general illegal tactics against the popular Kiser.

Achiu, who administered jiujitsu to the Mask to break illegal holds, even had his inning with the hooded hoodlum, and the two matmen went around and round after Kiser had been virtually beaten from pillar to post by the Mr. X of the mat.

Kiser managed to retain his Pacific coast championship for the second time, and the Mask protested that he never would gain the coveted crown if the title could not change on a TKO or a technical decision.

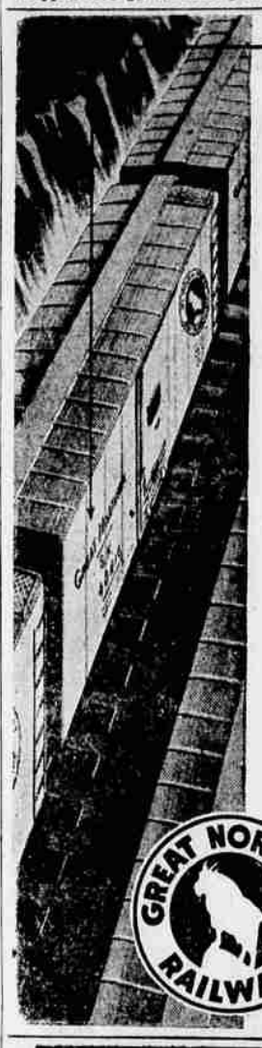
The title tilt was only one of three-star matches provided by Don Owen in one of the best shows of the year. Georges Dusette', the amazing muscle man from Quebec, and Gust Johnson, the coast junior heavyweight champion, battled to a sensational draw in the semi-final. George Wagner, the temperamental Pleasant Hill farmer, defeated Earl Malone in the opener after dropping the first fall—and refused to wear one of his satin robes in a preliminary.

Kiser took the opening fall from the Mask with a back-breaker, following a series of body blows that were made necessary to protect himself from the Mask's head butting. The time was 13 minutes. The Mask softened Kiser with a series of head butts in the second fall, and won in four and one-half minutes with a half Boston crab.

The third fall was the payoff, Achiu awarding the decision to Kiser after the Mask had pummeled Kiser and tossed Achiu from the ring. It was then that the fans threatened to tear the Mask limb from limb. With blood streaming from a cut beneath his hood, the Mask managed to be escorted to the dressing room without being attacked by the screaming mat followers.

Had it not been for the sensational finish of the headliner, the Johnson-Dusette' match might well have stolen the show. In a great scientific battle, Johnson took the first fall in 12 minutes with a leg stomper. The second fall went to Dusette' in 14 minutes with his unbelievable standing full Nelson. The Frenchman demonstrated his strength by lifting Johnson over his head while the champ held a short armbar, shrugged his shoulders and tossed Johnson to the canvas. The final four minutes went to a draw, although Dusette' threatened with another full Nelson.

Wagner, mad because of his preliminary assignment, was a wild man in a short-lived curtain-raiser, opening with drop kicks, shoulder butts, and swinging fists. But Malone won the opening fall with a press in two minutes. But Wagner cut Malone down to his size in the final two falls, taking one in five and the other in seven minutes, with body presses.



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