

THE Firing Line

By PAT FRIZZELL

John Warren, whose call for freshman REAL baseball players was answered by slightly more than twenty men, is heartily in favor of re-establishing REAL baseball, hard baseball, as an intramural sport.

Softball was unheard of when Honest John was in school here in the middle and late '20's and there was, he says, lots of interest in intramural baseball. "More than now," he emphasized in response to direct query yesterday.

They not only had intramural baseball in those days but also had a baseball league for the different schools of the University. That's another thing that should never have been allowed to fall by the wayside. There was real rivalry when the business ad boys crossed bats with the journalism school or the education and architecture lads mixed it up.

Royal Brougham in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer asks this question: "What has become of the old-time, all-around, three sport college star who would play football, basketball, and baseball and rattle any man in the house?"

And Brougham answers thusly: "He is gone with the wind, for this is the age of specialists in athletics as in everything else."

It's an interesting fact. Brougham goes on to point out how such stalwarts as Indian Jim Thorpe and Ernie Nevers used to "play the field" and get away with it.

Today college athletes are discouraged from taking part in more than two sports. Or, if they aren't discouraged by advisors, the task in making three varsity teams is insurmountable in itself.

There used to be lots of 'em everywhere in three sports, ever four. They took up any old game and starred at it. But today, with competition tougher and practice periods longer, it can hardly be done.

How many three-sport varsity athletes does Oregon have today? You count 'em, or let me, and it adds to the same answer—none at all. Some of the lads, like Bob Anet and Bob Smith, were three sport men as freshmen, but they all dropped out of one or two fields when they make the big jump into varsity ranks.

How many two-sport varsity athletes do we have here? Well, there are several, but most of 'em are brilliant in only one line.

Here's a list: Football and baseball—Andy Hurney, Jimmy Nicholson, John Yerby and Dave Gammon. The latter two are none too sure of surviving on the baseball club.

Basketball and baseball—John Lewis, Bill Courtney, Ford Mullen, Gale Smith, Chief McLean, Bob Hardy. Lewis and Courtney are the only bona fide members of the two-sports club here. McLean and Hardy played their basketball at Southern Oregon normal and Mullen and Smith were subs who didn't crash the lineup in basketball. But they were on the squad.

Football and track—Bill Foskett, Dutch Holland. The latter is back in school this term after a layoff. That's about it.

Of course, such footballists as

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Oregon Netmen Defeat Stubborn Linfield Team, 5 to 2

Washke's Men Sweep Doubles To Win Match

Economus Downed by Linfield Ace Player; Team Slated to Meet Reed There Today

By CHUCK VAN SCOYOC Competition, and plenty of it was given Oregon's varsity tennis squad yesterday when Paul Washke's racketeers were forced to their utmost to defeat a fighting team of netmen from Linfield college, 5 matches to 2, in the local P. E. gyms.

With a team composed mostly of freshmen, the Wildcats invaded the local courts and handed the Ducks a bad scare before the afternoon's conflict had subsided. Bob Lloyd former Benson Tech prep and city parks champion of Portland, drew first blood when he dropped Johnny Economus, Oregon's No. 1 man, in straight sets 6-1, 6-2. Showing superb form in every field of tennis play, Lloyd was easily the outstanding man of the day.

Eaton Evens Count Chuck Eaton evened the count with the Wildcats by turning the tables on Frank Hendricks, 6-1, 6-2. Eaton's experience in varsity competition was clearly displayed as he outdrove and out-served his younger opponent.

Larry Crane found considerable opposition in Milton Robbins, acting captain for the Wildcats, but managed to overcome his opponent, 7-5, 6-4. Both men displayed good form, but Crane's serves and placements helped him through in the pinches.

Zimmerman Wins Easily Bill Zimmerman found the easiest going of the day when he trampled Bill Stryker, 6-0, 6-0. Zimmerman was superior in every department of the game and his steady playing brought him his one-sided victory.

Don Thompson, former Oregon student, and transfer to Linfield from Arizona, won the second victory from the Ducks by defeating Al Finke, No. 5 for Oregon, 6-4, 0-6, 6-4. After trailing, 4 games to 1, in the first set, Thompson rallied to down Finke with a flurry of cross-court shots and overhead drives. In the second encounter, Thompson appeared to be resting on his heels, and Finke had little trouble in whitewashing him, 6-0.

In the deciding set, Finke again assumed the lead, only to be overtaken by his aggressive opponent in a duplicate of the first set.

Doubles Team Wins In the doubles division, Oregon's No. 1 combination of Economus and Eaton made quick work of Lloyd and Engel, ranking Wildcat duet, defeating them 6-2, 6-2. Playing to their opponent's backhands enabled the Duck netmen to smash the lobbed returns where their return by the Linfield pair was impossible.

The Webfoot team of Finke and Zimmerman wound up the day by defeating Robbins and Breeding, 6-3, 6-4. Zimmerman and Finke took the aggressive and led throughout the match.

Meet Reed Again With their third consecutive victory stored away, the Webfoot racketeers will depart for Portland today to tangle with Reed college, providing weather conditions are favorable. Following the match, Coach Washke will depart for New York for the national P. E. convention, returning April 30 to Pullman, Washington, where the Ducks are scheduled to open their conference play on that date.

A previous match with Reed college scheduled for last Saturday was canceled by the Portland team.

Bob Braddock, Dale Lasselle, and Verne Moore have played lots of basketball. But they don't play varsity basketball. Only Webfoot to play both varsity football and varsity basketball in recent seasons was Budd Jones.

Bob Whitfield is probably Oregon's most versatile athlete, but "Smokey" hasn't succeeded in crashing any varsity lineups yet. Whitfield turns out for football and basketball and he's a boxer on the side. Incidentally, he's a good boy in everything he tries.

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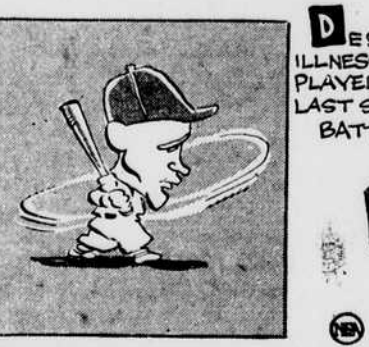
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Duck Wrestlers, Boxers Defeated

Clarence Francis Only Duck to Win; Whitfield, Dimit Earn Draws

Oregon's boxers and wrestlers came out on the short end of their smokes at the men's gym in Corvallis last Friday evening, winning one wrestling match, drawing both a wrestling and boxing match.

In the first wrestling match of the evening, Clarence Francis defeated Henry Gibbs in the 125-pound division.

Smokey Whitfield earned a draw with Carl Larson in a toe-to-toe slugger bee. Jim Dimit drew with Leeds Bailey in the 175-pound wrestling division.

Paul Jackson furnished the best bout of the evening with his battle with Dave Perkins, who has won 10 of his last 15 battles by KO's.

Evidently with the idea of toying with Jackson, who substituted for Stan Norris, Perkins was almost swept off his feet by a first round flurry of rights and lefts. However, Perkins came back in the last two rounds to clearly prove himself master. He had Jackson groggy at the final bell.

Tommy De Freitas was the sole casualty of the evening, being knocked out in the middle of the first round by Cal Monroe.

Summary: 125 pounds—Clarence Francis, U. of O., defeated Henry Gibbs, 1:12.

135 pounds—Bob McRoberts, OSC, defeated Chuck Miller, 3:55.

145 pounds—Darrel Dudley, OSC, decisioned Leland Dunn.

155 pounds—Lee Gibson, OSC, decisioned Dale Peterson.

165 pounds—Bob Nelson, OSC, defeated Dick Russell, 45 seconds.

175 pounds—Leeds Bailey, OSC, drew with Jim Dimit.

Boxing 135 pounds—Dave Perkins, OSC, defeated Paul Jackson, decision.

145 pounds—Cal Monroe, OSC, knocked out Tommy De Freitas first round.

155 pounds—Earl Williams, OSC, decisioned Stan Kunzman.

165 pounds—Carl Larson, OSC, drew with Smokey Whitfield.

175 pounds—Homer Millard, OSC decisioned Neil Stackhouse. Referee, Eddie Volk, Portland.

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Varoff Hard at Work to Regain World Record

Is George Varoff working hard now?

After the Sunday morning papers carried the news that Sefton of Southern California had broken his world's pole vault record, the Oregon Phi Psi began to get busy.

He was out earlier than usual Monday afternoon for his workout, and a rigorous one it was, too. His leg, which had been swollen badly when he returned from his eastern trip, is getting better, although he still finds it necessary to nurse it carefully.

At the Hill relays in Portland a few weeks ago he went over 14 feet 3 inches, with inches to spare, but Bill Hayward stopped him from making any further efforts lest he re-injure his leg.

But George is not worried. "Are we going to beat this thing in Southern Cal., George," he was asked. "Eventually, maybe," he said. "Anyway, we've got lots of time." After all, this is George's first year of varsity competition.

Footballers Go Inside to View Game Pictures

Because of a wet field and rain the intra-squad football game scheduled for Saturday was postponed.

Instead the squad spent the afternoon viewing moving pictures of Oregon's games with Southern California, California, and Stanford last fall. Comments were made on the playing of various members of the team, and Coach Callison and Gene Shields pointed out the mistakes which were being made.

The pictures were shown in the assembly room of the new gym.

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Linfield Game Today May Be Delayed

Incessant Rain Leaves Field in Poor Shape For Ninth Scheduled Contest of Season

By ELBERT HAWKINS Crocuses may be blossoming in Smeadville, but life for Coach Howard Hobson and his aquatic Duck baseball team is just one bucketful of H2O after another.

Game number nine of the current pre-season varsity baseball slate is scheduled for this afternoon on Howe field against Linfield college's bal lclub.

Authentic rumors late yesterday afternoon, however, disclosed the fact that Howe field was completely submerged. When last seen the top post of the wire screen in back of home plate was gradually sinking before the turbulent waters.

Might Try It Hobby has wired the government for a fleet of battleships, and provided they arrive in time, the Webfoots and Linfield MIGHT at 3 o'clock this afternoon shinny off in a game of water polo.

Oregon—through some stroke of fate—found time to play two games out of eight last week, so get a little taste of action. The Ducks won both games, downing Oregon Normal, 8-6, in ten innings at Monmouth, and on the home field taking a 2 to 0 nod over Portland University behind three-hit pitching by sophomore Bill Sayles.

Team is Handicapped

The long strip of postponements is proving costly to the Webfoots as a week from Friday marks the opening of this year's northern division pennant chase. Four of Coach Hobson's pitchers saw action last week, but Captain Johnny Lewis and Bill Marshall are still untested.

Against Oregon Normal, LeRoy Mattingly, Dave Gammon, and Bob Hardy were all called to the mound. Hardy, Oregon's lone southpaw pitcher, heaved shutout ball during his six innings on the hill, while Mattingly and Gammon pitched fair ball, but were touched for runs mainly through poor support.

Carlin Blanks Them

Portland's ace moundsman, Jim Carlin, impressed upon the Webfoots a need for batting improvement. Seven of Hobby's baseball players were held hitless by Carlin.

Diminutive Bill Courtney, left-fielder, who was one of Oregon's two starting left-handed batters, drove out two hits, and Jock Gordon, shortstop, collected the other pair.

Courtney and Ford Mullen, stocky second baseman, are the only hitters of the present starting lineup to bat on the portside. Jack Coleman, infielder; John Yerby, outfielder, and Bob Hardy, pitcher, are the only other Webfoots who bat on that side of the plate.

No Date Set

Today's Linfield game may be early games. The rest of the infield will probably stay intact the remainder of the year. It lists Rex Pierce, Portland sophomore, at first; Billy Sutton, field captain and senior from Portland, at second, and Roy Orren, hard-hitting Silverton sophomore, at third.

Varsity Divoters To Meet Frosh

Golfers Win Over Huskies For Third Consecutive Time on Friday

With victory over the Washington golfers tucked safely under their wings, Oregon's Ducks have reason to rejoice—for this makes three times straight they have dumped the Seattle team in two years.

Next Saturday, however, may bring an end to the varsity's winning streak, when they meet their own proteges, the scrappy Ducklings 6-man squad, in an 18-hole match at the Eugene country club.

Both varsity and frosh have been hitting the ball far and true this season, but the frosh hold a decided edge in medal scoring results over their big brothers. The Laurelwood layout, home course for the frosh, is easier than the country club, but Saturday's match play will settle the question many have asked: "Can the frosh out-play the varsity?"

Two challenge matches were played last week in the frosh ranks, with Ben Hughes, qualifying medalist, shunted to No. 2 position by his hefty rival, Don Coles. Coles shot a 70, two under par, on the rainswept Laurelwood course to drop Hughes 2 and 1 for No. 1 spot in next Saturday's lineup.

Shelby Golden, No. 3 qualifier for the frosh squad, was also handed a surprise challenge upset, when Bill Rosson scored a 70 to win 2 and 1, moving Golden to his own No. 4 position. Doc Near and Ed Peabody are in 5 and 6 the positions to date.

The varsity team is also making ready for Saturday's match, with challenges being made for team positions.

Walt Cline defending his No. 2 spot yesterday when he turned back Doug Ramsey with a snappy sub-par 70 on the soggy country club course. Cline won 4 and 3.

Bill Watson grabbed No. 4 from Dave Hamley when he scored an 80 to win 4 and 3.

Bill Stockton shot a par 72 to turn back challenger Louis Cooke, 5 and 4. Stockton is No. 6.

Other challenges will be played this week to complete the lineup.

set back one day, although definite time for replaying the probable postponement is not set. Oregon is slated to wind up pre-season action a week from today against Linfield at McMinnville.

Coach Lever is reported to have a fairly strong team in fold this year. Lever has only one letterman in his outfield, but is boasting a veteran infield.

Ernie Stranz is holding down first base, while "Swede" Swenson performs at second, Hal Votaw at shortstop, and Reynold Cook at third. Votaw, only non-letterman of the infield, is a transfer from Pacific Lutheran college of Tacoma.

Coach Lever is depending on Emmet Reed, a colored boy, for most of his flinging. Other pitchers are John Larsell, reserve from last season, Cliff Curl, and Arnold Fletcher.

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Continued Rain Bothers Duck Track Squad

Seven Meets Listed For Current Season; Time Trials Are Delayed by Downpour

Continued rains and a track that resembles the mill race are a tough combination to beat, and the Webfoot varsity cindersmen, having no superhuman qualities, have been swamped in their attempts to properly condition themselves for the coming intercollegiate track and field season.

Time trials set for Saturday were again postponed as a torrent of rain which started during the night and continued all afternoon, made the track a river of mud.

Rain Problem Serious

With the Oregon State relays less than two weeks away, the situation is becoming serious. The tracksters have had hardly a day of decent weather since the start of the term, and proper conditioning is essential to a winning track squad.

Of interest to the Oregon track team, and especially George Varoff, was the news that Bill Sefton, USC veteran, broke Varoff's world record in the pole vault by clearing 14 feet 7 3/4 inches in a dual meet with California on Saturday. Varoff is still officially the record holder until the new mark is accepted.

Have Seven Meets

The Webfoot trackmen will participate in seven meets this season. There is only one meet scheduled for Hayward field, the dual en-

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