

THE Firing Line

By PAT FRIZZELL

The winter of '87 was the big snow. The summer of '18 was the big fight.

You don't have to be good at remembering dates to know that Columbus bumped into the Bahamas in 1492, that the Spanish Armada hit the dust in 1588, that Paul Revere said "Giddap" in 1775, that the Kaiser mailed his fist in 1914, and that Fred Merkle missed second base in 1908.

And, from now on, you won't have to be any shakes at all as a rememberer to recall that 1937 was the year when it rained every day and every night and rained every ball game and everything else clear off Oregon's sports calendar. We're living history, pupils.

Among the thousands vitally hampered by the profuse aqua is a young man named George Varoff, who was, until last Saturday afternoon, holder of the world's outdoor pole vault record.

Last Saturday a guy named Sefton hoisted himself over the cross bar at a height of 14 feet, 7 3/4 inches, which put our George's outdoor mark in the ash heap. Of course, Varoff still has his indoor world record of 14 feet 4 3/4 inches.

Well, anyway, George Varoff fully intends to break that record and take his championship back again. He hopes to do it this very spring, but as long as the rain continues he can't do any outdoor work.

He's been working on the rings and on the trapeze, strengthening his arms and shoulders and improving his timing. He plans to start vaulting in the unfinished portion of the gym if the rain never stops. But what Varoff really wants is outdoor work, preparation for the big leap that will, we're all hoping, bring him that record once again.

Varoff wasn't surprised or disappointed when Bill Sefton cracked his mark. He's figured all along that Sefton is a better vaulter than Earl Meadows, his more famous team mate at Southern California. George says that Sefton is bigger and has better form than Meadows.

He says that Sefton has a fine "push up" at the end of his upward jump and the proper "jack-knife" going over. While Sefton, according to Varoff, isn't as consistent as Meadows, he is great when he's "right."

Varoff will be out to smash the record this spring. His first chance will come in a dual meet with Washington at Seattle May 1, and he'll have numerous other meets.

But if he misses this year he'll still have two years of competition under Bill Hayward here.

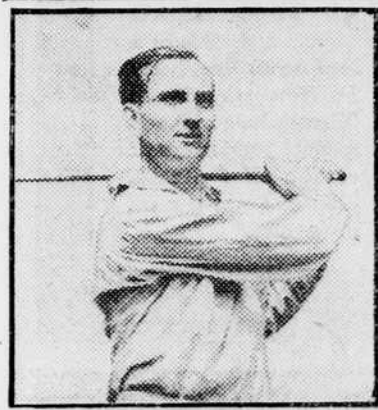
It was April 14, 1937. Two venerable old fellows scratched their snowy white hair and conversed in cracked voices at the intersection of Thirteenth and University streets, in the shadow of the lofty skyscrapers of the teeming metropolis of Eugene, Oregon. They said, for instance:

"By gum, Abner, it's sixty year this month since the big flood, that's what."

"Yep, Lemuel, so it has. I recollect well. It was away back in April, 1937."

"It rained for more'n a measly

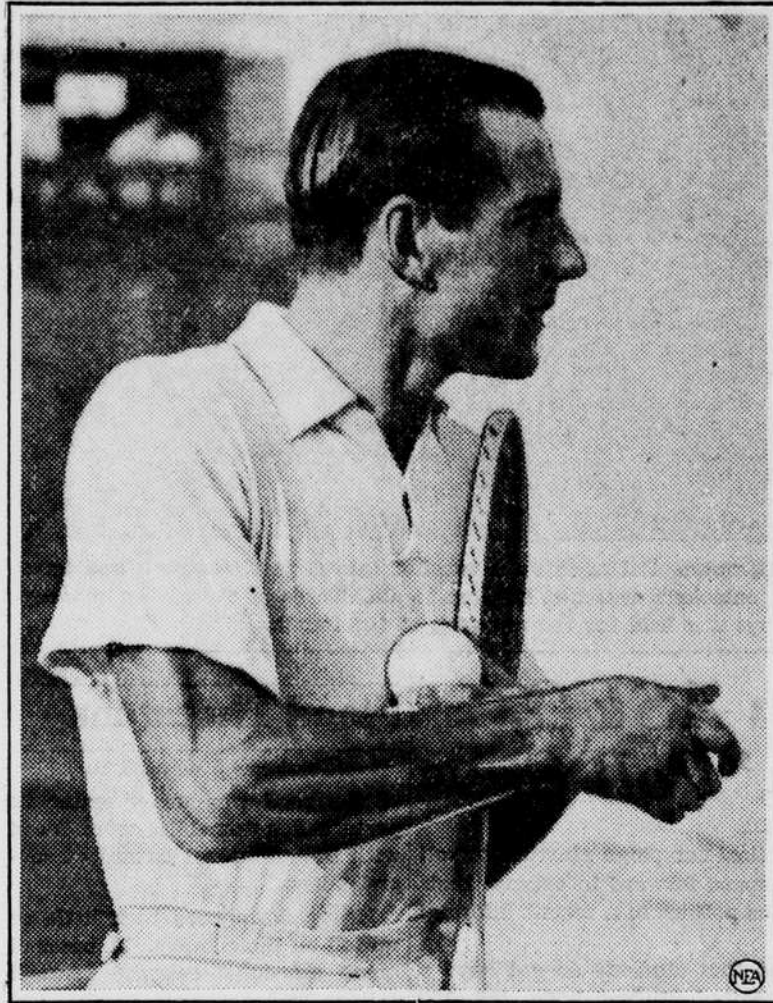
Top Flight



That's what Tony Manero (top) and Ray Mangrum are in the world of professional golf.

Oregon - Oregon State Relays Transferred To Eugene

Professional Racqueteer



That's England's Fred Perry, who until last fall was amateur tennis' number one man. Now he's way up there in the money game.

STUFF

Freshman and Varsity Golfers Tangle Friday

Veteran Varsity Players Respect Prowess of Duckling Divoteers as Battle Nears

be one of the strongest teams in the east against this fall. An undefeated freshman team is coming up. . . . Bing Crosby now pitches for Clemson College. . . . Georgetown 31, Western Maryland 0. . . . Is this baseball or football season?

Only one of the sixty men on the California varsity crew is not a Native Son. The lone exception is Arthur Lewis of Portland. . . . Forrest Towns, Olympic high hurdling champion, will enter the Penn Relays this year. . . . Ten universities in the middlewest have sent teams to Cincinnati to participate in an intercollegiate chess tournament. Some day there may be an intercollegiate table tennis championship. . . . Eddie (Choo-Choo) Johnson, son of the old train, collected five out of six for Maryland against Virginia the other day.

Jack Parker, Sacramento Junior college decathlete star, may enter the University of Kansas Decathlon meet this month and try for Glen Morris', last year's winner, crown. Morris is now playing Tarzan. . . . The Southern division baseball is still wide open with California holding a half game lead over Stanford and Southern California. The Bears have won six and dropped three.

For the first time in 43 years, Chicago will not have a formal spring football practice. . . . Leroy Kirkpatrick, primed for the last three years to be an ace college hurdler, is not in school this spring. . . . Mike Pecarovich, Gonzaga's football mentor, had a bit part in Bing Crosby's "Wakiki Wedding"

"40 days an' 40 nights then."

"Shucks, it rained out 11 ball games at the University of Oregon in 13 days."

"Over at Oregon State college it rained every time the Beavers even looked at a glove, let alone picked one up. They couldn't play at all, nowhow."

"None, these young fellers nowadays don't know what rain is. Why, it's only rained out nine ball games all this year."

Washke Leaves For National PE Meeting in East

Paul R. Washke, director of the men's gym and intramural sports at the University, left Tuesday morning for New York city to attend the convention of the American Physical Education association during the week of April 19 to 25.

Mr. Washke, representing the Oregon State Physical Education association which held its convention on this campus April 2 and 3, is a member of the legislative council of the national organization. He will preside over the intramural directors' section meetings.

Mr. Washke, who is coach of the Oregon tennis team, will meet his team in Pullman, Washington, on his return for the matches there and in Moscow, Idaho, April 29 and 30.

SPORTS QUIZ OF THE WEEK

By JOHN PINK and MORRIE HENDERSON

With the weather such as to promote the old parlor game of tit-tat-toe, postoffice, and stuff, it is appropriate that we of the sports staff give you something with which to while away the hours as the rain sheets the windows, puddles the streets, and makes the grass grow.

The following questions were chosen as representative of the news that has broken on the embattled front of the sports world during the past 20 years. So drop your knitting, fill your briar, get the long cool one in the left hand, get your feet out of the puddle on the front room floor, and start hitting 'em. If these baffle you, don't worry—we can't answer 'em either.

Here is the way to tabulate your rating: 10 out of 10 gives you a perfect score—that doesn't need explaining; 9 correct isn't perfect but it is only one off; 6 to 8, you've been peeking again. The average of the 348 fan dancers that took the quiz was 1.67, even with four hours of A. Step right out and get chewed up! Answers are on page 4.

1. Oregon's baseball team has not played many games recently because

- It's raining.
- They're afraid of sunstroke.
- Bill Sayles got himself engaged.
- It's still raining.

2. George Varoff is no longer outdoor pole vault champion because

- It's raining.
- It's not raining in California.
- Some guy vaulted higher.
- Hank Luisetti scored over 200 points.

3. Captain Johnny Lewis was converted into a pitcher this season because

- He played four years at shortstop.
- The Seattle Indians (his home town team) have no tossers.
- He can't swim, so he has to stand on the mound to keep from drowning.
- Oregon needs pitchers—but why, we don't know.

4. University of Oregon's golfers in their first conference match sank

- The Lusitania.
- The Maine.
- Themselves.
- Those boys from Seattle.

5. Coach Paul Washke's tennis team is a good tennis team as tennis teams go because

- They play good tennis.
- They play billiards and know all the angles.
- They can use their tennis rackets for canoe paddles.
- They haven't dropped a match yet (can you spare a light, buddy?)

6. Next fall the University of Oregon football team will travel east in order to

- See America first.
- See if it rains back there.
- Play University of Arizona.
- See Gypsy Rose Lee do her stuff.

7. The Webfoot swimming teams have been northern division champions the last four years on account of

- They swim back and forth to classes.
- They practice in Gerlinger pool—oh, boy!
- Coach Mike Hoyman is a Phi Ete.
- Well, fellows, it's this way. When some people swim faster than others, how can they help it.

8. Bill Foskett throws the 16-pound shot so far that it takes three mad Russians a fortnight to carry it back because

- He took Charles Atlas' course on how to develop from a 97-pound weakling to a 98-pound brute.
- He eats Wheaties and belongs to Melvin Purvis' G-man club.
- He has that swing.
- This year's crop of kisses don't seem the same.

9. The Oregon-Oregon State relays have been transferred from Bell field to Hayward field because

- It never rains in Eugene, hence Hayward field always was a dry and fast track.
- The Beavers want to come over and watch the grass grow on our new turf field.
- There is no use travelling to Corvallis when we can stay at home and make mud pies.
- It bothers the workmen on Bell field when so many Ducks whizz by.

10. The theme song of Oregon's varsity baseball, track, tennis, and golf teams this spring is

- "I'm Singing in the Rain."
- "It Ain't Gonna Rain No More."
- "Let's make Hay While the Sun Shines."
- "Stormy Weather."

Two YW Leaders Will Be Guests

Miss Helen Morton, national executive secretary of the YWCA, and Miss Greta Sumpf, Christian leader from Germany, will be campus guests of the YWCA and Christian Student association next Sunday, and for part of the following week.

Plans for social meetings and discussion groups to be held during the visitors' stay were discussed at the Monday evening meeting of the YWCA cabinet. A preliminary discussion on the question of closer association between student church groups in the city and the campus YW and YM associations was led by Ruth Weber, YW regional representative. This topic is one of the main

purposes of Miss Morton's visit, may be scheduled by persons on Private interviews and consultations with either of the visitors of the campus. Miss Sumpf will be a guest at the pot-luck dinner the YW advisory board is giving to the old and new YW cabinets, April 18, at the home of Mrs. DeCou at 6 p. m.

Mrs. Robert Dann, YW regional advisor or Oregon State college, will lead the cabinet meeting Monday evening. A "bring-your-own-lunch" party will be held April 21 in conjunction with the Dill Pickle club. Mrs. Turnipseed's religious discussion group will have Miss Sumpf as guest leader at their regular meeting April 20. Miss Sumpf will be a guest of Susan Campbell hall during her stay on the campus, and Miss Morton will stay at Hendricks hall.

Smashes Varoff's Mark



With the greatest of ease, Bill Sefton, Trojan pole vaulter, clears 14 feet, 7 3/4 inches for a new world record in the Southern California-California track meet at Los Angeles. With Sefton's vault the world mark of Oregon's George Varoff fell into the discard.

Sigma Nus, Kappa Sigs Wage War On Ball Field

The first annual Sigma Nu-Kappa Sigma baseball game Sunday afternoon at Swimmers' Delight ball park ended in a decisive win for both teams, according to latest reports. It was a well-played and bitterly fought contest, with not more than eleven errors charged to any one player.

The ball game was a nip and tuck affair. The Kappa Sigs were only 12 runs behind at the end of the second inning, but in the third the Sigma Nus came back with what they claimed to be nine runs and what the Kappa Sigs called three. The Kappa Sigs rallied to score 23 in the fourth.

From there on in the game was purely a pitchers' battle between Kappa Sigma Hughes and Sigma Nu McLean. Neither allowed more than 20 clean hits in any one inning.

Both coaches, McCollough for the Kappa Sigs, used every player available. Simpson, Hughes, Carter, Olcott, Watkins, Kunzman, Smith, Hurney, and Rawlinson starred for the losers, while Byrne, Woodward, Nilsen, Johansen, Anet, Van Dusen, Watson, Robinson, Dick, and "Bathing Bob" Stretcher scintillated for the winning nine.

Others taking part in the day's "activities" were; Kappa Sigs—Keyes, Jewell, Mayfield, Mack, McNair, Perkins, Lief and Erling Jacobson, Reed, Lytell, Curl, Latourette, Dalton Hallinan, Walker, Gould, Stackhouse, Fury, John, Polk, Robertson, Howland, Stipe, Miller Rummel Hoffman, and Powell; Sigma Nus—Battleson, Case, Short, Kirkpatrick, Enders, Healey, Ray and Jay Hockett, Peters, Dungan, Elfving, Kavanagh, Schultz, Connoway, Windsor, Sarpola, and Meyers.

After a lot of deliberation, Beta Les Irwin was selected as umpire. Not one of his decisions went by undisputed.

Following the ball game, both sides buried the bats and enjoyed a common banquet.

Knudsen to Present Color Survey Results

Reinhart Knudsen, student of advertising at the University of Oregon, will present the results of a survey of color advertising to the Oregon Newspaper Publishers' association convention in Portland next Saturday.

Compiled from the communications received from newspapers in Oregon, Washington, California and a few eastern states, who are making use of color advertisements the survey reveals that there is not standard method in rates charged. Some of the papers have a flat rate while others charge by the line.

Color advertising is effective, but because of the costs involved in installation of the equipment, few newspapers on the coast make use of it.

Pinballs pay at Taylor's

Hayward Field Will Be Scene Of Annual Meet

Work on Corvallis Track Affects Sked Change; Carnival Date Set for Saturday, April 24

Oregon and Oregon State college relay teams will hold their annual meet April 24 on Hayward field, instead of at Corvallis, it was announced yesterday.

Reason for the switch is that Oregon State's Bell field will not be in condition for any track meets this spring, due to work on turfing the football gridiron.

Two Meets Here
The change will enable Webfoot track fans to see Bill Hayward's cindermen in action here twice this season. Other home meet is the dual engagement with Oregon State, scheduled for Hayward field May 15.

Other meets to be held here include the state high school meet May 21 and 22, the Willamette valley high school meet, the Hayward relays, and two other prep meets.

Continued rain has kept Oregon runners, jumpers, and weightmen indoors most of the term, and they have had little chance to round into form. Their first dual meet is with Washington's Huskies at Seattle May 1.

Reed Net Match Postponed--Rain

Portland Racqueteer May Meet Ducks Thursday, Weather Permitting

For the second time within a week, Coach Paul Washke's netmen have been forced to cancel matches scheduled with Reed college of Portland. A relentless deluge of rain prevented the Oregon racqueteer from keeping a scheduled match with Reed which was to have been held yesterday afternoon.

Providing that O' Jube Pluvius decides to call off his forces before Thursday, there is a possibility the team may journey to the Rose City to hold the postponed match.

So far this season, the Duck netmen have completed three intercollegiate engagements, winning 19 of the 21 matches played. John Economus, captain elect, and Al Finke, No. 5 man, were the only two men to lose matches. Economus was decisively defeated by Bob Lloyd, Linfield star, and Al Finke was edged out by Don Thompson of the same school. Charles Eaton and Larry Crane have been leading the Ducks, according to statistics, each man having won every set he played. Bill Zimmerman has had some close calls, but has won every match he competed in.

Oregon's doubles teams composed of Economus and Eaton No. 1, and Zimmerman and Finke, No. 2, have won every match they have played.

The Ducks will have their first real test April 30, when they meet the Washington State Cougars in Pullman. As far as can be judged at present, the team selected to make the trip, which will also include a match with the Idaho Vandals, will be the same that has competed so far in scheduled matches. The team now holds victories over Oregon Normal, Willamette university and Linfield college. Willamette proved the easiest mark for the Ducks, while Linfield offered the stiffest competition of the season so far.

Probable cancelling of today's two games will make it 11 out of 13, or an average of .923 for Jupiter Pluvius. Old Jube is batting 1.000 on the Oregon State campus, where Slat's Gill's Orangemen have yet to play their opening tilt.

Only Two Practices
Coach Hobson yesterday gloomily pointed out that his Webfoots have had but two practices in two weeks, while the northern division opener is now but nine days away. Pitchers and catchers, and some of Oregon's infield players have been able to grab brief spasms of practice during that time, however.

Next possible game for Oregon will be this Friday afternoon on Howe field against Coach Lever's Linfield nine. It will be the game which was originally scheduled for yesterday. On Saturday afternoon the Webfoots travel to Portland for another attempt to play their final doubleheader against Portland university.

March Law Journal Has Article by Brown

The March issue of the Georgetown Law journal carries an article by Claude H. Brown, associate professor of law, on "State Insurance Decisions In Diverse Citizenship Cases In Federal Courts."

Professor Brown discusses the decisions rendered by federal courts in his article, which has to do with deciding in what situations a federal court will apply the state court decision and what times a federal court will apply its own rule, disregarding a state court decision.

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