

# DUCK TRACKS

By ELBERT HAWKINS

Editor's note: Mr. Winchester, former sports editor of the New York Telegraph, and feature writer, concludes his guest column on George Varoff, Webfoot pole-vaulter par excellence, today. Part one of the story appeared in Tuesday's Emerald.

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But, wait!  
At the far end of the runway there was poised a slim, blonde-headed youth with the letter "O" upon his chest. He began to trot and his stride lengthened as he jammed his pole into the vaulting box. Up and over he went. George Varoff was still in the running.

When the bar went to fourteen feet, he was still in the competition along with Oye, Ganslen, and Meadows.

At fourteen-three, Ganslen and Oye were among those missing. Varoff and Meadows! The outdoor champion and the Olympic victor. Real drama as the bar was raised to 14' 4 1/2". A world's record in the offing.

The huge crowd of 10,000, already thrilled at seeing Don Lash flash across the boards to a new world mark in the two miles, were quiet as the try at the new record was announced.

Meadows was first. He missed. Varoff, his limp already noticeable to the crowd, then had his chance. An incautious arm knocked the bar off as he came down. Again it was Meadows, and again he missed. Once again Varoff, his shoulders tired and his face twisted by pain, walked to the end of the wooden runway, grasped his tape-covered pole firmly and began his sprint. His stride lengthened and his speed increased as he neared the take-off.

His pole hit the vaulting box with a sound audible to the last row of the Garden. His strong shoulders hunched as they pulled his weight from the floor. Up, Up, Up. Up into the full glare of the ceiling lights as his slim body twisted, his legs shot into the air, and with a final jerk of the shoulders he released his pole and shot out and over the bar into space.

Before his feet touched the sawdust, the crowd—to a man—had risen with the greatest ovation ever accorded any athlete in the colorful history of the Boston Garden.

Beaten a week before in New York, hampered by the feeling of being an underdog and his speed retarded by a pulled ligament in his right leg, George Varoff rose from the sawdust pit, amidst the roars of the crowd and the flashing of camera lights, as the new champion of the world, indoors and out.

Only a few officials and one or two sports writers realized how truly magnificent his victory really was.

In his hotel room, later that night, we sat on the edge of his bed as he treated his leg. From the knee halfway up the thigh, there was a hard knot, as big as a doubled fist. How a man could walk with such a leg, much less run and jump, was then and still is a mystery to this writer.

The next morning we stood at the Boston airport as George stepped into an American airliner to begin his trip back across the country. Miss Gene Miller, the stewardess, had to help him up the steps into the plane. That's how badly his leg was injured.

As the huge silver plane roared out over Boston Bay, banked and headed south toward Newark, we began to realize the iron courage and raw guts displayed by the Hawaiian born lad the night before. More than any ever displayed by a headlined grid hero. He always has ten other men to help him along. A pole vaulter is alone.

All of which is about thirty for us and thanks to Sports Editor Elbert Hawkins for the space.

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## Nicholson May Start in Cougar Game Saturday; Bill Rach Shows Up Well

### Wingman Speetzen Returns for Game From Injuries

By BILL NORENE  
Jimmy Nicholson practically cinched a starting berth in Saturday's Cougar game, while Bill Rach, chunky reserve fullback, bettered his chances of participating in the WSC battle with brilliant performances yesterday in the second frosh-varsity scrimmage of the week.

Jimmy's work this week has been reminiscent of his flashy showing in the early part of the Oregon State game. Although he only packs 167 pounds in his not huge frame, Nicholson has been carrying the brunt of the varsity attack in both Monday's and yesterday's scrimmages. In addition to this, Nich has been throwing many of the passes attempted by the varsity.

Rach Shows Well  
Bill Rach, recently recovered from an ankle injury suffered before the season started, went "great guns" in yesterday's scrimmage. It was partly due to Rach that Jimmy was able to make such successful gains during practice.

It was Bill's drives through the center of the line that pulled the frosh defense in, enabling Nich to circle the ends with such devastating effect.

Rod Speetzen, end, and one of the squad's better pass catchers, showed up for practice for the first time since his ankle was injured in the USC game.

Lasselle Returns  
Dale Lasselle was in uniform yesterday, getting his leg back in shape. It has been in a cast since the Oregon State game. He is one day behind Captain Amato, who likewise was injured in the Beaver game, but Amato was out yesterday.

Ted Gebhardt, billed to start with Nicholson at halfback, turned up at practice yesterday in street clothes as the result of having bruised his foot in scrimmage Monday.

### From Goat to Hero Is Experience of Beard the Bearcat

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Nov. 2.—(Special)—From "goat" to "hero" was the experience for Billy Beard, sensational Bearcat sophomore halfback, in a recent intersectional tilt with Whittier college.

Beard virtually handed Whittier its touchdown, fumbling twice—chances on which the Poets couldn't cash in—and finally kicking out of bounds deep in his own territory. Pass interference called against him was the final straw, and Whittier scored.

But the rest of the game Beard was the whole show for Willamette. He gained 109 yards, an average of better than six per play; punted brilliantly, and intercepted a Whittier pass to set the stage for the winning touchdown. Two plays later he scored, to conclude one of his best gridiron performances at Willamette, despite the early-game difficulties.



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## A Scoreless Deadlock in the Making



Stanford players were caught napping on this play Saturday at Palo Alto when Quarterback Duncan (58) of Oregon State intercepted a pass near midfield. Fay (34), of Stanford is running Duncan out of bounds. The teams fought to a 0 to 0 tie in a steady drizzle.

## A Rambling Golden Bear

Polishing the boys for the EONS game, "Honest John" Warren sent his yearlings into their second successive scrimmage with the Oregon varsity last night.

Burning the midnight oil again, the Ducklings battled long into dusk against the Lemon warriors. The frosh also scrapped with the Ducks Monday night.

With the frosh squad on the defensive side of the argument most of the time, Warren burned into the lads on blocking and tackling. The yearlings were so bad on these points against the Babes at Portland last week that they were complaining about it on the other side of the Willamette river.

Warren Drills Frosh Hard  
"Sunny John" has been drilling his future Ducks so hard the last two days that they are still trying to catch up with their shadows. The frosh will have to absorb plenty of this if they expect to regain their old form and take the EONS into camp next Friday night.

According to "Squeak" Lloyd, frosh trainer, injuries are well in hand with Chet Haliski, first-string quarterback; Jim Stuart, right tackle; Worthy Blaisdell, left guard, rapidly recovering. All these regulars will be in shape to don grid togs Friday night.

All appearances point toward a tough mixup, with the boys in the know giving Oregon a slight edge. The EONS turned in an impressive total over Whitworth college of Spokane, Washington last week.

Have Three Victories  
The Ducklings have a string of three wins, one loss, and one split behind them. They have chalked up a total of 66 markers against 51 for their competitors. The Washington Babes tallied 26 points over them in one fracas, more than their other opponents scored in four starts.

Although the frosh backs couldn't get near the scrimmage line in the Washington battle, they have shown outstanding brilliance during the rest of the season. Haliski, George Andrews, Del Dungey, Duke Hankinson, Bill Hawke, Leonard Isberg, Don Mabee, Gene Shultz, and Marshall Stenstrom have all scored. Hankinson, with 16, leads the pack.

Byron Nelson's first job as a professional was in the Texarkana country club and they still tell about his deuce on the par five, 560 yard sixteenth hole. In an exhibition match there Babe Didrikson was within five yards of the green with two strokes.

are other 175-pound scrappers. The lightweight division has a standout in Paul "Dynamite" Jackson, who last year fought Dave Perkins, OSC champion, and one of the coast's best, to a standstill but lost a hairline decision.

Other boxing prospects are Pete Thorne, 135; Bob Krossin, 145; Will Hughes, 135; Bill Duke, 135; Shelby Golden, 147; Jim Timmons, 150; and Ed Stackhouse, 175.

However, Whitfield will not be alone in the 160-pound division, for he will have as a partner Gale Teris, a slugging sophomore from Marshfield.

The heavyweights will be well represented with Bob Creager filling the number one position. Creager, tackle on the frosh football team, weighs 215 pounds and hails from Seattle, Washington, where he chalked up 17 wins in 18 fights.

Inskeep as Prospect  
Russ Inskeep, a 200-pounder, who is a former Big Nine champ of Portland for two years, is another heavy prospect.

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Francis Nickerson, tough little 145-pounder, will carry the burden of his class into the resined ring. He is a transfer from OSC where he was a finalist in intramural competition.

The Montana Kid, Ray Logan, is another experienced junior-welterweight. He has had several fights in the Rocky mountain state. A former YMCA boy, of Portland, Del Van Backle, and Bill Hawke, football star from Seattle.

## Favorites Advance In Tennis Tourney

### Four Transfers Are in Second Round of All-Campus Tilts

By CHUCK VAN SCOYOC  
Four transfers have this week developed into the leading contenders for the all-campus tennis crown as the second round of the annual tournament got under way Monday.

Favored by reasons of his past record at San Mateo junior college and in Southern California tournaments to capture the crown is Ellsworth "Vines" Ellis, who has waded through his opponents with comparatively little effort.

Have Two Pilots  
Two Portland University transfers who are expected to make a strong bid for the championship are Paul McBride and Bill Walker. McBride proved himself outstanding in Portland tennis circles last year, and has a year's experience on the Pilot tennis squad to his credit.

Bill Walker, also of the Pilot net team transferred to the University last year, and only the fact that he was ineligible for conference competition kept him from a berth on the varsity squad.

Dick Williams, Los Angeles junior college product moved into the spotlight last week by defeating Ed Robbins, who placed high in the tournament last year, and advanced into the quarter final round.

Washke Helps  
Paul Washke, varsity tennis coach, is taking considerable interest in the tourney this year, looking for material which could be developed into varsity class.

With fair weather again in prospect, entrants are asked to play their matches as soon as possible. Second round matches should be completed at least by November 11. The intramural department is soliciting the cooperation of the players in making a note of their matches on the intramural board with their scores included.

Helen Hicks, former woman's national champion and one of America's handful of women golf professionals does not think it possible for a woman to compete on even terms, at golf, with a man.

## Chi O's, Alpha Gams Win Coed Matches

Pi Phi Tipped 29 to 17; Alpha Xi Delta Is Loser, 39 to 31

Chi Omega defeated Pi Phi by a score of 29-17 in women's intramural volleyball yesterday afternoon. The Chi Omegas showed superior teamwork.

Alpha Gamma Delta defeated Alpha Xi Delta by a score of 39-21. Alpha Xi Delta showed up better in the last half, but was outplayed throughout the game.

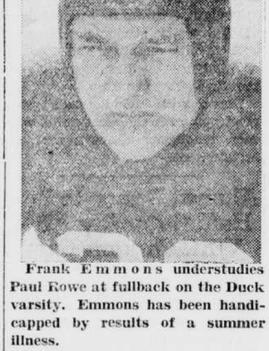
Lineup for Chi Omega: McCarty, Foster, English, Palmer, Hutchinsons, Nichols, Young, Jenness, Strang.

Pi Phi: Weston, Pierce, McCord, B. Riesch, Vandenyne, White, J. Riesch, Hunt, Robinson.

Alpha Gamma Delta: Fiksdal, Bayliss, Clevenger, Brewster, Elliot, Gadow, Parker.

Alpha Xi Delta: England, Daniels, Frahn, Elkington, Nordling, Essex, Withers, Bercovich.

## Another Soph



Frank Emmons understudies Paul Rowe at fullback on the Duck varsity. Emmons has been handicapped by results of a summer illness.

## Smoky Whitfield Will Lead Oregon Mitters In Coming Season

Dates for Opening Match Hang Fire Until Oregon Staters Definitely Accept; May Face Eugene Elks Also

Oregon's Brown Bomber, Smoky Whitfield, the man of many accomplishments, will lead the newly-organized University Mitt and Matt club into their first match of the season the last part of November against either the Elks club of Eugene or the Oregon State College Beavers.

The match with the Elk mitt accepted until word is received from OSC-Oregon tangle. In case the is not set for this month, the University Mitt and Mat team will schedule the Elks club for its initial test.

Whitfield Leads 'Em  
On Whitfield, dusky glove tosser, will be pinned hopes for many an Oregon victory in the 160-pound class. He was finalist in the Golden Gloves tourney in Chicago a couple of years ago. It will be remembered that it was in one of these same Golden Glove championships that Joe Louis got his start.

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## Lodgers, Comets, DU, Win in Volley

### Sammies, Fijis, Zeta Hall Take Beatings In Only Games

Teachers' Institute held the volleyball schedule down to three games again last night, as they once more occupied one of the courts during game time.

Delta Upsilon, the Comets, and Chi Psi, were the winning teams with the DU sextet winning from the Sigma Alpha Mus, Chi Psi winning from Zeta hall, and the Comets taking the measure of the Fijis.

Sammies Show Well  
The Sammies, who last week whipped Zeta hall, 15-2, 15-4, with only four men, started out in a big way last night when they won the first game from Delta Upsilon by a 15 to 9 count. From there on in it was a different story with the revived DU team, led by Bill Jones, and Willard McInturf winning the next two encounters, 15-12, and 16-14.

An up and coming Comet team pulled the same stunt to win the second two games of their three game match with the Fijis.

Lodgers Beat Zeta  
Chi Psi lodge, with their regular team on the floor for the first time, coasted to an easy 15-6, 15-2 victory over Zeta hall.

The A teams will continue to dominate the schedule tomorrow night, with Beta Theta Pi meeting Pi Kappa Alpha, and Gamma hall playing Phi Psi at 4 o'clock. At 4:40 the schedule finds Sigma Chi meeting the Canard club, and Sherry Ross hall facing the Theta Chis, and the SPEs playing the ATOs, and SAE encountering Omega hall at 5:20.

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