

# DUCK TRACKS

By ELBERT HAWKINS

"Good Old California!" That remark from pudgy Bill Cole, Oregon's new line coach and first assistant to Tex Oliver, as he stood shivering in a thundershower last week.

It's not football that's suffering as much as baseball, tennis, and track, though. "We should have a strong baseball team this spring — if it quits raining," smiled Coach Hobby Hobson yesterday.

Hobby's Webfoot baseballists are slated to open a 26-game schedule (counting 16 conference tilts) Thursday afternoon (they were previously set for Friday and Saturday) on the home lot against Portland University's always-strong Pilots.

Because he has to be in Portland at 6:30 p.m. Friday to depart for the East, the head man was slated to miss both Friday and Saturday Pilot games, and also game number three at McMinnville next Wednesday against Linfield.

He'll be the Northwest's sole representative at the National Coaches' association meeting in Chicago on April 4 and 5.

Coach Hobson late yesterday negotiated with Portland officials to move the games up a day. With the Eugene game switched to Thursday he'll be able to supervise that contest, Friday's second contest in Portland, and still catch the 6:30 streamliner to the East.

If Eugene gets a few days of good "drying" weather this week Athletic Manager Anse Cornell says the Ducks may still open their season on Howe field. Otherwise it'll be down on the old diamond, formerly called Reinhart field.

The rub is this. While Howe field has an efficient drainage system which should take care of the infield in short order, the outfield is in poor shape.

There's a big turfless section out in center field, that greensward now adorning the University's newly coated Hayward gridiron. And furthermore, Manager Anse Cornell says the baseball field probably won't get new turf this season. Hobby's idea which will probably be followed—is to dump a couple of truckloads of sand on the unfurfed portion of Howe field, and then run a steam roller over it.

However, it'll have to quit raining.

Coach Tex Oliver is slated to make his first Portland appearance as head football coach Wednesday. He'll be guest of honor at a stag luncheon given by the Portland alumni association. Also attending will be Line Coach Bill Cole and the rest of Oregon's coaching staff.

Colonel Bill Hayward will remain in Portland until Friday's Hill Military meet and bring his seven competing athletes home immediately afterward.

Incidentally, Oregon's track hopes for 1938 seem to be growing brighter by the day. Leonard "Dutch" Holland, red-haired discus linger arrived on the campus Sunday after wintering in California. He took first in the Pacific coast championships last spring.

Dutch predicts a great season for Mack Robinson, Oregon's dusky star of 1936 Olympic fame. Says he should hit 26 feet in the broad jump. Mack was around 25 feet 8 inches last year.

## Near, Cline Lead Duck Golfers in Qualifying Test

Oregon's golfing machine showed chances of whipping into a better squad than ever before when qualifying round totals were computed Sunday night, from which were named six who will compose the Webfoot varsity golf team this spring.

It was Dwight "Doc" Near, Eugene sophomore, who led the way to medal qualifying honors by four strokes over his nearest rival in the field of 17, who entered the 72-hole qualifying test. Near scored a 294, six over par, to lead veteran Walt Cline, coach-captain, over the rain-soaked Eugene Country club course. Cline carded a 298.

Two other sophomores followed close behind Cline in the week's play to grab third and fourth positions. They were Ben Hughes with 303 and Shelby Golden with 306. Golden's score squeezed Bill Watson, only other veteran, into fifth place by one stroke.

Kirk Eldridge scored one stroke behind Watson with 308 to take sixth place.

Four reserves, expected to have a chance to make the regular team by challenges, are Lou Cook, Hank Moretty, Bob Speer, and Rich Werschkul.

Qualifying scores:

Player	Scores	Total
Near	73 77 72 72	294
Cline	77 77 74 70	298
Hughes	78 74 75 76	303
Golden	80 74 76 76	306
Watson	77 81 75 74	307
Eldridge	78 79 75 76	308
Cook	82 75 76 78	311
Moretty	78 75 80 81	314
Speer	82 76 83 78	319
Werschkul	79 81 81 81	322
Quinlin	82 82 82 77	323
Phipps	79 79 85 84	327

## Rifle Squad Wins First Round Meet

### Washington Places Second; UCLA Is Third in Area

The Oregon rifle team took the first round in the defense of its national championship recently by winning the first elimination competition in the ninth corps area. The Oregon team placed high above the other schools to take first place. Washington State rifle men placed second with UCLA in third.

The ninth corps area is composed of college teams in all of the nine western states. The top 30 per cent of each corps will be chosen to compete sometime in the future for the national championship.

The top ten men of the fifteen-man team were awarded medals for their excellent shooting in winning the meet. The men who received medals were: William Gieseke, Stanley Warren, Donald Boyd, Jack Lew, Galen Robbins, Verlin Wolfe, Tom Taylor, Wyburd Furrell, Lawrence Lew and Joseph Salle.

# Oregon Cinderemen Point for Hill Relays

## Robinson and Varoff To Lead Hayward's Squad Into Annual Portland Meet

Mack Robinson, Colonel Bill Hayward's Olympic sprint ace, will don the lemon and green of the University of Oregon for the first time Friday night when he leads an eight-man Webfoot track squad against some of the nation's best athletes in the seventh annual Hill Military academy indoor relay carnival in Portland.

The meet will be held in the huge Pacific International livestock arena.

The lanky Robinson, winner of second place in the 200-meter run of the 1936 Berlin Olympics, will be entered in the broad jump, and will be a favorite to win. In the first trials of the year Saturday the rubber-legged negro hit the sawdust of the pit 24 feet and 7 3/4 inches from the takeoff mark, a near record effort.

### Versatile Robinson

In addition to his broad jump performance, Robinson will run anchor man on the Oregon mile relay team.

Time trials in the 440 this afternoon will determine Robinson's teammates in this event. Jim Schriver, dark-haired junior, Jim Buck, Bill Harrow, Dean Ellis and Kermit Storli will battle it out over the furlong route for the three remaining places on the relay team.

Robinson walked away with the 300-yard trial Saturday, beating Buck by better than 10 yards in 32 seconds flat. Schriver and Ellis finished third and fourth.

### Varoff to Defend

Oregon's own George Varoff will be the second nationally-known Webfoot to feature the Hill carnival. He will defend the George Varoff pole vault from the height-ceiling twists of Earle Meadows, world outdoor co-record holder, and Cornelius Warmerdam, Olympic club ace.

Meadow's outdoor record is 14 feet 11 inches.

The classic feature of the meet, the Glenn Cunningham mile, will bring together the foremost milers of the nation. Cunningham, who set a new world's record about a month ago, will head the trek of distance men into Portland.

Chuck Fenska, Michigan star; Don Lash, champion two-miler; and Norman Bright, last year's winner, will be on hand to give Cunningham competition.

A crack field of Pacific coast collegians will also enter the race. Canny Bill Hayward will pin his hopes on two sophomore sensations, Don Barker and Bob Mitchell. Barker is a veteran pacer with a 4:25 mile to his credit while Mitchell is a sure-fire comer.

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## Teammates Choose Anet as 1938 Captain

Bobby Anet, stocky, hard-driving guard from Astoria, was elected honorary captain of the 1938 Oregon varsity basketball squad by his teammates at the annual dinner given the team by Coach and Mrs. Hobson.

Spearhead of the Oregon attack for the past two seasons, Anet acted as floor captain for the season just completed. His drive and generalship under fire were big factors in Oregon's belated drive to the northern division pennant.

Captain Bobby has one more year of basketball competition left in his collegiate career.

The Duck cagers also picked their northern division all-opponents team, honoring three Washington State Cougars.

No all-star was selected by unanimous vote. The balloting was close for every position with a number of others figuring strongly in the voting.

The Webfoot all-opponent team follows: Steve Belko, Idaho, and Bill Chase, WSC, forwards; John Kosich, WSC, center; and Al Hooper, WSC, and George Ziegenfuss, Washington, guards.

Narrowly missing all-star berths were Brendan Barrett and Bill Kramer, Idaho; Roy Pflugrad, Mal Harris and Nello Vanelli, Oregon State; Jimmy Seyler, Montana, and Roy Williamson, Washington.

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## Nine Boys, One Girl In Frosh Golf Playoff

### Ruth Tustin First Girl To Ever Qualify for Frosh Golf Team

Playing through rain, hail, snow, and mud nine frosh boys and one girl played 72 holes of golf to qualify for the freshman golf team.

Ruth Tustin, the first girl that ever placed among the first ten players in frosh golf is from Santa Monica, California. The other nine players who made the team are: Fred Davis, Jim Hickey, Chet Keller, Pete Klosterman, Milton Levy, Rob McMillian, Cliff Smith, George Smith, and Kneeland Stone.

Best score was turned in by Cliff Smith with 304 for the 72 holes. Fred Davis had 306, George Smith, 325, Kneeland Stone, 328, Ruth Tustin, 336, Pete Klosterman, 336.

Members of the team will challenge each other to keep their position on the team. Matches are scheduled with the varsity, Oregon State Rooks, and University high.

At a meeting in the College Side Tuesday at 7 o'clock the team will decide on future matches and team positions.

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