

DUCK TRACKS

By ELBERT HAWKINS

Maybe it was because his Cougars had just won a ball game, anyway vociferous Buck Bailey was as quiet as the next guy after yesterday's ball game, and even spoke with a feeling of pity about Hobby Hobson's Ducks.

"I picked Oregon for the championship before we came down here," said Buck in the dressing room.

"No, I can't pick Oregon now—I can't after today," was the Washington State skipper's meek reply as to his present northern division title-choice. He thinks Ralph Coleman's Oregon Staters are the team to beat now.

"Washington State? My boys are not new—but we'll be in there swinging from now on," was Buck's cagy reply about his own Cougar sophomore nine which subdued Oregon's defending champs twice in two days.

Bailey almost brought out a crying towel when he mentioned Wednesday's game which Oregon dropped, 6 to 5, after passing up several good opportunities to win. He figured that errors, both mental and on the field, did it.

"Poor devils, they gave us runs, and we gave them runs yesterday," summarized the colorful 225-pounder.

He hasn't seen any other northern division clubs, but said Coleman's experienced pitching staff was one reason why he named Oregon State as the team to beat this spring.

Buck was rather evasive about the team Tubby Graves will field at Washington. He figures they'll be tough to beat though, despite having a lineup riddled by graduation.

What about Idaho? "By golly they've got a good team, vastly improved over last year," said Buck.

He's worried about the two-game series which Washington State opens at Corvallis today against the Beavers. According to Buck he used the best hurlers he had against Oregon this week, figuring Hobby's crew more dangerous as a pennant contender than Oregon State.

Joe Sienko, ace of the Cougar mound staff, was used against Oregon in Wednesday's game, and stands little chance to do much work against Oregon State except in the relief capacity.

John Warren and University baseball fans owe Bill Greene, manager of the Eugene Drakes, state league team, a vote of thanks for changing one of the mediocre frosh hitters into a fence-buster.

Bill "Whizzer" White, third baseman-outfielder, who wasn't setting the world afire with his hitting, went out to have a little practice with the Drakes Sunday.

White had been swinging a little fast, and under the balls, so Manager Greene had him change to the Ty Cobb grip—with his hands a little apart. The effect was to slow his swing a little, and raise its arc.

"Whizzer" immediately became a "slugging fool," getting a home run in the Drake practice. Tuesday he poked out a double, and got another long blow which fell just foul.

Cougars Spill Oregon Again, 5 to 4

Oregon Team Loses In Ninth Frame as Steal Causes Error

Buck Bailey's Team Outhits Webfoots, 12-11; Six Oregon Boots Aid in Second Defeat at Hands of Visiting Nine

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Oregon's uncertain baseball team had colorful Buck Bailey and his Washington Staters pretty well squelched after eight tight innings on Howe field yesterday, but came the ninth and the Ducks tossed another game to the winds.

The Cougars won it, 5 to 4, and departed for Corvallis, and a crucial two-game series with Oregon State, in first place in the northern division.

Washington State outhit Hobby Hobson's defending champs only 12 to 11, but made good use of six Oregon errors, two of them coming in the fatal ninth.

Trail 4 to 3

Buck Bailey's sophomores went into the ninth inning, trailing 4 to 3, and were apparently on the trail to defeat, with Southpaw Bob Hardy, who went the route for Oregon, bearing down.

But Bailey's merry gang touched Hardy for two hits, and got their winning two runs with the aid of two errors by Jack Gordon.

It all happened with one out and men on first and third. An attempted cut-off play by Oregon's infield went awry when Runner Joe Angelo, who had just singled to right, attempted to steal second.

No Cut-off

Mullen's throw to Jack Gordon, who came in behind pitcher's box to cut it down, got by him, and Lou Hall scored from third to tie the score.

Angelo, who clubbed out four hits in five trips up the day before, got around to third on the bobble. He scored Washington State's fifth run when Corky Carlson rolled out, Coleman to Gale Smith.

Hobby Hobson's down-hearted Ducks had a chance to tie it in the last of the ninth when Ford Mullen rapped a hard ball which Pitcher Al Branfors dropped with one away. Mullen stole second, but died there when Nicholson struck out and Smith rolled out via short-stop.

Lead at Start

Oregon started out in a convincing manner, rushing over three runs in the last of the third to take a 3 to 1 lead. The Ducks massed four safe hits in a row after two men were out.

Ford Mullen beat out an infield single, stole second, and scored on Jimmie Nicholson's blooper into right field.

Gale Smith then drove him in with a hefty double to center, and he scored on Oregon's fourth consecutive hit of the inning, a single past second base by Wimpy Quinn.

Nicholson scored Oregon's last run in the fifth when he doubled to left, took third on a fielder's choice, and raced home on Gordon's infield out.

Washington State got another run in the sixth when Angelo tripled to left field. He scored when Gordon dropped the throw-in, but would have made it anyway as the Cougars reached Hardy for two more hits before they were retired.

Ford Mullen and Jimmie Nicholson were the big guns in Oregon's hitting attack, each getting three hits in five times at bat. Smith and Quinn each collected two for four.

Four of Bailey's top five hitters did the damage to Hardy, each getting two hits in five times at bat.

Hobby's Headache

WSC	B	R	H	O	A	E
Hall, s	5	1	2	3	5	1
Angelo, m	5	2	2	2	0	1
Carlson, 1b	5	0	1	14	0	0
Hooper, 1	5	0	2	0	0	0
Eastman, c	5	0	2	2	2	0
Emerson, 2	4	0	0	5	7	0
Mahnkey, 3	4	1	1	0	3	0
Holsclaw, r	3	0	1	1	0	0
Barnfors, p	4	1	1	0	0	0
McCullum*	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sienko, r	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals	B	R	H	O	A	E
Oregon	41	5	12	27	17	2
Mullen, c	5	1	3	4	0	0
Nicholson, m	5	2	3	2	0	0
G. Smith, 1b	4	1	2	16	1	0
Quinn, 3	4	0	2	1	2	1
Gordon, s	4	0	0	1	3	3
Hardy, p	4	0	1	0	4	0
Beard, r	1	0	0	0	0	1
Yerby, 1	3	0	0	1	0	1
Coleman, 2	3	0	0	2	4	0
Linde, r	3	0	0	0	0	0
Creighton**	1	0	0	0	0	0

Totals 37 4 11 27 14 6

*Batted for Holsclaw in 8th.

**Batted for Coleman in 9th.

Score by innings:

Washington State	001	001	102	—	5
Hits	002	113	212	—	12
Oregon	003	010	000	—	4
Hits	124	020	101	—	11

Three-base hit, Angelo. Two-base hits, Hooper 2, Branfors, G. Smith, Nicholson. Runs batted in, Hall 2, Carlson, Nicholson, G. Smith, Quinn, Gordon. Left on bases, Washington 9, Oregon 9. Double play, Hall to Emerson to Carlson. Struck out, by Hardy 4, Branfors 1. Bases on balls, off Branfors 2. Umpire, Spec Burke. Time of game, 1:46.

Warren and Cutler Defeat Challengers

Corey and Koch Fall Before Champs in Straight Games

Oregon's supreme handball pair, Russ Cutler and Honest John Warren, reigned supreme today after slaughtering their challenging foes, George Corey and Karl Koch, yesterday in the men's gymnasium. They won in two straight games, 21-6, 21-6.

Warren and Cutler, self-styled as the greatest pair of handball artists ever assembled at one college, successfully defended their crown from the all-campus champs, and won going away. Spectators commented especially upon the graceful style of sylph-like Warren, while Cutler's effective kills proved to be the undoing of the campus team.

Grade Schoolers Will Use Softball Fields Saturday

Student softball players who have been using the physical education field next to the ROTC building will have to seek a new field Saturday.

The PE diamonds will be in use all day for the annual Lane county grade school softball tournament, Miss Margaret Phy, secretary of the PE department, announced yesterday.

Oregon All-Stars Polish Attack for Coming Grid Tilt

Butch Morse to Play In Junior Weekend Exhibition Fray

With Coach Tex Oliver's Webfoots itching for a chance to show the campus and Eugene fans what they can do with a football, and with the "Webfoot All-Stars" primed to throw everything in the books to uphold the honor of the "alums," the coming varsity-alumni football game is expected to be a wide-open affair.

The game will give Oregon football followers their first chance to see Coach Oliver's system under actual game competition, and a big crowd of "downtown quarter-backs" is expected to turn out. The tilt has been tentatively slated for Saturday afternoon, May 7.

Morse to Play

The "All-Star" aggregation, under Co-Coaches Del Bjork, Stan Riordan, and Tony Amato, was

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Frosh Defeat Eugene High By 12-2 Count

Anderson, Allegretto Allow Seven Blows; 39 Players Feature Contest

In a game featured by the performance of 39 players, one of the largest numbers ever to play in a freshman baseball game, the Oregon Duckling squad yesterday pounded the offerings of four Eugene high pitchers for a 12 to 2 victory.

Because of the large number, playing in the game, Burke Austin and Ronnie McIntyre, of the Axemen, were the only ones to collect two blows each.

Get Eight Hits

The yearling squad combined eight hits with six Eugene errors to amass the total of 12 runs. The Axemen collected one less hit than did the frosh, but were unable to connect in the pinches.

Alvin Anderson, yearling curveball artist, started on the mound and allowed only two hits in four innings. In the fourth he was replaced by Orlando Allegretto who gave up five safeties in the remaining six innings.

The frosh started the game off with a two-run outburst in the first, followed by two more in the third. In the fourth they added four more to their score, cinching the game with a four-run rally in the eighth.

The Duckling hurlers held Eugene scoreless until the sixth inn-

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