

# Frosh Tossers Play Here Today---Bar Rain

## John Warren's Crew Faces Pleasant Hill

### Stew Fredericks Draws Hurling Assignment

Unless Ole Jupe Pluvius interferes, Coach John Warren's frosh diamond stalwarts will face their first home game of the year this afternoon at 3 o'clock with Pleasant Hill high school. The game will be played on a McArthur field.

For the past week Warren has been whipping his team in shape, and last night he announced the probable starters in this afternoon's contest.

#### Fredericks to Start

Stew Fredericks or Bob Rehberg will occupy the mound, and the job behind the bat will go to either Al Sorensen or Howard Robertson. Robertson has been looking good in practices, and according to John has a good chance of stealing top man honors from Sorensen.

Holding down the infield posts will be Chuck Clifford at first base, Don Kirsch at second, and Wimberly or Lindquist at third. Best bet for shortstop is basketballer Don Tuttle.

#### Outfield Uncertain

Warren was a little uncertain about his outfield but named Burns and Van Lydegraf as two probabilities. The third man out in the tall grass will remain a mystery until tomorrow afternoon.

Boasting a team of experienced men, "Honest John" admitted last night that, "We have a fair chance of winning." Several members of this year's squad have seen service with the Silverton Red Sox, one of the nation's best semi-pro teams, and all of the boys have plenty of high school ball under their belts.

## Footballers Scrimmage

#### By Ray Foster

Football practice on the upper mud flats swung into mid-spring form last night as Coach Tex Oliver divided his forces into working groups and included some slam, bang scrimmage sessions in the day's drill.

Oliver tried out plays on a skeleton line composed of a center, a guard, and a tackle. These three for a time were Duke Iverson, Ray Segale, and Val Culwell. Transfers Tommy Roblin and Larry Monroy carried the ball for the offense.

Coach Mike Mikulak and Vaughn Corley kept the big tackles and the fast halves busy by putting two backfield men on the tackle and letting the man with the ball go around, if he could. Speedburners Frank Boyd and Hal Johnson did some fast stepping, as did the driving Buck Berry.

Tackles Jim Stuart and Tom Terry broke through the opposition most frequently. Big Jim looks like the bulwark of defense that may make him a candidate for more than just all-coast next fall.

### Takes Over Today



When Hobby Hobson, Oregon basketball and baseball coach, returns to Eugene today, he will don spikes and uniform and direct his 1940 diamond crew in practice. Hobby traveled to Kansas City to attend the casaba coaches' convention last week.

## Trackmen Work Out On Hayward Cinders

The University of Oregon track team worked out on Hayward field cinders yesterday afternoon for the first time this term, in preparation for its meet with Portland university at Portland this Saturday.

WPA workers finally decided to give the Ducks a break and put on the pressure for a day—the result is a cinder path to train on.

Saturday will be the first time in many years that a full Oregon team has appeared in the Rose

City. Last year the Pilots came to Eugene to absorb a 95 to 36 defeat, in the second link of the new Oregon-Portland track rivalry.

#### Kleinfeldt Shows Prowess

Rea Kleinfeldt was the only man entered in the Hill relays at Portland last Friday night, and although he failed to place, he ran a smart race and gave promise of resuming his winning ways in the coming intercollegiate meets. Kleinfeldt, previous to the Cunningham mile, had been undefeated in four years of regular high school and frosh track competition and had won the state meet for three straight years.

Rod Hansen, star polevaulter, tried out his injured leg on the hard track today and felt no twinges, but will refrain from any strenuous workouts for at least two weeks. Hansen pulled a muscle in

his right leg while working out on the concrete-like surface of the unfinished area of the Physical Ed building last week while preparing for the Hill meet.

The following men make up the complete roster: sprinters—Bob Diez, Bob Keen, Dutch Schultz; 440—Les Clever, Hal Pace, Ed Reiner, Merle Hanscom; 880—Kirm Storli, Ed Storli; mile—Al Branson, Bob Mitchell, Verlyn Wolfe; two mile—Jack Bryant, Rea Kleinfeldt, John Loback, Bill Ross; hurdles—Kernal Buhler, Ray Dickson, Jim Buck, Martin Luther; high jump—Clair Adams, Jim Harris; broad jump—Dickson, Keen, Ehle Reber, Scoggin; pole vault—Dickson, Rod Hansen; javelin—Boyd Brown, Porky Andrews, Bud Hoff; discus—Bud Hoff, Bill Regner, Dick Horne, Wally White; shot put—Elmer Olson, Regner, Frank Emmons.

## Hobson To Take Baseball Reins

### Oregon Headman Returns From NCAA Hoop Meet in Kansas City; Ducks Book Linfield Wednesday

#### By KEN CHRISTIANSON

Hobby Hobson will be back on the campus today to take over the reins of his baseball horse and attempt to lead it down to the finish line with the northern division pennant again in the hands of Oregon.

Coach Hobson has been busy during the past week or two with basketball. Although his hoop team was through for this year some time ago, Hobby has been giving the NCAA basketball finals in Kansas City a thorough going over. He relinquished his one year's claim to the national championship Saturday night when he presented Indiana's Coach Branch McCracken with the trophy emblematic of the national title. Indiana defeated Kansas.

During Hobson's absence, Play-coach Cece Walden has been

working with the squad, trying to whip it into shape. Due largely to a capricious weather man, the Oregons have been held to hitting practice during all of last week. Rain stayed away yesterday long enough for Walden to work with the infield for the first time this season.

Two of last year's starters, Walden and Bill White, are nearly sure of positions Wednesday in the Web-foot's trial run against Linfield. This game will give Hobson a chance to discover his team's potentialities. Both Walden the catcher and White the outfielder bat well over .300. Another starter, Jack Shimshak, who toured the outfield last year, has been moved in to second base and may find a berth in the infield.

#### Pitching Looks Up

The other two positions in the outfield probably will be filled by Dick Whitman and Bill Carney, plus .300 batting sophomores. Any guess hazarded as to probable starters in the inner circle defense would be worthless. Thus far, first base has three prospects in Hank Anderson, Lloyd Beggs, and Herb Hamer. At second Walden has Shimshak, Bill Calvert, and Tommy Cox lined up. Tini Smith looks like a bet at shortstop, but Cox can fill in there.

Arba Ager, Jack Yoshitomi, Kenny King, and Virg Libke are prospects at third base. The pitching is looking up with letterman Al Linn, Jack Jasper, and Pete Igoe backed up by Virg Thaynes, Bob Reider, and Lee Drago.

## Frosh Thinclads Begin Work

### Coach Ned Johns Orders Exercises For Candidates

#### By BERNIE ENGEL

Exercises—those stiffening muscle-crackers necessary to achieve limber tendons and pliant limbs—are the order of the day for Oregon's freshman track team.

Beginning today, the prospective cinder-churners are slated to start nightly drill for the dual relay meet April 20 at Oregon State.

Coach Ned Johns, ex-Stanford pole vaulter, started his men yesterday on general loosening up. A shortage of shoes and the mushy condition of the Hayward field track are expected to cramp the thin-clads' style for a short time, but the track is to be worked over again soon and the shoe situation is under consideration.

#### Record-Holder

With the turnout so far limited to about thirty men, there may be a handicap in lack of sufficient competition during practice. However, there are a few likely prospects.

Bob McKinney holds the Idaho state half-mile record—two minutes flat. As a junior at Payette high school, the loose-jointed freshman turned in a :51.6 quarter. Both of these times are exceptional, considering that Idaho has a colder climate than Eugene.

#### Elliott on Hand

Holding the South Pasadena high school record in the high jump—six feet, two inches—Bill Beifus also boasts various California meet marks.

Chuck Elliott, a Eugene boy, holds the state shot put mark of 54 feet, 2 inches. Another good weight prospect is Walt LeClair of Gold Beach, Oregon. LeClair was runnerup in the state last year and has been flipping the 16-pound ball around the 45-foot mark.

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