

Howe Faithful Athletic Fan

Former Professor Shared Teaching With Athletes

Although obituary notices read that Professor Herbert Crombie Howe, who died July 28, was a member of the staff of the University English department, it might well be said, too, that the witty professor was Oregon's most faithful athletic fan.

Since he came to the University of Oregon in 1901, Professor Howe has missed few football practices, and athletes have crowded his popular English and literature classes, not only because he liked sports but because they liked him.

For 28 years he was Oregon's representative on the Pacific Coast athletic conference—holding the job longer than any other coast representative. In February, 1940, he gave up the post because of ill health, after having served as conference president in 1924.

The diamond where Webfoot baseballers play ball each spring was named after the Cornell-graduated fan a decade ago, when the field was christened "Howe field."

Professor Howe died at Waldport, Oregon, where he has lived since he was forced by ill health to take a spring term leave of

absence from his teaching duties in March. He was 68.

He was graduated from Cornell in 1893, and it was there, he often said, that he got his first taste of being a scrimmage session fan. When interviewed last winter at the time of his retirement he said that he had gone out for football at Cornell, but was immediately rejected because of his slight stature. "They put me on the sidelines," he said, "and I've stayed there ever since."

Assistant professor of English literature was his first Oregon title, and after two years in that position he became head of the literature department in 1903. From 1921 until 1925 he was head of the English department, and again from 1935 to 1937, and was acting dean of the college of arts and letters in the school year 1936-37.

He prided himself on knowing personally every athlete who wore the green and emerald uniform during his 39 years on the campus—their grades, their weaknesses, their personalities. For all of the "greats"—Johnny Kitzmiller, "Shy" Huntington, Johnnie Parsons, Joe Gordon—have at some time or other chatted with him in his vine-covered office in ancient Villard hall.

The death of Professor Howe was the loss of one of the most well-known figures in campus and faculty life, who for nearly half a century has held student

Hanen Places Second in Open

Webfoot Golfer Bows, 6 and 5, in Washington Finals

Dick Hanen, University of Oregon freshman golfer, lost out to Albert "Scotty" Campbell of Seattle Saturday in the finals of the Washington state open to retain his amateur championship. Campbell carded a seven-under-par score for 31 holes in defeating Hanen, 6 and 5.

Campbell played excellently throughout the match and held a four-hole advantage over the 19-year-old Oregon varsity candidate on the 27th hole. Hanen was only able to win the first three holes of the morning's round. Campbell having experience as a former Walker cup player seemingly could miss none of his shots and was headed for a victory despite Hanen's best efforts.

Hanen was the tournament medalist in the qualifying round.

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