

# Duck Tracks

By BOB FLAVELLE, Co-Sports Editor

Les Steers gets his first official chance to break the world's high jump mark tonight at Seattle. The highly publicized Oregon star left yesterday with Bill Hayward, coach of track at the University, and according to the latest word would be officially entered in the dual meet between California and Washington as a representative of Oregon.

Hayward is no little irked at the fact that most people have been led to believe that Les cleared seven feet, one-half inch in his recent indoor exhibition between halves of the OSC-Oregon basketball game. According to Hayward, there was no allowance made for a natural sag in the cross-bar and the standards may have been slightly incorrect. Bill prefers to say that Steers "probably" cleared six feet eleven inches, and let it go at that.

This meet in Seattle will be held indoors and conditions are such that it will be miraculous if Les comes near breaking the old altitude mark. A sandy takeoff affords the jumpers extremely poor footing and its "give" to spikes cuts off about two inches from a leaper's ceiling.

## Baseball Material Pleases Cornell

Anse Cornell should be really enjoying himself these days as he puts the baseball aspirants through their paces. When Hobby Hobson left for Hawaii yesterday with the basketball team, he left Anse in charge of the sweetest bunch of diamond players that a coach could ask for. The problem is not one of how to find men to fill the positions, but how to make the best of the extraordinary material that seems to be two and three deep at every position.

Pitching is not up to par on this year's outfit, but is too early to give up completely on the twirling. Bob Rieder and Pete Igoe, veteran performers, are back for action and may develop into a pair of well-nigh invincible right-handers as the season progresses. Rookies Nick Begleries, Monk Karterman, and Carlo Apa round out the pitching staff.

With the first game coming up next Tuesday with Pacific university, Cornell has as his first team, Billy Calvert, catcher, Chuck Clifford, first base, Jack Shimshack, second base, Bill Hamel, shortstop, and Buck Berry, third base. All seem pretty well certain of holding their positions at least for the next three weeks. When Sophomore Donnie Kirsch returns from the island basketball trip, however, Shimshack will have to step to hang on to his berth.

## Outfield Positions Appear Cinched

The outfield seems to be a closed corporation with Bill Carney, Captain Dick Whitman, and Johnny Bubalo standing head and shoulders above their competitors. All three are deadly hitters and smooth fielders. With luck, Oregon may find their complete outfield on the northern division all-star squad when the season is completed. It may be a little early for picking an all-star team, but from the looks of things out there on Howe field now-a-days, a man wouldn't go too far astray and wouldn't be accused of being blindly prejudiced if he were to select almost any man in the entire starting lineup as probable northern division nominee when the honors are given out at the end of the regular season—they look that good.

## Warren Threatens to Twirl

Freshman Coach John Warren has a little more to worry about. There have been rumors circulating that there will be a team this year, but according to Warren, he hasn't had anything to work with as yet. In typical optimistic fashion Honest John stated, "If I can find a pitcher, I may be able to scrape up eight other men to fill the positions in the field."

If worst comes to worst, Warren says he'll take to the mound himself. A notorious batting practice pitcher, he says his arm has that old zing in it this year and predicts a great season for himself.

He still asks, "Have you found a pitcher for me yet?"

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# Hawaii-Bound Duck Five Given Roaring Send-off

## Hobby Speeds West From N. Y. to Join Team in Frisco

Cars jammed with students streamed down Willamette street at noon yesterday, horns blaring. Eugeneans munching lunch in shops along the main drag turned from their soup and crackers and gawked at the noisy caravan proceeding toward the S. P. depot. People lining the street beamed. University of Oregon students were giving nine Webfoot hoopmen, Mrs. Howard Hobson, senior manager Leonard Ruecker, and two Eugene couples a wild sendoff on the first leg of their trip to Hawaii.

Coach Hobby Hobson missed the spree, but was on a streamliner speeding westward from New York to meet his team and wife in San Francisco. At noon today the Oregon contingent eases out through the Golden Gate and next Thursday morning will round Diamond Head and nose into Honolulu harbor.

## Hard Hitting Ducks Ready For Badgers

It was the Yannigans and the Regulars galloping through the first practice baseball game on a brand, spanking new season Wednesday, and the railbirds picked up their first glimpses of the 1941 edition of "Ducks on the Diamond."

With the first pre-season game of the year only a half week away, Acting Coach Anse Cornell didn't pull any punches in sending the baseballers through the intersquad game. The Webfoots meet Pacific university on Howe field Tuesday, April 1.

Cornell was all smiles as he watched the Regulars rap out hit after hit off pitchers Bob Rieder and Nick Begleries, with Rieder talking most of the hard swatting attack.

The Regulars didn't take long to pick up last year's batting eyes, punching out an unbelievable five triples, a double and a single in the initial inning, and from there they went on to win, 13 to 4.

With Dick Whitman, Bill Hamel, Johnny Bubalo, Buck Berry, Bill Carney, Chuck Clifford, Billy Calvert making up a "murderers row" comparable to the Yankees of by-gone days, the Ducks should offer an opposing pitcher no end of headaches.

The first of Oregon's seven pre-season tilts but a few days away, Cornell will continue to drive the team through hard drills and brisk workouts.

The complete schedule:  
 April 1—Pacific at Eugene.  
 April 4—Pacific at Forest Grove.  
 April 5—Portland at Portland.  
 April 7—OCE at Monmouth.  
 April 11—Willamette at Salem.  
 April 12—Willamette at Eugene.  
 April 15—OCE at Eugene.  
 April 18—Oregon State at Corvallis.  
 April 19—Oregon State at Eugene.  
 April 25—Idaho at Eugene.  
 April 30—WSC at Eugene.  
 May 1—WSC at Eugene.  
 May 5 and 6—Washington at Eugene.  
 May 9—Portland at Eugene.  
 May 14 and 15—WSC at Pullman.  
 May 16 and 17—Idaho at Moscow.  
 May 19 and 20—Washington at Seattle.  
 May 24—Oregon State at Eugene.  
 May 28—Oregon State at Corvallis.

## Steers Enters Seattle Meet

Les Steers, phenomenal Oregon high jumper, will have an opportunity to officially hoist the world indoor and outdoor standards in that event. Jumping indoors up in Seattle tonight, Steers will be a special Oregon entry in a dual meet between California and the University of Washington.

Twice in indoor exhibition leaps, Steers has soared over 6 feet 11 inches, unofficially eclipsing the world outdoor mark of 6 feet 9 3/4 inches held jointly by Cornelius Johnson and Dave Albritton.

Steers and Hayward left for Seattle yesterday. While Steers and Hayward are on their Seattle sojourn, the remainder of the Webfoot track team will be grinding for their coming series of campaigns around the northern division.

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## Elimination Finals Near For Netmen

Last round tennis elimination today will determine varsity and frosh ladder positions, according to Paul R. Washke, court mentor. The past week has been spent in a playoff with two finalists surviving in both varsity and duckling divisions.

Len Clark, veteran lefthander, and Kermit Smith are the two varsitymen who will vie in the finals this afternoon. They are the only netsters who have remained unbeaten from an original field of 19 entrants.

**Frosh Finals**  
 Freshmen finals pit Leonard Lonigan against Joe Rooney. Neither have been turned back, being all that are left from 15 starters.

Thursday's varsity results saw Clark defeat F. Baker, 6-3, 6-4; Smith defeat N. Wiener, 6-4, 8-6; Boone defeat C. Steele, 6-4, 3-6, 6-1; J. Williams defeat J. Kahana, 7-5, 5-7, 6-1; L. Manning defeat E. Van Metre, 6-4, 1-6, 6-4; G. Westfall defeat J. McInnis, 6-0, 7-5.

Frosh results saw Lonigan defeat C. Larson 8-6, 6-4, 6-2; W. Johnson defeat A. Moore 6-4, 6-1, 6-2; J. Rooney defeat V. Yardum, 6-1, 6-2; W. Farrell defeat P. Putnam 6-3, 6-2; J. Ricksecker defeat R. Kramer 6-4, 6-3; H. Howard defeat G. Bolotoff 6-2, 6-3.

Two juniors at Princeton are operating a student radio repair service.

# Baseball Prospective Heckles Warren

"Calling one frosh right-handed pitcher." Coach John Warren wailed out a plea Thursday afternoon for one right-handed pitcher in fair condition and with a good part of his afternoons off to bolster his sadly undermanned mound staff.

As matters stand "Honest John" has but one reliable lad to take his turn at the pitching chore, a certain Al Wimer who serves up a tricky southpaw slant.

The backstop position is fairly well taken over with Bill Peterson, Marvin Oswald, and Duan Campbell trying for the spot.

**Infield Performers**  
 A step ahead of the squad at covering ground in the infield are: Bill Gissberg at first, Bill Bishop at second, Kik Simonsen at short, and Ed Crane at third. Gissberg has lots of competition at the initial sack from Dick Burns. At the keystone sack Tom Oxman is making a determined bid for playing honors.

Other candidates for infield posts are: Jim Vitti, Bud Hoover, Lloyd Jackson and William Hoyt. To cover the outfield pastures Warren can have his choice of Bill Krause, George Sertie, Aaron

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