

NINE THIRTY-SECONDS OF AN INCH SHORT



Les Steers is shown soaring to a new world high jump mark of 6 feet 10²⁵/₃₂ inches in Seattle April 27. Steers was ⁹/₃₂ shy of equaling that mark on Hayward field Saturday, as he climbed over 6 feet 10¹/₂ inches in a Duck-Cougar dual.

WSC Trackmen Faster; Ducks Surprise in Losing

By FRED TREADGOLD

Saturday morning a biting cold wind blew in from the west, shooing away all Les Steers' chances of further raising his world's high jump mark past his "ceiling" of 6 feet 10²⁵/₃₂ inches.

Muscles don't relax and loosen properly in damp weather, nor is such a day an incentive for championship performances. Yet Les came within a fraction—⁹/₃₂ inches in fact—of equaling his week-old mark. Undoubtedly with more cooperative weather the sophomore stratospherist would have cracked the mark. Three times he failed, by just a shade, of clearing the bar at 6 feet 11, having to be content this time with only 6 feet 10¹/₂ inches.

Pulling down another first in his only other event—the javelin—Les hurled the harpoon 185 feet 6 inches. Meanwhile, his teammates were coming through with un-thought-of performances to let the strong Washington Staters know that they had been through a busy afternoon.

All told 58 1-3 points were surprisingly punched out on the adding machine for Oregon, while the Cougars led the way with 72 2-3. It was a much closer squeeze for WSC than anyone predicted, and if the Ducks had come through with a first place in the high hurdles

(which they lost by a nose) just two points would have been the margin of victory for the Cougars.

Pat Haley, WSC flash, stepped off two new meet records in the 100 and 220-yard dashes. The new century mark is :09.6, with Oregon's Jake Leicht breezing in just a moment later. The 220 mark was lowered to :21 flat.

Summary:

Mile — Tie between Williams and Dale, WSC; Russel, Oregon, third. Time, 4:36.7.

440-yard dash—Won by Lang, WSC; Tuckwiler, Oregon, second; Lee, Oregon, third. Time, :50.2.

Shot put—Won by Londos, WSC, 46 feet 10 3-8 inches; Niemi, WSC, second, 45 feet 3 1/2 inches; Regner, Oregon, third, 43 feet 9 1-8 inches.

High jump—Won by Steers, Oregon, 6 feet 10 1/2 inches; Mc-

Cain, WSC, second, 6 feet 1 inch; Beifuss, Oregon, third, 5 feet 10 inches. (Winning height new dual meet and Hayward field record. Former dual meet record 6 feet 3 3-8 inches set by Harris, Oregon, 1940; former field record 6 feet 3 7-8 inches, set by Vanderman, Washington, 1936.)

Pole vault—Won by Thomas, Oregon, 13 feet; Pirie and Ramos, WSC, and Hendershott, Oregon, tied for second, 12 feet 6 inches.

100-yard dash—Won by Haley, WSC; Leicht, Oregon, second; Bowsher, WSC, third. Time, :09.6. (Winning time new dual meet record. Former record :09.8, set by Shoemake, Oregon, 1936. Also ties Hayward field record set by Shoemake, in 1934.)

120-yard high hurdles—Won by Schade, WSC; Butler, Oregon, second; Dickson, Oregon, third. Time, :15.4.

880-yard run—Won by Lang, WSC; McKinney, Oregon, second; Russel, Oregon, third. Time, 1:58.

Javelin—Won by Steers, Oregon, 185 feet 6 inches; Niemi, WSC, second, 168 feet 10 inches; Londos, WSC, third, 140 feet 10 1/2 inches.

Discus—Won by Stone, WSC, 141 feet 10 1/2 inches; Regner, Oregon, second, 134 feet 7 1/2 inches; Londos, WSC, third, 122 feet 6 inches.

220-yard dash—Won by Haley, WSC; Leicht, Oregon, second; Keen, Oregon, third. Time, :21. (Winning time new dual track meet record. Former set by Orr, WSC, :21.1, in 1938.)

Broad jump—Won by Dickson, Oregon, 22 feet 8 inches; Bowsher, WSC, second, 22 feet 6 1/4 inches; Reber, Oregon, third, 22 feet 4 1/4 inches.

Two-mile run—Won by Lehn, WSC; Williams, WSC, second; Ross, Oregon, third. Time, 10:01.4.

220-yard low hurdles—Won by Butler, Oregon; Schade, WSC, second; Parry, WSC, third. Time, :24.7.

Mile relay—Won by Oregon (McKinney, Reiner, Lee, Tuckwiler). Time, 3:26.7.

Duck Tracks

By KEN CHRISTIANSON, Co-Editor of Sports

Oregon students will have a chance to put their fingers in the selection of the R. A. Babb trophy Thursday at the same time that the Oregon executive council is chosen. The Babb trophy is a plaque given this year for the first time to the outstanding graduating Oregon athlete who has shown athletic excellence, team inspirational qualities, a "C" average scholastically, and self reliance during his terms at school.

Printed on the ballots with the names of the nominees to the executive council will also be the names of 19 graduating senior athletes. Those are: football—Bob Blenkinsop, Frank Emmons, Erling Jacobsen, Len Isberg, and Marsh Stenstrom; basketball—Bob Anet and John Dick; swimming—Al Sandner and Jim Marnie; wrestling—Hal Kaschko; baseball—Tom Cox, Pete Igoe, and Jack Shimshak; track—Boyd Brown, Bob Keen, and Ehle Reber; tennis—Len Clark; golf—Bob Engelke and Chet Keller.

This list will be pared to a smaller number by the students and the final list will be sent to members of the committee for the selection who will pick three names for the trophy. Points will be awarded on a 5-3-1 basis in this voting by the committeemen. In this way it is hoped that the selection will be made by fair means—fair to all the contestants.

The plaque will be presented at a dinner of the Order of the "O" May 17 or 18 if the returns are in. Mr. Babb, donor of the trophy, will be asked to present the award at this time.

Washington Less to Be Feared

Washington's baseball team no longer looms as a big "bogey man" to the other teams in the northern division. The Huskies had been reckoned a dark horse at the start of the race. Other clubs—notably Oregon and Oregon State—trembled when the Washington's hacked off four wins to start the season, then came the revealing Oregon State-Washington series. OSC smacked Washington twice, and Oregon slugged them once yesterday.

Washington State players explained the opener at Seattle against the Huskies when they were here Wednesday and Thursday. Washington won that first game, 14 to 6 or some such score. The Cougars made 11 errors—nearly all of them accounted for Husky runs. Now Washington is shown in a more nearly true light. It lacks Oregon's power at the plate and hasn't a much stronger pitching staff. Sierer and Jorgensen seem the most effective on the mound in games thus far. Oregon will see one or both perform today.

Leicht Moves

From "my weakest team in 39 years," Colonel Bill Hayward's track team has come to be an element to be reckoned with in the northern division. Jack Leicht, football halfback turned sprinter, has helped immeasurably in strengthening the squad. Leicht turned in a time of :09.7 in the 100 which was just slightly poorer than Pat Haley's record-setting :09.6. Leicht has been out about three weeks, give him another two weeks and he will make it interesting for Messrs. Haley, Smith, and Qvale in the northwest.

Bill Regner, football end, has improved vastly in the discus. In the Washington meet he threw the discus platter some 122 feet. His mark against WSC was 134 feet 7 1/4 inches. He tossed it 142 the other day and may work the kink out of his arm soon so that he will be flipping it 152 feet as he did when a freshman. Ray Dickson has improved Oregon's strength in the hurdles and the broad jump. He jumped 23 feet 6 inches the first time he came out a week ago, since then he hasn't fared so well. Saturday he won the event at 22 feet 8 inches.

Short Shots

Tidbits—Buck Berry is still the power hitter on Oregon's nine. Last year he hit a cool .429, which dropped this year to .296 until yesterday. Today he hits .322 with 10 hits in 31 times at bat. Seven of those hits are extra-base clouts which means runs batted in.

Pick John Bubalo on your pitching staff for the Inland Empire trip. Bubalo is the most versatile man on the team. Chuck Clifford suffered a cleat cut last week, and Bubalo fits in at first base for a few innings. In high school he played every position on the team except pitcher, now it seems that he'll get his chance on the mound.

Bob Keen, Oregon's senior sprinter and senior class prexy, turned in a :09.9 century Saturday against WSC. That was one of his best 100s. In the 220 he came through with a :21.8—his best. Just a flyer on the run—pick Oregon over Oregon State in the track meet Saturday. If the Ducks do win, it'll be by a very slim margin.



Perhaps they're trying out some new equipment. Or still, some grid hero may have sneaked away from spring practice. Oh well, your guess is as good as ours.

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