



This is the last opportunity for Yours Truly to sit in back of a typewriter, safe in the friendly depths of the Emerald shack, and punch out tripe concerning the deeds and misdeeds of Oregon athletes and coaches. To many sports reads, that will sound like a blessing, but to us it means the end of a short year packed full with excitement.

At too many times during the past year, we have been accused of being slightly "off the beam" with some of our conclusions, observations, and opinions of the activity centering around McArthur court. For this, we are truly sorry, for at no time did we write with malicious intent.

No Attempt to Please Everyone

The usual collegiate sports editor feels that he must write nothing but good things about the men that perform for their alma mater. To us, it seemed useless to write pleasant things about the teams for the sole purpose of pleasing the readers. Hence we wrote what we thought, fully realizing that, at times, the readers would not agree.

As far as we know, this is the first college column that has had the nerve to pick the alma mater to lose a game. And now we understand why smart writers don't do such things. When your team loses the game, nothing is said, but just let the team cross you up once and win the game that you were so sure they couldn't possibly win, and you find yourself taking midwinter swims in the mill-race.

Draft Threatens College Sports

With the 1940-41 season wavering to a close, it is only natural for people interested in athletics to speculate as to the possibilities of next year's teams walking off with the championships. To us, it is not a pleasant task, for in true pessimistic fashion, we idly finger our "deferred until June, 1941" draft card and wonder how many of the lads over 18 will be crippled enough to escape the clutches of the army and healthy enough to perform for the University of Oregon next year.

Already many of the athletes have received the call and will be drafted at the close of the school year. With a movement afoot in Washington to knock the draft age down to 18, one wonders whether collegiate sports will not tread a downward trail for the next few years. The reports are that the administration hopes to encourage athletics in the universities throughout the nation, but should the United States become actively involved in the present European war, it is highly possible, in fact probable, that there will be two or three year sports drouth as there was during the last world war.

But all this is too morbid. Perhaps we are letting the visions of a drab uniform, marching, hard taek, and slaughter get the best of our sensitive nature. Perhaps the defense program is really a defense program and the government actually means to train millions of men and keep them on this side of the Atlantic. Perhaps . . . ?

Apologies to Tex Oliver

To get back to sports. Sincere apologies to Tex Oliver for being such a bunch of trouble to him during the football season. If we had it to do all over again, it would probably turn out the same way, but there was nothing personal in our attacks. Here's hoping you take a team to the Rose Bowl next year, Tex.

To Hobby, Anse, Ruth, "Colonel Bill" and the rest of the athletic department, thanks for the splendid cooperation we received this year. May next year's editors, Ken Christianson, who will continue for another season, and Tommy Wright, derive as much enjoyment working with you, as we did.

See you all in the army. . . . Farewell to sports!

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World Title Lies on Block As High Jump Quint Vies

Webfoots Fly South

By **FRED TREADGOLD**

Two questionable matters that have puzzled track fans lately should be settled in Saturday's Los Angeles Coliseum relays. These are: (1) is a 7-foot high jump possible?, and (2) who is the best jumper among the "big five" of the nation?

The first question will undoubtedly be answered with a positive reply. When you have a collection of such jumpers as Les Steers of Oregon, present world's record holder; H. G. Boydston of Oklahoma A & M; Johnny Wilson and Gil La Cava of Southern California; and Bill Stewart of Torrance, California, in competition something is bound to happen. All have sailed over 6 feet 8 inches and the winner probably will be forced to soar at least 7 feet to take the event.

Steers Favored

As to the second of the queries, it is merely a matter of conjecture. No one can definitely put his finger on the man who will cop the crown. The Webfoots' Steers is given any favoritism shown because of his past performances. His record is at 6 feet 10 25-32, while he has made 6 feet 10 1/2 inch once and better than 6 feet 8 in three other meets.

Leapin' Les, accompanied by his veteran mentor, Colonel Bill Hayward, left for Los Angeles Thursday via the airlines.

DuPuy Wins Net Crown

Babs DuPuy smashed Clair Renn, 6-1, 6-1, under yesterday's blazing sun—93 degrees—to win the women's all campus singles championship.

Miss DuPuy, who learned to wield a racquet in San Francisco beat Miss Renn with a racquet given her by Frank Kovacs, nationally ranking player and recent runner-up in the California State championship, with whom she is closely acquainted.

Miss DuPuy, generally conceded the best thing in women's tennis to hit the campus for a long time succeeds Florence Kinney as all-campus women's champion.

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Theta Chi Chucker Joins No-No Ranks

Johnny Loback of the Theta Chis, joined the ranks of the no-hit, no-run softball pitchers last night when he throttled the Sigma Nu bats while his mates pounded out a 3 to 0 victory.

The run that proved to be the winning counter scored in the fifth when Wilson singled Wicks home. The last two Theta Chi runs scored on two hits and an error.

Skip Skelly, Delt pitcher, won his own ball game in the seventh when with two out, he singled Ed Baxter home from third with the winning run.

Kappa Sigs Won

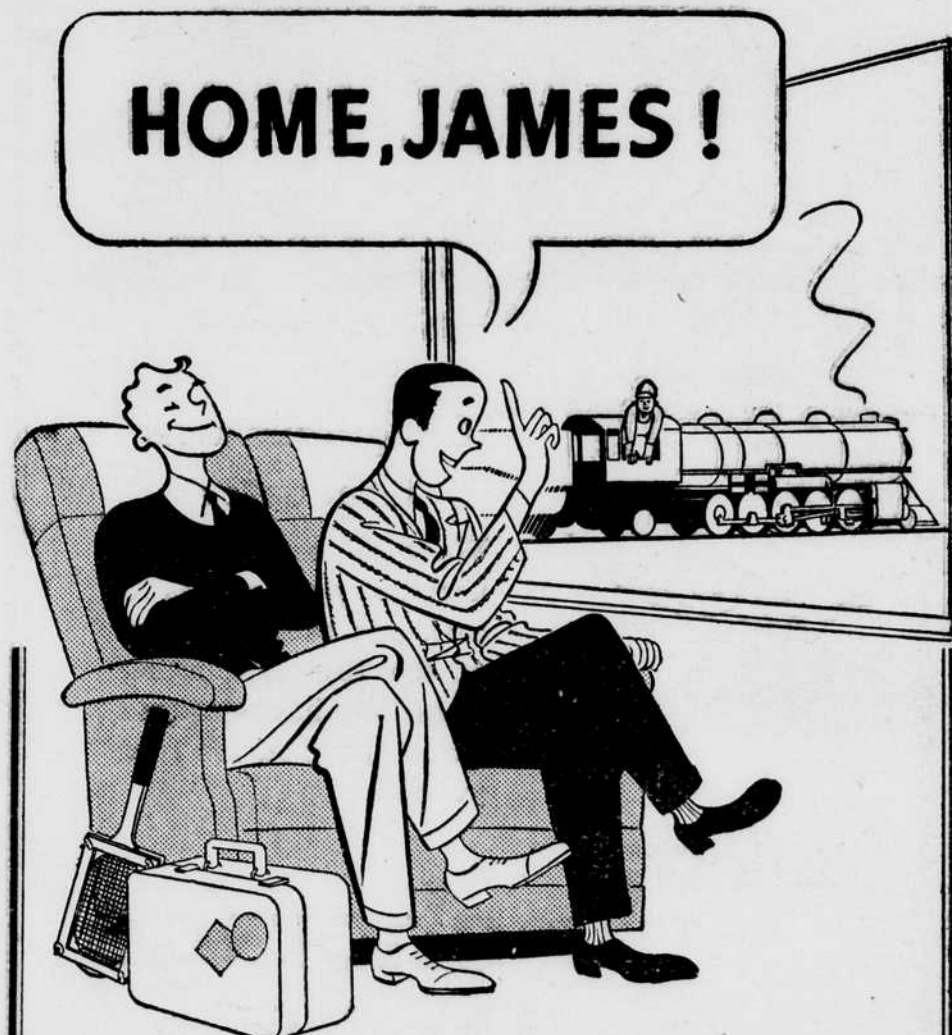
The Kappa Sig "beef trust" used its weight to advantage yesterday when they nosed out the Chi Psis, 4 to 3. The tying and winning runs scored as the Kappa Sig base runners scattered

Chi Psi infielders all over the field. Warren Taylor tallied the tying run by crashing into the lodge catcher.

Ralph Moore scored the winning run as Quentin Earl upset the first baseman on a close play at first.

A two-run Sig Ep rally in the fourth inning was too much for the Phi Sigs and the game ended Sig Eps 2, Phi Sigs 1. Porky Andrews started the uprising with a single. Paul Williamson doubled him home and scored on Archie Marshik's single. The lone Phi Sig run tallied in the third on a walk and an error.

Alder club walloped the Sammies, 13 to 4, in a wild scoring game. The ATO and Phi Delt nines won from Omega hall and the Phi Psis by default.



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