

# Oregon Sluggers Face Initial Test

## Hobson Men Meet Pilots

By FRED TREADGOLD

Oregon's practices continued to blow hot and cold as the weather began acting up again. Tuesday's workout was stymied completely due to the deluge which poured down through a hole in the sky. Trying to make the best of the situation, Coach Howard Hobson and his boys retired to the locker room where skull practice was substituted.

Thursday noon the Ducks strap on their traveling shoes and hit for McMinnville, Linfield college, and the first test of the season. Reports from the Linfield campus are negligible, though the Wildcats opened their season against Oregon State last week, succumbing to a 6 to 0 count.

### Meet Portland

The Oregon expedition then moves up to Portland where they trade blows with the Pilots, and then down to Salem for a double-header with Willamette's Bearcats.

Last season Hobby's boys split with both the Pilots and Willamette. After capturing the opener from Portland, 6 to 5, Oregon dropped the second, 11 to 9. The Bearcat series saw Oregon smash out an 8 to 3 victory and then be blanked in the aftermath, 6 to 0.

Who Hobson will start on the mound against the Wildcats is a matter of conjecture. He has seven throwers from which to pick. With four contests on tap all probably will take a fling on the rubber. The choice for starter is disputed among Bob Rieder and Nick Begleries, lettermen; Al Wimer, Bill Thompson, Earl Russell, Marty Conlin, and Nelson Sandgren. Wimer, a sophomore, is the only left-hander in the lot.

### Four Backstops Tie

The catching post is tossed high in the air with Ted Pilip. (Please turn to page six)



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## Runners Fight Clock In Afternoon Trials

By BILL STRATTON

Colonel Bill Hayward announced Tuesday that the Portland U. dual meet, previously scheduled for April 4, has been moved up a week to April 11. Shifting of the northern division schedule to close the gap between the P.C.C. and the N.D. meets left Oregon with this open date.

The time trials scheduled for this afternoon at four o'clock still hold good, rain or shine. All events have been shortened for the meet.

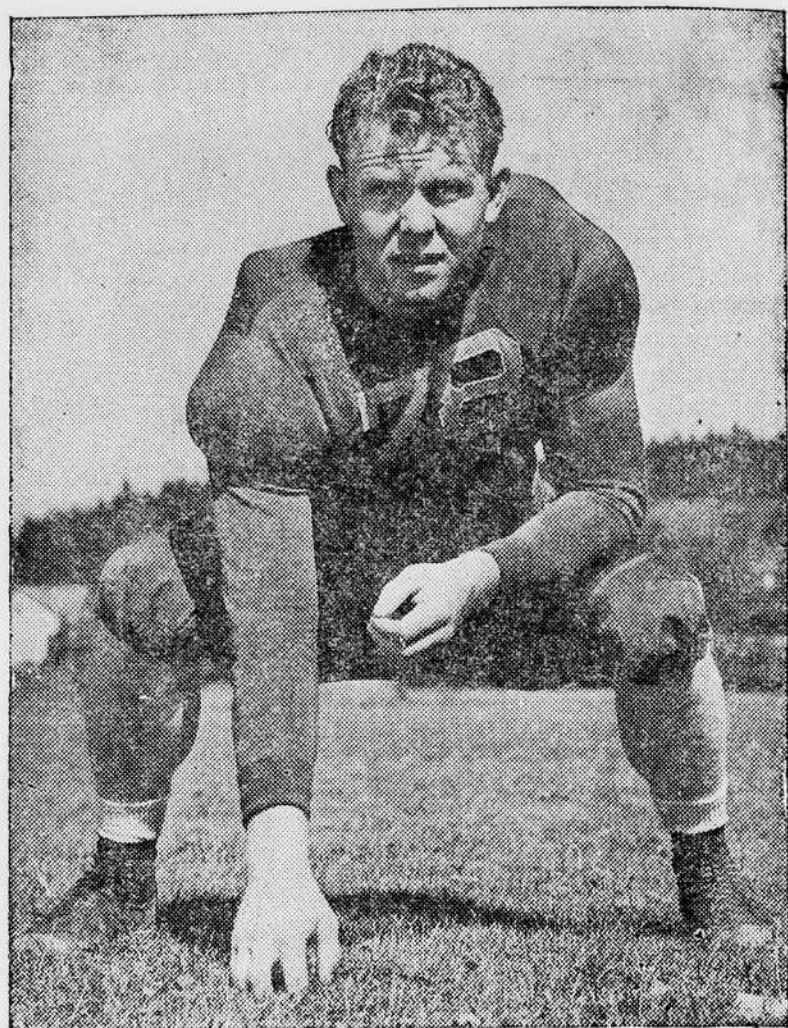
### Shortened Distances

In the sprints, the 100-yard dash will be 75 and the 220 is cut to 150. The 440 men will run 350 yards, the half-mile will be 660 yards, the milers will only run three-quarters of a mile, and the two-mile event is cut down to 1½ miles. There will be no low hurdles, and there will be five high rails. The hurdles will be 10 yards apart, with a 15-yard start and finish.

Because of the open date this Saturday, the Webfoot thin-clads will have their own meet, racing against time. The trials are billed for two o'clock. The Haywardmen will continue their time trials in preparation for the Portland meet.

### Sloppy Track

Not much was accomplished in (Please turn to page six)



DUKE IVERSON . . .

. . . the big red-head, one of the Coast's top backs last fall, is leaving the University and football.

## Varsity Grid Squad Works Out Indoors

By SI SIDESINGER

Yesterday's driving rain found the varsity football squad practicing in the unfinished area of the P. E. building. After running plays for an hour and a half, Tex Oliver took his charges out in the wet for an additional 45 minutes' drill.

The line received a major share of attention. The inevitable dummy practice was held to emphasize the proper form in blocking and tackling. This was

followed by a rough defensive line scrimmage which allowed no backfield defense but left the tackling to the linemen.

### Graduation Hits

Among the weak spots left by graduation are the ends and center spot. Graduation took Captain Bill Regner from one end position while the Army whisked capable Tony Crish from the other. These vacancies have given freshmen Ray Blachley, Bob Wilson, Marshal Patteson, and Pete Torchia hope for a starting position next fall. Brawny Russ Nowling, a sophomore reserve who saw a lot of action last fall, seems to have the jump on the newer boys and will probably hold down one of the wing positions next season.

### Ab Wilson Out

Towering Ab Wilson has vacated the pivot spot for the Marines leaving Johnny Daniels, Dan O'Neil, Bill Mayther, and Cliff Giffin to scramble for that

open position. Giffin played tackle last fall but has changed to center without any trouble. The first three listed are freshmen.

"Practices will continue straight through for the rest of spring practice no matter what the weather is, and with only 17 more days remaining there is a lot yet to be accomplished," stated Tex Oliver at the close of last night's session.

## Warren Lists Frosh Team

By HARRY GLICKMAN

University of Oregon's freshman baseball squad has been rounded into a workable unit and starters are tentatively listed at five of the nine positions, it was announced Tuesday by mentor "Honest John" Warren.

This year's team shows the opposite talents than most yearling teams do, according to Warren. Usually Frosh nines have plenty of hitting power but are weak defensively. This year's team has shown exceptional fielding ability but lacks punch at the plate.

### Regulars Listed

Players who seem certain to hold down regular berths include Art Murphy, the only out-of-stater on the squad, who has shown well at the shortstop position; Bass Dyer, third base; and Merle Aden, Bob Aiken and Jim Prior in the outfield.

At the other positions battles are on for starting nods. At first base Si Sidesinger and LeRoy Erickson are candidates for the post, and John Gitzen and Ed Gerhard are vying for the second base spot. Catching duties will be divided between Aubry Cromwell and Ted Gustafson.

### Lokan Tops Pitchers

Topping a nine-man pitching staff is Claude Lokan, supported by Harold Locke, Bob Signer, Walt Mellethin, Bill Clabaugh, Howard Applegate, Fred Kuhl, John Gallagher, and Bill Reed.

The freshmen open their schedule against Franklin high of Portland on April 10 at Eugene. Other games included on a schedule that is not yet complete are with McMinnville high, the state penitentiary and the annual four tilts with the Oregon State Rooks.

## Girls Splash Tonight . . .

Oregon versus Oregon State, starting tonight at 7:30 in the Gerlinger pool. OSC star girl swimmers are meeting the UO all-stars, and the event is open to anyone that would like to attend (men, too, says Jeanette Neilson, UO captains). The swimming meet will feature some of the outstanding girl swimmers in the Northwest, and after the match several spectacular lifesaving, trick, and comedy events are promised by the girls of both schools. All pre-match predictions reveal that "it should be a riot."

Swimming for the Girl-Webfoots will be Margaret Leshner, holder of two Coast records. Varsity Coach Mike Hoyman has stated that "this gal could beat most of the men swimmers around. Maybe I'll use her on my varsity next year." Sherry Sheridan is due to displace plenty of water in the 40-yard crawl and is one of the most highly touted Webfoot swimmers.

Dawn Trask and Pat Carson are other girl Aqua-Ducks that are expected to cause trouble in their events, while Barbara "Pea-zut" Taylor, without a doubt one of the tiniest swimmers to ever flap a fin in competition, will try

to prove she is a "mighty mite" in the breast stroke. Henhall's Marnie Foster, another "terrific" UO natator, will paddle in the medley events, and rounding out the club, Captain Jeanette Neilson will cut her usual fancy figure from the high-diving board.

There is still no advance dope on the swimmers from Aggieville, but we hear via the grapevine that they are going to be big and tough (typical Cowledge wimmen, probably). Their Amphibian club has developed no individual stars, but they should be very powerful in the relay events and some of their lifesaving and comedy acts have won regional notice. As a final reminder, the meet starts sharply at 7:30 and is in the women's pool in Gerlinger hall. It should be quite a show.

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