

Duck Tracks

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Oregon's baseball team hikes to McMinnville this afternoon to display its wares against Linfield college. In a very concise nutshell Oregon's team stacks up thusly: a great outfield—the best in northwest college baseball; a fair infield, strong on the left side but still untried on the right side; a capable backstop staff; and questionable pitchers.

One Man Show Bailey

Dope on other teams in the northwest is slow to filter out of the baseball camps. Up in the Palouse country Buck "Bust a Bucket" Bailey has had his men working for a couple of weeks. We can never mention Bailey's name but what a slight grin tugs at the side of our mouth. How the column likes that guy. With Bailey on board for a ball game there's never a dull moment.

If things are quiet and going well he heckles the spectators. But let a pitcher heave a curve when he should have thrown a slow ball and Buck is up and kicking buckets. He likes bats, too. Especially if they're piled neatly so he can boot them all over the lot.

A couple of his dependables from last year's squad, Bill Sewell and Bob Kennedy, have been in camp but a few days, having just returned from the AAU tournament in Denver. Both of the fellows, each more famous for their football playing, went east with the Pullman All-Star basketball team.

Remember the Huskies

Which reminds us, if those two fellows are such good basketball players, why weren't they on deck for the last Washington State basketball game?—the game in which the Huskies rang up some sort of a Northern division scoring record. Seems two stalwarts like Kennedy and Sewell might have done something to stop the galloping Huskies.

Heaven forbid, but we hear that "Spec" Burke will be "calling 'em" when baseball starts here in earnest. Burke's a good umpire, I guess, but the catch is that he'll be the only one calling the game. No base ump. Spec's getting too old to be running back and forth from behind the catcher to behind the pitcher.

Dope Out of Corvallis

Baseball chatter comes out of Corvallis, too. Dick Johnson, the speedy portsider up from the freshman team of last year, has signed with the Boston Red Sox. Very good. Elliot, who used to be the scourge to Oregon hitters, isn't what he used to be. Clayton Shaw is still around and promises to give Oregon batters a tough time.

Coach Coleman has a couple of good sophs up for the Orangeman team. There's Yada, a catcher who looks good. Also Bill McCluskey, who does a nice bit of fielding at short-stop and whose hitting this year has won a couple of games for Oregon State.

Don Durdan is out as usual, too. Mention sports and there's Mr. Durdan. We hear he's having a little trouble getting used to baseball. What a life that guy must live. He gets toughened up for football—then comes basketball and he has to get loosened up—then comes baseball.

Hayward Relays Remodeled

The sixth annual running of the Hayward Relays are slated here on April 10. Next year they move over to Oregon State. Nope, you're wrong; it wasn't Mr. Atherton who made the change. It was the Oregon State Board of Higher Education. It's only fair that it be done that way. Otherwise it would look like a flagrant violation of the Atherton code. The relays retain the name of the originator, however.

Another change in the ruling has prohibited out-of-state schools from competing, so Vancouver, defending champs, won't be here this year. This ruling will keep the number of contestants down, which is probably all right.

On the Grunt 'n' Groan Side

Want to have some fun tonight? Drop down to the Armory and see the rassing matches (this isn't a paid advertisement). There's a Battle Royal brewing there. Such boys as Milt Olsen, a cleanie from Minnesota; Ernie Piluso, Buck-Davidson (how I can hate that guy), and Elton Owen will mix in one brawl.

In another one will be Jack Lipscomb (an easy man to hate), Walt Achiu, Bull Dog Jackson, and Otis Clingman. The winners of each brawl will tangle in a 30-minute bout to decide the winner. A good show.

The first time I saw one of the matches a big bruiser was gently tearing another man's ears off with a headlock and I naively asked Friend Art Litchman, sports editor of the News, why the other guy didn't twist the big bully's toes off. Litchman replied, "He can't; it isn't in the script."

Duck Mermaids Dunk OSC Splashers, 59-12

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The University of Oregon girl swimmers followed in the steps of the varsity team, sweeping every first place in their meet last night with Oregon State's girl natators. The Webfoot Girls won the meet 59 to 12.

Marnie Foster won the 40-yard freestyle easily by outplashing Pat Carson and Helen Ekjersaa. Dawn Trask completed the Oregon sweep while lone Beaverette, Mary Oderkirk, trailed far to the rear. The winning time was 24.4.

Nab 60-Yard Medley

Helen Gilson, Pat Carson, and Margaret Lesh of the UO splashed home a length ahead of the OSC trio of Evans, Marge Redmond, and Phylliss Price in the 60-yard medley. Their time was 37.6 in comparison to OSC's 46.7.

Margaret Lasher, Oregon's great Coast record-holder, took a close first in the 20-yard back crawl touching the north edge of the Gerlinger pool a half-stroke ahead of OSC's one-woman team, Mary Oderkirk. Polly Gordon and "Peanut" Taylor, Duck swimmers, took third and fourth. "Lesh" splashed to an overwhelming victory in the 40-yard back crawl, beating Beaver Phylliss Ann Price by 8.3 seconds.

The final heat of the 20-yard freestyle resulted in a near-record time win for Marnie Foster. She submerged Dawn Trask and Mary Oderkirk to win easily in the fast time of 11.2. Margaret Lasher kept going in the 20-yard breast stroke, tanking Helen Gilson and OSC's Zina Mae Evans in 14.2.

'Lesh' Grabs 40-Yard, Too
"Lesh" proved invincible once more in the 40-yard breast stroke. She beat Helen Gilson, the only other contestant named, in 31.5.

The Oregon parade of wins came to a final stop in the only relay event, the 80-yard relay. The girls split their teams, and the combined team of OSC's Mary Oderkirk and Phylliss Springer, the UO's Jean Quinn and Helen Gilson, outplashed the quartet of Webfoots, Sherry Sheridan and Helen Skjersaa, and OSC's Marge

Redmond and Zina Mae Evans.

But it was close, very close, as is indicated in the times, the winners being 50.8 and the losers, 51.2.

The Oregon State girls did not bring along a diver, so UO Coach Jeanette Neilson had no one to compete with. However, she successfully teamed off her girls and coached them to their overwhelming victory. The meet ended in typical women's fashion, both clubs holding a get-together afterwards over coffee and doughnuts.



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Gridmen Toil On Offense In Brisk Drill

With 16 days of spring practice remaining, the Webfoot pigskin squad picked up momentum last night with offensive tactics heading the turnout.

Practice contained the usual calisthenics for limbering up purposes before contact work began. Linemen again took to the sawdust pits for emphasis on tackling and blocking. The close of spring competition should find all members of the squad virtual experts on defensive play.

Tackles Filled

Offensive play put the Duck gridsters on the 15-yard line for tests in ability to punch the ball over on power plays and end runs. The big White team showed good form in drawing the opposition out with end runs, then punching the ball through the defensive line.

The tackle positions seem to be well filled, with Dick Ashcom, Merritt Kufferman, and Dick Bartell on the right side of the line, while Ed Moshofsky, Tom Terry, and Dan Dinges are battling for the nod at left tackle. Kufferman, Ashcom, Terry, and Moshofsky are returning lettermen, while Bartell and Dinges are promising freshmen.