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Webfoot Diamond Crew Draws Tough Competion Against Pilots

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Generalissimo Coach Howard Hobson sends his doughty baseball troops, who for the past two days have been marshaling their total striking power, back of the firing line today for another skirmish with the enemy in hopes of further bolstering the Webfoots' position in northwest baseball warfare, R. L. (Matty) Mathews, commander of the invading Portland U horde, will bring his crack divisions against Oregon's battle-scarred veterans on Howe field's "no-man's land."

"Battle time" has been set for

2 o'clock.

The Pilots are no pushover, Hobson declared yesterday, and play as good a brand of ball as many northern division clubs. They gave the Ducks plenty of trouble before capitulating, 11

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Ducks Meet Pilot Outfit Todayat2:00

Today Tex Oliver allows his football squad a rest in prepara-1ion for Saturday's weekly climax scrimmage. The layoff will also make it possible for the gridmen to have three more Saturday tussles before the close of spring

Yesterday's practice was a review of Wednesday's workout, with emphasis still placed on offensive tactics. Fundamentals were put aside in favor of drills stressing speed concerning both the line and backfield. Coach Oliver is still working diligently on slight flaws and to date has brought his boys along exceedingly well.

Line coach Vaughn Corley spent yesterday afternoon teaching the guards, tackles, and centers his secrets of fast starting, hard charging line play. More and more it appears that future Oregon linemen must be as fast as they are big. There is no doubt in the finds of sideline quarterbacks that next year's offense will be speeded up to a much higher tempo.

Oliver again took the backs and ends aside for offensive speed drills and passing practice. Competition for the wing positions is heavy with Nowling, Patterson, Torchia, and Simpson holding those posts on the top White team. Practice was closed with a short but rugged scrimmage.



Track Team Hit; Dickson Ineligible

Because of the work being done on Hayward field in preparation for the Hayward relays this afternoon, no organized workout was called for Thursday, and probably none today.

Duck hopes took a turn upward a week ago when Ray Dickson showed up in uniform, but the news today was to the contrary. Dickson, who has just returned from flying school, was declared ineligible yesterday, and will be eliminated from the Portland meet and probably the rest of the

Another blow to the Webfoot track squad, is the possible loss of Ralph Kramer in the high hurdles and sprints for the Pilot dual. Kramer pulled his leg earlier in the week, and it is doubtful as to whether he will com-

This is Kramer's first year at Oregon, and if he doesn't receive further injuries, he has a good chance of making his letter, and gathering his share of the points for the Ducks. He is a transfer from Pasadena JC, where he ran with Francis Tuckwiler, one of Hayward's three returning lettermen.

There are four meet records that may be broken tomorrow. The meet record for the mile-4:24.2- is that held by Pat Lydon of Portland, who established the mark in 1939, but sophomore Don Wilson has a chance to break it. He ran it in 4:26 Wednesday. **Butler Comes Close**

Zenas Butler came within five tenths of a second of tying the meet record for the 120-yard high hurdles in the final time trials.

The record established by Lloyd Dod of Oregon in 1939, is :15.5. and Butler topped the rails in :16

Jim Harris, another Duck, holds the high jump mark at 6 feet 2 inches. Bob Newland, lone high jumper on the 1942 squad, has rolled over at 6 feet 1 inch already this season. Harris also won the event last year, but through the courtesy of Les

Any one of the Oregon entries in the shot put event tomorrow has a chance to make a new distance mark. Chuck Elliot heaved the steel oval 44 feet 4 inches in the final trials Wednesday. Fred Foster and Jim Shepard were not far behind him.

Whitmore Smashes Mark; Score 26-21

Barely six inches of water sepanated the Phi Gamma Delta swim team from the intramural swimming championship yesterday afternoon. The Betas won the 120-yard medley relay by Bill Lyon's fingertip and this gave them enough points to capture the meet and championship, 26 to 21.

Another one of Jerry McDonald's records was toppled. This time by Fiji Tom Whitmore, who lowered the 40-yard breast stroke by .2 of a second, winning in 25.2.

Beta Bill Lyons, who is one of the finest swimmers in competition, opened the Beta battle for points by garnering an eyelash victory over Fiji Jake Risley in the 40-yard freestyle. The time was fast, 20.1. Trailing in third spot was Starman Bob Range, who slowed down after a fast

The next race, the 40-yard backstroke, had Beta Warren Finke in it, which is really saying enough except that he was pushed hard by the Phi Gams' John Emerson, who lost by two strokes. The time was slow for Finke, 23.1. Bill Lyons came home in the 'show" spot, adding an all-important point for the Betas.

And so, again another stage was set for a record-breaking performance, although no one expected it. It was the 40-yard breast stroke event. Fiji Tom Whitmore took off like a shot and was at the first turn before the other three swimmers had neared the center of the pool. Then with everyone wildly urging him on, he thrashed his arms in gigantic water butterfly strokes to push his hand against the north edge of the pool in 25.2 and clamber out, a new record-holder.

But Betas Warren Hamilton and Dick Sheahan captured second and third places ahead of Fiji Lon Lonigan to keep the Betas four points up on the fighting

The first relay event, the 120-(Please turn to page six)

COED TENNIS SLATE Friday's matches: Blenkinsop vs. F. Hamilton; J. Thatcher vs. H. Smedley; M. Neilson vs. A. J. Frizzell; C. Renn vs. M. Walter.

Duckling '9' **Declared Set** For Opener

conference commissioner E. N. Atherton to send the freshman eligibility slips to the University in time caused cancellation of the scheduled opening freshman baseball game Wednesday, but the Frosh get in their official opener this afternoon when they meet Franklin high of Portland at Howe field starting at 4 o'clock.

Duckling Mentor John Warren sent his squad through two strenuous workouts Wednesday and Thursday and pronounced his team ready for its weekend engagements which also includes a game with Albany high Saturday morning starting at 10 o'clock.

Warren plans to use a starting infield combination of Bryce Sidesinger, first base; John Gitzen, second base; Art Murphy, shortstop; and Bass Dyer, third base. The outfield consists of Jim Prior, left; Merle Aden, center; and Bob Aiken, right. Aubry Cromwell will handle catching chores. The starting pitching assignment will probably go to Whitey Lokan, with Bob Signer and Hal Locke in reserve.

Franklin's team, coached by ex-University of Oregon student Arnold Faust, is considered one of the finest in the Portland prep league, and should provide formidable opposition for the Duck-

Susie Girls Wallop S. Ross 'Stronger Sex

Those mighty mermaids of Susan Campbell torpedoed, washed, sunk, murdered, and otherwise beat the hell out of those little "boys" from Sherry Ross hall. The final score was something like-we hate to admit it, but it was 41 to 7. Where are the men of Oregon? In the army? Susie swept every first place to completely drown the Rossmen.

It all started in the 40-yard crawl. Susie's Helen Gilson powered home all by herself to beat out her teammate, Dotty Gustafson. The Sherry Ross entries, Bud Salinardo and Doc Dodson thrashed home.

The second event was the 100-yard back crawl. Susie's coast champ, Margaret Lesher, finished all alone to win. The Sherry Ross entry, Roy Trask, lest his glasses somewhere along the way and stopped to look for them. If not, he'd have naturally won the meet-naturally.

Sherry Ross, for the first time. offered some real competition in the 40-yard crawl. Pat Carson

was pushed to the limit by Johnny Kahananui to win. Her time was 23.3 to his 24.5.

Lesher Wins

In the 40-yard breast stroke Susie's great swimmer, Maggie Lesher, beat Bill Haley by a bare tenth of second, touching the east ledge of the Gerlinger pool in 31.9 while Haley's time was 32.0. It looked like a dead heat, but the watch revealed "Lesh" to be the winner.

Susie continued their sweeps in the relay events. The 60-yard medley was a mere breeze to them, and they came home in 37.7, far ahead of the floundering Rossmen.

But the 80-yard freestyle relay was a different story. Sherry Ross would have won it, but for the failure of Rodney Jensen, middle-man swimmer on the Sherry team. Rod lost a lead that Dale Cannon had given him and left Johnny Kahananui, Sherry Ross, anchor man, several yards in the hole. Kahan thrashed mightily, but he could not overtake the flying Miss Gilson.