

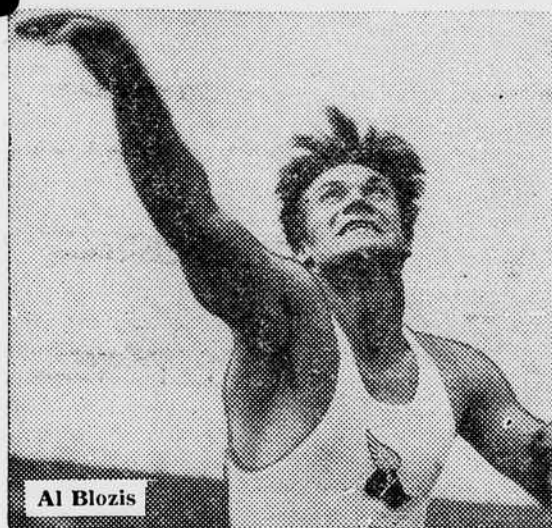
# Duck Tracks

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Our impatient horsehiders finally got off to a greatly delayed practice season start when they tripped the Portland U. mitt-men Saturday in the City of Roses.

## Pitchers Travel

Missing from the trip were a trio of outfielders. Acting Coach Whitman, realizing that his team was scheduled to play a doubleheader, loaded his traveling squad down with pitchers.



Al Blozis

Utility man Bob Caviness was given the go signal because besides being able to flag the sky drives to the outer gardens, he can flip the seed from the mound as well as receive the infield pegs to the initial has-sock. As it turned out, that extra pitching was not too essential, as the Ducks captured both games by big margins.

This Friday the Ducks get their first taste of the 1943 division baseball brew, said portions to be served at the main diamond banquet hall at Corvallis, Oregon, a spot on the map a little to the north of here. Oregon State, if we can believe enemy camp reports, possesses a fairly good defensive unit, relying on chuckers Don Cecil & Co. to pull the club through the rough spots in a championship march.

Just how good the Beaver clubbers are, is hard to say at this early writing. Surprise nine of the northwest to date appears to be the Whitman College Missionaries, who have to their credit a record of three wins against one loss, in baseball warfare with the Northern Division clubs.

The Whitman lads posted two defeats against the Idaho Vandals and grabbed a two game split with the Washington State Cougars.

## Another Record

Austin, Texas, was the scene of the sport event of the week last week. Saturday, April 3, marked the official date for the program of the Texas Relays. A muscle-bulging individual answering to his given name of DeWitt Coulter and hailing from the Masonic Home in Fort Worth, Texas, put the 16-pound shot some 59 feet, 1½ inches, to set a new world's interscholastic record. Whether A.A.U. officials will recognize the new mark remains to be seen. Al Blozis, Georgetown weight man of the past few years has been the number one shotputter in the country. Coulter, previously unheard of, astounded the sports world with his prodigious heave. We can remember the day when a heave of 52 feet, was considered to be top notch. That mark still is a certainty of nabbing first place in most track and field meets today.

But just as Cornelius Warmerdam blasted the 15-foot ceiling theory, Mr. Coulter has blasted the 55-foot theory for the shotput. Now the eggsperts will have to hoist their sights out a bit further, let's say 65 feet. And in a couple of years, some gent in a sweat suit, will fling the little iron ball out close to the 70-foot mark. That's life.

The other outstanding mark of the Texas relays Saturday was the high jump, where Pete Watkins of Texas A & M, in winning, cleared the bar at 6 feet, 7¼ inches. To be sure, OREGON'S own Les Steers has gone higher in the event, but this mark is not to be sneezed at, considering that it is an early season performance.

## So Early Yet

Southern California's Talley, great high jumper of a year back, has only been able to clear 6 feet, 5 inches to date. And that mark is also an early season record. Along about May or June, the boys may be heading for the stratosphere.

Our own track and field squad will probably be loaded with a few surprise performers. If little Marvin Lester, pole vaulter, gets anywhere near his Beverly Hills high school form, the Ducks will be picking up a few first places in the pole vault this season.

# Varsity Spanks Portland Twice

By FRED TREADGOLD

Bleary-eyed Jupiter Pluvius dried his orbs Saturday long enough to allow the Oregon Ducks to ramble through a "quickie" double-header at Portland, with the net result, two victories for the Oregon gang over the Pilots and the final opening of the much-delayed season.

Scores were 13 to 0 and 13 to 3, indicating at first impression a real showing by the Oregon defending champs. But a closer analysis of the picture tells the real story.

It was the tale of a heavy-hitting, strong, all-around club (Oregon) stepping down into slower circles to bop over a decidedly inferior outfit (Portland) with the ease Joe Louis would measure a knock-out blow against some carnival fighter. The tilt was definitely not a test of Oregon's true strength.

### Ducks Look Good

But lest pessimism gather 'round, some figures will reveal that the Ducks looked really good for so early in the year—their opener, in fact, don't forget.

Captain John Bubalo, the Ducks' versatile guy, was the big pace-setter for the afternoon. All "Boob" did was to slam out six blows in nine jaunts to the batter's box plus work several rounds on the hill in the abbreviated seven inning aftermath.

Hitting on the Duck side was terrific, tearing the cover off the

horsehide for 24 safeties during the 16 innings.

Biggest clouting spree that Oregon indulged in came in the fourth round on the second game. The Ducks connected and connected again, shoving across eight (8) counters before the weary Portlanders finally got the third out.

Collapse afield by the pitiful Pilots made Oregon's lot much easier. During the first tilt the Portland U defense ripped apart at the seams, nine balls going for errors. In the second they pulled the shreds together a little better, still kicking through with three bobbles.

Meanwhile, the Pilot clouters—saddly lacking any semblance of the hitting power that they showed last year when they dumped the Ducks, 6 to 4, were able to strain out just nine bingles during the day.

Little Nick Begleries, who opened the initial tilt, showed the same stuff that made him the best chucker in the ND loop last year. His curving was snapping in over the platter despite a cold, whipping wind which was anything but conducive to good pitching.

The real surprise—and a pleasant one—came when Acting-Mentor Dick Whitman signaled for Hal Saltzman, freshman rookie, to relieve Begleries after the little one had toiled much of the first game. Saltzman fired the seed across like a real vet and

may be the answer to the Duck pitching prayer, now that Big John Day, promising Portlander, has checked out of school, army bound.

During the second clash three other chuckers toiled, including one hitherto outfielder, Art Murphy. Whitey Lokan, soph right-hander, started out, was relieved by Murphy, who performed ably in his debut, and then withdrew while Bubalo finished up.

## UO Squad

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to the big conference opener with Oregon State Friday and Saturday. The first tilt is at Corvallis, while Saturday's beef is slated for a Eugene showing.

Oregon State's bubbling followers are letting it be known that the Beavers have a "classy" bunch of ball players trotting around on the greensward of the Corvallis diamond. Don Cecil, pitching brother of ex-Portland Beaver chucker Rex Cecil, is just about the hottest thing that has blown into the Bevo camp in many a moon.

Then, of course, there's Donnie Durdan, Mr. Nemesis to Oregon's sports. Durdan is Coach Ralph Coleman's unrivaled choice for left field. Other State baseball notables who might cause some little trouble to the Webfoot willowers are Bill McCluskey, crack shortstop, and Vic Brown, hard-slugging center fielder.

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