

Rooks Edge Out Frosh, 48-45

THROUGH THE YEARS, THEY WERE GREAT



Warrenmen Drop Third Melon Tilt

By Tommy Wright
Oregon's Duckling basketball team tripped on a 13-game jinx last night in Corvallis and dropped a close 48-45 decision to Frank Mandie's Oregon State Rooks. The Frosh, striving for their fourteenth win of the season, were unable to stop the hot-scoring combination of Gibbs and Savvin. Rook Forward Gibbs laced the basket for an 18-point total and top scoring honors, while his running mate Savvin accounted for ten.

It was a slow, very tight ball game all the way and the score at the half-time mark was 22-21 for the State college freshmen.

Huggins Stars
Duckling guard George Huggins led the Oregon point makers with a total of 12. Wally Mold, Frosh center, and Forward Art Milne scored nine and ten points respectively. DeWayne Johnson, who was a doubtful starter earlier in the week because of a bad cold, saw action but failed to tally. Johnson left the game in the second half on personal fouls.

It was the first loss of the year to the Rooks, for the Warren crewmen. They smothered the OSC first year men in the opening game at McArthur court and drew a 47-45 edge on Milne's last second howitzer in the second.

Beavers Are Hosts For ND Splashers

By Chuck Taylor
Oregon State's swimming team will play host this Saturday to the other four Northern division tank squad for the first division swimming championship since 1943. Washington, undefeated in dual meet competition, will be heavily favored. Stiffest opposition is expected to come from Oregon, who has an impressive record as yet to date.

The meet will get under way at 2 p.m. and will extend into the evening if necessary. Oregon State's pool, largest in the conference, has 10 lanes and it probably will be possible to hold only one final race in each of the nine events.

Don Durdan, star of Oregon State's 20-16 victory over Duke in the 1942 Rose Bowl game, and one of the school's greatest all-around athletes, was a visitor on his old home campus over the weekend. He seemed fully impressed by the Beavers' twin victory over Washington State in the current race for the Northern Division basketball title.

The former Orange ace was recently honorably discharged after serving in the South Pacific as chief specialist in the navy. Durdan plans to study for his master's degree at the University of California and will play professional football next fall for Buck Shaw's San Francisco club in the new All-American league.

Around The Clock With Duke

By Duke Dennison

Leslie MacMitchell (the Bronx Express), who has been running pretty much on schedule after his wartime lay-off, won his fourth straight victory of the season and his third triumph of the Baxter Cup race last Saturday in the Garden. Participation of the American eight-furlong king was threatened by the pressure of duties as assistant to the register at N.Y.U. He won the Winged Foot classic in '41 in his fastest time of 4:07.4, equaling what was then the indoor record, and repeated again in '42, but has laid off until this year due to active participation in the war.

Skate Record Set

Tatjana Karelina, Russian speed skater, set a new world record of 2:36.8 for the women's 1500 meters last week in the international skating match between Soviet Russia and Norway at Oslo, Norway, before 20,000 spectators. This feature climaxed the first international contest between any two countries at the outset of the war.

While we are on the international situation, a new development has come up on the situation as to whether Gunder Haegg and Arne Andersson, the Swedish milers, are to retain their respective amateur status. If not, there is action afoot to work out a deal

whereby they will retain their amateur records, and operate from there. At this stage of the game, I don't think that it will affect those boys very much to have the change over forced on them.

Fighters vs. Managers

After years of playing around with a very ticklish situation, a decision has been handed down by the New York State Supreme Court upholding the State Athletic Commission's power to supervise and control contracts between fighters and managers whence the situation was such that managers were taking advantage of all effective agencies to undermine the caliber of the game, and to deprive their charges of their due. This affair was brought to a head by Joe Baksi, current heavyweight battler, who ran afoul of his managers, Hymie Wallman and Nate Wolfson, who were purported giving Joe the wrong end of the stick, and Joe wasn't going to be caught napping.

The litigation began when Wallman and Wolfson split and Baksi signed a contract with Wolfson alone. Wallman sued Wolfson for a portion of the latter's "cut" of Baksi and a lower court approved the agreement in a decision which said that a man could be a boxer's manager even if he is not licensed.

In order to find out exactly where he stood, Baksi then brought an action against both men, and the State Athletic Commission consented to become a co-defendant in the action. According to Commissioner Eagen, this was done in order to find out how the commission's rules would stand up in court, inasmuch as its authority has at times been questioned.

Around the Grapefruit League

The Yankees seem to have everything pretty much in hand these days with the boys going great guns; in fact, Manager McCarthy

has been scheduling six inning tilts between two make-up squads to iron out some of the pre-season flubs that are constantly in evidence. Of course all of the boys haven't shown yet, predominant among them being second-baseman, Snuffy Sternweiss. There is an overabundance of material at this writing but all of this will be taken care of within the ensuing month. Joe DiMaggio and Jake Wade are on the bench at the present with minor ailments, but will be up and around before the week is out.

The situation, according to the scribes, looks pretty good for the Yanks. Joe Gordon and Phil Rizuto, the middle combination, have shown mid-season smoothness, and Charlie Keller is hitting in rare form, having overcome his weakness of the latter portion of last season. The Canal Zone must really be bursting over with an overabundance of good will, and the way I hear it, the boys would like to spend a little more of their spare time in Balboa.

Around Sanford, Florida, the home of good sunshine and delicious fruit, also my home, the Dodgers are giving it all that they have to try to bring the team back into fervor that was theirs a couple of years back, when they spent a lot of their time in the first division. At present, they would be a lot happier if there were just a couple more able and capable pitchers to give the rest of the team the support they have been looking for. President Branch Rickey is willing to spend good Dodger money to get the results that he desires, and fortified with the news that Kirby Higbe would be back into the fold shortly and that their retired pitcher, Clay Smith, who they got from St. Paul in '43, he is resting much easier these days.

PICTURES NEEDED

Action shots of the Oregon grid machine in action against Idaho, Washington State, and Oregon State on the home field are needed to add variety and appearance to the Sports section of this year's Oregonian. Shots of the Washington game in Portland and the Idaho basketball series are also needed. Anyone having such material is requested to contact Bob Chapman or Jim Beyer in the Oregonian office. Glossies of interest to sports followers and intramural action prints are also desired for this year's enlarged sports section. ...

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