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Should an outsider happen to drop around the campus tomorrow or Saturday he might decide the average age of the University of Oregon student had taken a violent drop, but the youngsters cavorting around the campus and especially around Hayward field will be representatives of over 50 high schools in the 9th Annual running of the now famous Hayward Relays.

The relays, which were inaugurated by Colonel Bill nine years ago, has grown from a handful of entrants to its present colossal dimensions. Last year individual entries surpassed the 500 mark and for the 1946 running of the relays over 700 prep school athletes are registered.

The two-day affair will be divided into three divisions. Class "A" schools or those with over 500 enrollment are to be represented by 270 prep thinclads from 15 schools. 287 are registered in the Class "B" division representing schools of between 150 and 500. Class "C" which takes in all those schools below 150 enrollment has 149 registered.

#### BEAVER'S CLAIM DIAMOND TITLE

In our mail from Oregon State college's athletic news bureau we ran across an interesting little item which from where we sit needs amite bit of straightening out. According to the latest release direct from the Beaver capitol "This Friday and Saturday Coach Ralph Coleman's Beavers will start the defense of the title won in 1943 against Washington State in a two-game series here." If our information is correct, and we believe it is, the only truth in that matter is that the Beavers play WSC Friday and Saturday. For the part about winning the title in 1943, we'll take issue for we've been traveling under the impression that at the end of the 1943 season our own University of Oregon Ducks annexed the Northern Division title.

Oregon and the Beavers from Corvallis wound up the season that year in a dead heat. So to keep the records straight, Webfoot Coach Howard "Hobby" Hobson contacted the OSC team to arrange for a play-off. The Beavers turned down the play-off opportunity, so Hobson and Oregon rather naturally accepted the fact that the Ducks were the 1943 champs. We don't know how the record books show the deal, but until they show us we'll keep right on calling this year's Oregon club the defending champions.

Of course from the publicity angle this could develop into quite a deal. Imagine the headlines when the two diamond teams cross bats later in the season—Defending champs face Defending champs. But Oregon State had better come up with some pretty conclusive evidence before we admit that the Beavers have a right to any part of the pennant.

#### DUCKS IMPRESSIVE IN OPENER

Oregon's Northern Division pennant defenders weren't impressed apparently by the veteran roster of the Washington State College Cougars Wednesday. With that 8-5 dunking of the Baileymen, the Ducks gave plenty of notice that they shouldn't be sold short this year. Despite the fact that Hal Saltzman is the only letterman on the club, Coach Hobson has welded a group of young and old freshmen into a definite contender for the league title.

Up to date Washington State has been the top threat, and with only one game gone it's no time to drop the Cougars as a threat. But the Baileymen can be beaten and the Ducks will be out today to repeat the Wednesday win. Oregon's hitting has improved rapidly and if Hobson can develop another hurler to back up Saltzman we'll give the Webfoots an even chance of hanging on to the title for another year.

Buck Bailey, the colorful Cougar coach, apparently hasn't lost any of his temperament. We were a little disappointed when "The Buck" didn't cut loose on the water bucket yesterday, but evidently the team managers have become a little tired of running down to the hardware store after a new supply. Because, if you were out to the opening game, you probably noticed that they kept the old water bucket out of Bailey's sight and safely behind the bat rack. Maybe "The Bull of the Palouse country" is losing some of his fire but we doubt it. With the present setup Bailey can get to the water bucket and scatter the bats all at the same time.

A word about OSC's baseball team—Coach Ralph Coleman is plagued with the same malady as Hobson. The Beavers dropped the diamond sport, too, in 1943 and as a result have only three lettermen on the team. Fortunately, two of the veterans are hurlers, though, and in 6-foot 3-inch Don Cecil, Coleman has at least one first class pitcher. Chuck Sauvain, a big freshman southpaw with stuff, will probably be the Beaver's number two hurler this season. To date he has turned in some good performances in the pre-conference games.

# Ducks Dump WSC, 8-5

## Saltzman Pitches Win As Conference Race Opens

By Art Litchman, Co-Sports Editor

Hal Saltzman, backed by an 11-hit attack, pitched the University of Oregon baseball team to an 8 to 5 win over Washington State yesterday on Howe field to open the 1946 Northern Division pennant fight.

The victory, witnessed by a crowd of more than 2,000, successfully opened Oregon's fight to defend the title it has held for the last three years.

At 3 p.m. today the two teams play the second and last game of the series here. Coach Hobson of the Ducks has not nominated a pitcher for the contest today.

Five chuckers, Dick Lehl, Homer Bropst, Bob Warner, Lyle Pettyjohn and Del Smith are ready to go to the hill and one of them will be the hurler this afternoon.

Oregon started a revamped lineup yesterday and it paid off with a convincing win. Walt Kirsch, who has played most of the season at second base moved into center field. Bob Santee replaced Ranny Smith at shortstop and Tony Crish, a letterman from the championship 1941 team, started his first game in right field.

Crish topped the attack on two Cougar hurlers with three hits and Kirsch, Saltzman and Santee all collected two apiece.

The Ducks jumped off to a three run lead in the second inning on a walk, Saltzman's smash to center, an infield out, Al Cohen's smash off the pitcher's leg and Kirsch's drive to left.

Buck Bailey's men came right back with two in the third, Chuck Brayton drew a pass and Adrian Parrison, a real hitting pitcher, drove him home with a long triple over Kirsch's head in center. Carl Perry followed with a drive to left and Jarrison scored with the second run.

Coach Hobson's crew came back with another trio in the fourth. Two walks, Santee's pop single to center and Crish's single over second drove the runs home.

The final pair of Webfoot runs scored in the fifth. Dick Rodiger was safe on Jarrison's error and Cohen walked. Both men moved up a base when the Cougars threw the ball away trying to make a play on Rodiger as he went to second after the fourth ball to Cohen.

Rodiger scored on Don Dibble's fly and Kirsch's single brought Cohen home. Oregon threatened in the sixth with two hits, but the rally died without producing any runs.

Saltzman hit Joe Hemel to open the sixth and he scored on Butch Faller's double to left. Faller tallied when the Ducks made three errors on Brayton's ground ball.

The Cougars tallied again in the ninth on Brayton's single, Santee's boot and an infield out.

Dibble in left field and Cohen at second gave the local rooters an exhibition of fancy fielding. Dibble came up with a foul fly after a long run in the second and made a fine running catch of a long drive over his head in the fourth. Cohen handled nine chances at second without an error.

Bailey, long a favorite with Oregon fans, was in fine form yesterday. He accidentally went into his punting act in the first inning when he stumbled over the Cougar ball box.

Later in the game he charged Umpire Duke Dennison, much to the delight of the fans. Even the Cougar players did not escape his lashing tongue. After Catcher John Wilburn made a useless throw on Rodiger in the fifth, he heard all about it from Bailey.

#### Rain—Maybe

Oregon weather: Cloudy Thursday and Friday with rain west portion Thursday and intermittent rain over state Friday.

## I.M. League Ump System Announced

Each competing organization in the intramural softball league should furnish one man to officiate at each game, it was suggested today by Leroy Erickson, head of intramural sports.

There will be a total of six umpires appointed for the season, Erickson said. These men will handle the game from behind the plate. The officials from participating organizations will handle the field.

Official softball rules shall govern playing of the games, Erickson announced. He expressed his wish that each organization cooperate in an effort to aid the league by being on time. A schedule of each day's games will be run in the Emerald.

Sweet young coed: Do you have to drive with one arm?

BTO: You don't think the car can steer itself, do you?

## No Tickee No Ball Game

All students who expect to attend the Oregon baseball games without paying full admission prices must have their student body cards with them, it was announced last night by the athletic office.

#### BOX SCORE

Wash. State (5)	AB	R	H	P	O	A
Perry, cf	5	0	2	2	0	
Blonski, 2b	5	0	0	2	1	
Anderson, rf	4	0	0	2	0	
Hemel, 1b	3	1	0	7	2	
Wilburn, c	2	0	0	7	0	
Faller, ss	4	1	1	1	2	
Eggers, lf	4	0	0	1	0	
Brayton, 3b	3	2	1	2	2	
Jorrinson, p	3	1	2	0	1	
Foster, p	0	0	0	0	0	
Miller, a	1	0	0	0	0	
Totals	34	5	6	24	8	

Oregon 8	AB	R	H	P	O	A
Kirsch, cf	4	0	2	0	0	
Jones, cf	0	0	0	0	0	
Norvell, 3b	4	1	0	1	2	
Santee, ss	5	1	2	1	1	
Crish, rf	5	0	3	0	0	
Johnson, 1b	3	1	1	1	0	
Saltzman, p	4	1	2	0	2	
Rodiger, c	4	1	0	5	0	
Cohen, 2b	2	3	1	3	6	
Dibble, lf	4	0	0	6	0	
Totals	35	8	11	27	11	

Errors—Norvell 2, Santee, Crish, Blonski, Faller, Jerrison. Runs batted in—Kirsch 2, Santee 2, Crish, Cohen, Dibble 2, Perry 2, Faller, Jorrinson. Doubles—Faller. Triples—Jorrinson. Left on bases—Washington State 6, Oregon 6. Bases on balls off Saltzman 2, Jorrinson 4. Struck out by Saltzman 5, Jorrinson 4, Foster 3. Earned runs off Jorrinson 5, Saltzman 3. Wild pitches—Saltzman. Hit by pitcher—Hemel by Saltzman. Hits off Jorrinson, 9 in 5 innings, Foster 2 in 3 innings. Sacrifice hit—Wilburn. Stolen bases—Norvell, Santee, Cohen, Dibble. Losing pitcher—Jorrinson. Umpires—Dennison and Libby. Time—2h 20m.

## "JUST ARRIVED"

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- ◆ Brooklyn Boogie
- ◆ You Won't Be Satisfied
- ◆ Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief
- ◆ Day By Day
- ◆ Easter Parade
- ◆ Crazy Rhythm
- ◆ Onzy Twozy

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RADIO and ELECTRICAL SHOP

## NOTICE TO ALL STUDENTS

The Annual meeting of members of the University of Oregon Co-operative Store will be held in room 207 Chapman Hall on Thursday April 25, 1946 at 4:00 p.m.

The Agenda includes: Reading of the Manager's Annual report and the nomination of candidates for positions on the Board of Directors.

All students are eligible to attend and vote.

Joan Halsted, President