

DUCK TRACKS

By WALLY HUNTER
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Ever wonder why you never see a left hander as a catcher in baseball? According to Oregon baseball Coach Howard Hobson, the reason southpaws don't take up backstopping chores is simply that they can't throw properly. Hobby says that he has never seen a "crooked arm" that could consistently and successfully make the catcher's snap-throw to second base.



LOU STAFFORD

There are many theories as to why portersiders don't make catchers—the most popular being the idea that most batters are right handed thus making it an impossibility for a left-handed catcher to make a peg to a base without taking an extra step to get clear of the batter. This, however, is a problem that an orthodox catcher faces when the batter is a left-handed hitter, and it doesn't seem to bother them. This theory of Hobby's touches a sore spot in most left-handed throwers who insist that they can heave that old apple as well as the next man—but Hobby has seen a lot of ball players come and go, and has a few years behind him as a major league scout, so his ideas can't be too bad.

Norvel Is Publicity Man

Jim Norvel, who last year held down the third base spot on the Webfoots pennant-winning diamond crew, is at present a publicity man for Western Illinois State Teachers college. Norvel recently wrote to Hobson asking for Hobby's views on a baseball rule interpretation that he couldn't find in the rule book. The question, incidentally, was, "When a base-runner standing on a bag is hit with a batted ball, is he automatically out as is a base-runner who is hit with a batted ball while traveling between bases?"

Hobby, also unable to find the ruling, is of the opinion that the base-runner would be out. His reason being that were he not automatically called out that it would be possible for him to interfere with the batted ball and not be called out for interference.

Webfoot Golf Hopes High

Webfoot golf enthusiasts are bubbling this season over the prospects of the 1947 divot squad. This spring the team has both depth and class and is rated head and shoulders above anything that has been produced here for years. Leading the list of "name" golfers is Lou Stafford who has a strangle-hold on the No. 1 position.

Last year in the National Public Links Tournament Stafford went to the finals before he was defeated by Smiley Quick. In the 72-hole qualifying rounds held for the Duck squad Stafford carded a 290 on the Eugene Country club course. This, in spite of the sometimes soggy condition of the fairways and greens. No. 2 place on the squad is at present occupied by youthful Dom Provost, a Grants Pass product.

In the No. 3 position is Glenn Spivey, who led in the early qualifying rounds but slumped in the home stretch. Spivey last year won the Gearhart Open tournament, and is tabbed by railbirds as having a fine chance to move into the No. 2 spot later in the year should Provost weaken.

Top-Flighters Battle for Positions

An indication of the relative strength of the team can be gained from a look at the tooth-and-nail battle for No. 6 position. Bruce Fischer, a freshman with promise; George Kikes, who was No. 1 man on the Duck squad last spring term; and Rod Taylor, who has consistently been one of Eugene's top golfers, all ended the qualifying rounds with a pair of other top-flighters for the 6th position, it must be some indication of quality. The season is yet young, but there is a possibility that the team which is coached by Sid Milligan and managed by Tom Corbett will make a trip to the National Inter-Collegiate Golf playoffs.

Delta Upsilon, Sig Eps, Phi Psi, Delts, Win IM Softball Games

INTRAMURAL RESULTS
DUs 10, Stitzer hall 2
Delts 6, Sigma Alpha Epsilon 3
Sig Eps 14, Hunter hall 6
Phi Psi 14, Omega hall 3

By BOB WALLACE

Continuing the early-season trend of high scoring, four hard-slugging softball squads chalked up one-sided wins in intramural play yesterday.

The long-hitting DU batsmen pounded three Stitzer hall pitchers from the mound in a 10 to 2 victory, while a smooth-working Delt outfit outlasted the SAEs, 6 to 3, and a consistent Sig Ep team sent Hunter hall to a 14 to 6 defeat. The Phis blasted Omega hall from the base-paths, 14 to 3.

In the DU-Stitzer tilt the dorm dwellers jumped to a first-inning lead when Hollis doubled to score Thompson and later raced home on a fielder's choice. The DUs displayed excellent teamwork throughout the remainder of the contest, however, and the hall lads were unable to get a man past second base.

Schmeiding started the DU scoring in the second inning with a booming home run over the left-fielder's head. DU pitcher, Jim Hillar, contributed another marker in this canto. The next period proved to be the "stretch inning" as the DUs poured seven runs across the plate on five hits, three walks, and a costly Stitzer error. In the first half of the fifth DU counted five more runs which did not count in the final score because time ran out before the inning could be completed.

The SAE-Delt match proved to be the tightest contest of the day. The Delts built up an early lead with Woodruff and Larsen scoring in the first inning and Clinch in the second. The SAEs counted one in the third with Helm crossing the plate but the Delts matched it with two runs. Strolhick homered in the fourth for SAE and tripled in the fifth to drive in another run but the Delt lead was too large to overcome.

The Phi Psis contributed the most fireworks of the day by jumping on the Omega hall for ten tallies in the first inning. They garnered eleven hits in this period including a circuit blow by Hixson, two triples by Dascomb, and one by Kockos. Omega tried to come back in their half of the inning but could only manage two runs on a like number of hits by Van Vactor and Christian-sen.

The Phi Psis continued their

hitting ways in the next inning collecting four more runs, and the hall team was able to chalk up a lone tally on Paris' triple. Omega also tallied six runs in the last inning but time ran out before Phi Psi came to bat and the scores were nullified.

The Sig Ep-Hunter game started out as a hitter's dream with both teams scoring six runs in the first inning. Doubles by Marshall, Northam, Christiansen, and Chaney boosted the Sig Ep total. A four-bagger by Azuma, with the bases loaded, substantially aided the Hunter cause. The Sig Eps came roaring back with eight runs in the second by capitalizing on three walks and five errors. The hall outfit was held hitless the remainder

of the contest and the final count stood at 14 to 6.

Line scores:
Delta Upsilon 0 2 7 1—10
Stitzer Hall 2 0 0 0— 2
Hillar and Bump; Springer, Hollis, Thompson and Fowler.

Sigma Phi Epsilon 6 8 0—14
Hunter Hall 6 0 0— 6
Hannam and Carlson; Blaine and Hogan.

Phi Kappa Psi 10 4—10
Omega Hall 2 1— 3
Esselstrom and Allen; Ward and Cluff.

SAE 0 0 1 1 0 1—3
Delta Tau Delta 2 1 2 0 1 x—6
Popp and Hartzig; Larsen and Czaikaski.

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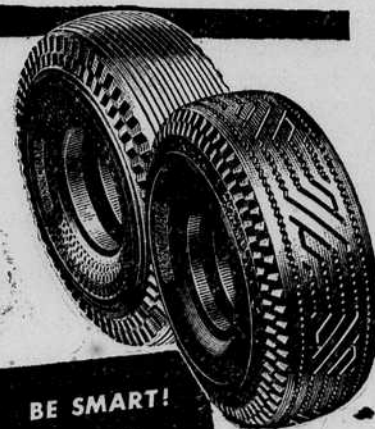
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Angell Hits Greek Aid

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Representative Angell of Oregon declared today that the proposed \$400,000,000 aid to Greece and Turkey would be only an "initial payment."

Angell said that other nations would be asking such help later, and that Congress must be certain what will eventually be required. "This advance to Greece and Turkey is not alone for food but in a major part for military activity, which may lead down the path of war," Angell said. "Uncle Sam is reaching the bottom of his financial barrel and he cannot finance the world."

MONDAY'S IM SKED

4:00—ATO vs. Phi Kaps
4:00—SAM vs. Sherry Ross
5:00—Phi Sig vs. Minturn
5:00—SAE vs. Hunter

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