

Duck Tracksters Get 'The Axe'

Seven Men Ineligible For Today's OSC Meet Slated for Hayward at 2

By ELWIN PAXSON

Oregon's chances for victory in today's relay meet with Oregon State at Hayward field, set for 2 p.m., were further dimmed Friday when seven key men were declared ineligible because of late registration.

PCC faculty representative Orlando J. Hollis was unable to clear the tracksters in his eligibility report issued Friday, due to the registration technicality, and the seven thinclads will view the contest from the side-lines.

As a result, Coach John Warren will be forced to once more shift his oft-changed line-up and forfeit the shuttle hurdle relay. A second event, the four-mile relay is also in doubt unless another miler can be picked up today.

Rasmussen, Milne Lost
George Rasmussen and Art Milne were lost to the hurdle feature, leaving only letterman Jack Doyle to compete. Rasmussen was also slated to enter the high jump. He will be replaced by Dave Williamson, who will team with Mercer Brown and Jim Bocchi against the Aggie squad.

Doyle will be shifted to the 880-relay, where he will fill in for Leo Rubstello, a sprintman who will be lost for the meet. Also running in the half-mile relay will be Dave Henthorne, Bob Weber, and Skiles Hoffman.

Sprint Team Weakened
Replacing Rubstello in the 440 will be John McCracken, who will combine his efforts with those of Henthorne, Weber, and Hoffman.

Lettermen John Joachims, also ineligible was scheduled to stride in both the mile and two-mile relays. Clarence Biell will sub for him in the first event, and Franklin Hunter in the second. Remaining distance men are Dick Shelton, Bob Dreisner, and Curt Butterfield in the mile, and Paul Smith, Butterfield and Bob White in the two-mile.

Four-Mile Help
Although Al Pietschman was declared ineligible in the four-mile relay, George Watkins, a member of last year's team, reported for

Brown Bomber Hit for 500,000

CHICAGO, April 2—(UP)—Joe Louis, the dusky brown bomber who has held the world heavy weight boxing championship longer than any other man, was clipped on the chin today with a \$500,000 suit for alienation of the affections of a Negro minister's wife.

The suit was filed by the Rev. Matthew Falkner, Atlanta, Ga., a recently discharged army chaplain, in superior court. It alleged that Louis "wilfully destroyed and alienated from the plaintiff the affections of his wife, Mattie Carie Faulkner."

Louis' attentions to Mrs. Faulkner allegedly occurred during last November, December and January.

Louis was in Europe, gaining an estimated \$80,000 from a series of poorly-attended exhibitions at a British empire fair. But even with that money, there have been many recent reports of his poor financial condition.

The suit for \$500,000 was another financial headache for Louis. The hard-hitting heavyweight has reportedly been in financial straits due to his loss of revenue while he was serving in the army.

practice yesterday and will fill his spot. Jim Hoag, Pete Mundle, and a fourth man to be selected today, round out the rest of the squad.

With Dick McClintic watching from the stands, the shot-put relay threesome will consist of Lou Robinson, Ray Heidenrich, and Jim Porter, all lettermen.

The seventh man out of action is Don Pickens, slated for a utility role. According to Warren, the seven ineligible will be cleared before the Idaho meet in Moscow next Saturday.

Negro Stars as Padres Wallop Los Angeles, 7-3

San Diego, April 2—(UP)—A home run rally in the fifth inning tonight gave the San Diego Padres a 7 to 3 victory over the Los Angeles Angels and evened their Pacific Coast league baseball series.

San Diego scored twice in the fourth inning when Pete Coscarel singled one tally across and John Ritchey singled in Coscarel.

In the fifth, Ritchey, the only Negro player in the Pacific Coast league, homered with two on.

Los Angeles scored in the fourth with a circuit route by Mickey Burnett and again in the fifth with two singles and a walk.

Al Olsen was given the win, giving the Los Angeles club but six hits while Run Bauers was charged with the loss.

Warren is Discouraged . . .

Can't Find the 'Oregon Spirit'

Last fall, when Jim Aiken started on the rampage in football, it seemed generally agreed that the "old Oregon spirit" had been renewed, and that all intercollegiate sports at the University were definitely on the upgrade.

It is a shame that all sports are not on the upgrade. When Colonel Bill Hayward passed away late last fall, he left a 44-year record for John Warren to uphold as the new track coach. John is having trouble doing this because there seems to be no interest in track.

Saturday Oregon will open its 1948 season against Oregon State at Hayward field in the annual relays with one of the most undermanned track teams in Oregon history. To make matters worse, seven players did not register in time to be cleared by the faculty

representative to the conference.

Hurdle Forfeited

As a result, it will be necessary for several men to double up and run in events definitely not in their field. We should be ashamed that four hurdlers cannot be found to run the shuttle-hurdle event. Warren will have to forfeit before he takes the rest of his team on the track.

The lack of material is not the fault of Warren. He is probably the busiest man in the Oregon athletic department, and he needs more support from the students. Certainly there must be several talented athletes on the campus who would be willing to represent their school, but Warren has not seen them.

Season Too Short

What can be the matter? Oregon has not been a strong track

school, principally because of the short season in the Northwest. But Bill Hayward built a reputation for making the best of the material on hand in the University.

In the last analysis, it is up to the students to support the track team. John knows of several good boys who are registered and eligible for intercollegiate competition, but they won't turn out.

The situation could become very serious. Both Warren and the University would be disgraced if varsity track was discontinued; that could happen unless more interest is shown by the students.

It looks like the Ducks are in for a shellacking today because they surely will run out of gas.

Signed,

Bill Stratton

Koch to Cut Frosh Baseballers; First Games Set Here April 17

Coach Barney Koch announced that he would make the first cut of his frosh baseball hopefuls today after an intra-squad scuffle slated today at 1:30, weather permitting. Additional paring down of the squad will continue through next week, Koch stated.

The Frosh opener is scheduled April 17, when the Ducklings entertain the Hillsboro and St. Helens high school teams here in a double header. St. Helens' coach Bill McClusky was a teammate of Koch through high school and American Legion warfare, Koch reported, which should lend some extra color to that game.

Frosh who seem to be showing promise in practice thus far include Bob Bonebrake and Don Peterson third baseman, Mel Krause and Clyde Ellison, shortstoppers, and second basemen Keith Welch and Chuck Humble. John McGinnis has

been hustling in the outfield, while Koch was unable to name a definite possibility for first base.

The Duckings have three moundsmen who are shaping up surprisingly well in Jim Hanns, Bob Palmer, and southpaw Lyle Rogers, all of whom have been standouts in drills so far.

A trio of hustling backstoppers, Eddie Artzt, Kenneth Bennett, and Buddy Leonard have the inside track on the catching slot.

New Distance Mark

RIVERSIDE, Cal., April 3—(UP)—Roland Sing, University of Southern California distance runner, yesterday set a new American record in the mile and a quarter of 5:33.4.

The mark was set in any exhibition race in which Sink was paced by several other Trojan runners. It broke a 23-year-old record of 5:35 set by Paavo Nurmi in Los Angeles Memorial coliseum in 1925.

Bill Bayless, Trojan weightman, hurled the shot 53 feet, 4 3-8 inches for the best mark of the year thus far in the West.

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