

DUCK TRACKS

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Oregon rooters will have to wait another week before the Duck grid eleven makes an appearance close to home. This coming Saturday, Jim Aiken takes his boys into the Inland Empire for what should be a comparatively easy battle against the University of Idaho.

Then the Saturday following the Idaho tilt, Oregon will be host to Southern California in Portland, in one of the crucial conference tilts for the Webfoots this season.

The football team has been away for the last three consecutive weekends. First Stanford, where a small number of students were able to see the game, then the Michigan tussle, a long, long way from Eugene making it almost impossible for any student to witness the affair, and now the Moscow invasion this Saturday.

Blowout Scheduled for Portland

The Oregon-Southern Cal. game in Portland, then, should be a complete blowout. The stage, in fact, is all set. A crucial game, a strong California team, an ideal stadium, a good chance for perfect weather, and a student body which has waited impatiently for this big test. Jim Aiken's gridders should notice quite a change from the dull, almost a whisper, cheering sections that have given vocal support during the last weeks. Anyway, there is nothing like saying how it should be, and we hope it will be loud.

Some days it is even hard to write your name at the head of a column, and this just so happens to be one of them. Whenever we have little to say, and need copy to fill the column, we always turn to baseball, our favorite sport. (Not to be offensive to football, basketball, and the like, you understand.)

Williams Solves Famed Shift

Ted Williams, said by many experts to be the greatest hitter in baseball, took a long time to absorb the idea but it looks as though finally he has made the grade of learning to hit to left field.

One result of his current efforts to cross the fielding defense is the reducing of the exaggerated infield defense when he is batting. That line-up came to be known as the Boudreau defense because the Cleveland manager-Shortstop first used it.

Williams was dismayed the first time he saw the Boudreau defense. Only the first baseman was in his customary stance. The second baseman was playing in the spot where many a Williams single whistled into right field, between the second and the first baseman. The Boudreau shift put the second sacker in a position to be in front of hits like that. The shortstop moved close to the spot usually occupied by the second baseman. The third baseman played third and short from a shallow shortfield position.

Easy After He Learned How

All Williams had to do to beat that shift was to bunt toward third or learn to hit that way on a full swing. At first, however, he was too obstinate to outwit the opposition. He gritted his teeth and tried to hit the ball through the massed infield defense. Sometimes he did it. More often he didn't. In the 1946 world series the Cardinals adopted the Boudreau shift and only once did Williams cross the defense with a dribble to the third base side. Williams was still disinclined to follow Joe Cronin's advice that he should learn to hit to left field.

But now he seems to be doing that very thing. In one game this year, Ted knocked two doubles to left field. Perhaps we should have pointed out that when the infield moved towards first the outfield also shifted many yards that way so the left-fielder played almost a center field position. So the outfield was as easy for a blow in that direction as the infield. All the more reason why Ted should have been training his artillery that way.

And now that he seems to be doing that very thing the defense no longer has an edge over him. But even being the great hitter that he is, and also being able to hit to left this year, the American League batting champion was unable to bring a pennant and a chance at the Braves in the world series to the junior circuit's representative in Boston.

Discussion Held On Zoo Designs

Designs for the landscaping of the small city zoo will be discussed at an open meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in the architecture building.

Discussion will be based on the exhibit of Landscape Exchange Problems now on the walls of the upper division drafting room in the architecture building. On display are drawings of students of Ohio State university, University of

Pairings Planned

Pairings for the noise parade, held annually in conjunction with Homecoming weekend, will be made Thursday at 4 p.m. in the game room of the YMCA. Noise parade chairman Joe Warren has asked that a representative from each living organization be present at that time.

Illinois, University of Georgia, University of Massachusetts, Iowa State college, and Michigan State college.

'Only One Play' Says Boudreau

Boston, Oct. 6—(AP)—"It's a shame to ruin such a masterful pitching performance by one decision."

That was the only complaint voiced by Cleveland Manager Lou Boudreau after the Indians, beaten 1-0 in the opening world series pitching duel between Johnny Sain and Bob Feller, trooped silently into their dressing room.

Decision Close

The decision he referred to was on a close play at second base in the eighth inning when Phil Masi, apparently trapped off base, slid back safely under Boudreau.

"I thought I had him. I tagged him on his shoulder. But that's just my opinion. Stewart (umpire Bill Stewart) had his. It isn't a complaint," Boudreau said evenly.

Feller Terse

Feller, who allowed only two hits in his first world series game but lost 1-0, was even more terse in his comments on that particular play. "Take a look at the pictures of it," he remarked grimly. We thought we had him on the trap."

Except on that one decision at second, the Indians had no complaint about the umpiring.

The Braves' victorious pitcher, Sain, shared in the tribute Boudreau paid to Feller.

Boudreau Gives Credit

"He pitched a great game and deserves a lot of credit. They both pitched a great game," Lou went on.

On the other side of the room Feller was explaining that he "had pretty good stuff and felt good." It was a fast ball he threw to Tommy Holmes in the eighth when the Braves right fielder belted a hit to drive in the game's only run. "It was a one and one pitch and I had to get it in there. If it had been just a little higher or lower he might have gone out—but he didn't and we didn't get a run."

"Was it the toughest game I've lost?" Bob broke into a grin as he repeated the question. "I wouldn't say it was. I once struck out 18 men and lost the game."

Tune KASH for the Idaho game next Saturday.

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TODAYS GAMES

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Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Yeomen.
Phi Gamma Delta vs. Cherney Hall.
Sigma Alpha Mu vs. McChesney Hall.
Chi Psi vs. Sherry Ross.

by DAVE BUFFAM

Another day of intra-mural play rolled by yesterday as Sigma Nu defeated Pi Kappa Phi, 25-0, Phi Kappa Psi downed a hard fighting Delta Upsilon squad 7-0, and Wesley house took a nothing to nothing ball game from Stitzer hall by one first down.

Earlier in the afternoon the Fizzeds squeezed out an 8-6 victory over Beta Theta Pi, Lambda Chi Alpha defeated Merrick hall 7-0, and Campbell Club won a 7-0 tilt from Westminster house.

Sigma Nus Beat Pi Phis

Defeating Pi Kappa Phi 25-0, Sigma Nu kept passer Rog Dick busy passing at his best and scoring all four touchdowns from the air. Dick's first successful TD pass was completed to John Kovenz in the second quarter. He connected with Bill Flemming in the third quarter, and added two more in the last stanza, one to Jim Bartelt and the other to brother Ed Dick.

Phi Psis Fade DUs

The Phi Psis and DUs fought for yardage and in the second Quarter Rich Hopper intercepted a DU pass and ran 95 yards to

score the only touchdown of the ball game.

A rough and tough Wesley house seven and a determined Stitzer hall squad rampaged in a long tedious tilt that ended in a 0-0 score.

Since there was no score in the game the referees gave Wesley house the nod, two first downs to one. The Fizzeds sneaked an 8-6 victory over Beta Theta Pi yesterday.

The Fizzeds John Chiapuzio scored their only TD in the second quarter after receiving a toss from Bob Chiapuzio. Bob Thompson racked up two points for the team by scoring a safety in the same period.

A peg from Jerry O'Leary to Ken Ball accounted for the Betas only score.

Lambda Chi's Bill Davis was the hero of the day for his team when he intercepted a Merrick hall pass and ran forty yards to a touchdown to win the game 7-0. Merrick hall held Lambda Chi to one TD with an active defense.

Mel Krause again starred for the Campbell Club by completing a pass to Hank Panian for the games only score.

The University of Oregon has only gone unbeaten and untied once, in 1894, when they won all four games they played.

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