

DUCK TRACKS

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72 hours from now, the commissioner of the Pacific Coast Conference will have put an end to all this fuss.

And while we can thank Victor Schmidt for finally setting everyone straight as to whether Oregon or California will take that big hike out Pasadena way, there are some other ends which have remained loose. We would like to pick up a few and splice them together, because as it is they leave us with our blood pressure circa the vaporizing point.

There's been a lot of copy turned out concerning the Webfoots, the Bears and a formerly fine piece of bric-a-brac called the Rose Bowl.

Situation Sometimes Out of Kilter

And while most of it has been tolerable, some of it has been sheer drivel of the most peculiar sorts. And there are some other items which have registered on the sports-meter recently that also merit some demerits.

So . . .

An open letter to:

Prescott Sullivan, San Francisco Examiner: We read a recent column of yours, "The Low Down," and we might say at this juncture that we do agree with you in that your sense of reason is pretty much in the depths. But that is where our concurrence ceases to concur. Perhaps the fog in ancient Frisco temporarily has rendered you a victim of astigmatism.

In any event, to quote you re a playoff game: "Whatever may be the case in other schools, University of California football players do have to do a bit of studying on subjects unrelated to the gridiron. The period immediately following the Big Game (Stanford) . . . is one of intensive academic activity on the Berkeley campus. It is a period of mid-term examination . . . Whether the same is true at Oregon we do not know." You further state that machinery is already set up to determine the conference champion (by ballot) and so why not use it? And you invite faculty representatives to bear in mind that Oregon, in a PE 190 class, worked out in July.

Ducks Ducked No Issues

In rebuttal, my dear Mr. Sullivan, please understand that while Cal may have exams coming up, Oregon faced the same situation by trading touchdowns with Washington State, St. Mary's and Washington.

Why decide a large dispute like this on a piece of paper instead of on the football field?

Concerning the PE 190 class, perhaps you didn't know, Mr. Sullivan, that Cal worked out a few weeks in advance of the September starting date too. This we know to be true.

Bill Leiser, SF Chronicle: You claim that you are "sorry California can't meet Oregon. We think the Bears would handle that situation neatly."

First, you neglected to explain your reason for using the word "can't." Second, USC's Jeff Cravath as well a goodly portion of the UCLA football team, which met Cal and Oregon on successive weekends, don't think the Bears would handle the situation very neatly at all.

Too, if, as you say, Cal feels Oregon was "not strictly academic kosher" in forcing the issue against them, then please tell them to stop clowning. Such Janus-like double-talk only serves to stir the ire of the Webfoots, just as it was reported that the Bears were peeved at the Ducks for making the challenge and that they plan to compensate by giving Stanford a first-class shakedown.

Don't Join Caravan Just for Ride

Northern Faculty Representatives: Rumor has it that some of you plan to turn rebels and vote for Cal. We want the best eleven to represent the PCC, but don't go climbing aboard any pre-fabricated caravans.

You pulled one cropper framing a one-sided pact with the Big Nine, for which you are now blushing. Don't do a repeat performance. A word to the wise should be sufficient. But of course you chaps aren't always wise.

Vic Schmidt, PCC Commissioner: Onions for not blatantly showing your colors by publicly asking for a playoff game. Be assured that your neutral position does not represent the sentiments of the players or the fans who pay the freight and also your salary. We know your hands are tied to a certain extent, but it would have been refreshing to have you openly express an opinion.

As a closing remark, we might say that as the situation stands it looks like Cal would, at the present, get the Rose Bowl invitation. We hope we are dead wrong. Anyway, things could change by Saturday night.

Varsity, Frosh Swim Teams Increase Pace During Week

Activity in the men's pool, where both varsity and freshmen swimming teams splash through their paces daily, struck a new tempo during the past week as Coach John Borchardt ordered heavier workouts in an effort to get his charges in the pink of condition for the coming campaign.

Faced with the task of offsetting the loss of speedy Jim Anderson, All-American sensation, Borchardt has been juggling his lineup constantly. And he may have come up with the sprints. Nekota has been of last season's undefeated freshman crop, who has been shifted from the distance events to the sprints. Nakota has been working out every day with Borchardt, and he shows improvement almost equally as often.

Three other natators, Spike Paget, Willie McCullough, and Bob Hiatt, have showed up particularly well in the last two weeks.

Paket Presses in Breaststroke

Ineligible last year, Paget has come back strong and is now ripping off around a mile a day of swimming. Butterfly favorite Rod Harmon will have to watch out for this youngster.

Backed by plenty of experience, McCullough, a senior, is due to make a strong bid for ND diving laurels this year. He's been crowding the leaders for three years now and this could be the season he hits the jackpot.

This diving division can make a large difference in the final standings of the conference race. It is in this event that Washington and Washington State have plucked down so many points in seasons past.

Hiatt Flashes Form

The showing of Bob Hiatt in the distance events during the past week has been excellent, and from all evidence it appears that he is headed for one of his top years in the sport.

Here is another crucial event for the Ducks, weak in the distance last year. The return Hiatt may put the damper on that problem.

The old-bell weathers of the pool have shown no signs of slackening their respective paces. Louis Santos' high-gloss free-styling should enable him to give Washington's Campbell all he can handle. Ditto backstroker Earl Walter, who have provided the only competition for Washington's George Heaney for the last two years.

Antonsen Paces Frosh

In addition, the rest of the varsity outfit will be composed of Stan Hargraves, Rod Harmon, Bill Amburn, (Continued from page seven)

Intramural Competition Marred by Two Forfeits

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running and passing of Norman Franklin, triple-threat All-American of the previous year. The Orange scored in the final minute of play, giving the Ducks a 9-6 victory.

The blocking of Oregon's quarterback, Ralph Terjeson, was one of the main factors in the Webfoot triumph. It was said that he cut the Aggie backfield down "like daffodils."

Midget Maury Van Vliet, 157-pound carrot-topped speedster of the thunder and lightning Oregon backfield, provided plenty of flashy football, returning the final kickoff 46 yards and nearly breaking away for a touchdown as the game ended.

Feud Trademarks Game

The historic struggle will be remembered chiefly for the individual feud that blazed when two players began discussing each other's ancestry, an affair which catapulted the two sluggish and half-hearted elevens into action. But one incident in the second quarter will not soon be forgotten.

Oregon's first score was set up when Lamp Walker blocked Franklin's punt and dropped the ball deep in Beaver territory. On the following play, a Webfoot fumbled and everyone dived for the loose ball. When the players were removed one by one from the heap, on the bottom grimly clutching the ball was the bruised and muddy referee! Yes, Oregon received credit for the recovery.

Only 4 of the 6 scheduled IM volleyball games were played yesterday, with the Legal Eagles forfeiting to the Tekes, and Pi Kappa Phi winning by default over the Fizzeds.

Slamming Henry Voderberg led Phi Gamma Delta to an easy victory over Phi Kappa Sigma.

Voderberg Goes Well

The scores were 15 to 4 and 16 to 6, with Voderberg's driving "spike" shots providing the scoring punch.

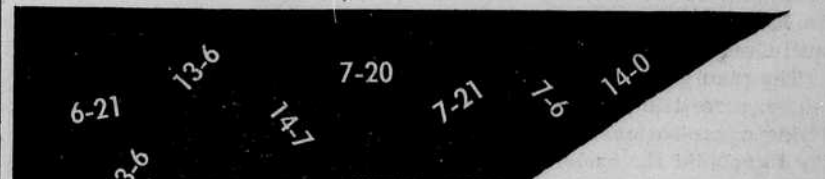
Kappa Sigma had to go three sets to eke out a triumph over Merrick hall. The winners captured the first set 15 to 9, but Merrick roared back to take the second 15 to 12. The Kappa Sig's had the final canto completely under control as they racked up a 15 to 6 win. Vernon (Red) Beard played a fine defensive game for the losers.

Phi Delta Theta completely overpowered Phi Sigma Kappa, as they put on a fine display of teamwork. The Phi Deltas captured two straight sets by scores of 15-1 and 15 to 6.

Theta Chi gained a win over Phi Kappa Psi. The first contest was nip and tuck all of the way with the winners finally eking out a 16 to 4 win. Theta Chi really came to 14 win. Theta Chi really came to romped to a 15 to 3 win.

ENTRY BLANKS FOR IM

All teams interested in participating in the intramural program for basketball and handball should submit entry blanks as soon as possible. Applications will be taken at the intramural office.



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