

DUCK TRACKS

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We are about as helpless as a fat woman in a two-way stretch that would only stretch one way. And that, if we are to believe a decent percentage of what we are told, is bad. All sports at the dear old U have ended—and none have begun. We will hereby conduct a final funeral for the basketball season by tossing a rose to the graduating seniors who will never again dribble a basketball down the floor of McArthur Court as participants in a varsity game.

Gone from the fold are Paul Sowers, Dale Warberg, Bob Lavey, Bob Amacher, Lynn Hamilton, Paul Cooper, and Dick Unis . . . and with that the services for the 1949-50 season are over.

The last big breath of varsity competition before the lid blows off on the spring sports will be the swimming competition this weekend at Pullman, Wash., as the Northern Division swimmers try to drown each other out to atke home the conference bacon.

It figures to be a two-team affair, with Washington and host Washington State scrapping for the white meat while Oregon, Oregon State, Idaho, and Montana pull in the crumbs.

The Webfoots are not expected to finish worse than third place—and a hot day here and a cold day there could well juggle them upward and onward a notch or two.

Hung on a Meat-Hook

Register-Guard Sports Editor Dick Strite almost climbed out of his swivel chair in Highclimber, his sports editor's column, when he pulled the cat out of a bag that was supposed to be mysterious in nature.

He tells us that John Warren has officially announced that he plans to remain as commander-in-chief of Oregon varsity basketball for the next season.

The Emerald has never doubted that Honest John would return to the helm; hence this department has never approached him on the subject.

It figures that if a man has coached basketball for almost a quarter of a century, he would not be ready to hang himself on the meat-hook at the drop of a hat.

This department did, however, approach the hiring and firing mechanism of the athletic structure some time ago—. The question was not one of whether John wanted to leave—but whether anyone else wanted him to. Apparently no one has pushed that opinion, in spit of plenty of behind-the-scenes snickering.

Watchful Waiting

Through the mouth of Sports Editor Strite, Warren has given himself an honor-clad ultimatum. He says that he will talk about retirement if next year's Oregon squad does not finish among the top two or three places in the conference. That certainly is fair enough—.

We like to judge a coach on what he can do with the material he has on hand. Next year's squad will receive considerable bolstering from the Frosh and also through possible hot-shot transfers—there will be material—we will await the production results—and until that time, John Warren has the stamp of approval of the Oregon press—and that includes the Oregonian, the Journal, and the Daily Emerald—.

But We Thought . . .

For a fleeting moment our equilibrium was unbalanced when we noted in another Lane County publication that Jim Aiken was Oregon's wrestling coach.

Not that we doubt Jim's ability to guide massive grunTERS through their paces on the mat—but we have been under the impression that there is no such sport at UO.

Although Jim is presently eating good banquet food somewhere in the state, we are certain that his better half would be informed if her hubby had taken on additional coaching chores.

She assured us last night that Jim is still Mr. Football—and no more; some gullible chap might have been taken in by the fact that a number of the Oregon gridders are unlimbering winter rust on the mats—and Jim has dropped around to see that the unlimbering went according to schedule—.

The Hot Stove

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took his fence clearing bats along to that circuit. Now he gets a chance to ring the bell in the short foul-line confines of the Polo Grounds.

Battling Harshman and Joe La Fata for the right to replace Johnny Mize, is Tookie Gilbert, youngest of the ball playing Gil-

berts from Nashville, Tennessee. Pa Larry practically raised the Nashville team of the Southern Association, and Brother Charlie was an outfielder for the Brooklyn and Chicago National League clubs.

Tookie is about a year away according to those who saw him in the Southern Association, but a big bat may earn him a chance to get his education among the big boys.



Western Personnel Fellowships Offer Study, Travel Abroad

Opportunities for travel and study abroad have been announced by the Western Personnel Institute of Pasadena, Calif.

Twenty-five fellowships covering round-trip transportation only between Pan-American air terminals in the United States and the foreign country of study are offered by Pan-American World Airways system. Applications and information may be obtained from the Institute of International Education, 2 West 45th St., New York 19, N. Y. Filing dates are Mar. 15 to Oct. 31.

Five fellowships offering room, board, and tuition for work, observation, and study in France during 1950-51 are available to experienced American social workers. Inquiries should be directed to the Division of Specialized Personnel of the Institute.

Mar. 15 is the closing date for application for scholarships in British summer schools.

Ten scholarships covering room, board, and tuition and twelve grants to cover trans-Atlantic passage are offered for six week's study in British universities this summer.

Courses are as follows:

"British Economic Thought and Problems," University of Leeds, two scholarships; "The Arts in Britain Today," London University, three scholarships; "Education in England," Nottingham University, two scholarships; "Western Europe Since 1870," Oxford University, three scholarships.

These courses are also recognized by the Veterans Administration under the GI Bill of Rights. The International Education Institute will furnish further information.

Leopard Dies After Eating Drugged Meat

OKLAHOMA CITY—(UP)—The wild leopard which terrorized a suburban area here for three days died early last night of an overdose of narcotics which led to its capture.

The 175-pound spotted beast quietly breathed its last about 5:45 p. m., Mayor Allen Street said. The animal had literally collapsed into captivity about 15 hours earlier, after eating a chunk of horsemeat containing an ounce of chloral hydrate.

The leopard's deep sleep had worried zoo officials throughout the day, and twice he was given injections of a heart stimulant in an attempt to counteract the dope.

Zoo Director Julian Frazier said he had no idea of the cause of the leopard's death, but Street was explicit:

"He ate too much of that drugged meat. Just a glutton, I guess."

Street and Park Supt. R. R. Murphy suggested that the animal be stuffed, mounted and displayed in the lobby of the Oklahoma capitol building where a wild life exhibit is maintained.

Frosh Groups Set Party Today

Members of all YWCA freshman commissions will gather for a joint meeting today at 4 p. m. in YWCA, Gerlinger Hall.

Commissions will discuss last term's accomplishments and evaluate their program, Marguerite Johns, second vice-president, said Tuesday.

Entertainment will include a play by the YWCA drama commission, a ballet by Jane Bowen, and refreshments.

Anyone interested may attend the meeting, Miss Johns added.

Chiang Resumes Top China Spot

TAIPEI, Formosa—(UP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek resumed the presidency of the hard-pressed Chinese Nationalist government Tuesday, declaring that "at this critical moment I cannot shirk my responsibility."

"I have decided to resume the presidency as from Mar. 1 of the present year," Chiang declared.

Chiang ended 13 months of retirement to return to the active leadership of the Nationalist regime in a simple ceremony Tuesday morning.

Wearing the uniform of a five-star general with a lone decoration—the white 12-pointed star of the Republic of China—on his breast, Chiang charged the Chinese Communists have placed China under Soviet servitude.

Delegates to Attend City Officials Meet

Three representatives from the Bureau of Municipal Research on the campus will attend the second regional meeting for city officials in Albany tonight.

Those going will be Herman Kehrl, director of the bureau; A. M. Westling, consultant; and Deane Seeger, consultant for the League of Oregon Cities.

Experienced: Shall we sit in the parlor.

Coed: No I'm too tired, lets's go roller skating.

Band Sets Concert For Thursday Night

The University of Oregon Band under the direction of John H. Stehn will present a concert at 8 p. m. Thursday in the Music School Auditorium.

Soloists for the evening will be Shirley Gay Williams, clarinet; Glen Garrett, French horn; and Philip Green, baritone.

Mr. Garrett will present Beethoven's "Egmont Overture," and Mozart's "Concert No. 2 in E flat."

Miss Williams' program includes "Waltzes from Der Rosenkavalier" by Strauss, and "Recitative and Polacca" by Weber.

Bizet's "Toreador Song" from "Carmen" will be presented by Mr. Green.

On the program for the complete band will be Pucini's "Exerpts from La Boheme," George McKays "Burlesque March," Kabalevski's "Comedians Galop," and "Finale from Symphony No. 4" by Tschai-kowski.

Vandals Soap Windows, Tear Down Posts

Windows of several east 11th Ave. business establishments were soaped and parking meter posts torn down in the area Monday night after the Eugene City Council meeting.

The vandalism came after the council had refused a student-signed petition asking for a reversal of the policy regarding 11th Ave. parking meters.

Fred Haley, who is in charge of meter maintenance said that some 20 meter posts were knocked down on both Alder St. and Kincaid St. between 11th and 13th Ave.

Prexy's Radio Lost; Reward Offered

Missing—one portable radio from ASUO President Art Johnson's office.

Loss of the radio, which had been sitting on Johnson's desk in his Emerald Hall office, was discovered Sunday night.

Johnson is offering a reward for the return of the portable.

The Emerald has one parting word of advice for the bereaved bigwig—try the classifieds.

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