

DUCK TRACKS

By GLENN GILLESPIE

Basketball is all but wound up here in the Northwest, with only four more games remaining on the ND schedule. This weekend, Oregon State travels to Seattle for a final series with Washington, and WSC and Idaho play a split series at Moscow Friday and Pullman Saturday.

If all goes as expected, the champion Cougars meet UCLA Mar. 10, 11, and 13 on the tiny Bruin floor, in the Pacific Coast Conference playoff.



BILL BOWERMAN

In last year's PCC playoff, these same Bruins came to Corvallis and lost a two-out-of-three series to Oregon State. Most observers pick the Southern champs to beat Washington State this season, figuring that the Gayda-Conley team is no match for UCLA's superior manpower.

Bruin Coach John Wooden has quite a collection of stars, including George Stanich, Alan Sawyer, and Carl Kraushaar, and UCLA managed to win the SD crown without too much trouble. We're pulling for the Cougars, and they might make it.

ND Swimming Championships This Weekend

Sports action is rather slack here at Oregon right now, with only the swimming team seeing action this weekend. Coach John Borchardt will take nine Ducks to Pullman tonight, for the Northern Division championships Friday and Saturday in the Cougar tank.

The strong Washington Huskies are favored to win their sixth straight swimming championship, although the Cougars are figured to give them a battle.

Oregon swimmers making the trip are Joe Nishimoto, Rod Harman, Louie Santos, Wade Hanso, Bill Vannatta, Dick Ruckdeschel, Stan Hargrave, George Balch, and Jim Stanley.

Frosh Cagers Made Oregon Athletic History

Biggest highlight of the local basketball year was the performance of Oregon's Frosh team, ably coached by Don Kirsch. The Ducklings completed a 19-game schedule with only one loss, to the OSC Rooks, and was the highest-scoring frosh team in University athletic history. The Ducklings averaged 59.5 points per game, and can be compared with the strong 1936 and '38 freshman squads.

Five men scored 100 or more points, with Center Chet Noe leading the list with 225. That's a new frosh scoring record, shoving Laddie Gale's 1936 total of 219 off the books. Guard Bud Covey was second high with 151, followed by Nick Schmer with 130.

If some of these boys work out as sophomores next year, and a few ineligibles transfer back to Oregon, John Warren will have plenty of material to work with. Warren has the backing of the press—R-G included—now all he needs is a few breaks next season.

Spring sports seem to be starting all at once, with track, baseball, spring football, golf, and tennis activity soon to be in full swing. Prospects in all five sports aren't too bad, but track seems to be the most promising.

Coach Bill Bowerman is working with what may be the strongest Oregon track squad in years. Conference competition opens at Hayward Field April 8, with an Oregon-OSC relay meet.

Bowerman Revives Interest in Track

In his study here, Bowerman has done a lot to revive interest in track. Things like the Bowerman-sponsored intramural track meets do a lot to uncover unknown talent and boost general spectator interest in the cinder sport. We look for plenty of local support for the Webfoot trackmen, and watch the team respond with meet victories.

Baseball practice is also gaining headway. Coach Don Kirsch has announced a tentative eight-game pre-season schedule, with games against Linfield, Willamette, Lewis and Clark, Portland U, and Vanport.

The preseason schedule opens Mar. 31, against Linfield at McMinnville. The first home game for Oregon is Apr. 4 against Portland University, and the Northern Division season opens here against Washington State Apr. 14 and 15.

Robeson Bailey, Oregon's new tennis coach who doubles as an English professor and short story specialist, has scheduled several non-conference matches for his tennis men. The varsity season opens here Apr. 21 against Idaho.

And Oregon's golf team opens against OSC Apr. 15 at Corvallis. Coach Sid Milligan expects both the varsity and freshman teams to be strong this year.

Football Coach Jim Aiken starts the first of 30 spring practice sessions on Apr. 3. Watch for the signing of two new coaching assistants before spring practice starts.

Nelson To Leave Wengert to Discuss Tonight For Portland Meet University's Role in Cold War

Lyle Nelson, director of information, will leave for Portland today to meet with other Oregon and Washington college public relation representatives.

They will discuss preliminary plans for next fall's district meeting of the American College Public Relation Association. Nelson is president of the Northwest division of the association. He is also a member of the national constitution and policies committee.

Schools to be represented at Friday's discussion are Linfield, Pacific University, Reed, Lewis and Clark, Willamette, Vanport, Lower Columbia Junior College at Vancouver, and Multnomah Junior College.

While gone, Nelson will also visit Oregon alumni groups in Albany, Dallas, McMinnville, Forest Grove, Hillsboro, and Portland.

Foreign Placements Open to Teachers

Candidates for elementary and secondary teaching positions in Japan, Germany, and Austria will be interviewed at the University of Washington Apr. 7 and 8.

Interviews will be conducted by an army recruitment team at the Adult Education Center at 2208 Eighth Ave., according to Charles C. Furman, chief of the Army Recruitment Section of Civilian Personnel.

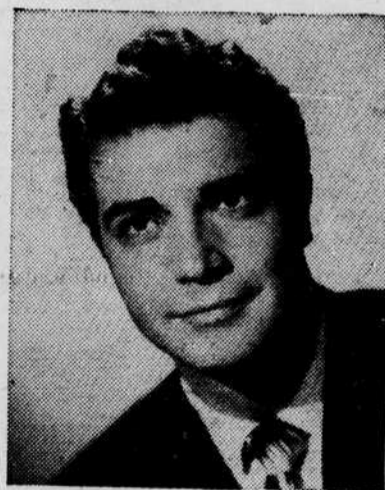
Further information may be obtained from Furman, Overseas Affairs Branch, Civilian Personnel Division, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C.

Graduate Named to Job

Merrill E. Samuelson, who has completed work for his master's degree at the University, recently was appointed an instructor on the Kansas State College journalism staff.

Samuelson's appointment was effective Feb. 1. He will receive his degree in June.

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How a university may function as a defensive weapon in the cold war, will be discussed by E. S. Wengert, political science head, tonight at 8 in 207 Chapman Hall.

Wengert's lecture, "The University, Ivory Tower or Watchtower," is the fourth presentation of the current University Lecture Series.

The lecture is designed to explain the role the university should play in modern society and its function in political problems, such as the current U. S.-Russian diplomatic conflict.

Wengert plans to compare two schools of thoughts concerning the university's place in the world. He will emphasize the dangers of the

"ivory tower," or remote scholastic attitude and the consequent advantages of a "watchtower" attitude. He defines the latter as a state in which the university is actively interested in external affairs and acts as an informer for the general populace.

Current controversial issues, such as the employment of communists in state schools, will be discussed. A question period will follow the lecture.

Wengert received his college education at the University of Wisconsin, taking his Ph.D. there. He joined the University faculty in 1948.

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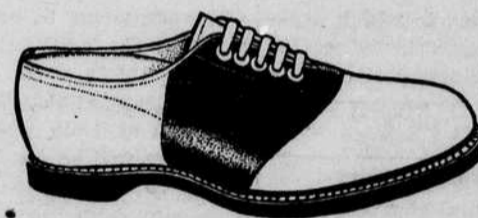
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