

DUCK TRACKS

By Al Karr

Oregon's freshman baseball team has on its pitching staff three hurlers who were probably the three top pitchers in high school ball in Oregon last year.

The three, Bill Bottler, Roosevelt High of Portland, and Gene Lewis and Don Siegmund, both Eugene High School, paced their high school team to the state baseball tournament finals during the past two years, with Bottler hurling his Roosevelt squad to the state championship both years.

The frosh have had good pitchers in past years. One hurler who was especially proficient last year and who showed great promise as a future varsity hopeful—if he could stay eligible—was Curt Barclay. This year's frosh, however, have a particularly outstanding group of pitchers; at least the Ducklings have three of the best in Oregon prep ball last year.

Bottler Shone as Prep

Bottler was undoubtedly the best pitcher in the state in his senior year at Roosevelt, as well as his junior year. He would have been the "stopper" on the Roosevelt team, but the Rough Riders didn't need a stopper. Bottler was the outstanding mound star for the team both years, winning both state finals over Eugene. Siegmund was the loser in 1949, dropping a 5-3 decision. Last year Bottler shut out the Eugene team 7-0, giving up only one hit—a bunt single in the last inning, and striking out two-thirds of the batsmen to face him.

Siegmund, the left-hander of the trio, starred in football, basketball, and baseball at Eugene High. (Bottler was also a basketball player.) "Big boy" was a regular on the frosh hoop team this past season. In high school he altered between the outfield and the mound, providing pitching prowess and heavy hitting.

Lewis, the curve-ball specialist, was one of the toughest pitchers to hit when he was "on." He also played basketball. He was the top hurler for Eugene, although Siegmund's performances disrupted that position on several occasions, particularly during their senior years.

However, high school athletics is not college athletics, needless to say. Whether Bottler, Siegmund, Lewis and the other Frosh hurler will develop into varsity regulars remains to be seen. Lewis has provided some good performances this year; Siegmund has pitched fairly well; and Bottler started out the season well, although he has run into some rough going lately.

Helbig Tags Ex-mate

Incidentally, one of the hits off Siegmund in his 5-2 loss to the OSC Rooks Friday was a home run by center fielder Duane Helbig, a teammate of Bottler at Roosevelt last season. Helbig is a powerful hitter, and a sturdy all-around player. A regular outfielder, last year he took over the catching job at Roosevelt when the regular receiver, Ron Bottler (Bill's brother, a prep senior this year) was out nearly all the season with a head injury. In one state tournament game last year Helbig drove three home runs out of the park, quite a feat for a high school player. A man for Oregon baseball (and football) teams to be wary of in the next few years.

A few weeks ago we ended a Duck Tracks column (concerned) with the exploits of one Joe Gordon with the statement, "The Flash isn't through yet." We had finished lauding his accomplishments in the major leagues, and had mentioned a batting average of .294 and three home runs for Sacramento of the Pacific Coast League.

Gordon immediately went on a batting rampage that is going just as strong as ever right now, and shows no signs of letting up. It's as though Gordon is trying to make our statement look good, although he doesn't know us any better than we know him.

Old Soldier Won't Fade

We thought three home runs and a .294 average was pretty good for a 36-year old veteran, even it is in Triple-A minor league baseball. But Gordon is now hitting .373, leads the league in home runs with 16, and has batted in 47 runs in 46 games. Sunday he hit 8-for-16, rapped two homers, and batted in five runs. And, as playing-manager of the Sacramento Solons, he has lifted his team to within one game of the first-place Portland Beavers. "The Flash isn't through yet." A mild understatement of the extreme degree.

Tom Novikoff, transfer fullback from Los Angeles Junior College, who looked very good in spring football practice, is a brother of Lou Novikoff, the ex-Coast and major league baseball player. The older Novikoff, alias the "Mad Russian", was a powerful, if erratic, hitter, and a colorful player, as the nickname well indicates. Tom Novikoff looks to be pretty powerful, too, and should help out Jim Aiken's grid plans for next year.

Heads of Houses

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and pledging were:

1. That National Panhellenic does not endorse deferred rushing or pledging.
2. That there is a strong possibility that we cannot compete with the surrounding colleges if deferred pledging were to go into effect, and consequently a decrease in enrollment will result.

Freshmen Orientation

Heads of Houses completely endorsed the orientation program as it stands in the Oregon plan and additionally suggests that a freshman program be carried out for those freshmen who do not rush.

The parts of the Oregon plan concerning men's and women's student councils and the social program were completely endorsed by Heads of Houses.

The women appointed to the committee to revise the Oregon Plan were: Grace Sargent, Alpha Phi; Josephine Coghill, Gamma Phi Beta; Marge Elliott, Carson 3; Doris Philbrick, Carson Hall; Lois Albright, Hendricks Hall; and Lois Hamer, Rebec House.

Miss Philbrick, who had previously voted for the Oregon plan in its entirety said, "I feel that it is better to compromise with the sororities on rushing. If our freshmen are guaranteed a good orientation and counseling program the innumerable problems of adjustment will be distinctly lessened. Our main concern in the dormitories is to give each girl every possible chance for a successful college career, academically and socially."

Miss Williams stated that "our purpose in having a committee was to incorporate our recommendations with the Oregon plan. Heads of Houses hopes that the Executive Council will consider our recommendations."

Petitions Due---

Piggers' Petitions Called

Petitions for editor and business manager of the 1951-52 Student-Faculty Directory, otherwise known as the Pigger's Guide, are due by 5 p.m. today in the office of the Student Union program director, third floor of the SU.

Information about the publication or the required petitions can be obtained from Larry Davidson, publications advisor, whose office is in the SU.

The two top positions on the directory staff will be filled Thursday night following interviews of the petitioners by the Student Publications Board.

Pi Sigma Alpha

Deadline for petitions for membership in Pi Sigma Alpha, national political science fraternity, is Wednesday, according to Tom Barry, president of the Oregon chapter.

To apply for membership in the political science group, a student must have completed at least 15 quarter hours or 10 semester hours of work in government, political science, international relations, or public administration, including at least one course not open to students at the freshman and sophomore levels. Members do not have to be political science majors.

Applicants must have maintained a "B" average in these courses. Undergraduates must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75.

Petitions may be obtained from Mrs. Frances Pickett, secretary of the political science department, or from Barry. The completed applications may be turned in to Barry, Doug Ambers, Margaret Bishop, Ellen Christianson, Kay Kuckenberg, Carson Moore, Frank Neuber, or any other member of the fraternity.

JIFC Council To Meet Tonight

The Junior Interfraternity Council will meet at 8 tonight at Sigma Chi to collect term dues and wind up the terms business.

Bob Jones, president, said that dues will amount to 25 cents per pledge per house or a minimum of \$3 per house.

A possible party with Panhellenic may also be discussed, Jones said. This will be the last meeting of the group this year.

YWCA 'Duckling' Petitioners Meet

All women who have petitioned to act as freshman counselors under the YWCA Duckling Counselor program are asked to attend one of three training meetings which will be held this week according to Barbara Johnson, chairman.

The meetings will be held at 4 p.m. today Wednesday, and Thursday at the YWCA, Gerlinger. Miss Johnson will be assisted by Shirley Olsen in instructing the counselors concerning their duties.


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