

Duck Tracks

By Bill Gurney

Just out is Art Litchman's spring sport Duck Dope book for 1952. Litchman, who is athletic news bureau director, has put another pocket encyclopedia of prospects, records, and general information about Oregon, baseball, track, golf and tennis. The book, which is intended for the use of the press and radio, would no doubt be read avidly by the average sports fan.

The cover is white with green lettering, and pictures on it of Earl Averill, Jr. and Chuck Missfeldt, both of whom made all-American in baseball and track respectively.

And in the table of contents you can find almost anything you want to know about spring sports at Oregon. Thumbing through the book, we picked at random a few things you may not know. If you do know these things, can we help it if you are better informed than we think you are?

Re Things in General

For instance: Howe field, where Duck baseball games are played, has a seating capacity of 4,000. This is rather more than one would think, and Oregon might approach the break-even point in baseball if that many people would come to games and pay.

Or had you realized that the Eugene Country Club golf course, where the Webfoot home matches are played, is 6500 yards long with a par 72, and is considered one of the best in Oregon.

Turning to personnel, we see where Howard Lemons, athletic business manager, was originally from John Day, Oregon, and served 42 months with the army intelligence service. And Dr. George Guldager, team physician, is a graduate of the Loyola School of Medicine of Chicago, and has been taking time off his busy Eugene practice to treat athletic injuries for the past 12 years.

Averill Is in a Slump

There are thumbnail sketches of several outstanding spring sport performers; included in one of these about Half-miler Jack Hutchins is the fact that this young man competed in the 1948 Olympic games for Canada, and in the 1950 British Empire games for New Zealand. Incidentally, Hutchins should be in the Olympics for Canada again this year, barring a severe slump.

While on the subject of track, we hear that Coach Bill Bowerman professes to be frightened at the prospect of meeting Washington State here Saturday. The Cougars turned in some outstanding performances as they crushed Idaho last weekend. Also in the offing for Friday and Saturday are the annual Bill Hayward relays for high school cindermen from all over Oregon.

Turning to baseball, it says in the dope book that Earl Averill, Jr. hit .438 to lead Northern Division batters as a sophomore in 1951. Earl Jr. is not burning up any record books this season, however, as his batting average is .226 in the 13 pre-season tilts to date.

Junior Grade 'Grand Slam' for Clark

Another Duck athlete who has had his share of glory is Ron Clark, senior and captain of the golf team. As an insignificant freshman Clark pulled a junior-grade version of Bobby Jones' famous "Grand Slam" as he won both the Oregon Open and the Oregon Amateur meets. Clark seems to be starting the 1952 season in traditionally torrid manner, or at least he shot under-par golf against Portland university Saturday.

Getting back to baseball, we see where Oregon teams have won the Northern Division title outright seven times since 1930, and have tied for first once. However, Don Kirsch, who now coaches the Webfoots, has not won a crown since he took over in 1947. His teams have finished second twice, third once, and last season the Ducks were fourth.

The current campaign, however, may possibly see the Webfoots produce a pennant for their stocky young mentor, who certainly deserves to win one.

"After the way we improved in the past week," Kirsch mused, "I am not so sold as I was on the idea of Oregon State as the top team in the league. If our hitting continues good, and our pitching improves as rapidly as it has been, we may be pretty tough to beat."

What to Tell the 'Jury'

Continuing with our list of things of which you may be ignorant, the Oregon golf coach, Sid Milligan, is a Eugene attorney as well. He is one of the few lawyers we have heard of in athletics, although Marchie Swartz, ex-Stanford football coach, is one who comes to mind.

However, Marchmont became persona non grata at Palo Alto after his ball clubs neglected to win enough ball games to land in the Rose Bowl. And even for a lawyer coach, there is very little you can tell an alumni "jury" in such a situation.

Duck Gridders Undergo First Spring Session

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Curtis and Ashworth have scholastic difficulties and Sloan's absence is a mystery. Ashworth may be able to bolster his standing in time to be eligible in the fall.

Line Coach Gene Harlow experimented with the forward wall and transferred ends Hal Reeve, Don Hedgepeth and Len Berrie, a transfer from the University of Southern California, to tackle positions; Dick Stoutt to center; and John Reed and Jack Patera to guard slots.

As an aid to the fundamentals of good blocking and tackling—for the linesmen—the Ducks lined up in two platoons. Roche said that the lineup had no implications whatsoever as to any "probable first string assignments."

The lineups are as follows:

First Platoon—Monte Brethauer, left end; Hal Reeve, left tackle; Harry Mondale, left guard; Ron Fhiester, center; Emmett Williams, right guard; Don Hedgepeth, right tackle; Wayne Johnson, right end; Hal Dunham, quarterback; Lloyd Powell, left halfback; Tom Lyon, right halfback; and Tom Novikoff, fullback.

Second Platoon—Emery Barnes, left end; Chuck Laird, left tackle; John Reed, left guard; Dick Stoutt, center; Jack Patera, right guard; Len Berrie, right tackle; Ron Lyman, right end; Barney Holland, quarterback; Farrell Albright, left halfback; Merritt Barber, right halfback; and Cece Hodges, fullback.

Following is the complete list of the varsity aspirants:

Holland, Dunham, Lyon, Powell,

Manning Barber, Barber, Sloan, Albright, Hodges, Ashworth, Tom Elliot, Novikoff, Dean Van Leuven, Don Holt, Pfiester, Adams, Jim Slover, Laird, Bill Domenighini.

Russ Sara, Reed, Mondale, Williams, Harvey, Jim Jones, Don Long, Len Diederichs, Keith Petersen, Ray McLeod, Berrie, Patera, Jerry Shaw, Brethauer, Stoutt, Johnson, Chuck Greenley, Don Hedgepeth, Hal Reeve, Pat O'Brien.

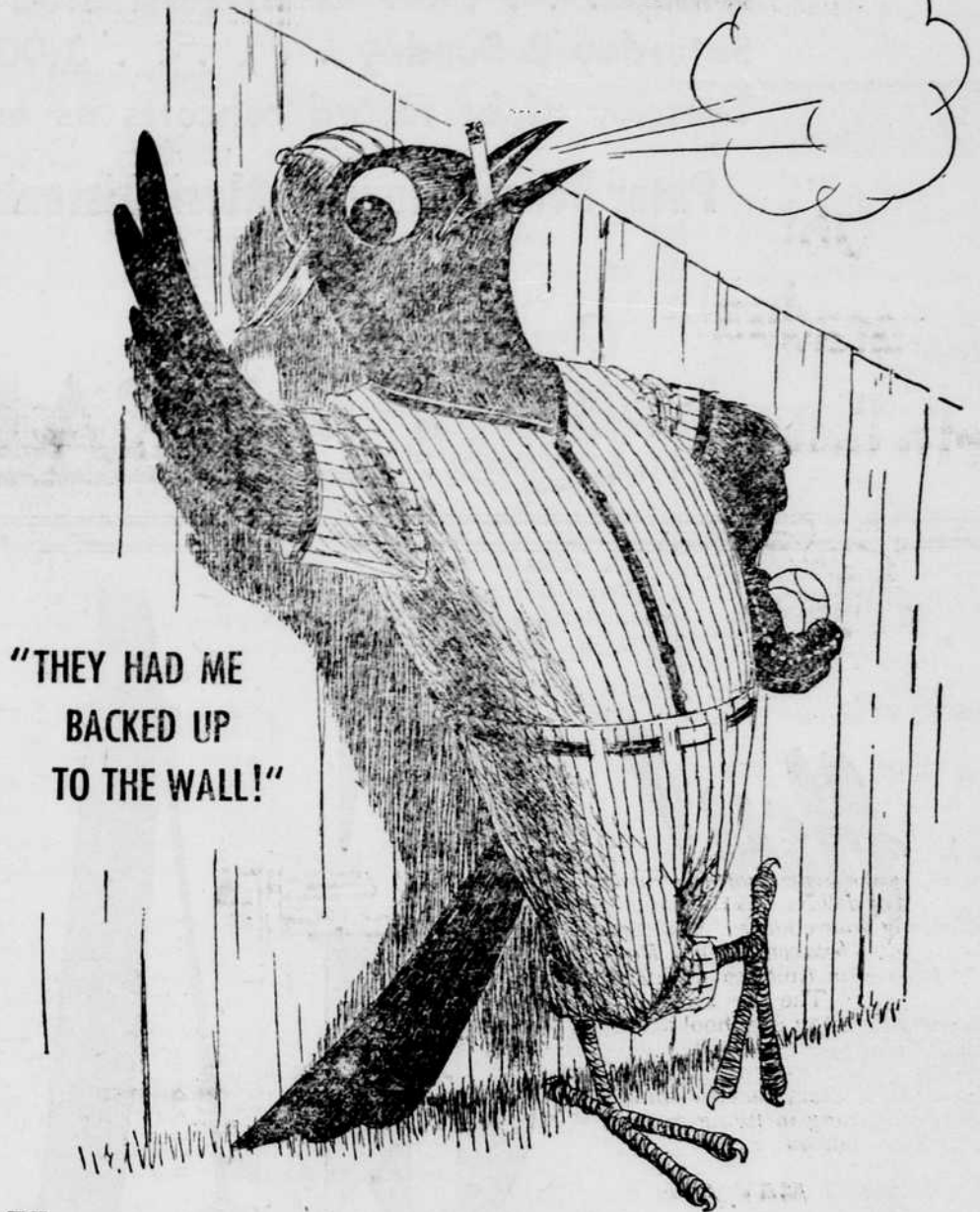
Barnes, Paul Jackson, Neil Muller, Lyman, Smith, Bob Leter, Joe Adams, Mike Kilkenny, Joe Diddock, John Basette, Ron Spores, Dick Sieverston and Gary Canova.

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