

Duck Tracks

By Doug White

Intramural sports at the University of Oregon go back farther than this person has been able to find out. The first of the Handbooks of Rules and regulations came out in 1933 and showed Paul R. Washke to be the director of the program. Dr. Washke still holds the position today, but much of the work has been taken over by a graduate student in physical education Everett Peery.

A graduate of the University of Idaho, Mr. Peery has been a jack-of-all-trades in local IM circles. His titles range from Assistant Director to Field Supervisor, but whatever the title may be, his work is still long and difficult.

When interviewed Monday afternoon Peery said that several characteristics of this year's intramural games mark the year to be one of special consequence. The first is the absence of the forfeited games. Previous to this year forfeitures occurred on a wholesale basis, with the dormitories enjoying the dubious distinction of landing on the bottom of the pile.

Frosh for the Dorms

Peery gives credit to the sudden decrease in forfeitures to the system whereby freshman pledges of fraternities are compelled to play athletics for their respective halls or not at all. He feels that this has definitely helped the intramural program.

The second characteristics of this year's activities has to do with only the softball leagues in the Spring sports. Peery pointed out that there was an abundance of good softball chuckers this season, and consequently the quality of ball played was better than that usually displayed.

Fellows like Jim Calderwood, Gene Hilfiker, Al Mann, Harlan Mickey, Jack McBee, Bob Hinman, Hal Lemon, and Tom Novikoff have taken the game, to a large extent, away from the hitters and replaced it in its old position, with the pitchers. The last boy mentioned in that list of hurlers is what one might call a victim of circumstances. Although his record is not comparable to some of the others, his pitching has been exceptional.

Back to Level

All in all the intramural year has shaped up to a level comparable to the position it occupied before the second World War. During that duration intramurals, like any other male sponsored activity, suffered. The return has been slow, but it is finally taking effect.

Since last Wednesday, April 23, there has been no action in the softball leagues due to varsity baseball games being played on Howe field. The teams will resume this coming Wednesday, April 30. Regular league play will finish up at the end of next week.

The schedule for the week May 5-8 is somewhat different from that which appears on the sports schedules in the different living organizations. If the coaches wish to find out just who and when their team plays, they should consult the bulletin board in the physical education building.

For the Last Time

One jinx is still holding up the tennis and the golf leagues, and that is the failure of the participating teams to turn in their score cards. Unless those cards are turned in, the matches are not valid.

Spending Monday afternoon watching the Oregon-Washington baseball game we saw a familiar sight on first base for the Huskies. The sight was none other than hoop star, Bob "Hooks" Houbregs. The court star had quite a day at bat, knocking out two clean base hits and barely missing a third. It was only by a beautiful fielding gem by Duck third baseman, Earl Averill, that Houbregs was tossed out. Averill converted a low line drive off the bat of the hoopster into a flashy double-play and halted a potential Washington uprising.

In the ninth inning of the same game Nick Schmer, Duck shortstop, pulled the same trick as he took an almost sure base hit away from Husky third sacker, Bob Stuhrt and doubled another man off first base.

In the 19 years since the start of scheduled Northern Division baseball, Oregon has finished first seven times. On one other occasion the Ducks finished in a tie for first.

The Eugene Country Club, where the Oregon golf team plays its matches, is considered to be one of the best golf courses in Oregon. It is 6,500 yards long and has a par of 72.

Martin Needed 'Pull'; Gets Distance Job

By Rick Tarr

A pulled leg muscle in high school started Al Martin, Oregon's sophomore mile ace, on his career as a distance runner which now finds him as one of the Northern division's top milers. Al was a better than average low hurdler at Cottage Grove during his first two years there.

In his junior year he pulled a muscle in his leg just before the first meet with Springfield. The coach decided to run him in the 880 instead of the hurdles. He won the race in 2:04.3, thus putting an end to his timber topping. This was the first half mile he had run in varsity competition.

During the 1951 season as a freshman he continued to run the half mile and recorded his best time of 1:57.3 in a telegraphic meet. This year with Hutchins concentrating on the 880, Coach Bowerman decided to try Al out in the mile, which he had run a little bit while a freshman.

Martin took the change to the longer distance in stride and is now a top contender for the Northern Division crown. The first meet this season with Washington produced his best time of 4:22.7. Now Al has his eye on the Northern Division meet in Seattle on May 17th.

His chief worry is in the person of Emerson Clark of Idaho. He beat Clark in the Idaho meet but blames this on the stiff wind and the fact that he used Clark as a wind break during most of the race. The Vandal has run the distance about a second faster than Martin's best.

Al's father is editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel and Al spends his summers working around the paper. He is a journalism major but is thinking seriously of a coaching career. Last summer he was sports editor, writing football, baseball, and a column entitled "Way Back When."

At Cottage Grove high, Al played varsity football and basketball. In his senior year he broke his leg just before football season opened up, having been slated as starting halfback. It was Oregon's journalism school and knowledge of Bowerman's fine coaching that lured Al to Eugene from the back-country.

Campbell Netmen Stop Sigma Nu

Campbell Club downed the Sigma Nu netters Tuesday afternoon in intra-mural league action.

Following are the results:
Singles: Joe Mastrandrea (C) defeated Tom Biner (S), 6-0, 6-0.
Doubles: Jerry Mock and Tom Swalm (S) defeated Dick Fuhr and Felix Rosch, 6-3, 6-4; Ray Williams and Gary Michael defeated Ted Johnson and Bob Berrie (S), 7-5, 6-2.

The University of Idaho has not won a championship in the Northern Division spring sports since the conference opened scheduled play in them.

Seven of the 54 games played between Oregon and OSC have ended in ties.

Eight Oregon trackmen have completed in the Olympic games.

VETERANS

Saturday, May 3rd is the Last Day for Draw-in Books or Supplies on the G.I. Bill this term.

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Bellissimo Tutors Bowlers

Bowling lessons will be given today at the Student Union bowling alleys. Louis Bellissimo will be on hand to give men and women any necessary instruction on bowling.

There is a charge of 40 cents to cover the cost of bowling and a charge of 10 cents to cover the cost of renting shoes. The lessons will be held at 4 p.m. and continue until 5 p.m.

'Operation Politics' Gains

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floats, Elmira high school's 60 piece band, sheriff's posse, rallies and demonstrations by University students for their choice of presidential candidates and Eugene high school students supporting their candidates.

1195 Students Delegates

Acting as state delegates Friday night in McArthur court will be 1195 students, from almost every house on campus. Seating charts with instructions as to where the delegates will sit have been sent to houses. The delegates will assemble at their designated places as soon as they arrive. Signs with the names of the states have been made by the houses for placement on the floor.

McArthur court will be decorated with flags of the various states and pictures of the candidates. The floor has been divided into four sections, "A," "B," "C" and "D."

A speaker's platform complete with microphones will be erected. Mikes will also be distributed throughout the main floor. The decorations committee plans to transform McArthur court into a reasonable facsimile of the 1948 Republican nominating convention.

The Schedule

The schedule for Friday night's convention is as follows:

Temporary chairman Francis Gillmore will open the convention at 6:30. Following the opening will be the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the Elmira high school band.

The invocation will be given by Father Evan Williams, St. Mary's Episcopal church. Delegates from the various states will be welcomed by V. E. Johnson, mayor of Eugene. Dean Orlando J. Hollis will introduce keynote speaker Val

Peterson, governor of Nebraska.

Following Gov. Peterson's address committee reports will be given by Bob Ridderbusch, credentials committee; Ray Morgan, rules; and George O'Dea, platform.

A permanent chairman will be chosen by the delegates. The chairman will present the platform resolutions which will be incorporated into the party platform unless they are voted down by the delegates.

Nominations

Nominations of presidential candidates will be made by assigned delegates. The nominating speeches are limited to five minutes, followed by four one-minute secondary speeches. There will be short demonstrations by delegates following the nominations.

After the nominations the actual balloting will take place. The results of the balloting, the convention's choice for the presidential nomination, will be announced.

The convention will be closed with a prayer.

Convention clerk will be Tom Barry; recorders, Sally Hayden and Maxine Hill and sergeant-at-arms, Bill Bailey.

The capacity of Howe Field, the home of the Oregon baseball team, is 4,000.

The University of Oregon's 1947 golf team holds the record for medal play in the Northern Division with a score of 566 for four men in 36 holes.

Oregon's 1951 track team was tied for 12th place in the NCAA competition, which was won by Southern California.

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