

# Duck Tracks

By Martin Meadows

Pitcher Bailey Brem and his Oregon State teammates just about put the skids under Oregon's last chance for some sort of league title this spring by dumping the Ducks, 3-1, in Tuesday's encounter on the local diamond.

The Webfoots, who pounded out 12 hits in winning last Saturday's contest by a wild 14-13 score, were able to glean the lusty total of five resounding bingles off Brem, whose excellent control proved too much for Coach Don Kirsch's charges. The Beavers themselves only had a total of three safeties, but combined one of these with a walk and an error for two runs. The third OSC tally came on a homer by left fielder Dwane Helbig.

## Just One Bad Pitch...

The crowd was treated to an airtight pitching duel for a full six innings, at the end of which time the teams were still knotted at 0-0. However, Helbig shattered the tie in the seventh when he picked out a slow curve tossed by Bill Mays and deposited the ball on the lower field. It was the only bad pitch Mays gave up in the seven innings he worked, but it cost him the game. The Beavers got one other hit, of the scratch variety, off Mays.

Of the two Beaver tallies which crossed the plate in the eighth frame, only one was earned. Catcher John Thomas batted in both markers with a solid double off southpaw Don Siegmund. However, Mays drew the defeat as Oregon was already behind when Siegmund entered the game.

Oregon's last gasp came in the final inning when All-American Earl Averill, benched due to an injured throwing arm, came to bat for Phil Settecase and slammed his fourth round-tripper of the ND season over the bank in left field. It was also his 17th run-batted-in.

It was unfortunate to lose such a well-pitched game by Mays, who had the OSC batters topping his delivery into the ground for easy outs. A glance at the box score will show this. Duck outfielders registered a total of only five putouts; on the other hand, Mays had five assists on balls hit to his position.

## Things Look Tough for Oregon

Brem was equally effective, and had the Webfoots popping up futilely all afternoon. The tall right-hander chalked up six-strike-outs and walked only two batters, while the two Oregon hurlers passed a total of 10 Beavers.

Oregon is now faced with the large order of winning both weekend contests with OSC if they are to win the ND championship. The fact that the Aggies will be ready to go with their aces, Don White and Brem, makes things look even darker for the Ducks.

Incidentally, it should be noted that, if Oregon and OSC split their two tilts while Washington sweeps its four-game Inland Empire invasion, the Huskies would sneak in to the title by a one-game margin over the Beavers. However, it is doubtful if they can win all four road contests. At any rate, this column's earlier prediction that the ND champ would have five and possibly six losses has been proved correct.

## Other Spring Squads Fail

Meanwhile, the other Oregon spring sports squads all failed to come through in last weekend's ND tournaments. In the case of Coach Bill Bowerman's track team which had been favored to cop the ND meet a few weeks ago but which wound up third, some apologists are pointing to the many injuries to key Duck cindermen as the reason.

While the loss of such stars as Bill Fell, Ted Anderson, Doug Clement, et al, was a serious blow to the Webfoots, an Oregon team at its strongest would still have had a difficult time beating out the victorious Washington State Cougars, who won their second straight track crown.

The track season is not yet over. The season will reach its climax this weekend in Eugene, when the PCC meet holds the spotlight for two days. Fortunately, Saturday's baseball game has been rescheduled for 12 noon to avoid a conflict with the track meet.

On the golf front, the favored Webfoot linksmen, who had not lost a single dual match all season, performed an el foldo act and limped in behind the Washington and Idaho divoters. Oregon's score of 595 was seven strokes behind the 588 turned in by the Huskies.

## Tennis Team Was Consistent

The tennis team was consistent, finishing second in league dual match competition and second in the ND tournament. As usual, Washington swept to the court title which it has lost only once since league play began in the early 1930's. Freshman Bill Rose provided most of the Duck points by reaching the semi-finals before being eliminated.

Senior Tom Macdonald, who reached the semi-finals as a sophomore and the finals last year, ended his career by losing out in the quarter-finals to Washington's number 3 man, Lou Wick, in three sets.

# Phillips Leads Webfoot Batters As Decisive Beaver Contests Near

The University of Oregon baseball team is currently led in hitting by Ron Phillips, outfielder and first-baseman, who sports a healthy .424 batting average.

The Ducks took a 3-1 loss from Oregon State Monday, and now must win both of their remaining contests with the Beavers Friday and Saturday to remain in the battle for the ND pennant.

The Webfoots are now in second place with eight wins and five losses, one-half game behind the Beavers, who have won nine and lost five. Also in contention are the Washinton Huskies, who have won seven and lost five, and have four games remaining to play.

So it will be an uphill battle for Don Kirsch's charges. Three of their normally powerful hitters are now struggling with slumps, which adds to their troubles. These are George Shaw, Sugura, and Averill.

ND batting averages to date:

	AB	H	Avg	rbi
Phillips, 1b, of	33	14	.424	7
B. Bottler, p	8	3	.375	2
Forbes, p	8	3	.375	2
Ritchey, c, of	20	7	.350	5
Averill, 3b	52	18	.346	17
Owens, p	3	1	.333	0
R. Bottler, c	44	14	.318	5
Settecase, 1b	32	10	.313	5
Livesay, of	37	11	.297	2
Sugura, of	62	17	.274	13
Schmer, ss	48	13	.271	6
Aune, p	4	1	.250	0
Shaw, of	48	11	.229	2
Nelson, 2b	60	13	.217	8
Siegmund, p	23	5	.217	5
Williams, 3b, ss	12	1	.083	1
Johnson, ss	1	0	.000	1
Mays, p	3	0	.000	0

## IM Managers Slate Monday Meeting

There will be a meeting of all intramural managers on Monday, May 26. The meeting will be held at 4:00 DST in Room 114 of the Men's PE Building.

There are three main issues to be taken up at the meeting. The first concerns the eligibility of freshmen to participate on the intramural athletic teams of fraternities while the freshmen are still living in dormitories. This year frosh were prohibited from playing on their house teams, but during the season some disputes arose as to when the rule did and did not apply. The second point of business will be the question of whether or not bowling shall be continued as a full-fledged intramural sport, carrying with it points toward the grand IM Trophy.

Thirdly, there will be a discussion of the proposal by track coach Bill Bowerman that the regulations for eligibility in intramural track be loosened.

IFC President Jack Hutchins stated that if any house presidents have suggestions as to how the intramural rules should be changed, they should call him at Beta Theta Pi before the meeting Monday.

## Decathlon Planned

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to be given, including a 32" traveling trophy for the winning organization, permanent trophies for the first three living organizations, the outstanding performer trophy, and individual medals.

Field events in the decathlon will be: javelin, shotput, discus, high jump, broad jump, and pole vault. Track events are as follows: 75 yard dash, low hurdles, three-fourth mile relay (each man will run 440 yards), and the 330 yard run.

Forms have been mailed to campus men's living organizations, and further information is available at the PE department.

## Correction

Tuesday's Emerald story on the Kappa Alpha Theta scholarship should have stated that the scholarship will go to a junior woman in art, and is approximately \$90, rather than to a senior, and exactly \$90.

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