

# Ducks Win Opener, Play OSC Today

## Two on Hill Allow Foes Trio of Hits

By Bob Cole  
Emerald Sportswriter

Two Oregon hurlers combined efforts to throw a nine inning, three hit shutout against Lewis and Clark College, as the Ducks opened their 1953 campaign with a 7-0 victory.

Bill Blodgett, a sophomore righthander, hurled three hit ball for the first five innings, and Trent Huls, a lefthanded transfer from San Bernardino JC, allowed nary a hit during the last four frames.

The contest opened as a pitching duel between leftie Ray Hyde of Lewis and Clark and Blodgett. In the bottom of the second Oregon catcher Earl Averill connected on a fast ball and sent a line drive over the center fielder's head for a home run. That was the only run scored off Hyde in the five innings he worked.

Blodgett was in trouble twice during his five frame stint. In the top of the third, centerfielder Gary Jackson sent a double to left field advancing Ron Kiel, who was on first to third. The rally was squelched as Dave Daniels, third baseman, ended the inning with a high fly to right.

### Hyde Single

Hyde singled with one down in the fifth, and when Kiel laid down a bunt both were safe on a fielder's choice. Jackson sacrificed them on another base, but Daniels again ended the inning, grounding out short to first.

During his stint, Huls drifted along without any trouble. Two deep flies were hit off him, but Jim Livesay in center field made sparkling catches of each of them to keep the leftie out of trouble. Huls struck out five and Blodgett added three to make the combined Oregon total eight for the contest.

The Oregon hitters had a great day at the plate for the first contest of the season. After Averill's fourmaster play settled down and the Ducks failed to dent the plate until the sixth inning.

At that point, with two out, Pete Williams was hit by relief pitcher Charlie Bonando. Jim Johnson then hit a grounder to deep short that went for a base hit. An attempted double steal resulted in Johnson being run down between first and second, and Williams scored from third in the confusion.

The Webfoots' big inning at the plate came in the bottom of the seventh when a barrage of five singles, aided by three walks, produced five runs. Oregon sent eleven men to the plate during the frame and two Pioneer chuckers were sent to the showers before the fire was put out. Base hits in the inning were collected by Livesay, George Shaw, Ron Phillips, Bob Wagner, and Williams.

### Livesay, Wagner Top Hitters

The Oregon batters were paced by Livesay and Wagner, who each collected two safeties. Earl Averill batted in a pair of runs, and this homer was the only Duck extra-base hit. Total hits for the Ducks numbered eleven.

Defensive play during the contest was exceptional for a season's opener as both clubs played flawless ball.

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ALUMS Bill Burgher, top, and Walt Kirsch, right, are among the impressive ex-Oregon baseball stars that will meet the varsity baseball nine Saturday afternoon on local Howe field.



## Kirsch's Diamond Nine Meet Alums

Oregon's Webfoots, who Thursday successfully opened the 1953 baseball season by defeating the Lewis and Clark Pioneers, meet the Oregon State Beavers this afternoon at two o'clock and Saturday take on the Oregon alums.

Saturday afternoon the Webfoots meet the Oregon alums. Game time is scheduled for two o'clock, and a doubleheader may be staged if the weather is good.

### Alums Play

A large aggregation of outstanding alums is expected to be suited up for the game. Bill Carney, who captained Oregon's 1942 Northern Division champs and twice made the all-conference team, will coach the alums. The club will wear the uniforms of the Archer Blower and Pipe team of Portland.

Quite a few of the alums expected to play are now in professional baseball. Among the most familiar are Bill Burgher, Stu Fredericks, Roy Carlson, Barney Koch, and Hal Zurcher.

Some others scheduled to be present are Mel Krause, Stan Aune, Joe Segura, Nick Schmer, Joe Tom, and Phil Settecase. The two weekend games round out the first week of action at home for the Webfoots. The next game scheduled for Howe field is Friday, April 10, against Willamette university.

University of Washington has lost only one home basketball game in Edmundson Pavilion since Tippy Dye became the Huskies' coach three seasons ago.

## OSC FAVORED

# Oregon Runners Leave Saturday For Willamette University Relays

By Jim White  
Emerald Sportswriter

The Oregon Webfoot trackmen leave Saturday for the Willamette relays at McCulloch stadium in Salem. The meet, largest annual cinder event in the state, is expected to attract 1500 athletes from 109 high schools and 12 colleges throughout Oregon and Washington. Oregon's varsity and freshman teams will both participate in the event.

The varsity lettermen making the trip include Jerry Mock, Doug Clement, Ted Anderson, Jack Loftis, Al Martin, Fred Turner, and Wayne Reiser. Frosh making the trip are Bob Fudge, Dick James, Dick Gienger, Gordon Dahlquist, Gerry Gibson, Bill Dellinger, Doyle Higdon, Clary McFarland, Bob Freirich, Dave Talbot, Bob Reid, Dick Barber and Harry Johnson.

Events included in the track division are high hurdles, 440, 880, mile, 2 mile, 100 yard dash, 440 relay, and 2 mile relay. The field events are pole vault, broad jump, high jump, shot put, discus and javelin.

Oregon State appears to be the pre-meet favorite with Washington a close second. Oregon's defending dual meet champs will

compete favorably in all events according to track coach Bill Bowerman. The freshmen are as yet untested but they can be expected to turn in a good performance.

## IM's Start Monday

All intramural softball, tennis, and golf enthusiasts had better get warmed up for spring sports, according to an announcement from the intramural office. Action will begin for all three sports this Monday, stated Assistant IM Director Gene Evonuk.

## Theta Chi Captures Mural Alley Crown

Theta Chi won the winter intramural bowling crown by defeating Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Hall, 5202-5170-4978.

Leading the Theta Chi keggers were Bruce Koppe, 1114, and Leo Naapi, 1061. The top bowler of the playoffs, however, was Norm Ruecker, Alpha Hall, with a 1129 total. Naapi also turned in the highest single row, 234.

## NCAA Finally Compiles Totals

Associated Press

The National Collegiate Athletic service bureau has released what it says is positively the last set of scoring figures for the 1952-53 basketball season.

After all the figuring was done, it was discovered that seven new major records had been set.

The top new record belongs to Frank Selvy, of Furman. Frank averaged 29 and one-half points per game which surpassed the old mark of 29 and one-fifth points per contest set a couple of years ago by Bill Milkvy of Temple.

Other new records were set by the following: Johnny O'Brien of Seattle with 884 points for the season; a 59.5 per cent field goal av-

erage by Vernon Stokes of St. Francis of Brooklyn; 425 free throw attempts by Walt Dukes of Seton Hall; 332 free throws made by O'Brien; 23.5 rebounds a game by Fordham's Ed Conlin and a total of 734 rebounds by Dukes.

## Bearcats Lick OSC

Willamette nosed out Oregon State 7 to 6 in a game at Corvallis yesterday, before 1,800 fans. First Baseman Fay Dean slammed a home run and 2 triples for Oregon State, but Willamette curbed a late-uprising to win. Tex Kirken-dall collected a single and a 2-run double to lead Willamette.

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