

Duck Tracks

By John Whitty

At long last big Chet Noe has been given the recognition he so obviously has deserved since the end of the recent basketball season, with the releasing of the Helms Athletic Foundation All-America teams. Noe was chosen on the All-America second team by the foundation, and was one of four Pacific coast athletes selected on the first three teams.

Johnny O'Brien of Seattle University and Bob Houbregs, star center of the Washington Huskies made the first squad, and Ken Flowers of Southern California was placed on the third five. For some time, basketball observers in the Eugene area have been talking over the possibility of Noe being selected on an All-America squad and it finally happened.

Big Chet Had Some Notice

However, Chet has not been going entirely unnoticed in the basketball world this year. He was a unanimous choice for the Northern Division team, and also made the AAU All-America five after the National tournament at Denver. He was the center on the fourth place Everybody's Drugs team which defeated the strong Phillips Oilers in the tourney at Denver.

Noe, along with another Oregon student, Doug Talbot, was a mainstay on the team, and the Druggists did a very creditable job in Denver, even though they lost out in the semi-finals. Significantly, Chet Noe missed this game due to an attack of the flu which kept him in bed during the semi-final tilt.

If some students are wondering why professional tennis stars Jack Kramer and Frank Sedgeman are not visiting Eugene and McArthur Court this year, the answer is that the admission charges set by the touring netmen were too high, according to Art Litchman, Director of the Athletic News Bureau here at the University.

The pros would have charged \$1.20 for student admission, as compared with the 60 cents charged by the Globetrotters and other similar groups that have visited the University this year. The feeling was that the price for the tennis exhibition was comparatively too high for such a group of visiting entertainers.

Oregon Runners Strong

This weekend's track meet with Oregon State at Corvallis should prove quite interesting, although it may be somewhat dull to the fans watching it. All facts seem to indicate that the meeting will be close, as far as total points are concerned, but that the only contests in most of the individual events will be between members of each team.

In the field events, Oregon State has a decided advantage. Most of the Beaver lettermen are weight men, jumpers, and th like. On the other hand, the Webfoots are almost equally strong in the running events, with such seasoned performers as Ted Anderson, Doug Clement, Wayne Reiser, Al Martin, and Fred Turner, to name just a few, and the final results will probably show OSC winning the field events, while the Ducks should win most of the running events.

Baseball is also getting up a full head of steam here at the university, with the Northern Division season opener only a week away. The Ducks start the ND trek right here in Eugene on April 15, when they will play host to the visiting Idaho Vandals in the first of a two-game series. Coach Don Kirsch and his men also stay at home for the two following series, with Washington State and the Huskies of the University of Washington.

Schedule May Hurt Webfoot Nine

An extended schedule of games away from home then confronts the Webfoot nine, with no home games on the slate until the May 16th tilt with OSC, except for one non-league contest with the University of Portland on April 28. This puts the Oregon diamondmen in the disadvantageous position of playing six consecutive games in a row away from home just when the ND flag race should be getting hot. The Webfoots will have to chalk up a creditable record in this first round of home games if they hope to finish near the top in the ND race.

While checking overf the track schedule for this year we noticed that the Northern Division cinder meet this year is to be held on Hayward field here in Eugene, which should be of some help to Webfoot track hopefuls, although it is doubtful if the fact that the meet is to be held on familiar territory will greatly increase the chances of the Ducks winning the meet. To all appearances, the Ducks will have to be satisfied with second or third place, or perhaps even lower.

MERCENARY MOPPETS

New Twist on Shagging

By Sam Vahey
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The University of Oregon athletic business office, lacking nothing in the art of child psychology, has hit upon a strictly ingenious method of cutting high costs in these inflated times.

It seems the department had been losing quite a bit of money, during baseball season, on high foul balls that popped over the backstop and out on to University street. With an average of five balls going astray at each home game, and with each ball costing somewhere in the neighborhood of \$2.00, this ball-losing business was running into money.

Ten Cents a Ball

So, several years back, the business office decided to offer ten cents and free admission into the ball game for every spheroid that was turned in by a finder at the admission gate.

This system has, and is, working satisfactorily; but this year the kids, who retrieve the balls, have added a new twist to the situation.

No longer do they wait outside Howe field, strictly for the purpose of recovering a foul ball and then getting into the game free. No; far from it. Baseball games are old stuff for them.

Their latest fad has been to turn in any recovered balls, but then, instead of giving up the horsehide and walking into the game, they turn right around and head back out on the street again in the hopes of capturing another ball and getting an additional dime—a strictly mercenary practice.

Three Prizes

The business office, not failing to notice the enthusiasm with which the kids return the balls, had added three prizes to further incite, and reward, the "retrievers." At the end of the season, the

person with the most number of "returns" to his credit will get \$4.00 in cash, and, strange as it may seem, another baseball, which by the way, he can keep. This one will also be autographed by the baseball team. Second prize is \$2.00 and a ball, and third award is just a signed baseball.

There is no question as to the success of this program. Of nineteen foul balls that have been lofted over the screen and out onto the street, every one has found its way back to the diamond via the hands of the junior baseball enthusiasts.

As Athletic Manager Ted Bouck pointed out, this has already resulted in a savings of about \$38. This sum, although representing only four games, has already paid for the prizes at the end of the season, and has grossly offset the \$1.90 that the office has handed out through the "Retrievers Fund."

According to observant bystanders, the kids spare nothing to get back the ball, even if it means throwing a cross body block into a rival pursuer. The most effective method of getting the baseball, it seems, is to stand on the bank of the cemetery across University street and wait until a ball pops over the fence, and bounces off the road into the cemetery. From then on, it's a wild scramble among the kids to see who can hang onto the ball long enough to get it back to the admission gate.

WSSF Chairman Names Committee

Committee workers for World Student Service Fund drive solicitation have been announced by Lon Perkins, assistant solicitations chairman. The committee includes Ancy Vincent, house; Jane Slocum, faculty; Tina Fisk, employee; Gloria Jameson, off-campus; Jackie Steuart, special gifts, and Dorothy Carlson, church contracts.

Solicitor training meetings are scheduled for 4 p.m. Thursday, April 16, in the Student Union. Off-campus solicitors and house representatives are urged to attend these meetings, and anyone else interested in the World Student Service Fund is invited to hear the instruction and discussion, Miss Perkins said.

Journalism Professors To Attend ONPA Meet

Carl C. Webb, assistant professor of journalism and secretary of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association, and W. L. Thompson, assistant professor of journalism, will attend the ONPA meeting Saturday in Portland.

Girl Top Shagger
Strangely enough, it's a girl that's leading the pack in the race for the most baseballs. Fourteen-year-old Kaye Peterson has doubled the amount of returns of her nearest rival and has personally accounted for six of the nineteen horsehides. When asked why she did it, she shrugged off the money angle, stating that she only did it because her brother "dared me to."

Following Kaye are two future big leaguers, Barky Slocum and Ty Campbell, (notice the names), who have each brought back three. Several others have returned a singleton, but the three aforementioned retrievers are well out into the lead.

Civil Service Lists Job Examinations

An archivist examination for filling positions paying \$3410 yearly has been announced by the United States civil service commission.

Most of the positions are in the National Archives and Records service of the General Services administration in Washington, D. C.

A written test will be given. The maximum age limit is 35 (waived for persons entitled to veteran preference).

Full information and application forms may be obtained from the U.S. civil service commission, Washington 25, D.C. Applications must be filed not later than April 21 with the executive secretary, board of U.S. civil examiners, general services administration, Washington 25, D.C.

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Western Author To Visit Campus

Visiting the campus next week will be the author of the "Ox Bow Incident," Walter Van Tilburg Clark. Clark will meet with classes and other student groups during the week, and give a public lecture April 15, on "The Place, The Purpose and The Story" at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union browsing room.

Clark, a comparatively young writer, rose to nation wide acclaim on the merit of his first novel, the "Ox Bow Incident" published in 1940. The book was later produced as a movie by 20th Century-Fox. In the past ten years he has written several other works of note and in 1945 was awarded the O Henry Short Story award.

Although born in the East, Clark is considered a Westerner because his novels have their locales in the state of Nevada, and he has lived for many years in and around the city of Reno. He attended the University of Nevada, and first came West when his father became president of the school.

Men's Spring Rush To Open Monday

Spring term open rush for men begins Monday, according to the office of student affairs. All men who have a 2 point accumulative or better and who made a 2 point or higher on 12 hours winter term are eligible.

Men planning to go through rushing should fill out a rushing card at the student affairs office as soon as possible, according to the announcement.

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