

Duck Tracks

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If anyone should ask a University of Oregon student what the biggest laugh of 1954 has been so far, they would no doubt reply that the after game story of last Saturday's Oregon-Oregon State basketball game by L. H. Gregory of the Oregonian will have to take the cake.

Gregory really did himself proud on this occasion with one of the most absurd pieces of literature that we have run across in some time. If he had read his story on the radio program, "Can You Top This?" he would have undoubtedly hit the very top of their laugh meter.

An OSC Alum?

For a man who is sports editor of, supposedly, the top newspaper in the state of Oregon it was certainly a disgraceful story. From all appearances of his writing, Gregory is definitely an Oregon State fan from way back and obviously couldn't take it when he saw his proud Beavers being upset by the fired up Ducks.

Rather than give the "fighting five" of coach Bill Borchert any kind of credit he spent all his writing time in making excuses for the OSC defeat. As for the Webfoots' strategic stall in the second quarter, which was eventually to be the big factor in the victory, Gregory termed it, "a horrible exhibition of public-be-damned basketball." Mr. Gregory seems to have forgotten that the purpose of playing a game of basketball is to win and not to please the crowd.

Zone Tough to Crack

In Friday night's game at Corvallis the Ducks very clearly demonstrated that they were no match for Oregon State's clever zone defense and so when the opportunity presented itself Saturday evening and they saw they had a chance to get the Beavers out of the zone they were quick to act. No, "Sir" Gregory, this was not public-be-damned basketball. It was just a case of the Oregon basketball team and their coach, Bill Borchert, being a little too smart for Slat Gill and his Beavers.

Another thing we would like to straighten out in Gregory's warped mind is the attitude of the crowd towards the frozen ball antics. As Gregory wrote in his story about the second quarter, "nine minutes and 58 seconds were a bad dream for all hands, 8300 spectators most of all." Ugh! Nothing could be farther from the truth. All the Oregon students and most of the Duck fans in the general admission sections were screaming wildly for joy at seeing the Oregons in a commanding position over their taller opponents. The only people in the crowd who were unhappy about the stall were the OSC Beavers and those folks who just don't understand basketball well enough to see smart playing when it is occurring right in front of their noses.

Hurrah for the Ducks

It did our hearts good to see Oregon show Oregon State up at its own game, that of slowing action down to a snail's pace. For many years Oregon teams have tried their darndest to play fast and interesting basketball against the Orangemen and always before Gill would have his netters slow the game down so the Webfoots would be thwarted in their efforts to run. On this occasion the Ducks beat their rivals at their own game and we think it calls for a salute to Borchert and his team for a job well done.

Fighting Irish Select Brennan As New Coach

Notre Dame university has pulled a surprise by naming a 25-year-old former halfback, Terry Brennan, as football coach to succeed Frank Leahy, who retired from the coaching ranks only yesterday.

Brennan is the youngest head coach ever appointed by a major collegiate football power. He played for Notre Dame from 1945 through 1948 and then coached a Chicago high school to three city titles. Brennan became an assistant under Leahy last September.

Leahy resigned yesterday on advice of his doctors. He describes Brennan as "a very talented young man, who borders almost on the genius as a coach."

In replacing Leahy, Brennan is taking over for probably one of the greatest football coaches that ever donned coaching gear. Leahy's teams have been among the top elevens in the nation for so many years in a row that it has almost become a formality with the Fighting Irish.

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SAE's, Thetas, ATO's Post Wins

Six "B" teams vied for wins in Mondays intramural basketball action. All of the games were in the fairly low scoring bracket, with no team scoring over 30 points. In the first of the days action, the Sigma Alpha Epsilon "B's" rolled over the Phi Gamma Delta "B" quint by a 23-8 margin. Phi Kappa Psi "B" was defeated in the second game 24-18 by Theta Chi "B", and Alpha Tau Omega squeaked past Beta Theta Pi by a 19-15 count.

The box scores:

SAE "B" (23)	F	(8) Fijis "B"	F
Rapp, 3	F	Lally	F
Gabrielson, 0	F	2, Lloyd	F
Porter, 2	C	2, Brinton	C
Lewis, 0	G	2, Mecklem	G
Talbot, 13	G	Ruif	G
Subs: SAE, Withington 2, Anstett, Smith 2, Hale 1. Fijis, Kellogg 1, Karr 1.			
Phi Psi "B" (18)	F	(24) Theta Chi "B"	F
Bill Haney, 11	F	10, Murray	F
Kubes, 2	F	3, Jones	F
White, 1	C	4, Flaucker	C
Bob Haney, 2	G	5, Hamilton	G
Baker, 2	G	1, Phillips	G
Subs: Theta Chi, Harber, Naapi.			
ATO "B" (19)	F	(15) Beta Theta Pi "B"	F
Moriarity, 1	F	5, Van Allen	F
Hamilton, 3	F	2, Adams	F
Pheister, 2	C	2, Sogge	C
Page, 2	G	2, Martin	G
Dubosch, 10	G	3, Nordling	G
Subs: A T T; Davis, Reiser 3. Beta: Hart 3.			

Ducks Face WSC In Crucial Series

With the crucial OSC series just completed, Oregon's Ducks, current ND leaders, take the floor again tonight and tomorrow against the resurgent WSC Cougars. Game time for the varsity clashes is 8 p. m.

The Oregon Frosh (2-2 on the season) also get into the act, facing the very strong Everybody's Drug team tonight and the Linfield JV's on Wednesday. Frosh games start at 5:45.

WSC comes here with a poor season's record but if their 71-61 victory over Idaho last Friday night is any indication of their ability, they will be very tough. At Pullman earlier this season,

Oregon won two from Jack Friel's cagers by scores of 75-73 and 65-56. And last year the Ducks swept all four contests from their rivals from the Palouse hills.

Probable starting lineups are Jerry Ross, Ed Halberg, Max An-

NORTHERN DIVISION STANDINGS

OREGON	W	L	Pct.
Oregon State	6	2	.750
Idaho	5	3	.625
Washington State	4	4	.500
Washington	2	4	.333
	1	5	.167

derson, Ken Wegner, and Barney Holland for Oregon. For WSC it will likely be Ron Bennink, Al Perry, Bill Rehder, Bob Swanson, and Bob Klock.

Tankers Beat MAC Amphibs

The University of Oregon varsity swimming team splashed to an amazingly easy 52-28 win over the Multnomah Athletic club in the Men's pool last Saturday afternoon.

Leading the way for Coach John Borchardt's swimmers was free styler Orlando Mathias, who racked up many points with wins in both the 60 and 100-yard dashes.

Also scoring impressive wins for the Ducks were Harry Fuller in the 220 yard race and Jerry Froebe in the 440. The Webfoots took the 440 yard relay to add still more points to their total.

Visitors Challenge

The only events in which the visitors showed any superiority were the backstroke and the breaststroke in which they broke the Ducks' winning monopoly.

It was the first meet of the season for the Oregon team and marked the second consecutive year in which Borchardt's crew has defeated MAC.

Delts Whip Sammies In Monday Handball

Delta Tau Delta came from behind to take the final two matches and win two out of the three from Sigma Alpha Mu in Monday intramural handball action. The Sammies took the first of the two singles matches, but dropped the second singles and the doubles to lose to the Delts.

Singles: Sussman (SAM) defeated Hall-ock (Delts) 21-0 21-2.
Singles: Ricketts (Delts) defeated Friedman (SAM) 21-16 21-19.
Doubles: Peterson and Hinry (Delts) defeated Rubenstein and dSherman (SAM) 21-

Duck Keglers Roll to Victory

The undefeated University of Oregon varsity bowling team rolled to two victories over Oregon State's keggers in a home and home match last weekend.

Friday afternoon at Corvallis the Ducks downed the Beavers, 2710 pins to 2634. On Saturday at Eugene Lou Bellissimo's talented team scored a 2688 to 2491 victory.

In the Friday match Bob Boyle, Leo Napi, Champ Husted, Bruce Koppe, and Jim Ekstrom did the bowling for the Ducks and on Saturday it was Boyle, Napi, Husted, Koppe, Norm Ruecker, and Sam Sorensen doing the kegling.

Boyle was the leading scorer both days and in the second match rolled a up a very good average per game score of 210.

In the co-ed matches, which were going on at the same time as the varsity battles, OSC came out on top, 1991 to 1906 on Friday and Oregon won out in a close one on Saturday, 1793 to 1784.

Call For Footballers

Head football coach Len Casanova has called a meeting for all men interested in turning out for varsity football next season. The confab is slated for McArthur court at 3:30 p. m. this afternoon.

Casanova has announced that he is very eager to meet with next year's football prospects and urges that all players be present.

SPORTS FARE

Tuesday, February 2, 1954
BASKETBALL
3:50, Court 40, Sigma Chi B vs Phi Delta Theta B.
3:50, Court 43, Sigma Phi Epsilon B vs Phi Kappa Sigma B.
4:35, Court 40, Delta Tau Delta B vs Chi Psi B.
4:35, Court 43, French Hall B vs Nestor Hall B.
5:15, Court 40, Merrick Hall B vs Susan Campbell B.
5:15, Court 43, Hale Kane B vs Legal Eagles B.

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