

Ducks Nab Northern Division Titles

Trenton Huls Pitches Crucial Baseball Win

Oregon's Ducks sewed up the Northern Division baseball championship at Howe field Saturday afternoon when Trenton Huls pitched a five-hit shut-out to down the Oregon State Beavers, 4-0.

By virtue of the victory the Ducks earned themselves a berth in the NCAA Western Regional playoffs which will start at Howe field next Friday afternoon. The other entries in the tourney will be Southern California, Fresno State and Seattle university.

Huls, who had been having trouble with his control in games of late and hadn't finished a tussle in almost a month, was invincible on this particular afternoon. The booming OSC bats were completely stopped and, except for the fifth, the Beavers were unable to get more than one bingle in any one inning.

Wilson Hurls Well

Dick Wilson, the Staters' prize sophomore pitcher who won over the Webfoots last Monday, was Ralph Coleman's pitching choice for the all-important league deciding game. Wilson hurled good ball, giving up only six hits, but he had the misfortune to have one bad inning and that cost him the ball game.

Wilson held the Ducks scoreless in every inning except the fourth. Don Kirsch's nine put together two hits, a pair of walks, and an OSC error to tally all their runs. The big inning started for Oregon when Jerry Ross got to first on a walk, John Keller gained life on Wilson's wild throw to first and both men advanced one base while first baseman Jay Dean was chasing the ball. This put men on second and third with none out.

Dangerous George Shaw lined out to Bob Buob at shortstop for the first out but four pitches later the bases were all loaded as Wilson gave Norm Forbes an intentional base on balls. Wilson's strategy in walking Forbes was a hope that Dick Schlosstein, the next batter, would hit an infield grounder and the Beavers could end the inning with a double play.

It was a good idea but on this particular occasion it didn't work out as planned. Schlosstein, not in a complying mood, bloomed a "Texas League" single to right field and Ross came in with the first run of the tilt.

Williams Hits

Catcher Neal Marlett gained an RBI as next man up when he grounded out to infield bringing Keller from third. With two outs under his collar, it appeared as though Wilson had everything under control at last. But Pete Williams of the Ducks had other ideas and sent a screaming single to left field to score Forbes and Schlosstein with the final two markers of the inning.

Huls had had some shaky innings up until then, but when he found himself with a four run lead to work on he became very stingy. In the fifth Jim Withrow and Bob Buob singled with one out but Huls quickly quieted the threat by forcing Jerry Exley and Jay Dean to fly out to Forbes in right.

The Kirschmen tried hard to add to their lead in the late innings but could never quite get another score across the plate. In the sixth Shaw opened the inning with a double down the left field line but he, along with Marlett, who walked with two out, were left stranded as Williams grounded to the pitcher.

In the seventh inning Jerry Ross clouted a long triple to right field with two outs but was out at the plate when he tried to steal home. John Keller's inning opening double in the eighth went for naught as Wilson and relief pitcher Al Guidotti put the next three men down in order.

With the ND championship hanging in the balance in the ninth, Huls struck out Doug Wray and retired Jack Stephenson on a fly. This put the Ducks within one out of the title. Pinch-hitter Norb Wellman prolonged the agony for Huls and his teammates when he poked a scratch double to right, but Schlosstein pulled down Withrow's liner down the first base line to end the game.

For Oregon the win marked their second straight Northern Division title. Last year the Ducks edged the Beavers by one-half game to take the pennant.

NORTHERN DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.
OREGON	11	5	.688
OSC	10	6	.625
Washington	8	6	.571
WSC	7	7	.500
Idaho	2	14	.125

OSC (0)	AB	R	H	E
Withrow, lf	4	0	1	0
Buob, ss	3	0	1	0
Exley, cf	4	0	0	0
Dean, 1b	4	0	1	0
Fisk, 3b	4	0	1	0
Pinion, lf	3	0	0	0
Wray, 2b	4	0	0	0
Stephenson, c	4	0	0	0
Wilson, p	2	0	0	1
Guidotti, p	0	0	0	0
*-Wellman	1	0	1	0

Oregon (4)	AB	R	H	E
Ross, lf	3	1	1	0
Keller, ss	4	1	1	0
Shaw, cf	4	0	2	0
Forbes, rf	2	1	0	0
x-Phillips	1	0	0	0
Averill, rf	0	0	0	0
Schlosstein, 1b	4	1	1	0
Marlett, c	2	0	0	0
Williams, 3b	3	0	1	0
Johnson, 2b	3	0	0	0
Huls, p	3	0	0	1

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 *-Doubled for Guidotti in 9th.
 x-Grounded out for Forbes in 8th.

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Oregon Linksters Take Golf Crown

The University of Oregon won the Northern Division golf championship at the Eugene Country Club last Saturday with a low total of 606. Oregon State finished second with 621 and Idaho took third spot honors with 625.

Bob Donnelly of second place OSC took medalist honors for the tournament with a 36-hole score of 142, two under par. Don Krieger of Oregon, last year's medal winner, had to settle for second place this season with a score of 145.

Duck golfers who participated in the meet were Krieger, Al Mundle, Bob Takano and Neil Dwyer. Mundle's 150 was second to Krieger's score for Sid Milligan's linksmen.

By winning the ND title the Ducks established themselves as the undisputed champions of the league.

Trackmen Tip Huskies In Close Meet Finish

Buzz Nelson

Emerald Sports Writer

The University of Oregon Saturday won the 1954 Pacific Coast conference Northern Division track and field championship at Pullman, Wash. Doug Clement came from behind to win the mile relay and give the Ducks a 49% to 48% victory over Washington, after one of the most stirring races in ND history.

Entering the final event — the mile relay — Oregon trailed the Huskies by one point. Doug Talbott, Gordon Dahlquist, and Fred Jacobs put Oregon in the lead for the first three laps but Clement fell behind Washington's Stanford Green starting the last 440 yards.

But with a great finish, Clement passed Green in the last 200 yards and Coach Bill Bowerman's trackmen had won Oregon's first ND crown since 1950 and its second in the last 20 years.

Oregon emerged with five winners—Bill Dellinger in the mile; Ken Reiser, upset winner over Denny Meyer in the two-mile; Captain Bob Faucett in the high jump; newcomer Fred Jacobs, transfer from Santa Rosa JC, in the 440; and the relay team, which finished in the near record time of 3:20.9.

Washington also had five winners, but it was the Oregon depth which paid off.

No records were set, but there were many outstanding performances.

Sprinter Bob Gary of WSC posted the excellent times of 9.6 in the 100-yard dash, and 21.0 in the

220. Jerry Church of OSC won the javelin with a toss of 216 feet 11 inches. Dellinger beat defending champ Bob Fornia of Washington in the mile with 4:19.4, and Reiser defeated the heavily favored Meyer in the two-mile with 9:24.7.

ND Track Results

Mile run—Dellinger (O), Fornia (W), Rader (WSC), Clark (I). Time—4:19.4.
 Shot put—Wardlow (W), Brown (WSC), Pixley (WSC), Strom (W). Distance—58' 7".
 440-yard dash—Jacobs (O), Olsen (I), Green (W), Dahlquist (O). Time—49.4.
 100-yard dash—Gary (WSC), Springbett (O), Sorsly (O), Ledbetter (W). Time—9.6.
 120-yard high hurdles—Chambers (OSC), Torgerson (WSC), Lowry (OSC), Church (I). Time—14.8.
 Pole vault—Hilton (W); three way tie for second between Hickenbottom (O), Reid (O), and Glander (WSC). Height—13'.
 Javelin—Church (OSC), West (I), Higdon (O), Thurman (WSC). Distance—216' 11".
 High jump—Faucett (O), Skartvedt (W); four way tie for third place between Baderick (O), Halligan (OSC), Schell (OSC) and Bryan (W). Height—6' 3/4".
 880-yard run—Link (WSC), Clement (O), Robinson (W), Gayton (W). Time—1:55.7.
 Broad jump—Skartvedt (W), Johnson (O), Brown (OSC), Church (I). Distance—22' 2 3/4".
 220-yard dash—Gary (WSC), Wray (WSC), Talbot (O), Springbett (O). Time—21.
 Two mile run—Reiser (O), Meyer (W), Gaurley (I), Dellinger (O). Time—9:24.7.
 220-yard low hurdles—Ledbetter (W), Chambers (OSC), Sorsly (O), Tractinsky (WSC). Time—23.8.
 Discus—Parsons (W), Wardlow (W), Fulwyler (OSC), Strom (W). Distance—153' 4".
 Mile relay—Oregon (Talbot, Dahlquist, Jacobs and Clement), Washington, WSC, Idaho. Time—3:20.9.

When Oregon's fast two-miler, Wayne Reiser, beat out Washington's Denny Meyer Saturday in the ND track and field meet, it marked the first time this season that the Husky runner has had to settle for less than a first place finish.

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