

Ducks Win Two, Drop Three On California Baseball Tour

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The strain of five games in six days proved too much for the Oregon pitching staff as the Ducks dropped the last three games of the California tour.

Coach Don Kirsch's club opened the season with a 3-0 win over Stanford Monday, March 21, and scored a 7-4 triumph the next day. They then lost a pair to San Jose State, 7-3 and 5-2 on Wednesday and Friday and were outslugged by California 11-5 in a Saturday encounter.

Portland Here

The Webfoots continue the season this Thursday with their home opener against the Portland university Pilots. The Ducks play at Willamette Friday and tackle Lewis and Clark in a doubleheader at Portland Saturday.

In the first Stanford game, Bill Blodgett and Bill Garner stopped the Cards with six scattered hits while their mates pounded three Stanford hurlers for single runs in the second, fifth and eighth innings.

In the second Pete Williams got on via the error route and tallied on a long single by Neal Marlett. George Shaw singled in the fifth, stole second, and scored on Bob Wagner's one-baser. The final run came on Marlett's double and Jerry Ross's single.

Shaw, with a triple and single, and Marlett, with a double and a single, were the hitting stars.

Schlosstein Swats

The Ducks took the Tuesday game 7-4 on the strength of a homer and two singles by junior firstbaseman Dick Schlosstein. The 380-foot circuit clout was only the 33d ever hit in Stanford's sunken diamond.

Ev Stiles and Terry Maddox, two newcomers to the Oregon pitching staff, combined to limit Stanford to four runs despite

11 hits, four walks, and four errors.

Norm Forbes, Northern Division's leading sticker in 1954, rapped out three-for-four and Shaw added a pair of singles.

Shortstop John Keller was hit in the head by a pitched ball in the eighth inning and taken to Palo Alto hospital. He suffered only a bad bruise, however, and was in the lineup again the next day.

Battle of Homers

The first San Jose State game was a battle of home runs. Shaw



GEORGE SHAW
Paces Duck Hitting

and Williams homered for Oregon and Chuck Reynolds and Jerry Clifford cleaned the bases for the Sparts.

Shaw's homer came in the first with Keller on first via a single. Williams hit a solo homer in the fourth. San Jose's big blow was Clifford's three-run homer in the third. The Spartans rocked Forbes, Oregon's star hurler, for five runs in three frames.

Clifford hit two more four-masters Friday as Oregon lost

again 5-2. Oregon hit Spartan right-hander Bill Kline for 13 singles, but could produce only two runs. Jim Johnson and Keller each hit three-for-four for the Ducks.

Webfoot pitching was hit the hardest in the 11-5 Saturday loss to Cal. The Bears counted 11 runs on 13 hits off the efforts of Garner and Maddox. Williams, normally an infielder, took the mound for the second time on the tour, and set Cal down one-two-three in the eighth.

Averill Leads Attack

Bernie Averill slashed out three singles to pace the Duck attack. Shaw, who hit nearly .500 for the trip, slugged a triple.

Linescores:

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Oregon	010	010	010-3 10 3
Stanford	000	000	000-0 6 5

Blodgett, Garner 6 and Marlett; Verduran, Brown 7, Jones 9 and Swartz, Murphy 9.

	R	H	E
Oregon	002	020	111-7 8 4
Stanford	000	010	021-4 11 5

Stiles, Maddox 4 and Marlett; Payne, Young 6, Duncan 9, and Swartz.

	R	H	E
Oregon	200	100	000-3 9 2
San Jose State	023	200	00x-7 8 1

Forbes, Holt 4, Williams 7 and Marlett, Bowen 8; Dick and Clifford.

	R	H	E
Oregon	010	000	001-2 13 0
San Jose State	302	000	00x-5 10 1

Blodgett, Lundell 7, and Marlett; Kline, Dick 9, and Clifford.

	R	H	E
Oregon	200	003	000-5 7 3
California	046	000	10x-11 13 1

Garner, Maddox 3, Williams 8, and Marlett, Bowen, J. Gaggero and Kalamaras.

Cindermen Outpace Willamette in Opener

By Jerry Claussen
Emerald Co-Sports Editor

Several good early season performances highlighted Oregon's 1955 track squad debut here Saturday as Coach Bill Bowerman's cindermen romped to an easy 96 2/3-20 1/3 victory over Willamette university.

The meet was run for practice purposes and races were run at three-fourths the normal distances. It was a warmup for both teams in preparation for the Willamette Relays at Salem next Saturday and both Bowerman and Willamette Coach Ted Ogdahl were pleased with the performances of their top men.

Leading the Duck victory was sprinter Bruce Springbett, stocky speedster recently returned from the Pan-American games where he was a member of the Canadian team. Springbett was the only twin-winner of the day as he flashed to victories in both the 75-yard and 160-yard dashes. He ended his day's work by anchoring the winning Oregon 880-yard relay team.

The Webfoot win was costly in one respect, however, as Doug Clement, top middle distance veteran, pulled a muscle in his right leg while running in the 660-yard run and may be lost to the squad for three weeks.

Besides Hartman, the only other first place for Willamette was grabbed by ace hurdler Dean Benson. He turned in a time of 11.1 in the 90-yard high hurdles

despite knocking over two barriers. Oregon's Bill Sorsby registered an upset in the low hurdles, however, as he nipped the big Bearcat star by a yard.

Oregon got another fine performance from Jim Bailey, the Australian 880-yard champion and top-notch miler. The long-striding sophomore made good in his first college race by beating both defending NCAA mile champion Bill Dellinger and veteran Ken Reiser in the 3/4 mile run with an extra burst of speed in the final 220 yards. His time was 3:07.4.

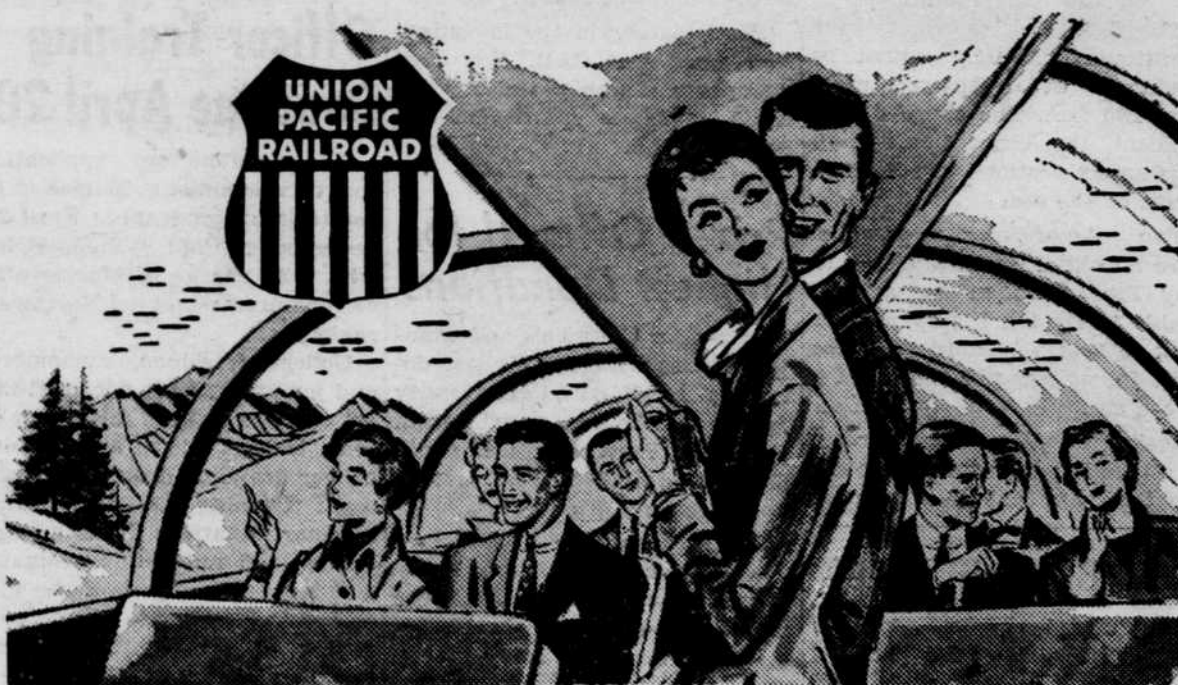
In the field events the Ducks also held a big edge as two fine performances were included in the six victories there. Ed Bingham, Medford sophomore, tossed the javelin 199', 9 1/2" for one of the best spear throws in several years by an Oregon man. Senior Ben Lloyd won the shot put with the best toss of his career, 47', 11".

Other winners for the Oregon team were Gordon Dahlquist, who beat Sorsby by a whisker in the 330-yard run, Terry Sullivan in the high jump, Russ Mannex and Bob Reed, who tied in the pole vault, Martin Pedigo in the broad jump and Walt Badorek in the discus.

Borcher Calls Varsity To Meet Wednesday

Varsity basketball members are to meet at the Athletic office Wednesday, March 30, at 5 p.m.

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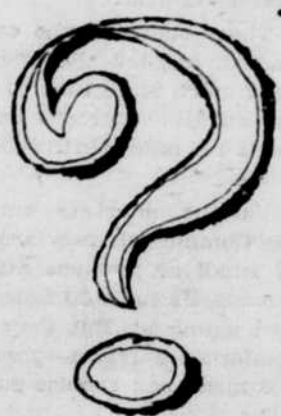
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