

# Portland Dinner Ready to Honor Varsity Athletes

The fifth annual Bill Baker award will be presented to the most valuable player on the 1955 Oregon basketball team when the Ducks are honored at the Portland Duck club banquet at the Congress hotel.

The award, with which goes a watch and the winner's name on a permanent trophy, is decided by a vote of the basketball squad members. The Webfoots met earlier in the week to decide this year's winner.

Last year the award went to Barney Holland, all-Northern Division guard and assistant coach for the Webfoots during the 1955 season. The first award in 1951 went to Jack Keller with Kent Hunt and Chet Noe getting the 1952 and 1953 honors.

### Hoop Letters Given

Meanwhile eight varsity and 12 freshman basketball letters for the 1955 season were announced by Athletic Director Leo Harris. Co-captains Jim Loscutt and Howard Page, the only seniors on the squad, head a varsity list that also includes Juniors Ray Bell, Jerry Ross, Max Anderson and Gary McManus plus Sophomores Ed Bingham and Phil McHugh.

It is the third varsity award for Page, who will receive an Oregon blanket as well as his third sweater. Bell, Anderson, Ross and Loscutt got their second letter while this was the first for Bingham, McHugh and McManus. Jim Fraser and Jack Courtemanche received manager's awards.

Included in the list for awards for Coach Don Kirsch's freshman team are Hal Duffy, Dave Wanaka, Bob Ayre, Don Delbon, Bob Faris, Roger Diddock, Wimp Hastings, Martin Swan, Paul Tucharth, Wendy Rasor, Lowell Slick and Burt Williams. Charles Hall got a manager's award.

### Wrestlers Honored

Wrestling awards were also announced for Coach Bill Hammer's varsity grapplers, who finished fourth on the coast. Included were Dick Barker, Ken Kesey, Darrell Klampe, Dave Newland, Roy Schlessor, Charles Williams, Roland Wilson, John Woyat and Franz Niegemann, manager.

Those to be given awards for Coach Vern Sterling's freshman wrestling team include Ray Green, Jack Cooke, Jack McBrien, Howard Timmons, J. D. Griffith, Bob Rryan, Don Dexter, George Krupicka, Alvin Denham, Jay Dearing and Tom Skiens, manager.

Seven letters will be given for Coach John Borchardt's swimming team plus one to Gary Cannon, manager. Varsity letters will go to Captain Harry Fuller, Jim Englund, Jerry Froebe, Bob Hays, Howard Hedinger, Phil Lewis and Yogi Matsushima.

# Willamette Game Rained Out; LC Set for Saturday

Wet grounds has forced postponement of today's scheduled baseball game against Willamette at Salem. A makeup game will be played as part of a doubleheader when Willamette plays here next Friday.

The postponement was the second in as many days for Coach Don Kirsch's club. Portland university had been scheduled for Howe field Thursday.

A doubleheader against Lewis and Clark at Portland is still tentatively listed for Saturday.

# Track Coach Gets Different License

The state of Oregon has made Oregon track Coach Bill Bowerman feel like an old man.

It seems that when Bowerman recently received a new set of license plates for his car, the new numbers read 4B-440. It was a change from the old license plates under a different numbering system in which Bowerman's plates were numbered 440-880 in honor of the distances he ran under the grand old man of Oregon track, Colonel Bill Hayward.

Apparently the Secretary of State's office felt that Bowerman was getting old and couldn't run the 880 any more, so it limited Oregon's track mentor to the quarter-mile.

# Halbrook, Sears, Gola On USF Opponent Five

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Ken Sears of Santa Clara and Tom Gola of LaSalle were the only unanimous choices of the all-opponent squad named by University of San Francisco NCAA basketball champions.

The Dons made their selection without regard to position. Their picks:

First squad: Sears; Gola; Jim Scott, West Texas State; Wade Halbrook, Oregon State; Tom Salvino, Loyola of Los Angeles.

Second squad: Ron Tomsic, Stanford; Bob McKean, California; Gary Bergen and Art Bunte, Utah; John Moore, UCLA.

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Oregon has never won a basketball game from California, losing on all three tries.

# Oregon Trackmen Ready For Willamette Competition

L fortunate Gordien, world recordholder in the discus; a sub-10 second 100-yard dash field, and a top-rated Oregon distance medley team will be the featured attractions in the collegiate divisions of the Willamette relays in Salem's McCulloch stadium Saturday.

Gordien, United States Olympic team performer and ex-Minnesota standout, holds the discus mark with a throw of 194' 6".

### Gary in Field

Washington State's Bob Gary tops the fast century dash field with a best time of 9.6. The Webfoots' Bruce Springbett, fresh from the Pan-American games in Mexico, and Seattle Pacific's

Walt Hill have marks of 9.7, and Caley Cook of Lewis and Clark rounds out the top field with a 9.8.

Cook is also an outstanding broad jump performer and has a record jump of 24 feet to his credit.

The favored Duck distance medley quartet will be shooting at the meet record of 10:24.1 held by a University of Washington team. Oregon runners will be Jim Bailey, Australian 880 champ; Gordon Dahlquist, a 50.5 quarter miler; Ken Reiser, Northern Division two mile winner, who will run the three-quarter, and Bill Dellinger, NCAA mile champion.

### Clement Injured

Originally slated for a position on the Webfoot medley, middle distance star Doug Clement probably will not see any action at all Saturday. Clement pulled a muscle in last weekend's meet with Willamette and has not yet fully recovered his form. He took a medium workout Thursday and will undoubtedly be ready for competition against Lewis and Clark next week.

Other top performers seeing action in Salem include Oregon State javelin standout, Jerry Church, expected to cop the Pacific Coast conference title this year and many outstanding Oregon and Washington high school track and field men.

Approximately 2500 athletes from 22 colleges and 101 high schools will be divided into three

classes—high school, novice and senior. The novice division is for college men who have not lettered and the senior class is for lettermen college varsity performers.

### Frosh to Perform

In addition to a full varsity entrance list from Oregon, the Frosh will also be well represented. The Duckling 440-yard relay team includes Bob Rogers, Burt Williams, Sam Whitney and Jack Morris. Morris was a sprint and hurdle record setter while at Medford high school before entering the Air Force, and is slated to run in the open 100-yard dash.

Whitney, holder of the Oregon high school pole vault mark at 13'6", is one of the top entrants in the novice pole vault.

Webfoot varsity competitors follows:

Shot put—Jack Moad, Ben Lloyd, Walt Badorek and Jim Jones.

Discus—Ed Bingham, Badorek, Lloyd and Moad.

Javelin—Russ Mannex and Bingham.

Broad jump—Martin Pedigo, Don McClure, Donn Sullivan and Mannex.

High jump—Terry Sullivan, Bob Reid, Ken Hickenbottom and Pedigo.

Pole vault—Dave Newland, Reid, Mannex and Hickenbottom.

100-yard dash—Bruce Springbett and Hank Loumena.

High hurdles—Doug Basham.

400-yard relay—Springbett, Dave Talbot, Loumena and Sorsby.

Sprint medley—Sorsby, Loumena, Gordon Dahlquist and Leroy Campbell.

Distance medley—Dahlquist, Jim Bailey, Ken Reiser and Bill Dellinger.

Mile relay—Talbot, Dahlquist, Arden Christensen and Sorsby.

# Fights Slated For Tonight

Six bouts will be on the program tonight at McArthur court at the Lettermen's Fight Night program, scheduled to begin at 8.

Tag team wrestling and a boxing match between the Australian featherweight champion and an Oregon Golden Gloves star will be featured during the evening.

Gil Durey, the Australian titleholder, will meet Jack Puscas, popular young lightweight from Eugene and Northwest AAU champ, in the top bout on the card. This match is scheduled for four rounds.

In the other three boxing matches, which will be at three rounds, Bob Williams will meet John Coefield in a welterweight bout, Larry Rose will go against George McKnight in a heavy-weight clash and John Woyat and Carl-Ray Steen will fight in a light-heavyweight match.

In wrestling, Don Dexter of the Frosh team will grapple with Don Biehn in a 160-pound clash. In the tag team match football Captain Lon Stiner and Harry Johnson will meet a pair of "Masked Marvels." The wrestling matches will be conducted in three three-minute rounds.

Admission will be 50 cents and tickets will be available at the door, according to Bob Reid, Order of the O president. Co-eds are especially invited, Reid stressed. Receipts will be used to finance the furnishing of the new lettermen's lounge in Mac court.

# Frosh-Cleveland Game Postponed


The season-opening baseball game for the Oregon frosh has been moved up from today to next Saturday, allowing Coach Bob Basich to look over the 34-man team before cutting it to 25. Cleveland high will come to Eugene for the games. The Ducklings worked out Thursday on a soggy field.

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