

EMERALD Sports

Duck Tracks

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Looking out the window at a daily sample of April in the Willamette valley, it is miserable as usual. But two solid weeks of rain has really been a plague on Coach Don Kirsch's 1955 edition of the Duck baseball team.

Last weekend Oregon and Oregon State were rained out of a pair of games that were to open the Northern Division season for each team. And the rain still hasn't quit, with two games cancelled Wednesday and Thursday between Oregon and Washington State.

Cougar Opener Drowned

This wasn't the first time the Cougars had gotten rained out permanently this season. They lost their openers with Washington to sky water last week and stand a good chance of getting flooded out in a scheduled pair against Oregon State today and tomorrow at Corvallis.

If this happens, every team in the division will have lost ND games to the weather this season. The OSC-Oregon rain-outs are rescheduled as part of two doubleheaders during the last two dates on the conference slate, May 20-21. But the Ducks now have two cancelled games, Washington two and WSC four, with the WSC-OSC and Washington-Idaho series in the doubtful class this weekend.

Northern Division rules say that a game rained out on the first day of a series can be rescheduled as part of a doubleheader the second day. If rain kills the second day's play, those two games are out for good. They cannot be made up and the teams lose part of their schedule.

This rule has the purpose of keeping traveling expenses of the non-self-supporting baseball teams to a minimum. If a team travels across the Northwest only to have games washed out, the conference feels that it isn't worth the expense to come back and try it again.

Pitching Staffs Strained

The games could be rescheduled for the other school's field as part of two doubleheaders when the two teams meet again, but only if the first series was the one that got the rain's axe. Here in the Northwest it may rain anytime, and four games in two days is hard on pitching staffs. There is also somewhat of an advantage for the home team when all four games between two clubs are played at the same field.

The only reason why the Oregon-OSC games were rescheduled is because each team still has a home date in which to include the postponed game. These four games in two days may well decide the pennant, especially with both the Beavers and Ducks being weak on pitching and strong on hitting.

If the difference in number of games played by each team in the league decides the pennant, it won't be the first time Northwest dew has had a hand in the standings. Back in 1930 Washington won fewer games than OSC and still won the pennant on percentage.

Rain Decides Title

Rain decided the title in 1937 when Oregon won with a 12-2 record compared to WSC's 12-4 mark. In 1948 the Cougars played only 11 games but were declared champions on an 8-3 record when Oregon won only 10 out of 15. It happened again in 1949 when WSC beat out the Ducks, 12-4 to 10-4.

In 1951 OSC, WSC and Washington finished 1-2-3 with 10-4, 11-5 and 10-6 records respectively. In 1953 the weather really raised havoc with the two valley teams with Oregon winning the single game played between the Beavers and Ducks. The Webfoots used this victory to edge their rivals for the pennant, posting a 9-3 mark to 8-3 for OSC.

This season looks like another rough one from the standpoint of even venturing onto the field. The weatherman has reported that the good weather that is usually here by now has been blown 1500 miles off the coast. The Ducks might as well play their games in the ocean instead of trying to get any action around here.

Dodgers Win Tenth Straight To Set Major League Mark

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The high-flying Brooklyn Dodgers soared to their 10th straight victory—a modern major league record from the start of the season—by smashing the Philadelphia Phillies' ace pitcher, Robin Roberts, 14-4 Thursday at Ebbets field.

The Dodgers' triumph highlighted an abbreviated four-game program in the major leagues which produced American league triumphs for the New York Yankees, Washington Senators and Chicago White Sox.

The Yankees smothered the Baltimore Orioles 14-2 with Bob Turley throwing a five-hitter against his former teammates. It was the second five-hit victory of the season for the young fireballer who was the principal figure in an 18-player trade between the two clubs during the winter.

The Tigers lost to the Chicago White Sox 9-1 at Detroit, with George Kell's grand slam home run the big blow of the game. Washington edged out the Boston Red Sox 1-0 in the ninth on Pete Runnel's single which scored Roy Sievers.

The Dodgers unleashed their heaviest batting display of the season in continuing their remarkable string. They clubbed Roberts for 11 hits and 10 runs, including three home runs in four innings and continued their onslaught against two relievers.

Jackie Robinson, Duke Snider and Sandy Amoros were the other Dodgers to hit for the full circuit. The pitching victory was credited to Joe Black, who replaced Russ Beyer with one out in the third inning.

Before the present Dodgers, three clubs of modern times had won nine straight from the opening day—the 1918 Giants, 1940 Dodgers and the 1944 St. Louis

Browns. The Dodgers now can go after the 12-straight all-time record set by the New York Giants back in 1884.

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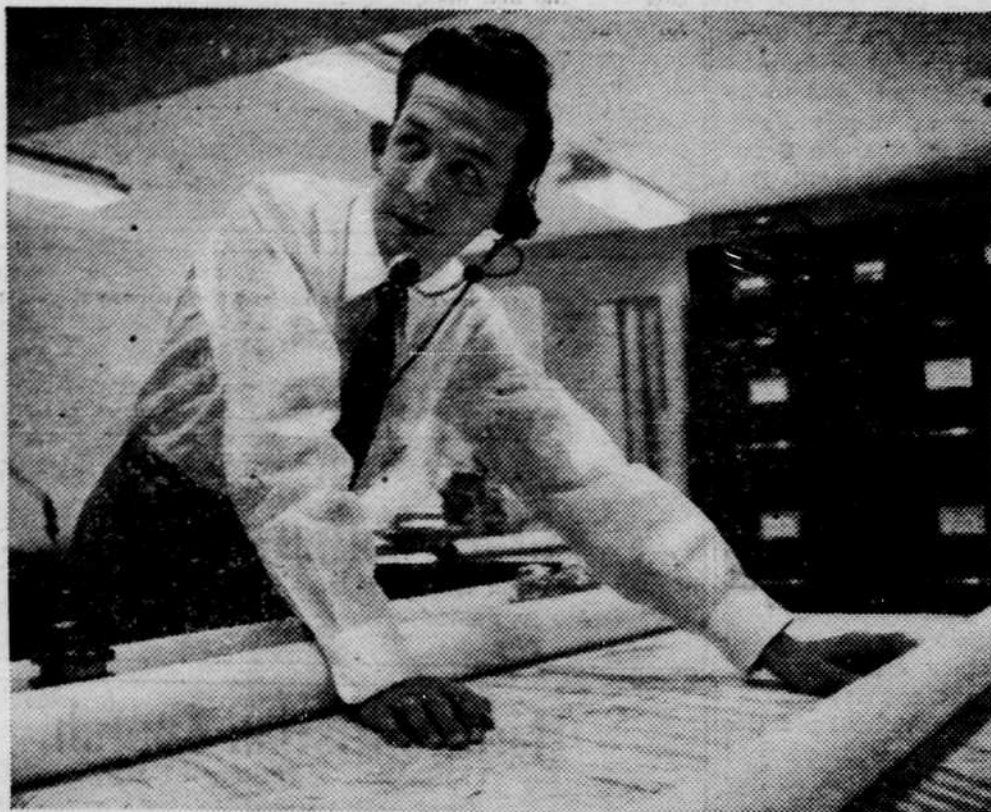
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