

UO-Beavers Set Finale

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Oregon's track team, fresh from a somewhat traumatic experience at Modesto's California Relays, face Oregon St.'s high-balling contingent tomorrow in the annual Memorial Day track meet at 1:30 on Hayward Field.

Members of the Duck squad journeyed to the southland last weekend, but came away with nothing better than a third place in any event. Many of the Webfoots received rude jolts.

MEANWHILE, at the same meet OSU took two first places and established a world's record.

Duck stars Mel Renfro and Dave Steen were on the receiving end of some of the aforementioned jolts. Renfro failed to place in the broad jump, in which a world record was set and the sixth place leap was 25-1. And Steen, undefeated and leading the nation in his specialty going into the meet, failed to qualify for the finals in the shot put.

Steen's best effort for the night was 59-7. The event was won by Dave Davis of the Camp Pendleton Marines with a heave of

62-7 1/4.

RENFRO did salvage a third place in the high hurdles, however. He was clocked in 14.2, compared to winner Hayes Jones' 13.4.

Other disappointed Ducks were sprinter Dave Blunt, high jumpers Terry Llewellyn and Paul Stuber, and javelin thrower Les Tipton, all of whom failed to place.

There was one encouraging note for the Webfoots, however. John Burns, school record-holder in the javelin, returned to action after a long layoff due to injury and sailed the spear 244-9 1/2 for a third.

OSU, meanwhile, got a record-shattering performance from its two-mile relay team. A quartet composed of Jan Underwood, Jerry Brady, Bob Hoffman, and Morgan Groth ran 7:18.9 to set a new mark.

Also, Gary Stenlund won the javelin with a toss of 251-9.

The Beavers also got a sixth in the 220 from Lynn Eves (21.3), and a sixth in the sprint medley (3:28.0).

And now, the stage is set for

this year's third and final meeting between Oregon and OSU. In previous encounters, the Ducks edged the Beavers, 80-65, in dual competition, and 74 1/2 to 64 1/2 at the Far West Championships.

In both of those meets, the Webfoots were forced to come from behind late in the competition to pull out the win.

Keith Forman will be competing Thursday however. He was out of the Far West Championships (where the Beavers most seriously challenged Duck dominance) with a pulled muscle in his foot.

BILL BOWERMAN figures his Ducks will win again, but he thinks it will be close. He is predicting a five point margin for the Lemon and Green troops.

Tomorrow's action will mark a few milestones. It will end Oregon's 1963 dual meet schedule, it will be the Webfoot's last competition before the NCAA championships in June, and it will be the last appearance on Hayward Field in Oregon spangles for such stars as Forman, Steen, and Burns.

Webfoots Split With OSU; Finish As ND Runners-up

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Oregon's baseball team chalked up two victories over Oregon State last weekend, but two weren't enough, as the Ducks had to settle for the No. 2 spot in the Northern Division for the second year in a row.

The Webfoots had to win three of their four games with OSU in order to take the league title. However, the Beavers shut out their opponents in two contests to emerge as champions with a 11-4 record compared to Oregon's

10-5 mark.

H. D. Murphy's sharp defensive play and consistent hitting led the Ducks' efforts, as the left fielder was a key figure in both of the team's wins. Murphy went four for eight Saturday to boost his ND average to a .417 which appears to be the top in the league, although complete figures have not been released. In addition, he was named recipient of the Palmer Award, which is given annually to the Oregon baseball player chosen most valuable by a squad vote.

Oregon State's pitching sensation Cecil Ira threw a three-hitter in Friday's opener to blank the Ducks, 3-0. Ira walked one and struck out four, while the loser, Robbie Snow, whiffed ten and also gave up one free pass. Snow went the distance and allowed only four hits.

The Beavers wrapped up the game in the opening frame, as Al Lehrer belted a two-run homer over the left field fence.

Oregon's championship hopes were renewed in the second game, as it edged past OSU, 2-1, in twelve innings.

The hosts scored their winning tally in the bottom of the twelfth after pinch hitter Eric Hardin led off the inning with a double, advanced to third on Ken Jensen's single and came in on hurler Wally Palmberg's flint.

Palmberg, who relieved Arba Ager in the sixth, took the win, while Beaver Ron Stevens was tabbed with the loss. Stevens took over pitching duties in the seventh for Ira who also started the second game. The latter hurled a total of 13 2/3 innings.

Murphy saved the game for his team in the top of the twelfth when he prevented a potential OSU home run by leaping high in the air at the fence to pull down Veeder South's blast.

Saturday, the Webfoots traveled to Corvallis and again met opposition right from the first inning on, as they were shut out, 5-0. Oregon State tallied twice in the first to acquire the lead that it never relinquished.

The Ducks came back with another late inning effort in the nightcap, as Ed Vetter's eleventh inning homer with Murphy on gave the visitors a 4-3 victory.

Thatch McLeod, who started the first contest and got the loss, came in as a reliever in the second game to take the win.

Half Mast

By RAY MAST
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I'm almost positive there was a misplaced person at the Oregon-OSU doubleheader Friday afternoon.

Cecil Iota, er, Cecil Ira rather, looked like a little leaguer who got into the wrong park. His uniform was big enough for 6'3" Ed Vetter. He wore number two, but the one probably fell off. One-half seems more appropriate. Instead of tucking the roll of his pants at the knee, Ira tucks his at his waist.

His delivery is something to behold. During warm-ups Ira throws two-handed so he won't tire his arm. In the 13 2/3 innings Ira pitched he threw about 10 fastballs. And fast. He hit Bob Porter with a pitch and Porter laughed all the way to first base. John Livingston almost decided to use the leaded bat. He may have gotten better results.

Cal Dean was the only Duck hitter to really solve Ira. Dean blasted two singles off Little Beaver. The first was a bloop over first base. Dean literally threw the bat at the pitch. The second

was a tremendous 200-foot drive into center field that dropped between the OSU fielders.

There was a cameraman trying to get a picture of Ira as he walked from the field. The guy had to use a telescopic lens to even focus on Ira.

This Ira can hit too. He uses about a 42-inch bat—I doubt if the Babe used one this big—and chokes up on it about a foot. Nobody cheats him of his cuts either. I don't remember seeing him take a pitch in two games.

I rather hated to see Ira leave the game, even though he was not doing the Oregon cause much good. He pitched 13 2/3 innings of shutout ball. Actually the Duck hitters didn't knock Ira out of the game. He came out on his own freewill. I overheard a conversation between Ira and Ralph Coleman just before the seventh inning started. Ira told Coley that he had to catch a bus to Corvallis at 5 o'clock because he had to pitch a game later that night.

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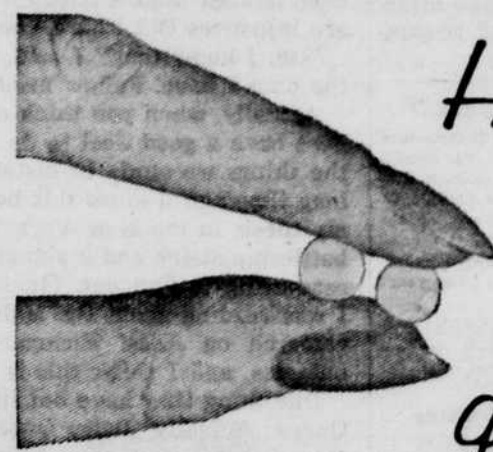
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