



Oregon's crew team pulled one of its biggest upsets Saturday

Oregon facing Viks here today

Oregon's baseball team, suddenly 5-7 in Northern Division play after being 0-6 when the Ducks left for Seattle Thursday, hosts Portland State today at 3 p.m. at Howe Field.

Now 18-12 overall and all but assured of another winning season, the Ducks are hoping to maintain some momentum for this weekend's three-game series with Washington State.

Although Oregon was outthit 52-44 in the six contests in Seattle, the Ducks finally found some solid pitching. Oregon got shut out from Eric Gilmore (3-0) and Mark Carnathan (4-0) and also got a

fine pitching job from Vic Kelley in a 2-1 win.

First baseman, right-fielder Rob Closs is leading the Duck regulars in the hitting department with a .349 average. He's followed by Mike Connolly (.342), Ray Smith (.310), Tim Stack (.284), Glen Gaboury (.283), Dave Ulrich (.283), Jeff Stanton (.283) and Paul Kirsch (.276).

Kelley, 3-1, is tops among regulars in the ERA department with a 1.07 mark. He's followed by Carnathan (1.46), Peterson (2.14), Gilmore (3.00), Mike Jordan (4.40), Craig Fetzer (4.68) and Brian Shandera (6.84).

Controversy still smoldering from Saturday's track meet

(AP)—A controversy involving two Oregon track coaches and three former Duck runners continued Sunday when Harry Johnson, who coaches the sport at South Eugene High School, came to the defense of Bill Dellinger.

Dellinger, track and field coach at Oregon, and Frank Morris, one of his assistants, were accused Saturday of taking actions hampering the attempts of Scott Daggatt, Mark Feig and Paul Geis to qualify for the U.S. Olympic Trials.

The three completed their eligibility at Oregon last year and have been training under Johnson.

Johnson said Sunday that Dellinger "has been unfairly charged, and I want to go on record as saying that. Another Oregon coach is to blame."

Johnson's reference apparently was aimed at Morris.

Daggatt claimed he was "blackballed" out of a meet in San Jose, Calif., by the Oregon coaches a week ago. He and Feig were upset when a mile run was staged at Saturday's Northwest Relays in Corvallis. Although a mile run was scheduled, they thought a 1,500-meter race should have been run instead.

Geis, who wants to qualify for the trials in the 5,000 or 10,000 meters, said, "The coaches are going out of their way to make it hard for us."

Daggatt said he thought the three were being harassed for choosing to train under Johnson instead of remaining under Dellinger and his staff.

"When they ran the mile instead of the 1,500 at Corvallis, it was ridiculous," Johnson said. "I think all of the runners wanted to have a 1,500. There was no reason the coaches couldn't have made a change."

Morris said Monday afternoon the decision to change the length of the race should have been settled at a meeting held the night before the meet.

"I don't want to stir up Harry," said Morris. "But the time to Oregon Daily Emerald

change an event is not 40 minutes before it's scheduled to be run. We decided to run a mile last year and the coaches didn't change anything at Friday night's meeting, so we should run a mile.

"If Harry wanted the race changed, he should've gone to the meeting or talked with the meet director. I didn't have anything to do with it."

Johnson said Dellinger should not be blamed for the running of the mile or for Daggatt's problems in trying to enter the race at San Jose. He said the Oregon coach "tried to get a switch to the 1,500 and I know he had nothing to do with Scott's problems at San Jose."

"I take part of the blame for the misunderstanding over San Jose," Johnson said. "I learned in the middle of the week that Dellinger hadn't even talked to anyone from the San Jose meet. I am guilty in that I didn't make that clear to Scott."

He said that "other Oregon coach...was the one who talked to the San Jose people before Daggatt's entry was rejected and I feel he was the one who discouraged a change Saturday to the 1,500."

Daggatt, the Pacific-8 Conference mile champion last year, and Feig both are trying to qualify for the Olympic Trials in the 1,500 meters.

Both Dellinger and Morris denied all the charges Saturday. They said the decision to have a mile event at the Northwest Relays was made last spring.

"I have no hard feelings for Daggatt or the other two," Dellinger said. "What they are saying just isn't true."

Dellinger suggested a change to the 1,500 at a coaches' meeting Friday night because this is an Olympic year.

"That's right, Dellinger did make that suggestion," said Washington State Coach John

Chaplin. "But two of the coaches, Washington's Ken Shannon and Oregon State's Steve Simmons, weren't there so no vote was taken."

Daggatt said the meet director at San Jose called the Oregon coaches to see about entering him in the 1,500 there. "The coaches told him I wasn't training under them anymore, and I don't know what else," Daggatt said. "Anyway, I was turned down."

Dellinger said he never talked with the San Jose meet director. "Morris took the call because I wasn't in," he said. "All he told him was that Daggatt was no longer training under us."

Geis narrowly missed qualifying for the trials when he won the 10,000 meters in 28:43.7 at the Northwest Relays. The qualifying mark is 28:40.

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Crew team pulls upset

For the second time in six years, the Oregon crew team has claimed a Northwest Championship trophy. The men's heavyweight eight finished four seats ahead of Western Washington in the Lafromboise Cup race in Seattle Saturday.

Western, which has held this trophy for four years, was disqualified for forcing Washington State's crew into Oregon's lane.

Early in the race, all three boats were near to cracking oars with one another, according to stroke man, Rob Finley. The near collision did not affect Oregon's 6:21 finish.

"We were about two seats up on everybody at the start," Finley said. "At the 1000 (meter mark) we had six seats on Western and a length on Washington State." The rest of the field, Seattle Pacific College and University of Puget Sound, never threatened the Ducks.

Lacrosse team sweeps

The Oregon club sports lacrosse team downed the Boeing Lacrosse Club 15-2 Saturday and whipped Western Washington State College 10-3 on Sunday.

Ducks notch narrow win

Hanna Munson went four-for-five and Sally Bickie three-for-five as the Oregon women's softball team edged John Deere 8-7 in eight innings Saturday at Amazon Field.

Oregon hosts Portland State today at 3:30 p.m. at Amazon Field.

Rodeo correction made

Club sports rodeo coach Phil Bevans said he erred in talking with an Emerald reporter last week in an interview for an article which ran Thursday. The top cowboys ride in 30—not 300—rodeos a year, he said. And Blue Mountain Community College has a \$3,000 rodeo budget, not a \$30,000 budget as he said in the interview.

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