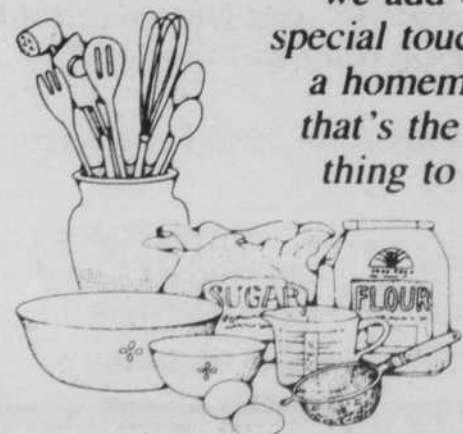


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# Sports

## Ducks will be strong in Houston

By Doug Levy  
Of the Emerald

With only one returning scorer back from last year's NCAA, it would seem that the Oregon men's track team should enter and exit from Houston quietly.

However, that one returning scorer is senior discus thrower/shotputter Dean Crouser, the defending NCAA champ in both events.

Crouser will try to duplicate his 1982 feat in Houston, but he'll have some big obstacles to overcome.

The biggest obstacle will be Southern Methodist's Michael Carter in the shotput. Carter sat out last year's competition with injuries, then went on to win the NCAA Indoor this year. In fact, Carter has never lost the shot in an NCAA meet.

Carter and Crouser have nearly identical marks, which makes the shot a toss-up. The SMU star has a season best of 68-6½ and a lifetime mark of 69-6¾ while Crouser checks in with a season high of 68-6¾ and a lifetime best of 69-1½.

In the discus, Crouser will have to contend with Houston's Rick Meyer, who has a 208-10 this year to Crouser's 206-1.

"Dean is obviously one of the favorites in the shot and the discus, but he's not the favorite," says Oregon coach Bill Dellinger. "It would be nice if I could say he'll win both events by 30 feet, but they will be close."

Still, it is possible that Crouser could pile up 30 points by winning both events.

Another Duck that could bring home 30 points is Joaquim Cruz. The freshman from Brazil is the man to beat at 800 meters with a best of 1:45.37 this year, and he has also run 3:39.95 for 1,500 meters.

Cruz had maintained earlier that he would only run the 800, but now he may try his fast feet in the 1,500 as well.

"I don't know what he'll do yet," says Luiz de Oliveira, Cruz' personal coach. "I'm going to get to Houston Tuesday, and we'll figure things out from there."

Asked if the weather in Houston might hinder his pupil's chances, Oliveira replied, "Have you ever been to Brazil?"

If Cruz does compete in both events, Oregon has a chance to get 60 points from him and Crouser alone.

That would be only 16 points less than the 76 Oregon scored last year as a team, but anyone with illusions of an Oregon win is off the mark.

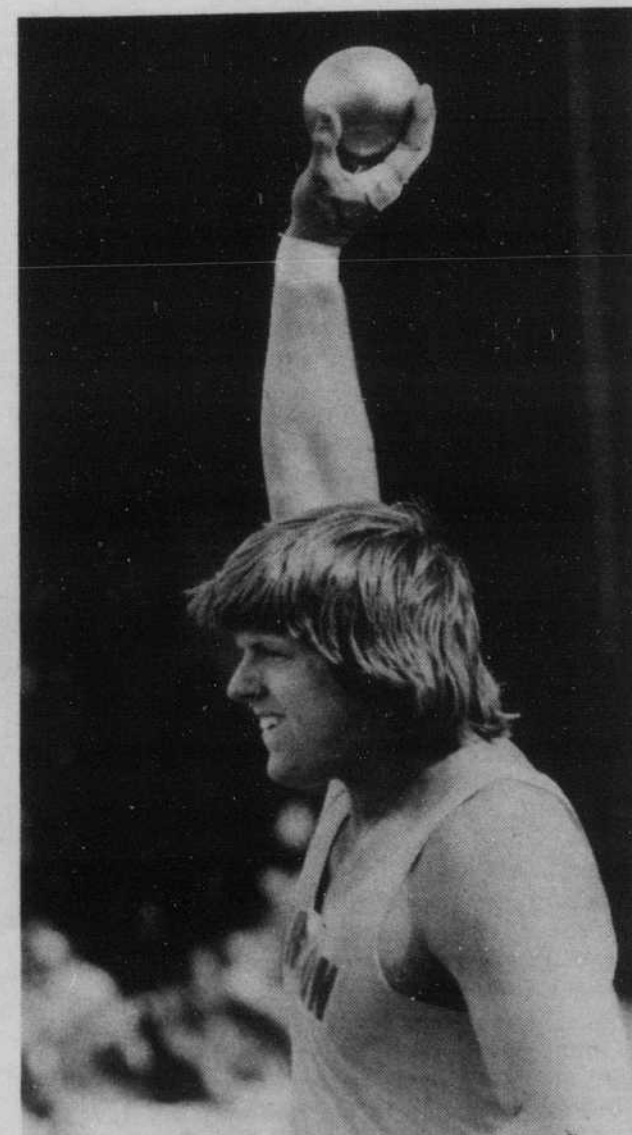
The University of Texas-El Paso won the meet last year with 105 points, and the Miners may win again this year. If not, look for Washington State and its fleet of foreigners to win it all.

"I would say we'll finish somewhere in the top 10," says Dellinger. "If we got really hot, we could crack the top five, but the top 10 is a more realistic goal."

Despite not having a chance to win the championship, the Ducks have others besides Crouser and Cruz that can score.

In the 200, George Walcott blazed to a 20.64 to win at the Pac-10 championships, and he could score some points at Houston, too.

Walcott should be in the 100 meters in addition to the 200, but a 10.1 hand-timed mark he ran at the Oregon State Twilight meet last week doesn't satisfy the NCAA requirement of a 10.0



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Dean Crouser will be leading Oregon at the NCAA Championships as he tries to double in the shot and discus.

hand-timed 100.

However, Walcott's 10.1 converts into an electronic 10.34, just a shade under the NCAA qualifying time of 10.35, so it seems as though he has the speed to be in Houston, if not the technical right.

"It's unfortunate that George won't be in the 100, because I think he deserves to be there, but I still think he might be better off concentrating on the 200."

In the hammer, Kent Landerholm has thrown 225-7, and he is an outside chance for points in that event.

Dub Myers could crack the top six in the 1,500, and Don Ward in the 400 hurdles, Kory Tarpenning in the pole vault, Steve Davis in the discus and Ken Flax in the hammer are other Ducks hoping for points.

No matter how the Ducks do in Houston, Dellinger must still consider this season to be a successful one.

Oregon is without 1982 javelin champ Brian Crouser and 1,500 placer Jim Hill, who is redshirting. Throw in names like Cory Randall, Bart McGillivray and Parrish Nixon, all 1983 casualties, and it's a wonder the Ducks have done as well as they have.

"I'm very pleased with this year," says Dellinger. "They're a very competitive group, and they've done very well."

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