

# BUCK QUACKS

By BUCK BUCHWACH

Last week on Hayward field a tall, football-looking husky dressed in dull grey shorts and jersey glanced about him and took a deep breath.

Running in effortless stride, he gained momentum, jumped from the ground, and squirmed his muscular frame over a light piece of wood suspended on two poles.

The select group of spectators gaped open-mouthed, then stared unbelievably.

For the young man had just very nonchalantly high-jumped some 6 feet 9 inches in a practice session in January, with a cold wind blowing and with rain hampering any attempts to get into shape.

The man—Les Steers. No novice he, the graceful Mr. Steers some years ago as high school athlete jumped 6 feet 9 3/4 inches, still unofficial world's record.

Coach Bill Hayward's star pupil, the versatile Steers is a versatile one-man track team; besides high-jumping he can hurdle, toss the shot, pole vault, and run, and with a little coaching by the capable Duck mentor should win the U. S. decathlon title before hanging up his spikes.

Steers hates Hitler, would have been in Germany for the Olympics if it hadn't been for the Nazi man.

The track star loves to watch two behemoths mauling each other, can be found each Thursday night usually at the ring-side of Herb Owen's grappling shindig, shouting advice to his favorites and leaning ominously at the "meanies."

The University of Oregon will be the only school in the conference which will get a shot at the much-publicized Johnny Petrovich and his two teammates, Tharen Hodges and Chuck Petrie.

The trio, all declared ineligible by Commissioner Edwin Atherton in his first edict (at either USC or UCLA), will be leering at the Webfoots in 1943, if they manage to make the football team at . . .

TEXAS UNIVERSITY, where Coach Dana Bible teaches the Longhorns to block and tackle. With very little publicity Johnny Petrovich took weeks ago left for Austin to enroll, and his Alhambra, California, teammates were expected to attend the Texas school as soon as they could make arrangements.

The reason the Oregon gridders got a crack at the high school wizard is that Texas is on both the 1941 and 1943 schedules of the Ducks. The game for '41 is set for Austin, but in 1943 the Texans—with Petrovich by then a junior if he manages to stick—will trek to Portland for the Oregon battle.

Petrovich is a halfback, Hodges a tackle, Petrie a blocking back.

Quite a handball show on the campus Friday, when four noted athletes got together. They were JOE GORDON, the Yank second baseman; JERRY LILLIE, Grant high school of Portland football coach, who just returned from the Rose Bowl where he watched two of his pupils—Eric Armstrong and Ed Stamm—perform; BOB LUCAS, former Oregon student and athlete, later sports editor of the Astoria Budget, and now general staff head at it; JOHN WARREN, freshman mentor, who is one of the best handball players in the city.

Gordon and Lillie managed to whip Astorians Warren and Lucas, but it was a tough battle, most, according to them all.

Skipping back to football for a second, Oregon's football outlook for next year is somewhat brighter, but picking them to fight it out with Stanford for the Rose Bowl is a little too much. Stanford will run away with it, California will be tough, and Oregon with a little luck may wind up in the first division.

By the way, several of the footballers are not back in school this term, but it is expected that Roy Ell, Roy Dyer, Val Culwell, Duke Iverson, Roger Johnson and perhaps a couple of others will be enrolled by spring term.

If Coach Hobble Hobson wants a little comfort after Friday and Saturday's troubles—(where the Webfoot club seemed to hold back in their galloping and to be minus a couple of dependable forwards as yet)—he can always start thinking about this year's baseball club.

Without a doubt he will have the best collegiate diamond eight on the coast. I say eight because the pitching staff is the weakest feature of the club on paper, and it looks as if Hobby might have to make a comeback and chuck himself if things don't improve in that department, or if no transfers drop in from California.

Excluding the pitching staff, every member of the team has been tendered contracts or been approached by professional ball clubs. Every man batted over .300 in last year's play. And every man can field with the best of them. Here's how it looks:

—Bill Calvert, letterman, hit .387 last season as shortstop. —Chuck Clifford, hit .423 with coach last season. —Don Knoch, sophomore, hit .387 last season, from .313. —Bill Hamal, sophomore, hit .347 last year, hit over .300 playing Washington semi-pro ball. —Buck Berry, letterman, hit .426 last year. —L. J. Carny, letterman, hit .313 last year. —C. P. Dick, Whitman, letterman, hit .371 last year. —H. P. John, sophomore, hit .433 with coach last year.

—Every player except Berry—who played in California—has had Oregon State league experience. The pitchers thus far include Bob

# Paul Lindeman of Washington State Leads Division Score

## Hilton, Dalthrop Top Averages

## Townsend, Anderson Rank With Leaders

STANDINGS W L Pct. Pts. Opp.

Oregon State	2	0	1.000	80	81
Washington State	2	0	1.000	84	80
Oregon	2	0	1.000	184	188
Idaho	0	2	.000	79	103
Idaho	0	2	.000	80	84

Games Friday—Oregon vs. OSC at Corvallis. Games Saturday—Washington State vs. Idaho at Moscow.

The top four positions in the northern division, Pacific coast conference individual scoring race are filled by Washington State college and University of Idaho of hoopmen after the close of the first week's schedule, unofficial figures revealed Monday.

The statistics reveal that despite the "lowly" position of the Cougars and Vandals the two Inland Empire quintets boast considerable scoring punch.

Paul Lindeman of W. S. C., the biggest man in the conference at 6-foot-7 and 225 pounds, holds down the top position with 41 points scored while the Cougars were dropping two decisions to Oregon State and sweeping a two-game series with Oregon. Two teammates, Ray Sundquist and Kirk Gebert, follow the big center with 34 and 27, respectively.

Tied with Gebert is Otis Hilton, 6-foot-7 Idaho pivot man. No. 5 spot is held by Norm Dalthrop, sensational Washington sophomore, with 26.

Hilton and Dalthrop, however, have the best "per game" average with 13.5 and 13, respectively, enough to shadow Laddie Gale's 20-game conference average of 12.4 and far above the average of Wally Palmberg's 16-game record of 11.7 per game. Vic Townsend, Oregon guard, has the third best average with 12 per game.

Lindeman has the most field goals with 17 and Townsend the most free throws with 13. Dale Gentry of Washington State has collected 13 personal fouls to lead in that department, but the highest average goes to Jack Mulder with seven in two games.

Two full games behind the leading Beavers and Huskies, the Oregonians started pointing Monday toward an all-important meeting with the Oregon State Orangers at Corvallis Friday night. The Webfoots passed up their usual informal Sunday session and opened a series of scrimmage sessions Monday afternoon.

The only other conference game of the week sends Washington State against Idaho at Moscow Saturday night.

The 12 leading conference scorers:

Lindeman, W.S.C.	41	17	13	10	41
Sundquist, W.S.C.	34	17	13	10	41
Gebert, W.S.C.	27	13	10	41	41
Hilton, Idaho	27	13	10	41	41
Dalthrop, W.S.C.	26	13	10	41	41
Townsend, Ore.	12	10	41	41	41
Anderson, Ore.	12	10	41	41	41
Harris, Idaho	11	10	41	41	41
Bulls, W.S.C.	10	10	41	41	41
Gilberg, W.S.C.	10	10	41	41	41
Mulder, O.S.C.	7	10	41	41	41
Lindh, Wash.	6	10	41	41	41
Gentry, W.S.C.	6	10	41	41	41
McNutt, O.S.C.	6	10	41	41	41
Gilmer, Wash.	5	10	41	41	41
Nelson, Wash.	5	10	41	41	41
Mandic, O.S.C.	5	10	41	41	41
Andrews, Ore.	5	10	41	41	41
Valenti, O.S.C.	5	10	41	41	41
Shaw, O.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Hunt, W.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Baehrer, Ore.	4	10	41	41	41
Hosmer, W.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Dement, O.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Hopkins, Idaho	4	10	41	41	41
Moore, Wash.	4	10	41	41	41
Durkin, O.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
McNeely, Ore.	4	10	41	41	41
Zimmerman, W.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Thompson, Idaho	4	10	41	41	41
V. Vostler, Wash.	4	10	41	41	41
Taylor, Ore.	4	10	41	41	41
Marshall, Ore.	4	10	41	41	41
Hall, O.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Ahine, W.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41
Anderson, Idaho	4	10	41	41	41
Mahan, W.S.C.	4	10	41	41	41

## Lane Mat Addicts Free From Championship; James Meets Ilaki

Lane county wrestling addicts today found themselves free from the "heat" of championships for the first time in more than a month. But at the same time looked forward to one of the most dynamic and most colorful matches in recent months—a meeting between Jesse James and Prince Ilaki.

The only championship angle to the scheduled main-event on the armory program next Thursday is that both matmen are ambitious and have their eyes on possible title matches. The bout otherwise looks like a fine exhibition of wrestling, Ilaki using the cunning of his Arabian style and James the potent power that made him one of Lane county's mat greats only a few months ago.

## Portland Pilots Beat Mount Angel, 50-46

MOUNT ANGEL, Ore., Jan. 13.—(AP)—Portland university today had two victories in its four-game series with Mount Angel college for the Catholic college basketball championship of Oregon.

The Pilots won yesterday 50-46, with Ted Wall leading the attack by scoring 18 points. Friedhoff of Portland and Cal Bonney and O'Halloran of Mount Angel tallied 12 each.

Summary: —Portland 50, Mount Angel 46. —Portland 44, Mount Angel 38. —Portland 38, Mount Angel 30. —Portland 24, Mount Angel 20.

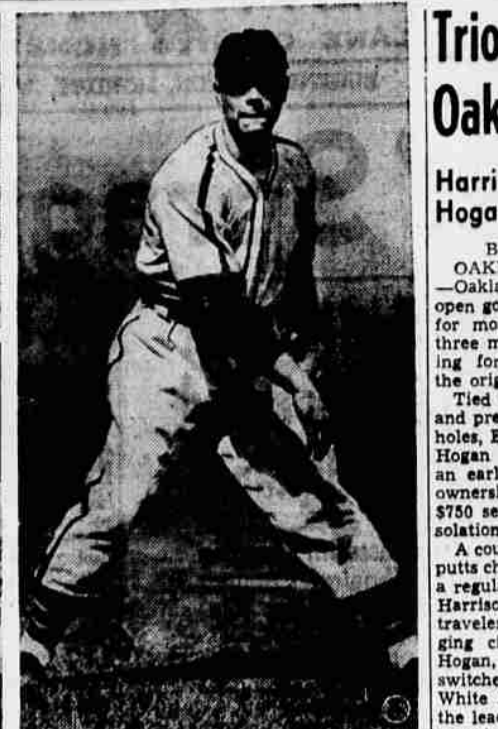
## Spokane Bombers Back On Hockey Loop Top

(Associated Press) In case there has been any doubt in your mind—those Spokane Bombers aren't fooling. They are out to win the Pacific Coast hockey league title. They showed their determination Sunday night on their own ice when they fired in three goals within three minutes in the third period to defeat the Seattle Olympics 4-2. And the triumph put them back on top of the heap.

Rieder (1 and 1 last year); Al Linn (2 and 2); Pete Igoe (3 and 2); and sophomore Nick Belavia and Bob Schenberg.



THESE THREE major leaguers will be in new uniforms during the 1941 season. Cleveland hopes Gerald Walker, left, will bring power to outfield; Kirby Higbe, right, is expected to bolster Dodgers' pitching staff; and Joe Orengo, inset, should fill gap at third base for Giants.



## Penny-Wise Golfers Lead at Laurelwood

STANDINGS W L Pct. Pts. Opp.

Penny-Wise Drugs	19.5	19	19	19	19
Montgomery Ward Sports	18	18	18	18	18
New Theater	18	18	18	18	18
Pitt's Texaco	18	18	18	18	18
Kuene Sand & Gravel	18	18	18	18	18
University Pharmacy	17	17	17	17	17
Groceria	17	17	17	17	17
Oregona	17	17	17	17	17
Everybody's Drugs	14.5	14	14	14	14
McDonald Theater	14	14	14	14	14
Montgomery Ward Tires	9.5	9	9	9	9
Babb Hardware	9.5	9	9	9	9
Lemo-Gia vs. New Theater, postponed.	7	7	7	7	7
Electric Cleaners	7	7	7	7	7
Paul D. Green	7	7	7	7	7
Eugene News	4	4	4	4	4

Penny-Wise Drugs golf team took over the leadership in the Laurelwood winter golf league Sunday when the team of Eldon Beekes and Keith Fennell scored a 3-0 victory over Everybody's Drugs. The Montgomery Ward Sports team, leader last week, remained within a half-point of the leaders despite a 2 1/2-to-1/2 loss to Groceria.

Three teams were tied for third position followed by three more, all within two and one-half points of the top position.

Results: —Babb's (Gibson 80, Les Omlid 82, 2 vs. Paul D. Green (Anderson 81, Rodgers 82) 1.

—McDonald Theater (Rasmussen 75, Webster 80, 2 vs. University Pharmacy (Fortmiller 76, Fennell 80) 1.

—Texaco (Brown 74, Tuttle 82) 3 vs. Electric Cleaners (Barash 76, Elliott 78) 0.

—Groceria (Sutton 73, Hoyman 82) 2 1/2 vs. Ward Sports (Sinton 80, Duden 78) 1.

—Sand & Gravel (Lloyd Omlid 80, Spillman 84) 3 vs. Eugene News (Conyers 80, Sanderson 80) 0.

—Lemo-Gia vs. New Theater, postponed. —Oregona vs. Ward Tires, postponed.

## Two World Titles On Block Monday

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Veteran Lou Salica defends his world bantamweight boxing championship tonight in a 15-round bout against Philadelphia's Tommy Forte—a 22-year-old youth who beat Salica in a non-title scrap last October.

Lured by the prospect of Philadelphia's first championship bout in 14 years ending in a knockout, a capacity crowd of 9,500 is expected to crowd into the arena.

The 27-year-old champion from Brooklyn has been installed a 2-to-1 favorite.

## CONN ABDICATED

CLEVELAND, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Power versus speed and stamina is the size-up of tonight's battle here for the world's light-heavyweight title.

Ex-champion Melio Bettina, the rugged scrapper from Beacon, N. Y., and Anton Christoforidis of Greece, who reigned over all the middleweights of Europe when the fighting was still in a ring, will go 15 rounds or less.

The National Boxing association declaring Billy Conn automatically abdicated by failing to defend his crown, has labeled the bout a title match.

There were no Pacific northwest radio broadcasts scheduled for either of Monday's world championship fights.

## Frank Kovacs Wins Dixie Tennis Title

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 13.—(AP)—The men's singles tennis championship belonged to Frank Kovacs of Oakland, Calif., today after the conclusion of some of the keenest competition in the 17-year history of the Dixie tournament.

Kovacs, seeded third, defeated Eddie Alloo, surprise finalist, in straight sets, 6-0, 6-3, 6-2.

Kovacs and Alloo, a Rollins college student, both reached the final via "upset" victories. Kovacs ousted National Champion Don McNeill of Oklahoma City, also in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2, while Alloo won over Bobby Riggs of Chicago, former National singles champion, 3-6, 7-5, 4-8, 10-8, 6-3.

## Oakridge CCC Fighters Win

By JACK WELLS, JR. OAKRIDGE, Jan. 13.—(Special)—The Oakridge C.C.C. camp annexed the regional boxing card held before a large crowd in the Oakridge high school gymnasium Saturday night.

Winning five out of seven matches, the Oakridge boys fought dearly and came through with fly-gin colors, winning all their matches by clear-cut decisions.

Knockdowns were numerous throughout the card and many times the claret flowed freely when one of the boys landed a lucky punch to his opponent's nose. Looping rights and lefts filled the menus for the boys the duration of the card with many of the blows leaving telling effect and many others of missing their mark.

One of the highlight matches of the evening's card was the three round bout between Terry of Triangle Lake and Mitchel of Oakridge. Fighting a seemingly more experienced boxer, Terry hit the canvas six times, only to come back fighting with the luster for victory utmost in his mind. Although trying a valiant comeback in the last two rounds of the bout Terry lost the match through a judges' decision.

The final and "main event" of the card was a corker and had the audience standing in the aisles before it was finished. Suddath from Oakridge scored a knockout over Boys of Triangle Lake after two rounds of terrific fighting.

Boys hit the floor twice in the first round, a victim of hard, smashing rights by Suddath which left him groggy the remainder of the fight. A looping right to the head finished Boys off in the second.

All bouts were fought under amateur regulations of three two-minute rounds.

Results and weights of boxers follow: —116-124 pounds—Mitchel, Oakridge, decision over Terry, Triangle Lake. —134-145 pounds—Elliott, Reedsport, decision over Suddath, Oakridge. —165 pounds—Urton, Reedsport, decision over Suddath, Oakridge. —160-165 pounds—Connelly, Oakridge, decision over Suddath, Oakridge. —175 pounds and over—Suddath, Oakridge, knockout over Boys, Triangle Lake. —Catchweights—Gee, Veerrier, Oakridge, decision over Wilfred Lucas, Oakridge (exhibition).

Referee—Jack Walton, Pleasant Hill. Timekeeper—Bob Allen, Oakridge. Judges—Virgil Kinsley, W. G. Sutton, and Earl Fitzgerald.

## Crowell vs. Simms

PORTLAND, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Chuck Crowell, Los Angeles heavyweight, has signed to meet Eddie Simms of Cleveland in an Oregon national guard benefit boxing show here January 29, Promoter Bobby Evans announced.

## Trio Tied in Oakland Golf

Harrison, Dodson and Hogan in \$2450 Playoff

By RUSS NEWLAND OAKLAND, Calif., Jan. 13.—(AP)—Oakland's fifth annual \$5,000 open golf tournament was finished for most of the boys today but three musketeers were still shooting for what amounted to half the original purse.

Tied with 72-hole totals of 278 and prepared to battle it out at 18 holes, E. J. "Dutch" Harrison, Ben Hogan and Leonard Dodson had an early afternoon date to settle ownership of \$1,200 first prize, \$750 second money and \$550 consolation.

A couple of "broken arm" missed putts changed the tournament from a regulation finish into a play-off. Harrison, the Little Rock, Ark., traveler of the winter divot digging circuit, was guilty of one.

Hogan, the little-Texan, who switched golfing headquarters to White Plains, N. Y., and became the leading money winner of 1940, was charged with the other.

Harrison, leader for the second and third rounds, had top money virtually in his pocket when he stepped up to a four-foot putt on the 18th green. He missed it. It cost him a 275.

In the same threesome was Dodson, now a pro at Kansas City but a true son of the Ozarks—Springfield, Mo. Dodson knocked in his last putt for a par 70 and a tie with Harrison.

Fourth place money of \$450 went to Harry Cooper of Chicopee, Mass., with a 279. Other cash was distributed as follows: —280—Mark Fry, Oakland, and Jimmy Hines, Great Neck, L. I., \$250 each.

—282—Defending Champion Jimmy Demaret, Houston, Texas; Fred Wood, Vancouver, B. C.; and Harold McSpaden, Winchester, Mass., \$230 each.

—283—Claude Harmon, Orlando, Fla.; Paul Runyan, White Plains, N. Y.; Herman Keiser, Akron, Ohio; and Denny Shute, West Newton, Mass., \$135 each.

—284—George Schneider, Ogden, Utah, and Jim Walkup, Odessa, Texas, \$85 each.

## Shaughnessy Signed For Football Clinic

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF ATHENS, Tex., Jan. 13.—(AP)—Clark Shaughnessy's football legend remains that brought him rose bowl glory will go through a clinic for a complete diagnosis.

After 300 to 500 coaches get through delving into the intricacies of the "T" formation, there will be no secrets because the research is to be done at the world's largest coaching school.

The executive committee of the Texas High School Football Coaches association picked Shaughnessy as one of the instructors for the annual school Aug. 4 to 9. The "T" formation has intrigued the mentors and they voted by a heavy majority to bring Shaughnessy here to demonstrate.

So, the rags to riches story of Stanford's miracle man was a major selling point. Some of the Texas coaches are going to have to make similar comebacks to hold their jobs and they figure Shaughnessy, who went from downtown Chicago to the Rose Bowl in one season, is just the guy to tell them how.

Twenty thousand boys play football in this state each season. There are plenty to go around with a nice overflow for colleges in adjoining states.

## Hoop Schedule

MONDAY High School Basketball St. Mary's vs. UHS, Igloo. Rube Juniors at Halsey. Independent Basketball Lora vs. Triangle Lake. Wendling-McKee, Springfield. Miller's at Cottage Grove.

High School Basketball Salem at Eugene. Monroe at Springfield. Rube Juniors at Newport. Lowell at Elmira. Thurston at McKean. Coburg at Mohawk. Lemo-Gia vs. Coburg. Elmira at Triangle Lake.

National City Basketball Engineers vs. Register-Guard. Uccleat vs. Western Flyers. Ramblers vs. Logan's Oilers. Church Basketball Christian College vs. NYA. Baptist Glades vs. Evangelical.

WEDNESDAY High School Basketball Mohawk at Pleasant Hill. Grove Fresh at Dallas. Independent Basketball McKee's at Cottage Grove. American City Basketball Tomlin's vs. Cascade Motors. Lemo-Gia vs. P. E. Shops. Penn's vs. Pic 'n Pak.

Church Basketball Baptist vs. Congregational. Danebo vs. Methodist. THURSDAY Independent Basketball Triangle at Wendling. Miller's-McKee's, Springfield. Christian College at Dallas. Junction City at St. Mary's. Cottage Grove-UHS, Igloo. Springfield vs. P. E. Shops. National City Basketball Register-Guard vs. Logan's. Engineers vs. Western Flyers.

FRIDAY Collegiate Basketball Oregon at Oregon State. High School Basketball Springfield at Eugene. Grove Fresh at Dallas. Pleasant Hill at Lowell. Oakridge at Thurston. Lemo-Gia vs. Coburg. Independent Basketball Vaughn at Loras.

American City League Penn's vs. 1st National. Pic 'n Pak vs. Cascade Motors. SP Shops vs. Tomlin's. Church Basketball Presbyterian vs. Christian. Christian College vs. N. Y. A. Baptist COS vs. Christian. Cent. Lutheran vs. Westminster.

SATURDAY High School Basketball Oregon Fresh at Marshfield. Marshfield vs. Springfield. Independent Basketball McKee's at OAC Books. Vaughn at Wendling.

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## St. Mary's, University High Second City Series Tilt Mo

The second game of Eugene's intra-city championship high school basketball series will be played at McArthur court Monday night, bringing together St. Mary's and University high for their first of two meetings. A second-team game will open the program at 7 o'clock.

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