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Bill Hayward--A Man to Remember

'Toughest Meet' Seen Vs. WSC

Bowerman Recalls Life And Times of 'Colonel' Bill

By Bill Bowerman

(Editor's Note: We asked Bill Bowerman, Oregon track coach, to write of the late Bill Hayward as a man and a coach. Bowerman performed as a quarter-miler for Hayward in the early 1930's, and on April 21 will be presented the Bill Hayward Trophy by the Oregon Sportscasters in honor of his outstanding contribution to amateur sports in Oregon for 1951.)

For the fifteenth time young men from all parts of the state of Oregon are gathering in Eugene to take part in an athletic event that is named for one of the builders of the West and a coach in practically every sport event that the University of Oregon has ever entered in.

The Bill Hayward Relays—that is the event.

It was my good fortune to have the rich experience of being under the "Old Fox" for four years of the 44 that he served the University and the Students of Oregon, and to know him intimately for another dozen.

Bill Hayward the man. As many abilities as the diamond has sparkling rays. As kind as a mother with her first child. As hard a task master as the most careful mathematics professor. A competitor to be reckoned with in any contest. Above all these he was a counselor, a teacher, a friend.

70 for 11 Years

No one is certain how old Bill really was. Back in 1929 there was a small celebration in the athletic department to pay honor to Bill on his having reached his 70th birthday. As a member of one of the freshman squads I was present at the cake cutting. For three more years my fellows took part in that annual celebration of Bill Hayward's 70th birthday.

In 1940 an announcement was addressed by the Athletic Department, to various alumni inviting them to take part in birthday number 70 for Old Bill. Tomorrow is the opening of fishing season so it is quite appropriate to remember that his license read something like this: Age, 101; Height, 9 ft. This writer's opinion is that he was not more than 104 and not less than 89.

Some of the records written in the books by his athletes included the first 9 4/5 100 yard dash by Olympic champion Kelley. Other sprinters included Huston, Starr, and Shoemaker. The only American distance runner to ever challenge Finnish supremacy was Oregon's Ralph Hill. Numerous javelin throwers: Bob Parke, Boyed Brown, Warren Demaris won national titles. George Varhoff and George Rasmussen are the most recent of those who pole vaulted for Hayward. One of his best of an earlier vintage was Spearow of about 1912-16, an Olympic champion.

Spearow Cleared 15 feet

One of the interesting things about Spearow was that while touring Japan he vaulted in exhibition and cleared 15 feet on at least two occasions. The accomplishment was so fantastic that no claim was ever made by the Nipponese for a record. Les Steers is still the world record holder in the high jump at six feet eleven plus inches. These are a handful of the thousands who were fortunate enough to work under Bill Hayward.

Friday and Saturday afternoon there will be competition in all events in an athletic contest called The Bill Hayward Relays. Even nicer, the good things that he did will live forever. They are the counseling, the teaching and the friendship that lives in the hearts of men.

47 Prep Track Teams Enter Hayward Relays

By Rick Tarr

Athletes from 47 high schools will participate in the 15th annual Hayward Relays today and Saturday. The 16 class 'A' schools will begin at 11 a.m. today and the 'B' and 'C' teams will begin at 12:30 p.m.

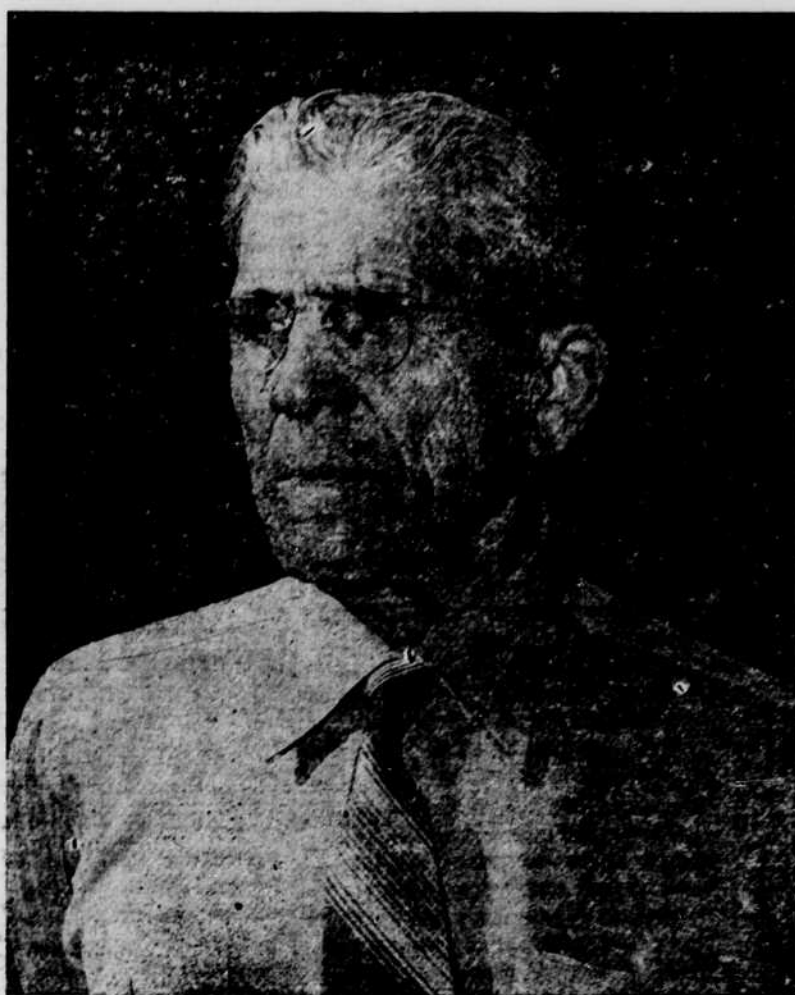
This year it looks like Grants Pass and Medford will be the chief contenders. Ashland, last year's 'B' winner, will have Cottage Grove as its chief contender this year. The defending 'C' champion, Pleasant Hill, looks like a repeater.

The list of records shows a men now going to Oregon in all three classes. The class 'A' shot record (three man) of 135' 4" was set by Grant in 1948 with Jerry

Shaw and the Duff brothers making up the team. Bill Choat and Hal Reeve were two of the three to set the class 'B' shot put record for North Bend at 129' 11 1/2" last year.

Ray Wood set the 'B' pole vault record in 1950 at 12' 3". He was a member of the Kelso, Washington team. The class 'C' individual shot put record was set last year by Dean Van Leuven of Bandon.

For the class 'B' schools, Ashland has the most firsts with three. University high has entered 11 times and come out with a fourth and a fifth. Henley has the most firsts in the 'C' class with three.



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Golfers Meet

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rounds by Tuesday, April 22.

Lettermen Bob Atkinson and Fred Mueller have completed their first two of the four qualifying rounds with the scores of 72 and 77 respectively and will represent Oregon in the coming meet. Don Kreiger, Bud Cross and Al Mundle, who are the newer additions to the squad, will round out the team.

BOWLING...

Faculty Mixed Doubles

Bellissimo and Williams 3, Haines and Haines 1; Bruns and Bruns 3, Masson and Hopkins 1; Ungerleiter and Ungerleiter 3, Corcoran and Borchardt 1; Fish and Fish 3; Yevtitch and Hunter 1; Mihailov and Mihailov 3, Greiner and Greiner 1.

JV's Bill Beavers

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Splekerman injured an ankle in the Ducklings last clash with the Springfield Millers.

Bill Blodgett will start on the mound and Don Delaney will probably be used in a fireman's role if Blodgett should get into trouble.

Besides Albright in centerfield will be the two power hitters of the club. Neal Marlett will hold down the duties in left field and Jim Tennyson will be located in right field.

In rounding out the infield Londahl will start clean-up batter Bob Wagner at first, Paul Bhyre at second, Jim Johnson at shortstop and probably Bill Loch at third. Loch and Gene Duncan are still battling for the position at the hot corner, but Loch's smoother fielding may put him in the starting line up.

Summer employment at Crater Lake for college men and women. June 15 to September 15. Apply at Student Employment Office for further information and application forms.

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Montana is planning to use part of its state gasoline fund to advertise for tourists.

"There is no question about this being our toughest dual meet of the season." That was the statement Coach Bill Bowerman made about Saturday's encounter with the tough Washington State College tracksters.

When asked about the outcome Bowerman intimated that "the relay will decide." The meet will start at 3:00 p.m., immediately following the Hayward Relays.

The mile run, the two-mile, and the pole vault are the only events where the entries will not be the same as the results of Wednesday's time trial performances. Art Backlund is scheduled to go on in the mile along with Al Martin and Fred Turner who usually run that event. This will be Backlund's first start this year.

In the two-mile Ivan Midlam will run along with Wayne Reiser and Gerry Garrett. Ed Robison will team up with Ray Packwood and Russ Mannex in the pole vault.

PE Group Pledges Six

Phi Epsilon Kappa, national physical education fraternity initiated six new members on the Oregon campus this week.

They are: William Ross, Kenneth Hodgert, Emmet Williams, Harold Haines, Arthur Thompson and Jack Gamet.

The University of Oregon Omicron chapter was established in 1928 and at present is the only active chapter in the state.

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