

# Jim Aiken Named Duck Coach

## Former All-American Has Fine Record Boasts .785 Record For 25 Seasons

As a football player he was an All-American; as a football coach his teams have performed for a .785 average—that's the story of Jim Aiken, newly appointed football coach for the University of Oregon.

Aiken was born in Union county, West Virginia, May 26, 1899, was a veteran of World War I, and today boasts a family of two sons, James Jr., 21 and Jerry, 14, and one daughter, Carol Ann, 12.

His college years were spent at Washington and Jefferson university where he was an outstanding end, being named to several All-American teams. The team upon which he played in 1921 was undefeated and went to the Rose Bowl where it produced a mighty upset in tying the University of California "wonder team" 0-0.

Upon completion of his college career he played professional football with the Steubenville, Ohio team which won 17 games straight and tied the world champion Canton Bulldogs 10-10.

His first year of coaching was at East Washington, Pa. high school in 1922, where he had an undefeated season. The next year he moved to Steubenville, Ohio where his prep team was again undefeated. Then in 1924 and 1925 he coached at Findlay, Ohio high school.

In 1926 he took the coaching reigns at Scott high school, Toledo, Ohio where he remained through 1931. He won the city championship in his first year, and repeated in the three succeeding years, a feat never before accomplished.

In 1932 he moved to McKinley high school, Canton, Ohio and remained through 1935. His 1934 team swept through an eleven game schedule undefeated to win the state championship, scoring 487 points to the opponents 18.

It was while coaching in Ohio prep circles, that Aiken met and defeated Coach Paul Brown's mighty Massillon high school eleven. Brown, formerly coach at Ohio State, is now general manager of the Cleveland Browns.

Aiken started a three year collegiate stint at Akron university in 1936 where his teams won 20 while losing 6 and tying 1. While at Akron he also served as athletic director.

In 1939 he assumed command of

grid chores at Nevada where he stayed until yesterday's appointment. While coaching the Wolf-pack from Reno, he produced several outstanding players.

In 1946 big Horace Gillon was a near unanimous choice for All-Coast end, while a teammate Bill Macrides was widely heralded at a halfback post.

Before the war, Aiken coached Marion Motley at the Nevada school. Motley was the past season named to the All-American league All-Pro teams over such outstanding fullbacks as Norm Standlee.

His record follows:

Year	School	W	L	T
1922	E. Washington, Pa. high	10	0	0
1923	Steubenville, Ohio	9	0	0
1924	Findlay, Ohio	8	2	0
1925	Findlay, Ohio	10	0	0
1926	Scott (Toledo)	6	2	1
1927	Scott	9	1	0
1928	Scott	9	0	0
1929	Scott	9	1	0
1930	Scott	8	1	0
1931	Scott	8	2	0
1932	McKinley (Canton)	9	3	0
1933	McKinley	9	1	0
1933	McKinley	9	1	0
1934	McKinley	11	0	0
1935	McKinley	6	3	1
		121	16	2
1936	Akron	6	2	1
1937	Akron	8	1	0
1938	Akron	6	3	0
		20	6	1
1939	Nevada	5	4	0
1940	Nevada	4	4	1
1941	Nevada	3	5	1
1942	Nevada	4	3	1
1943	Nevada	2	1	0
1944	Nevada	4	4	0
1945	Nevada	7	3	0
1946	Nevada	7	2	0
		36	26	3
	Total coaching record	177	48	7



Jim Aiken — newly named 1947 football coach, Aiken comes to Oregon from Nevada. He was an All-American while in school at Washington and Jefferson.

## Kappa Sigs Win Handball Opener

Kappa Sig opened the intramural handball season yesterday by defeating Stitzer hall in two straight games. In the first singles game, Kappa Sig trounced their opponents in two consecutive sets, 21 to 3 and 21 to 6.

Stitzer hall forfeited the doubles contest, thereby giving the match automatically to the Kappa Sigs.

Because of Oregon's high pedestrian toll, the secretary of state has cited a report reading: "Injured pedestrians lose on the average \$468." Fatal accidents averaged an immediate cost of \$1830.

## Huskies Pound Vandals 56-46

MOSCOW, Jan. 14—(AP)—The Washington Huskies, led by Center Jack Nichols who tossed in 14 points, defeated the Idaho Vandals 56 to 46 here tonight for their third straight conference victory of the season over the defending Northern Division champions.

The Huskies led all the way after Sammy White scored a field goal and Bob Jorgenson a free throw in the first minute. Washington extended the lead to 17 to 8 after 8 minutes of playing time with Nichols and White leading the attack.

30-22 at Half

Substitute Guard Don Dillard and Bill Carbaugh teamed to narrow the advantage to 27 to 19 and then both teams matched field goals and free throws to make it 30 to 22 for the Huskies at the intermission.

White left the game on fouls midway in the period but Nichols and Gilbertson kept the pace with the count at 51 to 36 with five minutes to go.

Many Fouls

Coach Hec Edmundson cleared the Washington bench at this point.

A total of 48 fouls slowed up the rough contest with Washington drawing 26 and Idaho 22.

Nichols got 14 to lead both teams in scoring while Quinn whipped in 13 to pace Idaho.

### SPORTS STAFF:

- Wally Hunter
- Bill Stratton
- Bernie Hammerbeck
- Don Fair
- Bob Reed

## Hoop Review . . . . . Marv Rasmussen

By AL PIETSCHMAN

A hard fall to the floor, an effort to protect a broken hand, and Marv Rasmussen was out of the Oregon basketball lineup. He seriously injured his knee by tearing all the tendons around it in one of the pre-season games and is now forced to watch his buddies from the sidelines. This injury is not just an overnight affair, Marv sadly reports, but will keep him out of all games this year.

Marv's fine backboard play and all-around outstanding play on the floor labeled him as the freshman of the year on last season's team and he was expected to boom through in fine style this year. Then the accident. Close followers of the sport make no bones about the effect this accident has had on the team.

Although shorter than some of the big giants who are supposed to dominate the backboard, 6 foot 3 inch Marv has left many of the big men open-mouthed as he grabbed the ball high in the air.

His tremendous spring enabled him to match the taller men in backboard play and his fight and aggressiveness many times outshone the taller men's efforts.

His shooting? Back in his prep days at Franklin high school in Portland, he was an all-city man and was known as one of the dead-eyes of the league. He improved with time and last year kept dunking in short from his favorite spot. Before his injury this year he was showing further improvement and was one of the men counted on to add to the Duck's score in every tiff.

Oregon's locker room is minus the stalwart forward, but he has kept himself busy. Showing his versatility, he has changed from being a top man in basketball to a man interested in helping the student body. Right now he is engaged in promoting the March of Dimes campaign as its leader, and in a short time he will assume the duties of publicity chairman of the Dad's Day committee.

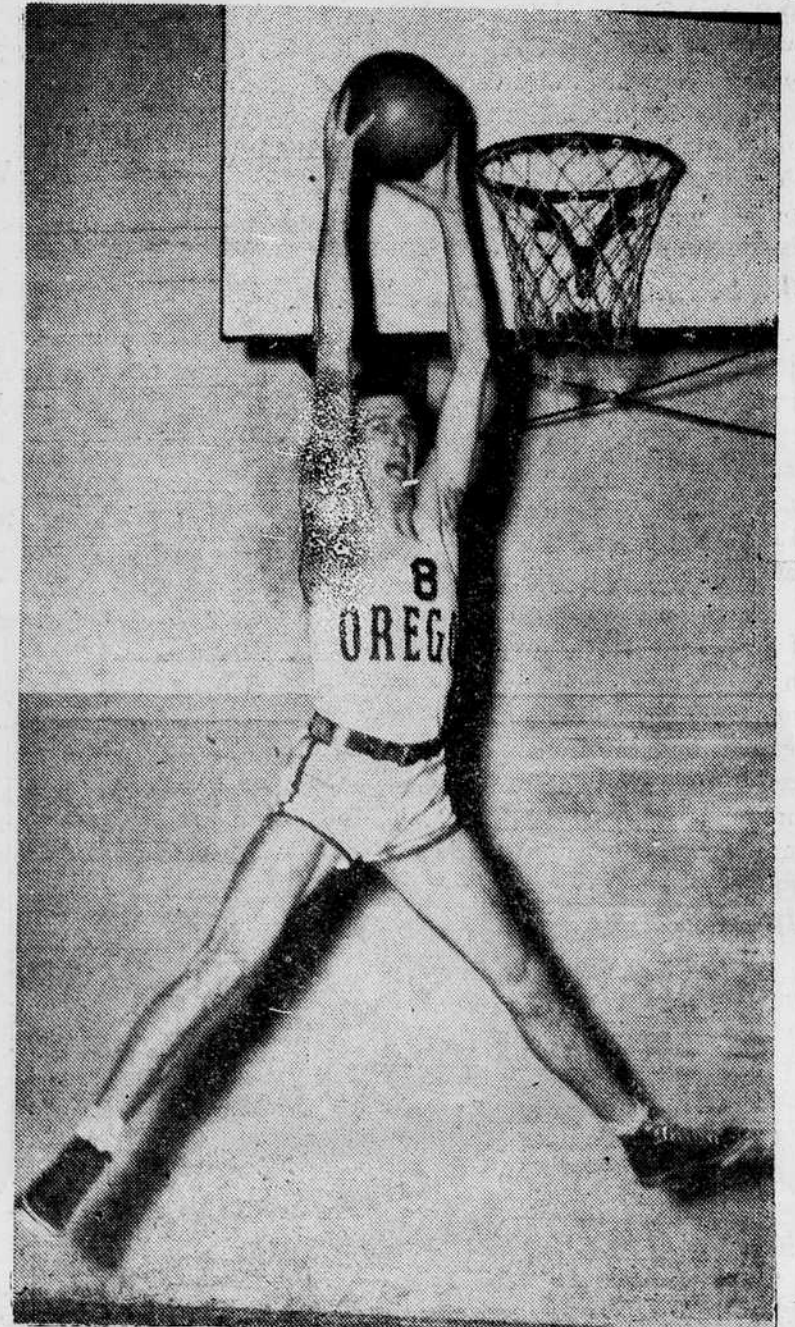
He doesn't conduct these activities in a hap-hazard fashion but in the same manner in which he played basketball. Zest, enthusiasm, and ability mark his work in both fields.

Pouring over a long list of records and playing some of his favorites yesterday, Marv said that he had several favorite hobbies, among them picnics, dancing, and collecting and listening to records.

"I hope to get a job in Public Relations," he said when queried about plans after graduation. "It's a new field and has a lot of possibilities. I am sure that I'll like it." Discussion on the public relations field lasted for several minutes as it is seldom one meets an athlete interested in this occupation.

"Oregon is a lot better than they showed against Washington State," he noted. "If the boys can get rolling they will go a long way. I think they are the best team in the conference."

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Marv Rasmussen . . . . . Coach Edmundson's protege who is benched with injuries. Expected to be one of the outstanding members of the hoop squad Marv was hampered in early play by an arm injury. His latest injury to a knee will probably keep him from action this season.