DUCK TRACKS

By FRED TAYLOR Assistant Sports Editor

To be successful a football coach has to be a psychologist these days, along with the regular requirements. And in this psychology department Coach Jim Aiken faces his biggest task of the current season with the Webfoots in their next two games. The Ducks face oft-beaten Washington State and Stanford on the latters home soil in conference tilts. The Eugene club will be heavily favored to take both games by virtue of their 6-0 triumph over Washington and the recent

pair of 34-7 victories, and here, is the root of Aiken's problem

Any team which has pounded out three consecutive victories is going to feel pretty sure of itself. And when two of the games were by lop-sided margins confidence is likely to be soaring. So it is up to Aiken to bring his charges down to earth again. Neither one of these next opponents are going to be pushovers, despite their poor showings thus far.

The Cougars will be playing before a homecoming crowd Saturday, and with the relatives watching them are going to play their best brand of ball. Helping them will be big Bob George, a helfty, hard-



JIM AIKEN

running fullback, who will be back in the lineup for the Duck fray. George is a plunging type of ball-carrier the likes of Bob Koch, and his absence from the team because of an injury definitely crippled the Cougar offense.

Look Out for Indians

L. H. Gregory in his Oregonian column warns the Webfoots that Stanford is laying for the Oregon squad. The Indians have not registered a victory this season, and with three games remaining-USC, Oregon, and California-have picked the Ducks to fall as their first victim. The Palo Alto eleven gave a supposedly superior Oregon State crew an exceedingly bad time before finally bowing 13-7. So Oregon will have to play its best brand of ball to keep on the winning trail.

In seven games this season the Webfoot gridders have yet forfeit. This puts them in a close to play in the rain, which must set some kind of record for this country. They have performed upon soaking-wet turfs, but thas has little effect upon actual ball-handling, as a dry pigskin is introduced for every play. Last week rain fell right till the kickoff, but then the sun broke through and the game was played in summer-like brightness. In the Nevada tilt a light drizzle did fall for a few moments, but with little effect.

Hoop Games Will Be Crowded

The hoop season is just around the corner, and almost all the Northern Division schools will again be faced with the problem of over-flow crowds, Oregon's McArthur court, with its capacity of slightly over 8,000, will not be able to hold all the fans who want to see the Webfoots in action, and tickets will have to be parcelled out.

Oregon State has taken steps to relieve their cramped basketball situation. On order for the 1948-49 season is a new basketball pavilion, with seating for 10,000, The \$1,500,00 structure will be constructed so that 85 percent of the spectators will be seated along the sides of the court, with the remainder at the ends. There will be no supporting posts to obstruct the spectators' view, such as in the Igloo. Included in the building will be offices for the coaches, dressing rooms, showers, and equipment rooms, so the hoopsters will have a self-contained unit.

Speaking of basketball the Pacific coast professional league, which depends upon its racehorse style to draw the customers, has taken further steps to cut down game-slowing whistle tactics of the officials. The pros' rules, which have already featured a minimum of officiating, have been even more abridged. Now a fouled player must run to the free throw line, and shoot the gift shot as soon as the ball is handed him by the referee, without waiting for his mates to line up. A player who commits five fouls may now return to the game after spending two minutes in a penalty box, as in ice hockey. A sixth personal foul puts the hooper permanently out of the game.

College Officials Might Take Note

But the most significant rule change, and one which collegiate court circles might well take notice, is on which does away with the calling of minor fouls in the backcourt which do not affect the ball. Too much time is consumed in college basketball by whistle-minded officials who call every infraction on the floor and turn the game into a continuous march to the free throw line, instead of the fast-moving affair it is supposed to be.

Lower Division 'B' **Teams Hot in Race**

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

3:50, Court 40-Sigma Nu B vs. Sigma Alpha Mu B.

3:50, Court 43-Campbell club B vs. Sigma Chi B.

4:35, Court 40-Delta Upsilon A vs. Yeomen A.

4:35, Court 43-Tau Kappa Epsilon A vs. Sigma Hall A. 5:15, Court 40-Phi Delta Theta

A vs. Sigma Alpha Mu A. 5:15, Court 43-Sigma Alpha Epsilon A vs. Westminster house A.

By WARD BEBB

Four teams of the "B" volleyball circuit jumped on the bandwagon and were among the leaders of the league in their division yesterday afternoon as the "lucky" seventh round slipped by with only four winners spiking out convincing wins. Two forfeits marred the day's action and the Phi Delts and Delts garnered easy victories as the hallmen of Omega and Sigma hall failed to make an appearance.

Pi Kaps Down Chi Psi

An aroused team of Pi Kaps came from behind in the third game of their series with the third game of their series with the courtmen of Chi Psi as they gained their first win in "B" competition on the PE activity courts in the opening game. The Pi Kaps could not find their range in the first encounter as they were announced 15-6, but came back in winning the second game 15-4. The final contest saw teamwork and good set-ups as the Pi Kaps held their edge and won 15 to 13.

Delts Win on Forfeits

Delta Tau Delta slipped by their opponent as the volleyball players of Sigma hall made no showing on court 40 to give the Delts a win by race with the other top contenders in the "B" league, as many team's are in the upper division with two or more wins.

Betas Over Phi Sigs

The Betas squeezed out a 15-13 win in the opener over the undefeated Phi Sigs, but good net play and accurate serving was the final factor as the Betas lashed a quick attack in the second contest and

dropped the surprising Phi Sigs by the score of 15 to 4. In rotation volleyball a team should have height and by setting up the ball on the left of the net a good spiking game can be used. The Betas showed promise in this as did many other teams.

Omega Hall Forfeits

In the second forfeit of the day the Phi Delts added another win to their column as the hallmen of Omega failed to produce a team as scheduled. This also moves the Phi Delts up another notch and possible possession of the lower-division "B" award.

Fijis Win

The best frayw of the day was the Fiji encounter as they repeatedly held the net play and kept the serving honor by dropping the Kappa Sigs twice 15-11 and 15-5. The game showed fine teamwork especially on the Phi Gamma Delta outfit, and with perfect set-ups a volley was in play for many times. With the decisive spiking of Ray Heidenrich the Fijis gained valuable points in both contests.



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Good court action on the back line was in evidence also.

SAE TRIUMPH

The last game saw the SAEs bump the French hall sextet by a shutout in the first fray 15-0 and with good play downed them 15-8 to close the two out of three.

By AL PIETSCHMAN

SPORTS: The talk about Oregon in the Rose Bowl continues, but the Rose Bowl idea often ends up like a pitcher tossing a no-hit ball game as soon as you mention it, the bubble breaks. Let's keep our fingers crossed and see what happens.

WOMEN: Some of these "new look" coats (yes we still are harping on them) cause men's eyebrows to lift but one of the longest and most attractive is the coat worn by Marilyn Turner. And just to keep one little lady happy, (she wears pink and green sometimes) we mustn't forget Sue Mercer.

FASHIONS: Men are always complaining about the way their shirts look if they aren't laundered a certain way—suggest you send them to EUGENE LAUNDRY where they try to please and send you shirts you'll like.

And a hint about shirts: turn up the collar of your shirt when you put it in the laundry bag. This will insure its being laundered with the collar unfolded, help make the collar last.

SPORTS: There are some mighty big feet tromping up and down Mac court these days. Trainer Tom Hughes was recently fixing up Rog Wiley's basketball shoes-size 14 mind you. Bob Kehrli and Bob Amacher are almost in that category.

One of the most modern department stores in town is ROBERTS BROS. They have branched out from Portland and have a new store on Willamette street. And for the men, ARROW SHIRTS in their men's section. Give 'em a look.

JAM: Nellie Lutcher, who will close at New York's Cafe Society in mid-month will get a minimum of \$1750 per week in the best theaters—as a single. Last June Nel couldn't even get started for more than a hundred!

CAMPUS: We'll take this time to extend a hearty invite to you to the Delt house dance Saturday night. Drop in, we'll be glad to see

And let's keep Marty Pond smiling, get those dimes, quarters or what have you into the coffer for the WSSF. 'Tis a worthy cause they say and if Mart worries Gladys Hale will be sad too.

House dances again rule the social calendar this week, besides erman, and for your flowers give EDDIE'S FLOWERS a quick buzz-also might be a good idea to make sure you have the flowers for Homecoming, November 22. Their number if 265.

SPORTS: About the only challenges heard so far on the campus are the interfraternity and the sorority feuds. But Bob Chapman came up with the idea of a challenge to USC on November 29. Bob is figuring Oregon to win the next three and hopes the Trojans lose to UCLA. "Beat Troy," might be the battle cry if such a challenge could be worked out.

A good place to get good food is RENELLS. They have the food you want and like-so, if you haven't had a good meal at the house, drop down for a snack. The coffee keeps you awake for your morning class-

WOMEN: Cheerful face on the quad the other day was none other than Gloria Fick's. Gloria dropped down for a day and was swarmed around by all her friends. She has an intellectual job in Portland now.