

DUCK TRACKS

By DON FAIR
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According to plans now, the Oregon football squad will hold its first intrasquad game Friday on the lower practice field. In the words of Jim Aiken, "I don't expect the players to turn in any polished performances yet. For spring practice is mostly a trial and error system, where by the major kinks are ironed out."



DICK MILLER

The daily passing charts kept on the grid scrimmages show that Webfoot quarterbacks Norm Van Brocklin, Earl Stelle, and Joe Tom have attempted 161 passes and completed 100 for 62 per cent. By strange coincidence, Van Brocklin's average is also 62 per cent with 90 completions in 146 heaves. This is a more impressive figure when its realized that Van is tossing aials to many newcomers who are just getting the hang of the plays.

Aiken also revealed that he and Paul Brown, coach of the American professional champs—the Cleveland Browns, swap ideas for the coming football wars. Aiken and Brown are close friends, their association dating back when both coached classy high school teams in Ohio.

Brown, Aiken Coached Unbeaten Teams

In 1934, the two mentors matched brains when their respective schools met for the Ohio state grid championship. Aiken coached the McKinley Bulldog entry, which piled up a perfect 10 victory season, scoring 466 points to the opponents 12.

Playing for the McKinley team were a pair of well known men about the campus—Dick Miller, now line coach, at end, and Frank Zazula, Duck backfield instructor, at quarterback. In addition, the mascot of the team was Jim Aiken jr. Coaching the linemen for the Bulldogs was Paul Bixler, now head man at Colgate university.

Brown's Massillon Tigers also had a great year, with 10 wins and no setbacks, while scoring 421 points to the opposition's nothing. In the title game, Aiken's McKinley team emerged with the state crown by virtue of a 21-0 count.

Stern Previews '48 Grid Campaign

Latest issue of SPORT magazine, just on the newstands, contains an article, "The Pigskin Preview for '48," by nationally known sportscaster Bill Stern. On the Pacific Coast, the play-by-play expert tabs California, Southern Cal, Stanford and Oregon as the favorites, with Oregon State and UCLA playing darkhorse roles.

Stern has this to say about the Webfoots, "Oregon is on the way back up, but it will take time." He also mentions Van Brocklin and Dan Garza as outstanding prospects for the Ducks. Other national football publications are already beseiging Art Litchman's athletic office for pertinent information about Oregon's football team for '48.

Miller and Zazula have been handling the purchase of new equipment for the gridders for next fall. The uniforms will be the same—white and green. Headgears will also be the customary leather type used in the past by the Webfoots.

Plastic Helmets Injurious to Players

Zazula explained the reason why Oregon has not switched to the new, nifty plastic helmets. According to Zaz, the plastic head wear may soon be outlawed by football authorities on the grounds that their use is derimental to the safety of the players. These helmets don't possess the give that the leather ones do, and the plastic headgears also have a tendency to cut opposing players. These cuts don't heal as readily as ordinary ones, which works a hardship on trainers, players, and coaches alike.

Good football equipment now comes only at a high cost. Shoes run in the neighborhood of \$20, and other articles are arranged on the price ladder accordingly. Therefore Miller and Zazula have had their hands full staying within limits.

The Oregon Duck club is holding a banquet at the Eugene hotel, May 7, with Washington football Coach Howie Odell as guest speaker. Odell, former Yale head man, seems to have developed quite a quarterback problem with the Huskies, with the loss in the last two weeks of a pair of top field generals—little All-American Anse McCullough of Chaffey J. C., and last year's veteran Dick Ottele who turned professional.

From Oregon State comes the news that Lon Stiner is going to inject more deception into his modified single-wing attack next season.

Nestor, Phis, Pi Kaps, Betas, Kappa Sigs, Eagles Win in IM

Today's Schedule

- 3:50 North Field—Delta Tau Delta vs Phi Sigma Kappa
- 3:50 South Field—Sherry Ross hall vs Sigma Nu
- 3:50 Upper Field—Theta Chi vs Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- 4:55 North Field—Stan Ray hall vs Sigma Chi
- 4:55 South Field—Alpha Tau O. vs Yoemen
- 4:55 Upper Field—Sigma Alpha M. vs Delta Upsilon

Intramural softball play was resumed yesterday afternoon, with six high-scoring contests being played on wet, slippery fields. Wild pitching and costly errors were the deciding factors in most of the games.

In the 3:50 struggles, Phi Delta Theta nudged Campbell Club 8-6, Pi Kappa Alpha whitewashed Sederstrom hall 8-0, and Nestor hall edged Stitzer hall 11-10. The 5 o'clock games saw Beta Theta Pi take a 9-7 decision from Tau Kappa Epsilon, Kappa Sigma beat out Pi Kappa Phi 14-10, and the Legal Eagles tromp McChesney hall 13-2.

Nestor Over Stitzer

Nestor's win over Stitzer was the closest game of the day. It turned out to be a personal triumph for Joe Lorenz, the Nestor manager, who put himself in the game in an overtime inning as a pinch hitter.

The score was tied at six-all as Lorenz lashed out a double, stole third, and stole home for the winning score. Stitzer's pitcher gave up 13 walks, while Nestor allowed eight.

Campbell Loses

The 8-6 Phi Delt-Campbell affair was the best played game of the day. Led by Jack Keller, a scrappy third baseman, and big Bob Taggesell, an experienced pitcher, the Phis managed to stay in front all the way. Campbell was paced by Lee Krause, a top backstop, but three costly infield errors and heavy sticking by the Phi Delt were too much for them.

Sederstrom Shutout

Tony Klobas, chucking for the Pi Kaps, struck out five men while pitching his squad to a 8-0 shut-out over Sederstrom hall. As in the other games, too many walks

and Sederstrom errors allowed the Pi Kaps to score freely.

Kappa Sigs win

The 14-11 win that Kappa Sigma turned in against Pi Kappa Phi was a comedy of errors. Kappa Sig collected a total of six errors in the three-inning tilt. Behind 10-6 in their half of the second, the 11th street boys took advantage of nine walks and one lone single to accumulate eight tallies.

Betas Over Tekes

Beta Theta Pi capitalized on five walks given them by Tau Kappa Epsilon to register a five-run last inning and go on to win, 9-7. Bob Don, pitching for the Betas, issued seven free passes. Beta shortstop Ken Ball played an outstanding defensive game, while getting two hits and a walk in three times at bat.

Eagles Triumph

The Legal Eagles served notice on the B. A. school that they are a potent softball outfit by snowing McChesney hall 13-2 in four innings of play. Every Eagle seemed to be a capable ball player, although second baseman Bosch gathered three safe blows in four times at bat.



By AL PIETSCHMAN

Rhymes and poems have appeared quite a bit in several campus humor magazines. Here are a few of them:

I'm just a modest little girl—
I do not smoke or drink,
Or dare to sit at night
Upon the river's brink—
So my parents think.

—Scottie

Soft the new love tells his lies
And ah, he tells them well;
Demurely, I turn my eyes—
Alone, I laugh like hell.

—Ohio State Sundial

A serious thought for today
Is one that may cause us dismay,
Just what are the forces
That bring little horses
If all the horses say, "Nay."

—Froth

Education of a Coed

She learned to lo e,
She learned to hate,
She learned a car would carry
eight.

She learned to smoke
And how to tell
Wood alcohol
By taste or smell.

She learned to coax
She learned to tease
She learned a new way
Of cooking cheese

She learned to neck
And break a date
She's ready now
To graduate.

—Parrot

The Washington State trackmen were really in shape for the track meet last Saturday. They arrived in Eugene by bus at 1:30 and at 2 they were on the track ready to go. Their coach has a good method if his men goof off in a race: he sticks them in another one. He did that to Bill Parnell, the halfmiler. He took it easy and as a result five minutes later was in the two mile, also.

Interesting side comment on the play Saturday evening at the Mac court, was heard from Dan Garza Dan was explaining the plot of "Midsummer Night's Dream." Didn't quite expect to hear such literary comment come from Dan but he knows his lit for sure.

Several seniors in various houses seem to have the wanderlust and are taking trips south, north, east, and west. Ah yes, spring term and the freshmen are burning up the roads. Wonder who chalks up the most mileage this year.

Now that all the high school girls are gone, the men don't have to sweat out the nickel hop. Well, it is one way to make money. At the Chi O house you can't help making \$10 or \$15 if you try. They don't check the money, and with all those BA majors! Put in a dollar and get five in change. Thank you.

Since most of us do watch our money we always look around before spending—especially for presents. Solve your problem, both money and gift, open a Carl Greve, Jeweler, charge account the next time you are in Portland. Morrison and Broadway, almost.

Pi Phi Prexy Sue Mereer commented during the nickel hop that occasionally the house would be empty of men and then too full, and she wondered what caused the unusual flow. If the Pi Phi house is ever empty of men during a nickel hop it will be news to most of the fellows on the campus. By the way, who won the prizes?

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