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Students Pack Court for Rally

'Consider Ducks' Telegrams to Officials

Huge Ovation Given Aiken, Team Members

What now?
Oregon is definitely out of the running for this year's Rose Bowl. California, picked yesterday by the faculty representatives of the Coast Conference schools, will have the honor of meeting Northwestern, the Big Nine Bowl choice, in the featured New Year's Day classic.

And what about Oregon?
Although visibly upset over missing a chance at the Rose Bowl, University officials said yesterday they would seriously consider any other bowl offers.

Another group, composed of students, felt the same way. But instead of waiting for offers they went right to work as soon as the shock from the Rose Bowl news had worn off.

Putting their heads together, they came up with three proposals.

1. Send telegrams to the sports departments of the Miami Herald and the New Orleans Times-Picayune urging that Oregon be given consideration in selection for

FINAL STANDINGS Pacific Coast Conference				
	W.	L.	T.	Pct.
OREGON	7	0	0	1.000
California	6	0	0	1.000
USC	4	2	0	.667
WSC	4	3	1	.571
Stanford	3	4	0	.429
OSC	2	3	2	.400
Washington	2	5	1	.286
UCLA	2	6	0	.250
Idaho	1	5	0	.167
Montana	0	3	0	.000

FINAL STANDINGS Big Nine Conference				
	W.	L.	T.	Pct.
MICHIGAN	6	0	0	1.000
Northwestern	5	1		.833
Minnesota	5	2		.714
Ohio State	3	3		.500
Purdue	2	4		.333
Iowa	2	4		.333
Indiana	2	4		.333
Illinois	2	5		.286
Wisconsin	1	5		.167

either the Orange Bowl or the Sugar Bowl.

2. Proposed, themselves, that the Oregon Webfoots, the "Pacific Coast Conference champions", meet the Michigan Wolverines, the "Big Nine champions", in a New Year's Day game either in Yankee stadium, New York City or Soldier's field, Chicago.

3. Talked up the idea that Oregon meet the winner of the Northwestern-California game. They admitted, however, it was doubtful a Valentine's Day game would be permitted by Conference fathers.

The two telegrams suggested that officials consider Oregon as a possibility for either the Orange or Sugar Bowl. A number of students within this group disclosed a preference for the second proposal. They figure that a game such as this would be a big drawing card, and give both Oregon and Michigan the national spotlight. No matter where the teams played, Chicago or New York, (Please turn to page 2)

An Editorial...

Roses and Second-Raters

It's probably better this way.

Since the Big Nine, because of a rather silly ruling, will be sending its second best team to the Rose Bowl January 1, why shouldn't the Pacific Coast be represented by its second best also?

'We Was Robbed' Theme Expresses Feeling

"We was robbed," the words Oregon students had hoped all season long they would not have to say, seemed to be the three words that best expressed the campus feeling yesterday when the University of California was voted into the Rose Bowl.

The disappointing news was received in Eugene at 11 a.m., or 12 noon, Los Angeles daylight time. Congratulations from Coach Jim Aiken, and Athletic Director Leo Harris to the California team were forthcoming shortly afterward.

Victor Schmidt, Pacific Coast conference commissioner, refused to disclose the actual count of the voting, saying some members felt it "might put some institutions on the spot." Asked if it was close, he declined to answer.

Suggest Benefit Game

Oregon and Oklahoma have been asked to play a benefit for the American Legion's county council in Memorial coliseum in Los Angeles December 18. While there is a conference rule which prohibits coast teams from playing post-season contests where the management is by a third party, Schmidt said his office would poll league members on a waiver if Oregon requests it.

Harris Note

Leo Harris, director of athletics, sent this message of congratulations to California.

"The University of Oregon has sent its congratulations to the University of California on its selection as the Pacific coast conference representative in the 1949 Rose Bowl game. We at Oregon are certain that California's football team will ably represent the conference in the game with the western conference team on January 1 at Pasadena."

Aiken would not comment on the chance of Oregon's playing elsewhere.

"I don't want to think about any other game than the Rose Bowl," Aiken said.

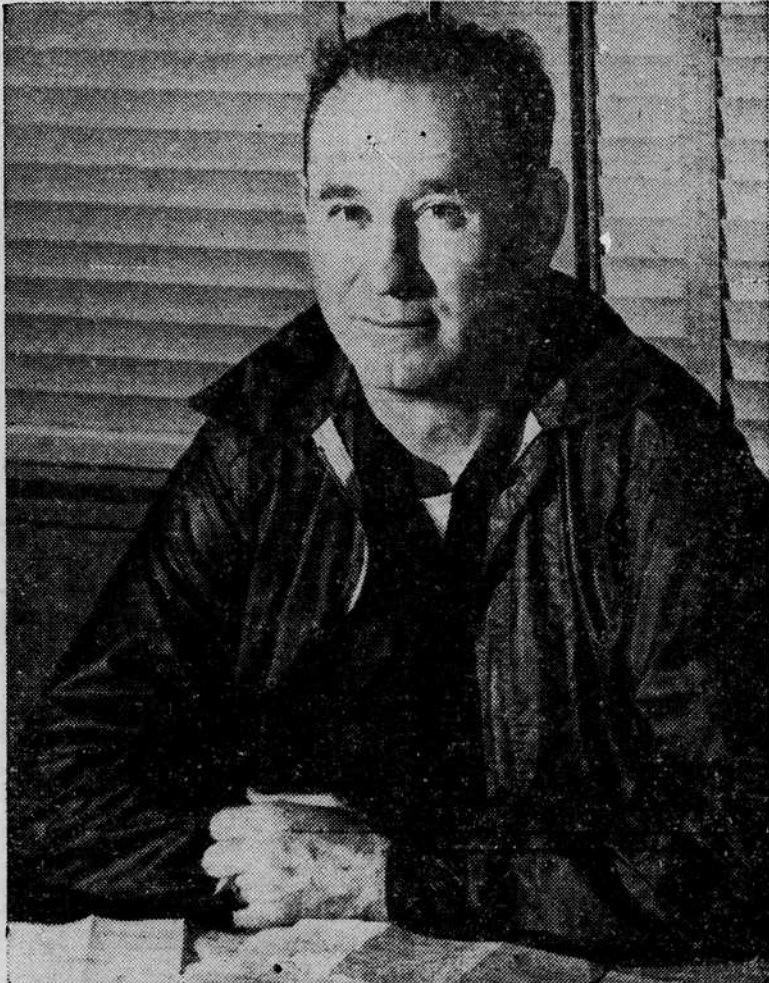
Oregon's fighting spirit was apparent in the thoughts and feel-

ings of townspeople and students "pions" at an Oregon club luncheon who acclaimed the team as "champion" and McArthur court rally yesterday.

Aiken Not Convinced

Aiken told an overflow crowd at the noon luncheon of the Oregon

Believes Team Slighted



"COACH OF THE CHAMPIONS." Jim Aiken told an overflow noon luncheon of the Oregon club, "I'm from West Virginia and down there we never forget a favor or a slight. I think our football team has been slighted. I think this is the best football team I've ever coached and I'm proud with the caliber of football they have played all season."

club he was not convinced California had the better team. "I think our football team has been slighted. I think this is the best football team I've ever coached and I'm proud with the caliber of football they have played all season."

"We could have beaten California. We could beat Northwestern," was the opinion expressed by most of the players on the team. "We will win all of our games next season and play in the 1950 Rose Bowl."

When Van Brocklin was called on to speak, he broke into tears. Aiken had described him as "The best football player I've ever coached—a coach's player who declines personal glory in the interest of the team."

"This disappointment," Aiken told the luncheon group, "will knit us together and make us fight harder."

Cal Celebrates

University of California students were beating Oregon to it yesterday afternoon when in their jubilation they were setting fire to the Cal campus. Police were having trouble, and a dozen fire trucks clanged to the University area to control the bonfires set by students on street corners surrounding the campus.

Aiken Message

Coach Jim Aiken's message of congratulations reads as follows:

"The Oregon squad, its coaches, and myself congratulate Coach Lynn Waldorf and his California squad on its selection as the Rose Bowl team. We are naturally disappointed, but at the same time we are certain that California is a fine football team and will do an excellent job in the Rose Bowl."

Perhaps the largest ovation that the UO campus will ever hear shook Mac court yesterday afternoon as hundreds of students gathered to cheer Coach Jim Aiken and his undefeated team.

With the crowd chanting "we want Aiken," the coach was introduced by President Newburn. Aiken expressed disappointment at the Pacific Coast Conference vote which gave California the Rose Bowl bid, but reasoned that "sports are a funny thing—and there'll always be another chance."

Introducing the team, Aiken admitted that he is "mighty proud of 'em," giving Norm Van Brocklin the title of "greatest quarterback in America."

Stanford Students Have Right Idea

Rumor has it that the Stanford student body came up with the best spontaneous yell of the week end. Following the Stanford-Cal game Saturday afternoon, the Indians are reported to have chanted:

"Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
You're scared to play Oregon,
To hell with you."

Members of the team were given cheers by what was probably the biggest rally crowd of the season. Some of the Webfoots had something to say; others made their appearance without comment.

President Newburn, making preliminary remarks, noted that the crowd was exceedingly large for one which had just received a Rose Bowl disappointment. "I imagine you all feel just like I do," he said, voicing the general dejection of the crowd.

Speaking last on the program, Leo Harris made the disclosure that "we have ordered gold footballs bearing the inscription 'University of Oregon, Pacific Coast Conference Champions!'"

After the rally, which was led by Marv Horenstein and the yell dukes, the floor was cleared for dancing. Entire proceedings were broadcast over a local radio station.

Interviewed during the rally, Education Activities Director Dick Williams stated that the rally was "the best in many years." Attendance was substantially more than that of any such rally held recently.

Students assembled last night in front of Jim Aiken's home to cheer the Oregon coach. The rally snowballed through the campus last night, and an estimated 1,000 persons gathered to hear Aiken respond to the shouts of "We want a Bowl bid" by telling the crowd that the athletic department and faculty would seriously consider any bowl offer.