

DUCK TRACKS

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It's the Year of the Yearling at Oregon once again. Football Coach Jim Aiken in his fourth year at the Webfoot camp will be depending greatly upon a host of sophomores and transfers to prove the virtue of tenure. You Ducks who are swimming in the Eugene pool for the first time will find that you are entering Oregon during what we've come to call a "building year." The house that Jim built in 1948 has toppled after failing to weather five straight storms at the close of the 1949 season.

It's a long, long while from May to December, to coin a new phrase, and this is that time in September when the days grow short. You've seen that one-two punch on this season's grid schedule, of course, so you know that the Duck squad has only part of next week before meeting the question-mark UCLA Bruins Saturday at Los Angeles. The Webfoots will be leaving their feathers beside their beds Friday morning when they board a plane to fly down to the vastness of the Coliseum.

Any Time, Any Place

Most of you will be herded to various assemblies and other such very important affairs this next week. Somewhere along the line you'll probably hear Aiken say that we've got a bunch of fighting and hustling boys this year—ready to meet anybody, any time, any place. He won't be kidding. You won't hear as much chatter during practice as has been heard during the past few seasons but you'll see that wind being saved for a more vicious block or tackle, an extra step to get under a pass, or a harder smash at the line. There's nothing wrong with a lot of chatter on a ball club but it's not worth very much when the athletes hit with the unleashed fury of a professor dealing a ghastly blow to a ball at a faculty croquet tournament.

Candles 'n Cake

Sometimes, as the candles increase on our cakes, we're inclined to grow a little tired of the game. We'd rather look at our press clippings or recall the glories of service ball. We're good, we're old veterans, so why bother to keep proving our right to that spot in the backfield? Sometimes, then, we find ourselves losing most of the ball games instead of winning them. The storms each weekend grow fiercer. It's nicer by the fire.

Most of the boys on the squad this year don't have many candles. All their press clippings combined wouldn't take more than a few minutes to read, nor would they make a fire warm enough to bother about. Many of the players pranced unto gridirons last year for the same reason that thousands of us filed through gates—to watch a football game. Those boys haven't forgotten the hard benches and the suits that were never soiled.

Perhaps the 1950 Oregon football edition will terrify nobody except Coach Aiken. Perhaps. Ol' Surprisin' Aiken can be mighty surprisin'.

Just A Glance

Some of you will pay to come to Oregon and others of you know who did the paying and receiving. The latter group will need no introduction to the coaching staff here, so this quick look at the staff will be for the unfortunate majority.

James W. Aiken took over the worn reins at Oregon in 1947, when he nourished his inheritance to a tie for second in the conference race. In order to do this, he was induced in some manner to leave Nevada University, where he has led the Wolfpack to national fame during an eight-year stay. In 1948 Aiken guided his charges to a conference co-championship with California. This should be the fifth sentence in this paragraph, so if it's only the fourth, a description of the 1949 campaign has been censored. At Oregon, Aiken has, among other things, set several records. A few of these include 13 straight PCC victories, an 8-game winning streak in 1947-48, and a 10-game home winning streak in 1947-48-49.

End Coach Jerry Lillie joined the staff in 1949. Before coming to Oregon, he had been athletic director and head coach at Willamette. Lillie graduated from Oregon in 1931 after picking up three letters at guard.

For Line Coach Bob (Buster) McClure, this is the second season at Oregon. He's played pro football with Boston in the National League and played four years under Aiken at Nevada, where he was named to numerous All-America teams.

Johnny McKay is backfield coach and also the newest member of the coaching staff. He transferred from Purdue to Oregon to play for Aiken during 1949 and 1949. One of the swiftest and finest backs ever to appear at Hayward Field, McKay topped the abundant Duck scoring in 1948 with 48 points and added 30 more in 1949.

Sorority Rushing Started; Men Wait Until Winter

Oregon's sororities begin their customary fall-term rushing Tuesday while fraternities abide by "hands-off" rushing regulations for fall term.

No freshmen will live in fraternities or sororities this year; women pledging sororities during this rush week will live in dormitories and will take part in a limited number of house activities.

Fraternity rush week will be held at the beginning of winter term, at which time freshman men will be rushed. Sophomores, juniors and seniors may pledge fraternities throughout the year.

Rushing Begins Tuesday

Joan White, president of campus Panhellenic, has scheduled rush week for Sept. 19 through 24. Panhellenic will maintain offices in 110 and 110-A of the Student Union.

All rushees are requested to meet in the Panhellenic assembly hall, basement of the Student Union, at 12:30 Tuesday and Wednesday, for open house tours.

A rushee assembly will be held Wednesday in the Panhellenic hall at 6:30.

Miss White states that guided tours of the sixteen campus sororities will be held Tuesday and Wednesday dates with houses will begin Sept. 21, culminating in pledging on Monday, September 25.

IFC Sets Regulations

The Interfraternity Council rushing policy, adopted last spring, provides for stringent regulations regarding freshmen this fall term.

Rushing is defined as social contact at any time, at any place, and as an attempt to influence a freshman on his choice of a fraternity. Individual fraternity members may contact freshmen for other than rushing purposes.

Any fraternity or member of a fraternity violating this rule will be denied the right to pledge at any future time the freshman involved, and will be subject to a fine of \$50. Freshmen found to be violators will be denied the right to pledge any fraternity for a period not to exceed one year.

An additional ruling is that no fraternity member may live in dormitories during fall term except in an official capacity. Fines of thirty dollars will be levied for violations of this rule.

Cash Refund Due Students Called By Draft Boards

University students entering the service can get free refunds under prescribed conditions and can get course credit when they leave near the end of the term, the state system of higher education decided early this week.

Associated Press reported from Portland that the board re-adopted World War II policies toward war leaves, fee refunding, and service to the government for all state institutions of higher education.

Grants Special Leaves

Prompted by the Korean crisis, this means that staff members called for special service will be granted leaves with assurance of returning to former positions.

Students will be able to receive credit for certain types of work in the service, under the state board's plan.

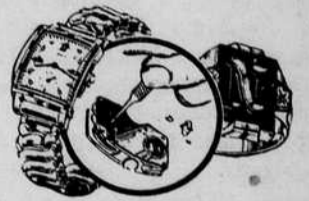
The board also confirmed all action recommended by the building and finance committee. This included selection of a site for a new dental school, and allocation of funds to all institutions for addi-

tional land purchases and plant rehabilitation.

Included were \$70,400 for land purchase at the University of Oregon and \$62,700 for plant rehabilitation here.

Other Decisions

Board members also agreed to assume the cost of educational work in the various institutional dormitories where these have nothing to do with actual living and dining operations. The total for all institutions amounts to just under \$30,000.



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