

# DUCK TRACKS

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The Ducks will attain the half way point in their 1950 campaign this Saturday when they come home to entertain the St. Marys Gaels at Hayward Field. They'll probably be mighty happy to be among familiar surroundings again, too, since every time they have ventured onto foreign soil this season they have been treated with anything but respect.

Coach Joe Ruetz' Gaels are just one of the on-again off-again aggregations which the Webfoots will be called upon to face during the latter stages of this season. The Gaels, who were famous for their teams of "beardless youths" during the war, were thought to have an outfit which would go nowhere when the season opened. They set out to prove it by playing dead in their opener against College of the Pacific, but came back a week later to tie a Georgia team which the week before had belted power-packed Maryland. Then they proved that they're only human last week when they took it on the chin from Loyola of Los Angeles by a 48-0 count.

## Keep Gaels Happy

There is an interesting story which is making the rounds in connection with the St. Marys-Georgia scuffle. Seems that one of the drum-beaters from the Georgia publicity bureau preceded the Bulldogs into San Francisco and dropped out to the Gael's home grounds at Moraga to have a look-see at the opposition in practice. After looking the crop over for a while, he dropped into a San Francisco sports writer's lair to discuss the outcome of the ensuing fray. Not at all impressed with what he had seen, the Georgian ran on at some length about what was going to happen Friday night when the two teams got together.

It would be murder, he said. They were sending boys against men, and whoever scheduled such a mismatch should have his head examined. The whole thing should be called off in the interests of humanity.

The S. F. writer, knowing a story when he saw it, picked up some of the choicest phrases and printed them, verbatim, in his column. The words were read by the Gaels, and supposedly had the same effect as does a red flag waved in front of a bull. They went out with a grim determination to make the Bulldogs eat their man's words, and well nigh succeeded in doing so.

## Spirit's The Thing

Which all goes to show what spirit can do for a ball club. Them that has it will win games they have no business winning; them that don't will come in second against teams which shouldn't be on the same field with them. For our money nothing else accounts so much for the astounding reversals of form which occur week in and week out on fields all over the country.

Other future opponents who have shown that they can reach the heights on occasion are Washington State and Colorado. The Cougars blew hot against Southern Cal a week ago, but Saturday had all they could do to tame Montana's Grizzlies by a 14-7 margin. Colorado was going no place until Saturday when they upset what was supposedly a red-hot Nebraska outfit, 28-19. The Buffaloes are coached by Dallas Ward, an ex-Oregon Stater, and have last year's 42-14 loss to the Ducks to avenge, so they will have incentive enough to be up for the game. They'll also be on their home turf at Boulder, high up in that thin Rocky Mountain air.

Probably the busiest man on the field at Neale Stadium in Moscow Saturday was Referee Lee Eisan, who stepped off 233 yards in penalties against the two teams. This is only four yards short of Idaho's net rushing yardage, and 27 more than Oregon's total output, both by land and in the air. The Ducks were on the receiving end of 125 yards of penalties, which made us think of Jim Aiken's words after the UCLA game, when Oregon incurred not a single major penalty. That was okay, said Jim, but he wanted the other clubs to know that the Ducks could take care of themselves, too.

## Ho-Hum, No Change

The Pacific Coast Conference picture didn't change much over the weekend other than to see Washington and California cement their holds on first division berths. On the other end of the ladder, Oregon and Oregon State's holds on the bottom rungs were equally strengthened.

Only two conference games are on tap this weekend, Oregon State trekking southward to engage Cal at Berkeley and Stanford meeting UCLA at Los Angeles. The latter will be Stanford's first real test of the campaign, and possibilities for an upset are ripe. The Bruins have dropped two close ones after a whirlwind start, while the highly-touted Indians have failed to impress their backers or anyone else in their last two starts.

Moving outside the conference will be Washington, which meets Illinois at Champaign and USC, which takes on Navy at Baltimore. The reputation of coast teams, which have dropped three out of five major intersectional clashes this year will again be at stake in these games.

## Foreign Movies Begin Sunday

This year's Foreign Movie club program begins Sunday with the French film, "Devil in the Flesh," which will continue through Oct. 25. Place of showing is not yet known.

Students will not be asked to sign club pledge cards this year, R. L. Picard, professor of foreign languages, explained this week.

Because of difficulties encountered in the use of the pledge card system last year, students will be admitted to all productions at regular student admission prices of 55 cents.

"There is one way that students can help us to secure a good selection of foreign movies this year—by encouraging off-campus friends to purchase membership cards at \$3.50 for any six of the movies," Picard explained.

The adult membership drive is being conducted this week, with season tickets on sale at the Mayflower and Heilig theaters. Season tickets entitle the holder to attend any six of the eight movies to be scheduled.

"We are trying to have one foreign movie every other week," Picard explained.

Other films already scheduled this year are "Bicycle Thief," an Italian production; "Torment," a British film; "Rubens" and "Operetta," a double bill; "Room Upstairs," and "Monsieur Vincent."

## Frosh Trounce

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Morris touchdown pass. Hostetler's successful conversion was nullified by a penalty, and Spreen was dropped on the 22 when he attempted to pass on the second attempt for the extra point.

### Frosh Ramble Again

The Frosh smashed 73 yards in the second quarter to make the score 19-0: The drive was featured by Left Half Jim Gunnell's 29-yard gallop to the Willamette 12. Gunnell scored three plays later by driving through a hole in the center of the Jayvee forward wall from the one-yard line. The conversion attempt was blocked.

Late in the third period, the Ducklings recovered a Willamette fumble on the Oregon 20 and rolled 80 yards in 10 plays for their fourth touchdown. Spreen completed a long toss to Left End Don Hedgepeth for a 32-yard advance to the enemy 12, and circled end for a touchdown next play. The conversion attempt was blocked.

An Oregon fumble, an interference penalty, and an offside penalty contributed to Willamette's only touchdown. The Bearcats actually gained a net yardage of minus two during this drive, but penalties more than compensated for the setbacks. Don Cantrell scored for the Jayvees on a one-yard quarterback sneak. The conversion kick was wide.

Although Barney Holland, reserve Oregon quarterback, completed only two passes during the afternoon, both of them contributed effectively to the Ducklings' fifth touchdown drive. With only 30 seconds remaining in the game, Holland passed 24 yards to Right Half Bobby Marra, who pulled in the aerial on the visitors' 18 and ran to the 10. After two passes fell incomplete, Holland pitched a touchdown aerial to Marra in the end zone with only 13 seconds remaining. The conversion kick was good.

We'll have sunshine for 86,000,000 years, says an astronomer—the brightest thing we've heard in a long time.

## Inquiring Reporter

# Everyone Likes The Idea, Except The Freshmen

By John Rooney

Campus opinion is divided very evenly on the holding of freshman elections fall term this year. In recent years, freshmen have elected officers in the fall.

The division was rather clear-cut: Everyone but the freshmen think it's a fine idea; the freshmen themselves don't think it's too good. And two Oregon State transfers divide, too—one says it worked well there and should work here; the other says it didn't work too well there.

The election, scheduled Oct. 3, is expected to be non-partisan, since only freshmen women have pledged, and thus party lines of Associated Greek Students and United Students Association would be hard to draw.

Bob Rudolph, sophomore in Health Education, and Duck football player—"It's a good idea. If the class is organized sooner, it will mean less waste of time. Freshman will have an extra term to get their activities going."

Don Till, freshman, architect student—"It will give class representation during fall term. If it were held during the winter, the freshman wouldn't have anyone to present class problems and ideas to the ASUO."

Jane Carlisle, senior in sociology—"It will give class officers a chance to carry out a program throughout the year and will give them nearly three terms to work in, instead of one and a half."

Bob Lium, junior in architect, and a transfer from OSC—"It worked quite well at OSC. It should work here."

Bud Lindbeck, sophomore in pro-journalism and a transfer from OSC—"We had the same thing at State, and it wasn't too successful. It was too soon, and nobody knew the candidates."

Sally Lyman, Lee Kellow, and Alexa Forney, all Hendricks Hall freshmen in liberal arts—"We should wait until we get to know the students better. The only ones we know are those that live in the hall."

Jeanese Crist, freshman in pre-nursing, and Hendricks resident—"It may be a good idea, but I think we should wait awhile."

Bill Hunter and Bob Holloway,

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## Oregana Deadline Extended 3 Days

Deadline for living organizations and clubs to contract space in the 1950 Oregana has been extended to Wednesday, Oct. 18, Business Manager Bob Schooling said Sunday.

Sunday was the date set in letters mailed to living organization and club presidents. Because of late mailing of these letters, the deadline has been extended, Schooling said.

Nestor Hall freshmen in liberal arts—"Not too good an idea. We should wait. That way we'll have a better chance to know who we want. However, it's a good idea about it being a non-partisan election."

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