

Duck Tracks

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Athletic Director Leo Harris deserves highest congratulations for the addition of the colorful College of Pacific Tigers to the Oregon gridiron schedules for 1951 and 1952.

Coach Larry Siemerling's COP elevens have always been noted for their powerful aerial attacks and their tenacious defensive play.

His four-year record at the Stockton institution includes 35 wins, 5 losses, and 3 deadlocks. Taking over in 1947, he guided the Tigers to 10 wins in 11 games.

Although the 1948 COP schedule was estimated to be forty per cent tougher than the previous slate, the Tigers breezed through that season with a single setback.

In 1949, Little All-American Quarterback "Excellent Eddie" LeBaron, a 19-year old senior, piloted the COPs to one of the greatest football records in collegiate history.

The Tigers completed an 11-game season without losing a single tilt. Averaging a tolerable 52.3 points per contest, they tallied 575 scoreboard counters to their opponents' 66.

The oddities of that notable season included pre-game predictions for the outcome of the COP-San Diego State game. Although both teams were undefeated and untied, COP was favored to win by 40 points!

The 1951 Oregon-COP battle at Stockton will be Siemerling's fourth encounter with pigskin aggregations from the Webfoot state.

The other three were endurable from Siemerling's point of view—the Tigers dropped Willamette 56-0 and the Portland Pilots 61-15 and 75-20.

Although 1950 was Siemerling's most unfortunate year at COP, his boys managed to pick up six wins, including a 40-0 triumph over St. Mary's, a 41-7 win over Denver University, a 43-7 victory over once-mighty Nevada, and a 52-7 breather with Fresno State.

The Stockton game will not be Oregon's first battle with the Tigers. The Ducks narrowly edged COP 7-6 in the 1946 opener for both squads.

The 1946 Tiger coach, incidentally, was Amos Alonzo Stagg, the "grand old man of football." Despite his extreme seniority—he was three years old when Lincoln died—he is still an active member of the coaching fraternity.

Although he was placed on the first All-American football squad ever chosen, he was also noted for his diamond skills and is rated as the greatest baseball hurler in Yale history.

Six major league teams attempted to get Stagg's signature on the dotted line, but he decided to devote his life to college football.

When the University of Chicago was founded in 1892, Stagg was chosen for the football coaching chores. Although Chicago contributed magnanimously to the progress and popularity of the pigskin sport by awarding Stagg the rank of associate professor, an unknown honor for previous football mentors, it was later that same school that officially denounced football and abandoned the sport.

After Stagg had coached elevens for 41 years, he was asked to retire because he had reached the age of 70, a magical number which had the



EDDIE LeBARON

amazing properties of converting enterprising workers into unemployed rocking chair rockers.

Stagg did not wish to retire at such an early age, so he signed a contract with the College of Pacific. Although his COP squads were rarely sensational, his 1943 eleven was one of the best in the West.

That 1943 squad won seven and lost only two. The two defeats were suffered at the hands of USC's Rose Bowl champions, who edged the COPs 6-0, and the famous March Field service team, which was one of the nation's strongest squads. The 81-year old Stagg captured Coach of the Year honors.

One of Stagg's sons, Dr. Paul Stagg, is the present athletic director and football coach at Pacific University. Another son, Amos Alonzo Stagg, Jr., is the athletic director, co-football coach, basketball coach, track mentor, tennis coach, and director of intramural sports at Susquehanna University.

The elder Stagg shares football coaching duties with his son at Susquehanna. Although he is 89 years old, he is still noted for his brilliant imagination, which has been responsible for numerous innovations in the realm of athletics.

He invented the tackling dummy in 1889, when rolled mattresses satisfactorily fulfilled dummy functions for the Yale gridders. Stagg established the first college letterman's club. He introduced reserves and double reverses.

In 1890, he arranged history's first indoor football game, which was played in Madison Square Garden. He also developed the 7-2-2, 6-2-1-2, and 5-2-1-2-1 defensive formations.

Stagg was responsible for the first long-distance college intersectional game, a Chicago-Stanford clash. He introduced the "flier," now better known as the "man in motion."

He also has developed blocking machines, knit football pants, the flanker offensive attack, and the spread formation for punting. Since his imagination also ran wild in other activities, he invented overflow troughs for swimming pools and also arranged for the first of the many American baseball expeditions to Japan.

Intra-Squad Swim Session Set Saturday in Men's Pool

Oregon's 1951 varsity and freshmen swimming teams will splash it out in an intra-squad swimming meet in the men's pool at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Varsity Coach John Borchardt and Frosh Coach Tom Nekota have been preparing their charges for weeks in preparation for the annual intra-squad duel.

The Frosh squad will have an added advantage. Swimmers who are ineligible for varsity competition will be stroking for the yearlings, regardless of their standing in the University.

Three Finest

A treat for fans will be the 100-yard freestyle event. Three men, Pete Van Dijk, Louis Santos, and Milton Kotoshirodo, will be in the event. These three are claimed to be the finest 100-yard swimmers at Oregon in years.

Joe Nishimoto and Yoshinobu Terada are figured to match stroke for stroke in the 180-yard individual medley event. The winner is figured by pool authorities to be claimed Oregon's fastest 180 man since the Ducks first took to water.

Nishimoto will also be seen in his specialty event, the 200-yard breast stroke. Gordon Edwards, a Frosh star last year, will stand a good chance of lowering the varsity and pool record in the 440-yard freestyle.

The events which will turn the tide of the meet will be the relays. These promise to be the thrillers

because the two squads are evenly matched with talent. The last event of the meet, the 400-yard freestyle relay, will probably determine the outcome of the meet.

Subject to possible change, these are the events in their order, with participants for both sides:

300 yd. medley relay

Varsity—Pete Van Dijk, Alan Paget, Louis Santos, Frosh and ineligibles—Yoshinobu Terada, Milton Kotoshirodo, Henry Kaiura.

220 yd. freestyle

Varsity—Gordon Edwards, Jim Allan, Frosh—Bob Oringdulph.

60 yd. freestyle

Varsity—Dick Bjornstad, Mike Popovich, Frosh—Allan Wakinekona, Edward Placek.

180 yd. ind. medley

Varsity—Joe Nishimoto, Garland Tryznka, Frosh—Terada, John English.

Diving

Varsity—Ray Atkison, Frosh—Pete Charleston.

100 yd. freestyle

Varsity—Santos, Van Dijk, Frosh—Kotoshirodo, Ben Baldwin.

200 yd. backstroke

Varsity—Stan Hargrave, Frosh—Kaiura, English.

200 yd. breaststroke

Varsity—Nishimoto, Dick Ruckreschel, Frosh—Allan Wakinekona, Placek.

440 yd. freestyle

Varsity—Edwards, Frosh—Oringdulph, Baldwin.

400 freestyle relay

Varsity—Popovich, Santos, Allan, Van Dijk, Frosh—Wakinekona, Terada, Kaiura, Kotoshirodo.

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'Mural Bowling

Thursday's intramural bowling results at the Student Union:

Sigma Chi rolled over Theta Chi, 3-1, Minturn hall beat Phi Kappa Psi, 3-1, and Phi Delta Theta beat Stitzer, 3-1. Outstanding series were by Sigma Chi's Tom McDonald with a 511 and Theta Chi's Ron Clark with a 509.

IM Schedule

- 3:50 et 40 Minturn B vs Beta B
- 3:50 et 43 Sigma Nu B vs Gamma B
- 4:35 et 40 Chi Psi A vs Lambda Chi A
- 4:35 et 43 Stitzer A vs Philadelphia A
- 5:15 et 40 Phi Delt A vs Alpha A
- 5:15 et 43 Pi K Phi A vs Fiji A