

SIX LOCAL GAMES

Gridders Drill for Big Fall Schedule

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With approximately forty-five candidates on hand, Head Football Coach Len Casanova has been holding daily spring grid drills on the practice field in an effort to prepare for the 1953 football season, which brings the Webfoots up against some of the same tough competition they have faced in recent years.

Due largely to the efforts of Leo

Harris, Director of Athletics, Oregon will have a full home slate of six tilts, two of which are to be played in Multnomah Stadium in Portland. Perhaps the most significant of Harris's accomplishments is the scheduling of a contest with UCLA in Eugene, the first meeting of the two elevens on Hayward field in a number of years.

Open Against Cornhuskers

The season opener brings the Ducks up against the Cornhuskers

of Nebraska on September 19 at the latter's home stadium, followed the next weekend by a fray with the Stanford Indians at Palo Alto. Last season the Webfoots upset the Tribe, and the Indians will be out for blood.

The above mentioned struggle with UCLA is the next on the list. It is scheduled for October 3, and will be the first home game for the Webfoots. The Oregon eleven takes to the road again the following weekend for a tilt with the Cougars of WSC at Pullman.

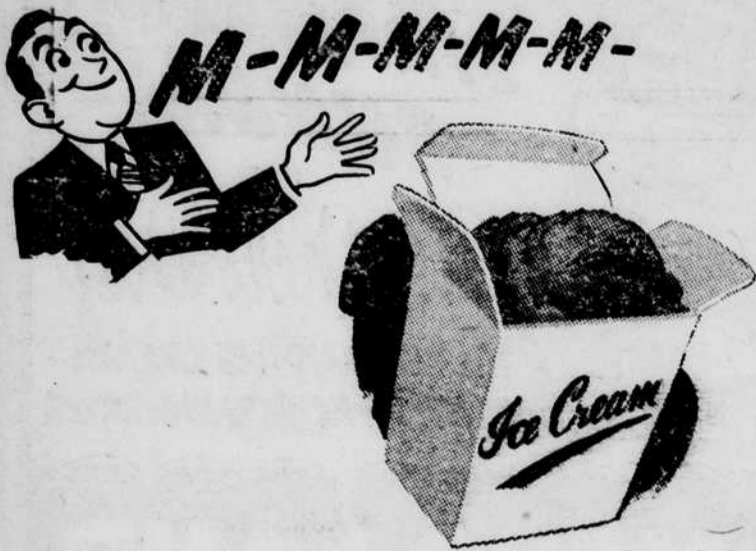
Beginning with the October 17 game against Washington at Portland, the Webfoots play four straight home contests. They meet San Jose State at Eugene on October 31, and Idaho on Hayward field on November 7.

Then to Berkeley

Coach Len Casanova and his crew then travel to Berkeley for a tilt with California and return to Eugene for the season windup, the annual civil war game with the Beavers of Oregon State.

The 1953 Webfoots should have considerably more depth than last year's squad, especially in the center of the line. The Ducks should be particularly strong at the tackle positions, with veterans Jack Patera and Hal Reeve heading a strong group of candidates.

The ends look weak at present, but should be strengthened by transfers and men moved from other positions. All in all, things look rosier this spring for the Webfoots than has been the case for the last three or four years.



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Events Fill Sport Day

Oregon's athletic squads go all out for the home fans next Saturday when the big Spring Sports Day packs a football scrimmage, an Oregon-Oregon State track meet, and a Duck-Beaver contest into one afternoon of action.

First athletic event on the slate will be the football scrimmage—a dress rehearsal of next fall's Oregon gridiron entry in the Pacific Coast Conference. The mock battle will begin at 10:30.

So far this season the spring gridders have been hampered by drizzly weather, but are shaping up well under the guidance of Head Coach Len Casanova.

Civil War Track Meet

After a lunch time recess, Oregon's next competition will be a Civil War track engagement with the Ducks' cross-state rivals, the Beavers from Corvallis. Oregon will have a definite edge over the Aggies, who lost to the Webfoots earlier in the season in the not-too-publicized Oregon-Oregon State Relays.

OSC's top contender is Merv Brock, 100- and 220-dash specialist. Another bright star on the cloudy Beaver team is Ralph Sutton, last year's Northern Division javelin champion.

Oregon has a host of top individual performers in Ted Anderson, sprints and hurdles, Doug Clement, middle distance specialist, and Fred Turner, and Al Martin, milers. Ray Packwood, who was indefinitely dropped from the team in a disciplinary measure, is the top pole vaulter in the Northwest.

To end the afternoon, Oregon will engage OSC at Howe field at 3:00 p.m. in the first of a four-
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