

DUCK TRACKS

By ELBERT HAWKINS

We're in the fourth week since Oregon and UCLA opened conference football for 1937, and if Tiny Thornhill, Stub Allison, and several other mentors are correct, you can still figure eight teams with a chance at the Rose Bowl.

It all comes from pre-season predictions of said Mr. Thornhill and brethren that this season's championship eleven won't go through undefeated. California's Golden Bears have swept through two games to lead the pack alone, but each of the seven other clubs has one, and only one, defeat marring its record.

There's no possible way, say the coaches, to keep a team keyed up to a peak for perhaps eight consecutive Saturdays. Somewhere the pressure must fall, and a difference of one or two touchdowns in each team's performance is apt to bring about one of these classic upsets, like—for instance—the one Oregon State provided against Washington last week.

"Football is like baseball now," said California's Stub Allison recently, "any team that can win 70 per cent of its games through a hard schedule has turned out a good season. Any team that goes through unbeaten—through a hard schedule, I mean—has to be lucky."

California is out in front now, and in pre-season gossip was picked to finish in the top three mainly on the basis of good sound material. But, you see what the Golden Bears must face. On five successive Saturdays beginning next week, California plays USC, UCLA, Washington, Oregon, and Stanford. Three are met on the road.

Squads like Oregon's booming sophomores are constantly learning, and get more powerful by the game. Wins over Stanford and Gonzaga, in the style Prink's boys exhibited, will attest to that. Then there is the possibility of injuries which California is bucking. One let-down in that five-game stretch and the damage is done.

Scrimmage plays, not passes, accounted for Oregon's terrific amount of yardage against Gonzaga Saturday. The Webfoots connected on four out of 12 aerial heaves for 75 yards, but running plays amassed 356 yards. You can also add Nicholson's 70-yard touchdown run from an intercepted pass. Eighteen first downs to three was the ratio.

Nine boys packed the mail for Oregon against Gonzaga, and five of them averaged over six yards per try. Even more interesting is the fact that the lowest was 2.7—enough to make a first down in every four plays. Speed-boy Jimmy Nicholson averaged 17 for three tries, Fullback Paul Rowe averaged eight, while Graybeal and Speetzen each lugged it once for seven.

Senior Dale Lasselle continued his flashy ball-packing by carrying it 11 times for a 4.3 average. Steve Anderson's was 6.2 per for eight tries. Arleigh Bentley was Oregon's workhorse for the afternoon, netting 59 yards in 15 shots at the goal line for a 3.9 average. Bob Smith, and Ted Gebhardt averaged four and 2.7 in three and four tries, respectively.

Short shots . . . In order to provide a good double for UCLA's negro halfback Kenny Washington, Stanford coaches used burnt cork on the face of Ben Maguire, Indian halfback . . . Keith Belton, deaf mute who is a recruit for the New York American hockey team, ran into trouble when he broke his thumb . . . Belton talks with his hands.

Julie Bescos, former Southern California football luminary, now

Callison Tapers Drill for Coming Trojan Tilt

Ducks Polish Aerial Attack For Trojans

Two Sets of Backs Are Drilling on Passes; Amato Returns to Starting Lineup

Apparently hoping to subdue USC's vaunted Trojans with an aerial barrage of gigantic proportions, Coach Prink Callison had Jimmy Nicholson, Steven Anderson, and Jay Graybeal throwing passes for quite some time yesterday afternoon.

In another move which it is calculated will help bolster the end situation, Coach Callison kept former halfback Don Kennedy at the position he held during part of the Gonzaga game at right end.

May Shift Later

It was expected by sideline observers that upon Bud Robertson's return, Kennedy would be shifted to the backfield, but the "Grape-nuts Kid" showed so much promise in Oregon's decisive win that it was decided to leave him at end.

Callison had two backfields alternating in trying to defend against Messrs. Graybeal, Anderson, and Nicholson. The first one was composed of Denny Braid, Steve Anderson, Dale Lasselle, Paul Rowe, and Hank Nilsen, while Bob Smith, Vern Moore, Denny Donovan, Arleigh Bentley, and Jay Graybeal were in the second.

Starters Not Certain

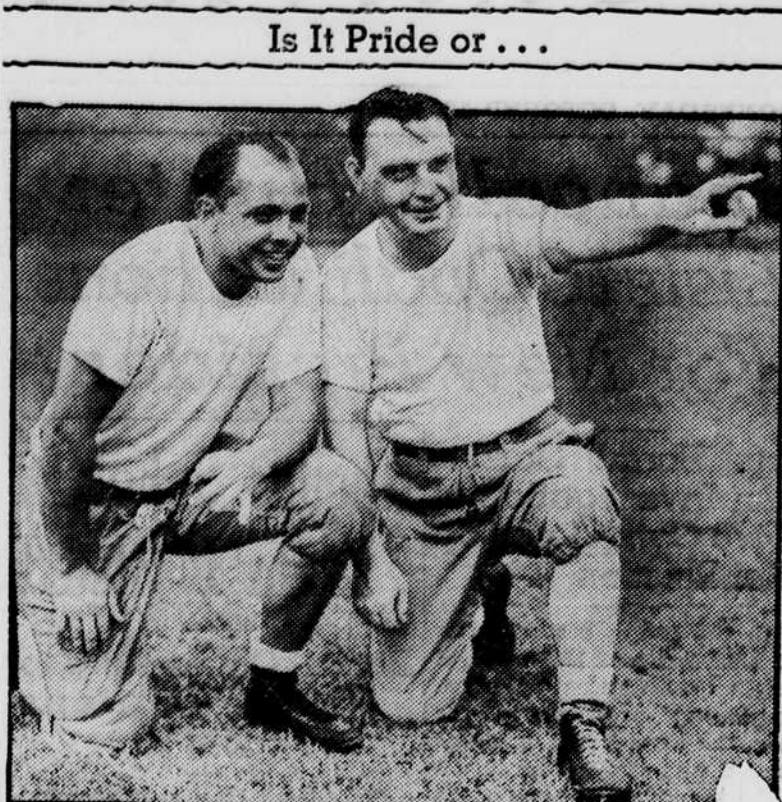
It is thought that the first string of backs, with the possible exception of Center Denny Braid in the line, will be the boys that will be in the starting lineup Saturday, with Oregon's touchdown twins, Jay Graybeal and Bob Smith, held in reserve.

Captain Tony Amato showed up at practice without the troublesome face guard that he has been wearing in sessions to date. The injured member has improved so rapidly that chances are that he may discard the guard permanently by game time Saturday.

The team will hold its last practice this afternoon before leaving tonight for Los Angeles.

coaches the Trojables, yearling eleven . . . Stanford's Bill Paulman, injured in the Oregon game, is ready for action again . . . Oregon State's turf field dedication is set for this Saturday . . . Will they outdraw Oregon? . . . Clint Evan's California yearling team recently won its twenty-second consecutive game . . . the Bruin Babes over a seven-year period have been victorious in 42 out of 45 plays.

Sam McCaughey, miler and captain of the Oregon track squad last season is in charge of cross country while Bill Hayward is still tied up with football . . . rumor has it that end Larry Lance may retire from school until next spring while his injured shoulder mends . . . operative Bill Norene warns me that Gamma Hall's ever-victorious athletic teams are out to clean up in volleyball.



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Ducklings Prepare For Sons Contest

Cripples Returning to Lineup for Game at North Bend

With several Ducklings on the casualty list, "Honest John" Warren sent his charges through their last scrimmage session last night prior to the SONS game Friday.

Conaway, Stenstrom, and Hankinson have been slightly crippled, however, they should be in condition to perform by whistle time.

The frosh will run through plays this afternoon and tomorrow. Friday they will set sail to combat a strong Normal eleven at North Bend. Last year's tussle saw the Ducklings on the long end of a 26 to 6 tally. This year's dope gives Warren's satellites an edge, but it will be a plenty tough battle.

Particular attention will be paid to the forward wall's record, as that was the weak spot in the rook fracas.

Take Notice, Hobby!



Perhaps when next spring comes, pretty Chi Omega Della Root will be around to crowd Bill Sayles out of a job.

Daughter of Chicago Pitcher Here; Hobby! May Get New Hurler

Chi Omega Pledge Divides Sports Liking Between Baseball and Football; Cubs Best, Especially When Daddy Pitches

By BILL NORENE

Imagine a blue-eyed blond, words coming in bursts like a Yankee soldier playing tic-tac-toe with a machine gun, and you have a very good idea of Della Root, daughter of Charlie Root, Chicago Cubs' star pitcher, except that you have left out the part about her hands, which adding a bit of explanation and description, go through the motions with the speed of a deaf mute sounding off after a piece of particularly tough luck.

Miss Root, graduate of Cummock high in Los Angeles, and a Chi Omega pledge, says that her sports interests are about equally divided between baseball and football.

A True Webfoot About football she says, "It took me about five years to get first down and ten to go and all that. Before that I didn't pay any attention to football." She must have gotten into the swing of things very quickly, however, for she says that she almost went hoarse, "Fighting on with Oregon" during the Stanford game.

Of course she is a rabid baseball fan, especially when her dad pitches, although her finger nails take quite a beating when she sees him work on the mound. She also added that she saw the all-star game when it was played in Chicago, quickly adding, "But they weren't as good as the Cubs!"

It's Softball Now Quite a bit of softball is played on the Root home, a 2,500 acre ranch, which is 130 miles south of San Francisco, near Hollister. Yes, her father gets knocked out of the box occasionally, but then the ball games usually end up with scores like, 26 to 25.

Her 14-year-old brother, Charles Jr., hoped to be both a football and baseball player. The parents ve-

State's Joe Gray. Maybe another Smith will go tearing by, right into football's hall of fame.

toed football upon his entering high school this fall, but he pitched his first hardball game this summer. The manager of the ball club lifted him after 10 runs had been scored on his deliveries in two innings.

That evening young Charlie was very disgusted with the manager for sending him to the showers so soon. Charlie Grimm, manager of the Cubs, agreed with Root Jr., adding that the manager was liable to break down young Charlie's confidence in removing him from the game so soon.

The Phi Deltas scored 1008 points in 12 sports of intramural competition last year.

Tryouts on Tap For Amphibians Tomorrow Night

Local Organization Is Open to All Women Passing Tests

Tryouts for Amphibians, women's local swimming honorary will be held tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock in Gerlinger pool.

The main requirement for admission is interest in swimming, and in the Amphibians. Other requirements are: one stroke for speed, two strokes for form, some distance swimming and a little diving. Anyone interested at all may turn out whether or not one feels she has the required ability, as each girl will be graded and informed of her weak points for further practice.

Officers Listed The officers for this year are: Betty Riesch, president; Molly Cunningham, vice-president; Margaret Van Meter, secretary; and Jean Taylor, treasurer.

Several water projects are being planned for the coming year. Roma Theobald is in charge of tryouts.



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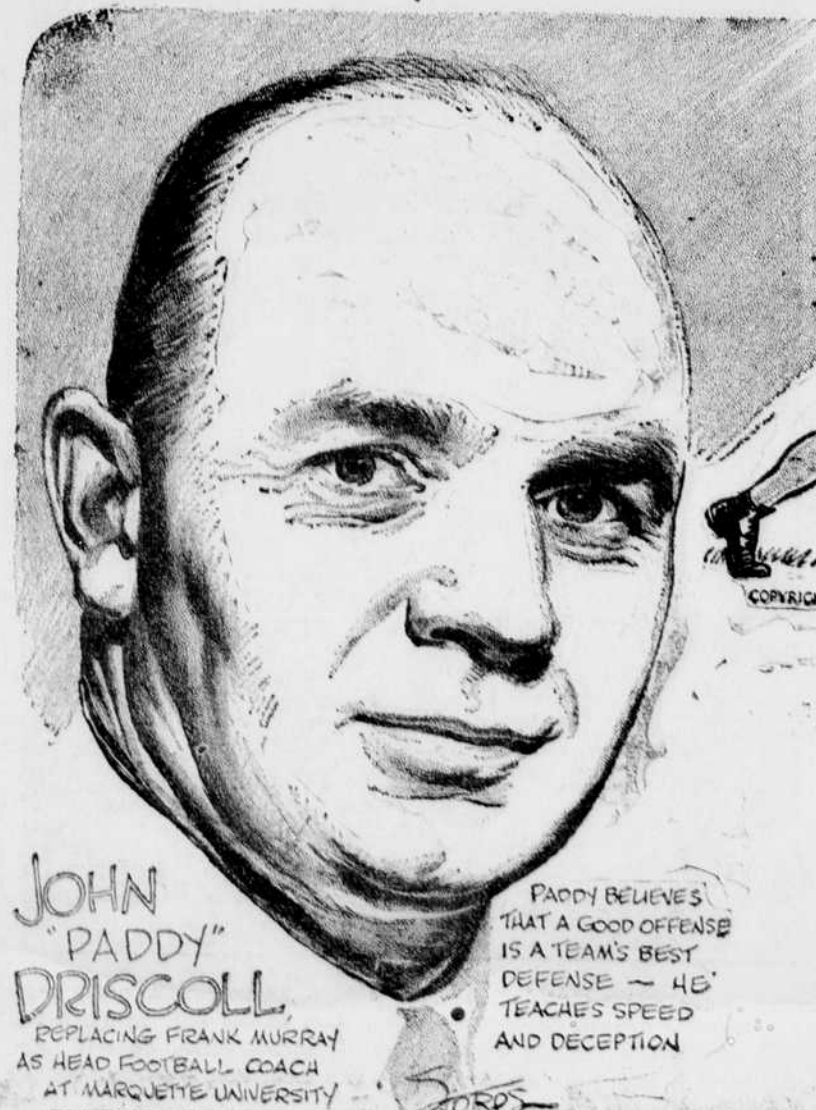
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