

# DUCK TRACKS

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A little pre-game philosophy expounded by Buck Berry, the 178-pound stocky varsity halfback from California, explains better than anything why he and his Oregon grid mates were able to shoot themselves into the nation's football spotlight Saturday by tying Southern California's mighty Trojans by a 7 to 7 count in their own back yard.

"What the h'll have they got we haven't got" is the way Tex Oliver says his starting right half voiced it.

In the Oregon camp the players were so sure they could pull what Los Angeles writers call a shocking upset, they actually felt bad about being tied.

Here's what Oliver says about his boy Berry: "He is the first boy out of junior college ranks I've ever had who was ready to step right into the first string."

The Smiling Texan praises Tackle Jim Stuart and Guard Ernie Robertson for turning in a pair of stellar 50-minute games in the Los Angeles heat against the frequent fresh men they faced. Tackle Merle Peters was another singled out. Tex was demonstrating at the Igloo yesterday how Trojans picked themselves off the turf and counted their bones after "Bruiser" Berry hit 'em.

All in all it was a good day for Willy Webfoot. Oliver is looking forward to winning "a few more games" because of the squad's "determination, courage, and high team morale." Ask Southern California's Howard Jones about that?

It's really a long story. It dates back to the beginning of spring practice when Tex Oliver told the team and everybody else they would beat Southern California next fall. So for several long months they drilled thinking they could whip the 1939 Rose Bowl champs.

The team never read Southern Writer Will Connolly's "pardon the yawn" column which very cockily painted a sour picture of the sandlot or backyard or reverse-English type of football played in the north (excepting Washington). Coach Tex to the contrary didn't want his boys to even look at such printed tripe, so they were instructed to not read any sports pages after they left Eugene.

One thing he did consider laughable enough to show the Ducks was a pre-season conference form chart deftly figured out by such California football experts as Mark Kelley, May Stiles, and Zid Ziff. They rated all conference clubs in various things such as alertness, deceptive, line, reserves, pass defense, strategy (coaching), etc.

Here's something that will tickle you, their rating on lines. Southern California 100 per cent, Oregon 50 per cent. On reserves the men of Troy were again tops with 100 per cent and Oregon about bottom in the conference. In total percentage the Trojans had 1300 and Oregon 930, which only shows again that games are won on the field.

Take line play, for instance, where USC rated twice as good as Oregon. For a good share of that game two of Tex's sophomores held down the tough left end spot which is the side of the opposing forward wall where Howard Jones has for years—and still does—unleash his vaunted offensive attack.

At one guard position Southern California had a 220-pound all-

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# Webfoots End Trojan Hex; Battle to Stirring 7-7 Tie

A Tough Man to Pass



Cece Walden . . . Oregon's veteran guard met Southern California's all-American guard, Harry Smith, face to face Saturday but was nevertheless a big factor in the stirring 7 to 7 tie Tex Oliver's charges gained with the Trojans.

## Hobson to Eye Hoopers Today

Oregon Headman Maps Plans for Coming Season

University of Oregon hoop forces, idle since last spring when they defeated Ohio State to capture the nation's first official basketball championship, will convene again today to map plans for the coming campaign.

Coach Howard Hobson is asking all varsity prospects to meet him at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the large lecture room in the new physical education building. Freshman candidates are asked to be promptly on hand at 5 o'clock.

Coach Hobson bills the meeting as "urgent and important," and expects all University of Oregon would-be basketballers to be on hand.

American named Harry Smith. At the other guard spot was a man who had trained from 240 pounds down to a mere 226. That gave Troy a 223-pound average at guard against Oregon's 200-plus. . . . the heaviest Webfoot being only 205. For instance, one of the playing Ducks was Bud Nestor at 188 pounds.

Playing against an all-American didn't even phase one Duck lineman who didn't figure the touted Trojan was a bit tougher than the next guy.

One thing about the aforementioned form chart which will interest you is its rating of Stanford university, the club which Oregon State downed in Palo Alto Saturday, 12 to 0. . . . the Indians play Oregon in Portland next Saturday. Tiny Thornhill's charges are billed as top notchers in the coast conference in alertness, deception, and pass defense. . . . which is Oregon's weakest rating.

Duck tracks . . . The Oregon grid squad watched UCLA edge out Texas Christian Friday night on Los Angeles turf, 6 to 2, in what dopsters called an upset. . . . the happy Webfoots practiced behind closed gates yesterday afternoon. . . . Bobby Blenkinsop, end, suffered a fractured elbow in the USC game and is out for the season. . . . Oliver says the McMinnville end's loss will definitely hurt Oregon's power. . . . other previously injured Webfoots who rehurt leg wounds in the Trojan clash are Quarterback Dennis Donovan and Fullback Frankie Emmons. . . . a couple of first stringers. . . they're expected to be ready for Stanford, however.

## Ducks Lead at Halftime; Doyle Nave's Passes Save Champions Late in Game

John Berry Grabs Smith's Pass to Score For Oregon; Oliver Line Holds USC's Powerful Ground Attack

By GEORGE PASERO

Mark Saturday, September 30, down in your little book of red-letter days—that is if you are an Oregon sports enthusiast.

For that was the day a gallant Webfoot football team—Tex Oliver-sparked—looked El Trojan right in the eye, whipped him for three quarters, and finally wound up with a 7-7 tie.

The score in itself is amazing. Seven all is certainly a far cry from the 53-to-0, and 33-to-0 scores of Doc Spears' regime. Or even from the 26 to 14 of Prink Callison's last year at Oregon's helm, and the 31 to 7 of last year, Oliver's first. Not since a 34 to 0 drubbing in 1915 had Oregon whipped a Trojan team.

### Always a Hex

The mighty Trojan warhorse has always been a pet hex of the Webfoots, the Oregonians wailing at sight of the burly, and plentiful gentlemen from Southern California's largest and most decentralized metropolis.

But this year, the Oregonians, urged on by the crackling voice of Buck Berry, a whale of a halfback from the sunny land, got tough, yes very tough, and blocked and tackled mayhap even a little harder than the hordes of Troy.

Yes, these Webfoots may have a long way to go to become a champion, but they've already made Oregon football history, and what's more, they've shown they could get just as tough, and a little tougher than the other guys, be they the best in the land or just a good team.

### Schindler Stopped

Forty thousand fans gathered in the huge Memorial Coliseum at Los Angeles to watch an expected Southern Cal victory. Pre-season grid ballyhoo boomed Howard Jones' veteran crew—19 lettermen—as the nation's top football machine. Coast champs in '38, also Rose Bowl victors, certainly they deserved it, for back to help the veterans was Ambling Amby Schindler, the Trojan star of the '37 season.

In spite of all that, Oregon's line and secondary tossed the Trojan running attack back on its heels from the first, and with only seconds to go before halftime, the Webfoots crossed the California goal line, and lo, Oregon was ahead by seven big points.

rabbit) Graybeal started the big

push, and Bob Smith, his successor, made it good when he flipped a pass, 14 yards, to John Berry, waiting on the goal line.

A scoreless third quarter followed, and then in the eventful fourth period, a blocked Oregon punt gave Southern Cal's vaunted air attack a chance to click.

Into the ball game came Doyle Nave, the pass-throwing hero of Troy's famous Rose Bowl stand, and he pitched the Trojans to a touchdown. From the Oregon 44, where Troy recovered Berry's blocked kick, Nave began firing passes. With the ball on the 11, he pitched a perfect strike to Oklahoma Bob Peoples who jerked and wiggled to a score.

Sparkling Oregon discovery was John Berry, husky left half, who was rated the best back on the field by Cal scribes.

Only serious casualty in the Oregon camp was Bob Blenkinsop, who received a fractured arm. End Blenkinsop will be lost to the squad for the rest of the season.

Oregon	.....LE	USC	.....Fisk
Blenkinsop	.....LT	Thomas	.....Smith
Stuart	.....LG	Samuelson	.....C
Robertson	.....C	Dempsey	.....Walden
Samuelson	.....RG	Sohn	.....Peters
Walden	.....RT	Gaspar	.....Reginato
Peters	.....RE	Stonebreaker	.....Donovan
Reginato	.....QB	Schindler	.....Graybeal
Donovan	.....LH	Hofman	.....Smith
Graybeal	.....RH	Slatter	.....Emmons
Hofman	.....FB	Peoples	.....

Score by periods:  
Oregon .....0 7 0 0-7  
U. S. C. ....0 0 0 7-7

Scoring: Oregon — Touchdown, Berry; point after touchdown, Anderson.

U. S. C. — Touchdown, Peoples; point after touchdown, Gaspar. Officials: Referee, Tom Fitzpatrick (Utah); umpire, Clyde King (Navy); head linesman, James Tunney (Loyola); field judge, Bruce Kirkpatrick (Occidental).

**HOOPERS NOTICE!**  
There's an important meeting of all frosh and varsity basketball talent this afternoon. See story on this page for further details.

## Honest John Works Frosh Grid Squad

Waldorf, Huston On Hand to Help Coach Warren

Coach John Warren's freshman football team began intensive training Monday, in preparation for a tough schedule ahead. The squad, which first turned out Friday and Saturday, underwent a two-hour conditioning session under the watchful eye of Coach John Warren and his assistants, Eric Waldorf, formerly of Jefferson high of Portland, and Joe Huston, former Webfoot star.

The total number of aspirants included 58 young hopefuls from points as far east as Pittsburgh, and as far south as Hollywood. Eleven of the turnout were from Portland, the largest number of players that city has contributed



Vaughn Corley . . . Tex Oliver's varsity line coach has been looking over frosh prospects too.

to one of Oregon's athletic teams for many years. The opening turnout included:

### Who They Are

Wayne Bartholemey, Tom Terry, Ralph Davis, Alfred Olson, Vic Collins, Ray Marlow, Bob Withers, Don Gillis, Dick Stanton, Bob Oliver, Ed Elvers, all of Portland; Jack Bowman, Bill Caples, both (Please turn to page three)

## Intramural Entries Due Today

Donut Swimming And Tennis Are First on Slate

All organizations wishing to participate in this year's intramural sports program must turn in their entries before five o'clock this evening, Rollie Dickie, games director, announced yesterday. Competition in the swimming and tennis events is slated to start promptly at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and all teams playing opening day will be notified tonight by telephone.

### Swim Rules

According to the swimming rules, each organization will be allowed to enter a man in two events and one relay or two relays and one event. A team may also enter two men in each event. No student, however, who last year won a varsity or freshman letter in a sport may participate in that game this fall.

Cups will be awarded winning teams. In the 1938 competition (Please turn to page three)

## All-Campus Sport Play Starts Soon

Play Billed for Five Sports During Current Season

Oregon's fall '39 all-campus sports program was officially announced yesterday by Roland Dickie, director of intramurals. Competition will begin next week. This year activity will be divided between five sports—golf, tennis, ping pong, handball, and bowling. There will be both singles and doubles play in all of these sports with the exception of bowling.

"We would like to have as many independents as possible take part in all-campus," stated Dickie, "as the real purpose of this play is to give the individual student a chance to participate in sports competition."

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