

Duck Tracks

By LEE FLATBERG

Hey Bud, ya got a stick of gum? My teeth are still chattering from that second half of the Oregon-Santa Clara air bombardment. Just think, Oregon used to have a good pass defense. Of course, I still think they've got one, and the column thinks so too. If you'd like the opinion of the more unqualified sports expert in the Pacific Northwest on why the Broncs went air crazy in the second half, here it is. With those first six minutes of the second half spent and the Ducks on the long end of a 21 to nothin' score, Tex had the backfield well adulterated with second stringers. The second stringers are good boys but as pass defenders, they aren't as well organized as the first string.

And another thing, Oregon's key man in their pass defense, Duke Iverson, was missing from the game for a big portion of the playing time. Still another reason, Kenny Oliphant played a nice game at the right half post but he's just too short to bat passes from the arms of those gangling Santa Clara ends.

Oregon Wasn't Lucky

And while on the subject, what's all this talk about Oregon being lucky in winning the game? Early in the third quarter Oregon had ran up a convincing 21-point lead. Even after Buck Shaw's men threw their first touchdown pass, Tex and his Webfoots were setting pretty because the Broncs missed the extra point.

They hit again but again missed the extra point. So Oregon was ahead 21 to 12 and knew that Santa Clara would have to tally twice to move into the lead. Time was getting short and it didn't look like Santa Clara could score twice before the gun.

True, they migrated over the goal once more, but they used up valuable time doing it and the Ducks had the game in the bag. Please, no more of this talk.

Cal Scribes Are Mad Again

Have you noticed the sudden coolness in the breeze that came from the south yesterday and today. A check with the California chamber of commerce revealed the fact that their weather is still of the "fair and warmer" type so we looked further for the reason and had to go no further than the San Francisco Chronicle to find the answer. The California newsmen are peeved again. Oregon isn't treating them right.

To the crime of swiping all their blossoming football talent, they now add the injustice of the way we treat their football teams. They say we won the game because of a clipping play that went uncalled. And they're not very subtle about it either, as a headline of Dick Friendlich's story screams, "Clipping Sets Up a Victory." In his story he wails, "Along with every one in the press box, they (the Cal scribes), believe firmly that an official's error of omission presented the Webfeet with their second touchdown." Then he goes on to tell how Jimmy Newquist clipped Casanega to clear him out of the way for Roblin's touchdown jaunt. He finishes up the statement up with the cute epigram, "The Broncos protested—to no avail, naturally."

You Missed, Brother

Well, first of all, it has been the accepted practice for a good many years for the officials to call the plays on a football field, not the sport writers. This custom seems to have worked fairly well so why shouldn't we continue with it.

And secondly, there were a good many scribes in the press box who didn't think it was a case of clipping. Our man Art Litchman, who watched the game from the sidelines, said emphatically that it didn't look like a clipping tackle.

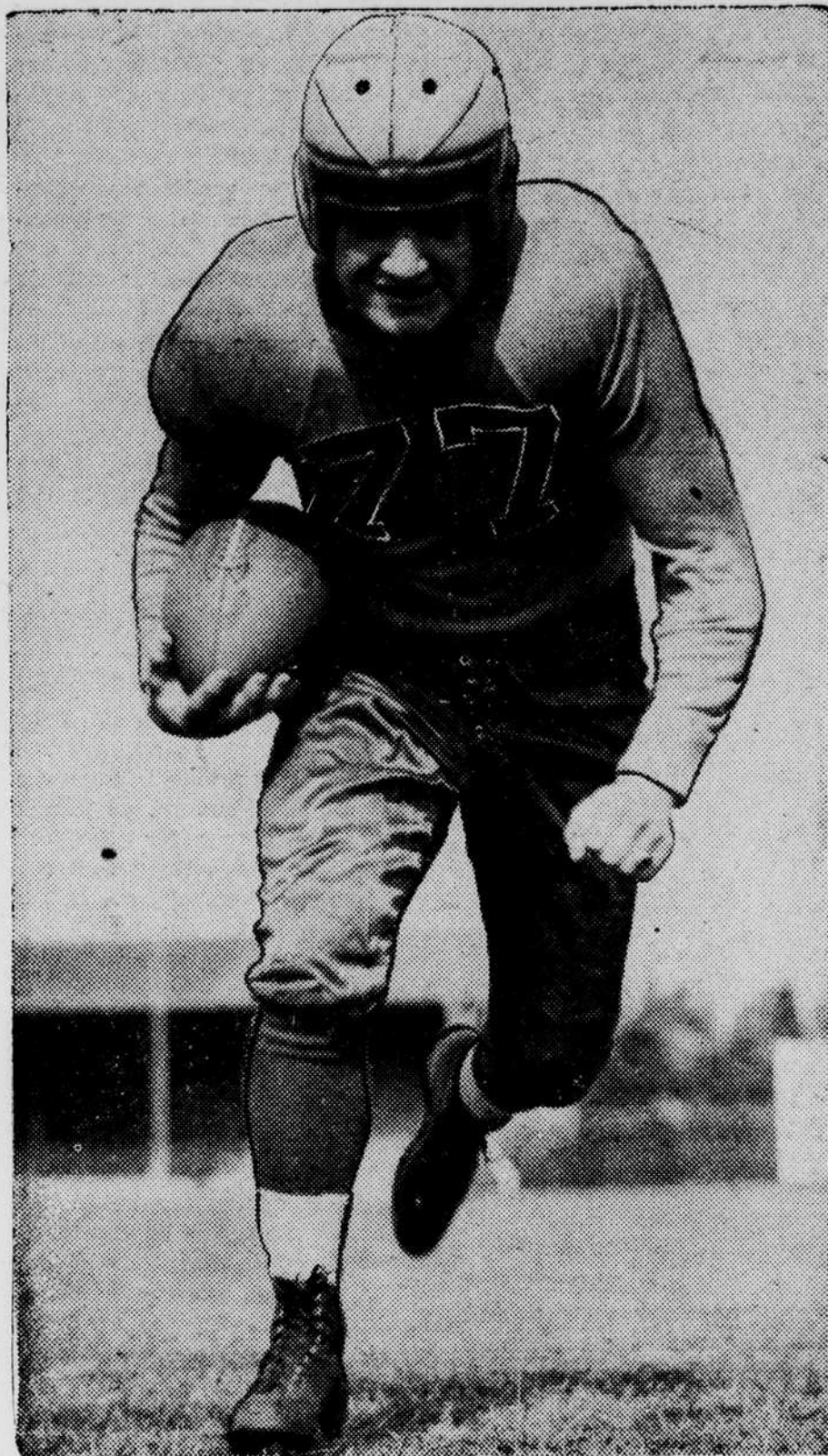
And lastly, it's the general consensus here in Oregon, where the sport writers know their own football players when they see them, that it was Dick Asheom, and not Jimmy Newquist, that blocked All-American candidate Casanega from the play. Oh well, the constitution guarantees freedom of the press so who are we to yell.

Musings

And now for a few musings. Boy! What a passing attack that Santa Clara bunch boasts. When they explode they really explode. I wished I'd have had a timer's watch so I might have calculated to the second just how few minutes it took the Broncs to narrow that wide scoring gap. Hats off to Casanega—he's All-American stuff. And another thing. What if Newquist had missed two of his conversions and the Santa Clara kicker had missed all of his? That would have made the score 19 to 18—1918—a pretty good score for an Armistice day game.

Bronco Bustin' Ducks Practice In Low Gear

DUCK SPARKPLUG



Tommy Roblin, Webfoot halfback, whose rainbow heave to End Tony Crish in the first quarter and whose 72-yard sprint down the sidelines shoved Oregon two touchdowns ahead of Santa Clara's Broncos early in their Armistice day fray.

Huskies Next On Schedule; Boyd Injured

By WALLY HUNTER

With approximately six days left to prepare for their tiff with the University of Washington, Oregon's mighty Webfoots are taking things the easy way in practice.

Tex Oliver and his Bronco bustin' crew both Wednesday and Thursday brushed up "on a few details" and eased up on the heavy work until Monday—probably. Wednesday a scrimmage session was held for the players who saw little or no action in the Santa Clara game.

Frosh vs. Subs

The freshmen were herded over to Hayward field and they provided the competition for the Duck subs. Fullback Vic Collins, Quarterback Len Surles, and Halfback Tommy Oxman all received plaudits for their work.

Oliver called for this general easing up mainly to give his overworked lads a little rest. The usual number of bruises and minor injuries appeared after the Portland fiesta and these are all to be given time to heal.

Most seriously injured player in the Webfoot fold was Reserve Halfback Frankie Boyd. Boyd was the victim of a vicious tackle dished out by Bronc Quarterback Eddie Forrest and his leg was badly twisted. Nothing is certain about his condition but he probably will be in suit late next week.

Nowling Good

After game babblings of Oregon grid fans found them singling out Sub End Russ Nowling, and Halfback Tommy Roblin for special acclaim for their work in the 21 to 19 defeat of the Santa Clarans. Russ Nowling.

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Intersquad Skirmish Faces Duck Mermen

By DON RICHARDSON

Just a little patter from the pool: Mike Hoyman will send his varsity mermen through their paces today in the first actual intersquad meet of the year. Some of the frosh hopefuls are also slated to take part.

Every day the Webfoot splashers look better and better. Jack Robinson, sophomore distance ace, has the smoothest freestyle stroke seen in these parts in many a day. Even in the extremely long distance he maintains his form and speed to the end.

One of the hardest working boys out there is Veteran Dick Smith. This accounts for the remarkable improvement in his swimming the last few days. At the first of the year he tried his luck in the breaststroke event, but it didn't hold out and now he is back in the freestyle and going great guns.

"Waterchids" to husky Ralph Huestis, a sophomore breaststroker who is flying down the lanes in his first year of varsity competition in beautiful fashion. The same can apply to Johnny Mead, another sophomore who is coming along fine.

Callis Going Good

Cub Callis, backstroke veteran, is coming into his last year of varsity competition in a big way; watch him go in the future.

As mentioned before in this column, both the Oregon-Wash-

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