

Ducks Tackle

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a three weeks edge over Oregon.

Sledgehammer Power

The Ducks will be built more on the lines of a powerful sledgehammer, the line averaging about 215 pounds from stem to stern, beyond which cavort a compact group of powerful backs headed by Fireball Tommy Roblin. The principal factor in their favor is the tremendous spirit that they are certain to have for this battle.

Following close after this game is another Portland tilt on Multnomah turf, this time with our ancient rivals, the Huskies from Washington Saturday, October 10. Washington and Oregon usually put up a great battle, regardless of the position of either team. Last year's spectacular 19 to 16 victory of the Webfoots ranked as one of the two most thrilling climaxes in coast football last fall. Over a 40-year rivalry the teams are tied at 16 wins each with six ties.

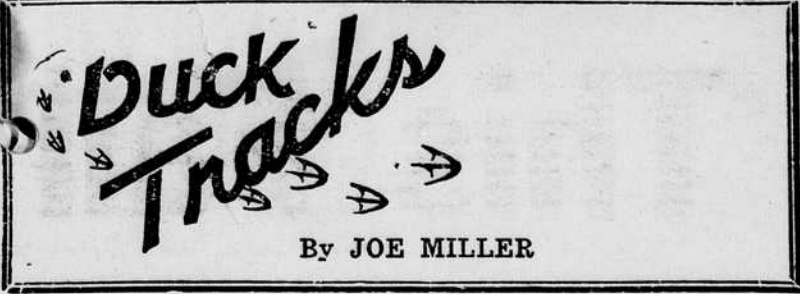
Idaho at 'Home'

The next home game is in Eugene with the University of Idaho Vandals and Francis X. Schmidt's "screwball" razzle-daz-

zle. Making their debut as regular members of the Coast conference the Vandals can always be counted on to throw a scare into the larger coast schools.

The Homecoming game is at Eugene with the UCLA Bruins

on November 7 and should be another wide-open affair. The QT offense of the Los Angeles club usually manages to keep the air well-filled with footballs, and everything happens in a UCLA game.



The following are a few pertinent facts about some of the Oregon varsity lettermen that you will see on the gridiron this fall. Watch for:

Dick Ashcom, senior tackle. . . . 230-lb. rotund Richard has cracked the honor roll three times in a row—goes to med school next March. He came to Oregon via the steel mills of Pennsylvania and the U. S. Navy—had NEVER played a game of football until his frosh year, but "Oh, Look at Him Now!" He has a good chance for all-coast. The Sigma Nus call him the "House Mouse," which means he is the house manager.

Bodner and Ducks Heave Sigh of Relief

Steve Bodner, senior guard. . . . Sleepy Steve was an "if" until he got into the army reserve, but he is now set to anchor down the center of the Duck line. There are many competent observers that believe that Bodner would be the best guard on the coast, if it were not for a back injury. Opposing guards are plenty glad of it, because they say an injured Bodner is tough enough.

Valentine Culwell, senior guard. . . . Known as Val, the gal's pal, Culwell is undoubtedly a smooth boy. On the gridiron he exhibits other characteristics. Such as uprooting half the Stanford and Washington lines last year. May move to quarter this fall. For his squat 210 pounds he can run as fast as the Mercury convertible he drives.

Chuck Elliott, junior tackle. . . . Chuck crowded into a regular berth last fall as a soph. In his quiet 220-pound way Elliott should go places this year. He is an underrated ball player.

Cliff Giffin, junior tackle. . . . When practice began last fall Giff's fervent hope was that he could make the traveling squad for the Stanford game, so he could sit on the bench before a hometown Palo Alto audience. He not only did that. He turned into a crashing tackle and in the Cal game he set All-American Bob Reinhard on his heels more than once. He toots the hottest trumpet in the Pi Kap house.

Kuffy, Good for the Lassies Good for the Gridiron

Merritt Kufferman, junior tackle. . . . Kuff was the DU nominee for King of Hearts last spring. Across the line of scrimmage his 235 pounds of muscle doesn't look so pretty. For all his weight he runs like a halfback. Nearly beat Pete Kmetovic to a loose ball in the end zone that would have given us a win in the Stanford game.

Ed Moshofsky, senior tackle. . . . The sage of the DU house, modest Moe acts less like a rugged lineman than Shirley Temple does. He does a Mr. Hyde on the football field. A very regular fellow.

Russ Nowling, junior end. . . . "Nob" is slightly terrific. In fact he is good. He should make all-coast. Stands 6 feet 2 inches with arms like whipcords. Washington named him the best end they played against all season.

Ken Oliphant, senior halfback. . . . Trickiest climax runner on the squad—very game. Should come into his own this year. Another Sigma Nu.

Floyd Rhea, senior guard. . . . "Scrapiron" is all his nickname implies. He is one of the main reasons they call the Oregon line, "The Green-Shirted Giants from the North." At present he is a lifeguard in Cal rescuing more women than the water can hold.

Tom Oxman, junior halfback. . . . "Honest Tom" or "Rim-rock" looks like a character from a dime Western. If he stays in high gear this fall "Honest John" will have something.

Tom Roblin, senior halfback. . . . "Rainbow" has got more "guts" than any athlete I have ever seen—misplaced at times. If he stays with his teammates all year he will hit the heights.

Jim Shephard, senior end. . . . If Shep comes back he answers Warren's pressing left end question. Has been steadily developing and if he improves his pass-snagging ability, the LE worry is gone. A very hard charger.

Hank and Howdy Steers, soph guards. . . . Best two defensive guards on the club, but sluggish on the offense. Twins and nephews of a famous Oregon football great, they may be on the verge of a great career.

One of Them Scarce Things—A Quarterback: Len Surles

Len Surles, senior quarterback. . . . The Sigma Chis dread him because he is their house manager. "Honest John" loves him because he is a quarterback (something that is a scarce product). Hits an even 200 pounds. Main trouble is that he is not active enough in the quick-moving qb post.

Tom Terry, senior tackle. . . . Tom is the hardest-trying player on the squad. His 6 feet 5 inches, 210 pounds will be terrific, if he can get fully coordinated. Another Phi Delt lineman.

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