

Duck Tracks

By BILL STRATTON

Dave Way, sports editor of the Daily Californian, wrote a guest column in the Emerald yesterday and remarked: "The Bears are really booming now. Even the great can fall before as much potential talent as the Bears can field. So better watch out, Oregon!"

We come right back and say, better watch out Cal, because if Oregon is due for a win from a major foe, this is the time for them to do it. This is the first time this season the Web-foot clan is close to full strength, and the only man out of commission is Tommy Oxman, but he has been out since the start of the season, and Bill Davis has certainly held his position intact very well to date.

Mr. Way stated in his guest column that the Cal defense is not so sharp, and that is a tip for Oregon's "powerhouse" Davis. Bill is only a sophomore and doesn't look like a line-plunging fullback, but he has hit opponents' lines continually this season for a creditable percentage of yards gained.

Duck Backfield Plenty Potent

The Cal sports editor wasn't kidding when he said he could hardly expect to see the Bears stop the Ducks from scoring. The plunging ability of Davis, the passing and kicking of Bobby Reynolds and Leroy Erickson, and the superior blocking of Tommy Roblin all go together to make a plenty potent Duck offense.

Moreover, a big veteran Oregon line will cause the Bears trouble no little. Ends Russ Nowling and Jim Shephard click beautifully with the passes from Reynolds and Erickson. These ends aren't asleep on defense, either. Nowling's arms are full of power and when he gets them laced around an opponent's legs, he doesn't let go.

May we quote our guest columnist again? He remarked, "Our hopes of victory hinge upon a superior offense." We add, it will have to be a plenty good offense to crack through the center of the Oregon line composed of Ashcom and Moshofsky, tackles; Rhea and Culwell, guards; and Bodner, center. Who could ask for a better and more experienced line? Having Roblin to back up the line will cause the Californians plenty of bruises, too—we guarantee.

Oregon Defensive Record Good

Oregon has one of the best defensive records in the conference, even though they do rate next to the cellar in the PCC standings. Washington State managed to score only seven points against the Ducks, and the other 15 were in the Washington fracas, but the loss of Roy Dyer early in the game is largely responsible for that loss. Idaho failed to score.

Dyer is back in the lineup; in fact, he was ready for the Vandal game, and he is raring to go. With him in the right half spot, Bobby Reynolds at left half, Bill Davis at full, and Roblin clearing the way from the quarterback position, the Duck offensive should be their best this year.

This bit of prognosticating is truly high and mighty, but we sincerely think that if the Ducks are due for a major win, this is the time. The odds are against the Oregons, though. Down Berkeley way, the odds are 10 to 8 for the Bears, but if there is an upset, don't be surprised.

Oregon could hope for only one thing . . . the return of Tommy Oxman. Bill Davis was a 60-minute man in the Washington State and Washington games. He was injured late in the fourth quarter of the Idaho game, and an experienced fullback to spell him off in the game today would help. As it is now, Bud Cote is the only alternate and he is green. He has tremendous potentialities, but lacks experience.

Davis' shoulder may start acting up in the Cal game, and this would leave a weak spot in the Oregon backfield, but the harness, Bill Hayward concocted to hold it steady a few days ago makes it entirely possible for him to play the full game without any trouble. Davis looked like a completely harnessed work-horse when Colonel Bill finished with him.

It appears that we will be the goat if the Bears trample the Ducks, but we have more confidence in Oregon this week than any other time this season, and will not be surprised if Oregon upsets the Cal squad on their home grounds.

Indee-Greek Game in the Air

We were talking to Steve Worth yesterday, and he requested that the Emerald sports staff boom an Independent-Greek touch football game for Thanksgiving day seeing as how most everyone will still be on the campus since they cut it down to a one-day holiday.

It is a swell idea, but who would be the Greek all-

Luisetti. . . Self-made Man

By FRED BECKWITH
Saga of Sportville:

Didja ever whip through your desk and drag out a bunch of notations and papers that you had filed months ago? Kind of takes you back a few years, doesn't it? —That's what happened to this writer the other night . . . Got to thinking about some of the coast's leading athletes . . . Fellows like Hank Luisetti, Stanford's All-American basketball star.

"Hank" was a self-made athlete. He had a craving for the leather ball when he was still in grammar school. He played on the lightweight team then, but after a good dose of vitamins, began to put on inches and pounds, and when Angelo, that's his real name, hit high school, he was ready for varsity ball. Practice? That kid would spend every afternoon out at a San Francisco playground and shoot and shoot and shoot! Free throws, shucks!

Hank could drop eight of 'em in without once missing.

Haunted Playgrounds

All year around Hank would haunt that playground's basketball courts. While the rest of his schoolmates were engaged in other activities, Hank was swishing the ball through the hoop.

He made the all-city selections in his junior and senior years at high school. And then he went to Stanford, the university which was destined to become famous for producing basketball's greatest star.

Cinema Debut

Hank always was a quiet guy. Never talked much about himself. He had a mania for slot machines, and many's the nickel he's dropped in a drug store slot machine. Funny thing, although those little machines are supposed to gyp the playing sucker for 85 per cent of what he's worth, Luisetti managed to do no worse than break even.

The Hollywood moguls got the idea of putting Luisetti in a basketball picture. You probably saw it. It was called "Campus Confessions." Two and one-half reels were devoted to Betty Grable while Hank was in the background. Luisetti finally sneaked in front of the cameras for one of Hollywood's "winning play in the last five seconds" gag routines. That's Hollywood, however. Hank realized he wasn't a good actor and so left the cinema capital in a hurry.

At the start of the war, Hank was playing basketball for the Phillips' Oilers of Tulsa. Angelo is one of the best examples of a self-made athlete that we can think of off hand. They come along once in an athletic cycle.

Some other time we'll take a trip through our memory scrapbook. There's a lot of athletes that enjoyed a colorful background on the Pacific coast.

1943 Hoop Outlook Good

When Coach Howard "Hobby" Hobson met his varsity basketball prospects, he was greeted with some mighty fine ones. Especially heartening, was the return of Wally Borrevik, 6 foot 8 inch center from the team of two years ago.

Lost from last year's team are Archie Marshik, Porky Andrews, and Paul Jackson. Lloyd Jackson has not returned to school this year, but his place is more than capably filled by Borrevik.

Form Nucleus

Bob Wren, Don Kirsch, Warren Taylor, and Bob Newland form a nucleus for Hobby to work around, and there are some potential stars up from the last year's frosh team, that show nothing but hustle.

Sammy Crowell and Al Popick are not the tall firs that Hobson would like to see, but they are accurate and aggressive. Crowell was high scorer for the frosh last year, and was all-state two years in high school.

Also up from the Ducklings, are Roy Seeborg and Jack Hannam. Both of these boys tower above six feet, and add much to Hobson's prospects for a good season.

In the height department, Borrevik, Taylor, Seeborg, Hannam, Newland, Walt Reynolds, and Wren all reach above six feet. This furnishes Hobby with a good squad, but the speed of Donny Kirsch, Crowell, and Popick contribute considerably.

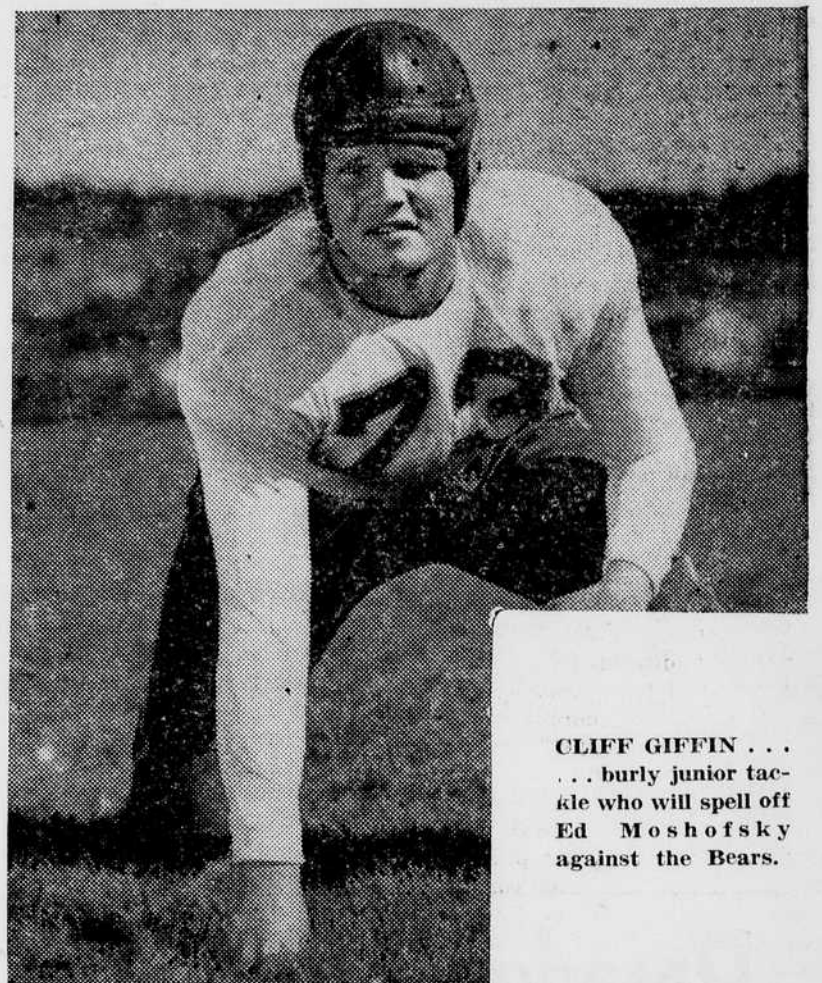
Good Defensively

Reynolds is out for the first time in two years, and is potent with his defensive tactics. His son is over. Bobby is a grand-brother, Bobby, has said that he may turn out when football season is over. Bobby is a grandstander, no doubt about that, but he is dependable and will contribute much to the hopeful success of the 1943 squad.

The Ducks will not take their traditional barnstorming tour back east this year, but are scheduling many pre-season games at home and the near vicinity.

stars—the Sigma Nus? Furthermore, we doubt if the Indees could round up an aggregation to beat an all-Greek aggregation, much less the booming Nus.

He also explained that there would be festivities galore for the one-day holiday, and if an athletic contest of some sort could be cooked up, it would undoubtedly be a success.



CLIFF GIFFIN . . . burly junior tackle who will spell off Ed Moshofsky against the Bears.

Emerald Predictions

After our first weekend of predicting the winners in the Pacific Coast conference football race, we're a bit groggy. You see Old Man Upset kind of kicked things around last week. Stanford and California, both accustomed to taking it on the chin the past few Saturdays, rose from the depths to bat down favored USC and University of Washington elevens. So—we only hit three for five. But enough of this sob sister stuff. Here's our peerless picks for today:

Oregon - California: A close game, but wave it to the improving Bears by a gnat's eyelash. Call it U.C. by a touch-me-down.

Stanford-UCLA: Way out on the branch that has been sawed previously, we'll stick with the T-Party Kids. Sumpin' like 20-14, Stanford.

Ore. State-Wash.: A toss-up but the Huskies are on the prowl. A conversion can settle this fracas.

Idaho-Montana: We like those

Football Broadcasts

Penn-Army, 10:45 a.m. (KOIN, 970 kc) Portland.

Navy-Notre Dame, 11:15 a.m. KORE, 1450 kc, Eugene.

Wisconsin-Ohio State, 12:00 (KGW, 620 kc) Portland.

Minnesota-Northwestern, 1:30 p.m. (KALE, 1330 kc) Portland.

Washington - Oregon State, 12:45 p.m. (KEX, 1190 kc) Portland.

California-Oregon, 1:45 p.m. (KOIN, 970 kc) Portland.

UCLA-Stanford, 2:15 p.m. (KQW, 740 kc) San Francisco.

game Vandals. They'll hit the victory jack-pot this week-end. Two touchdowns, Idaho.

USF - Santa Clara: This one goes off tomorrow and Buck Shaw's Broncos are in a revenging mood after the UCLA loss of last weekend. Anywhere up to three touchdowns, Santa Clara.

Dean Lists Pledges

Pledges announced by the dean of men's office Friday were Roy Grice, Sigma Nu; Robert Martin, Sigma Chi; E. Clay Jones, Phi Sigma Kappa; Richard Schwan, Pi Kappa Alpha; Robert H. Pearson; Sigma Phi Epsilon; Charles M. Wakefield, Theta Chi; Glenn R. Spivey, Sigma Kappa; and Stanley Jones, Phi Kappa Psi.