

Sports

Duck Drill Intensive Watchword Is Defense

Defense, defense, stress the defense, is anvil theme being heavily pounded by head coach Tex Oliver as he rounds out metal roughness of his Webfoot grid men in preparation for the weekend setto at Hayward Field with turf tearers from Washington State.

A cyclonic blow whirled over McArthur Court yesterday when fullback Jim Byers packed his grip and left apartmentless Eugene. He and his brother, Bill, both Army Air Forces veterans, returned home to Bend with their families after fruitless searching brought no answers to their housing problem. Bill was slated to carry the pigskin from the halfback position this weekend.

Tentative starting lineup of the Ducks shows drastic changes. The first-string right tackle booth was taken over by 200 pounder Curtis Deskins in a switch from ball totting duties in the backfield. Dale Hargett, 165 pound temporary watch charm guard, returned to the backfield in the fullback slot, co-starring with first string Dean Eond and Andy Bodner.

Previously announced change in the lineup placed triple-threat Bob Reynolds in the quarterback position. Completing the backfield quartet are Jake Leicht at left

halfback and Walt Donovan holding down right halfback duties.

Ace ball carrier Jake Leicht was still ironing kinks out of his neck in yesterday's workout. Initial fears that he had received broken vertebrae in the Oregon State game proved false, but still the flashy halfback took limited part in the heavy practice session.

Hefty linemen took brunt of the workouts yesterday. The strong side line positions find Abe Hathaway at left end, Gene Gillis at left tackle and John Kauffman at right guard. Supporting Curtis Deskins at right tackle are Bob Anderson, right end, and Harry Reiton in the right guard position. Bill Anderson is a pivot slot.

Reports emanating from the Cougar camp brings word that the Pullman eleven is hitting for the comeback trail after dropping a final minute 0-6 decision, to the University of Washington last week. Coach Phil Sorbee's "T" formation will enter the fray as comparative score favorites. Cougars clawed Oregon State 33 to 0 and the Beavers in turn thumped Ducks 19 to 6 last week. Idaho fell before the Pullman grid men 43 to 12 while Oregon posted a 33 to 7 win sheet.

Santa Ana Transfer, Donovan, Strengthens Right Half Slot

Adding to the many new faces on the Oregon campus this year is broad-shouldered Walt Donovan who strayed far from his old stomping ground, friendly Santa Ana, California, and ventured north to enroll at mighty Oregon.

Thanks to his natural eye in our great fall time sport, he has answered Tex Oliver's plea by filling the essential right half-back position and rapidly gained popularity as a capable ball carrier and efficient line plunger. Walt started his football career at Garden Grove High School in Santa Ana and also spent one year at Santa Ana Junior College before transferring here.

Joyful Sidelines

Aside from football as his favorite pastime, Walt likes basketball and track too. When asked about his feelings for all the cute coeds, he bashfully remarked, "Santa Ana was never like this." Upon further inquiry, he admitted he liked dancing and an occasional walk arm in arm with the opposite sex was not to be denied, but made it very definite that training rules were pretty strict.

During the summer in order to keep in condition, Walt's time has been taken up in the hustle and bustle of a meat market, and that probably accounted for his well balanced diet. Along with most of his team mates, his abode is the famous Alder Hall where he continues hashing out the daily problems of the gridiron.

P. E. Major

As major, the 5'10", 170 pound sophomore has chosen physical education, feeling that nothing

better would satisfy his life plan than a successful job coaching a leading school on the west coast. With two more years to prove his ability, this fair-haired Californian should be placed on the list of all important students now engaged in the art of higher education.

Sherry Ross Victor

Sherry Ross Hall continued its winning streak in the intramural football league by downing the boys from Omega Hall 9-0 on Howe Field Wednesday afternoon. All the scoring took place in the fourth quarter when Selman of Sherry Ross caught the Omega Hall 9-0 on Howe Field Wednesday afternoon. All the scoring took place in the fourth quarter when Selman of Sherry Ross caught the Omega ball-carrier behind his own goal line for 2 points. Jim Ellison's bullet pass to Ozzie Seida netted the only touchdown of the game, and a duplication of this feat, Ellison to Seida, added the extra point for a total of nine.

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Hobby Longs For Days of Tall Firs

"I have a good group of basketball players but I lack men with height," said coach Hobson when asked how his hardwood group was progressing.

Hobson has twenty men he is working on, trying to pick his future varsity five. Eleven of these men are lettermen from coach Warren's last year squad. The other nine are newcomers that Hobson felt privileged to be taken from fifty men who responded to the duck call for basketball players this season.

Ken Hays, 6'5" center from last year and George Bray 6'4" letterman, who played ball in '43 at Oregon, are the only men that stand above 6'1" in basketball shoes.

With this handicap of not enough tall timber, some basketball strategy can be counted on in "Mac" court under the command of the casaba mentor.

Hobby put his boys through a twenty-minute scrimmage, and found conditioning another obstacle that hampers the team at present.

"I could put a team of five men on the floor that have speed, scoring ability, and experience, but it would be too inadequate in size, in comparison with colleges throughout the country," declared Hobby.

A tremendous amount of work has yet to take place in practice before the team can really be called a threat to the opposition we must encounter, claims Hobson.

The Marines from Klamath Falls are the first team on schedule in a practice game to be played at Klamath Falls November 23.

Swimmers Call: Tank Men Meet Tonight at Pool

Non-webfooted Ducks are issued a call for a meeting of all men interested in swimming with aquatic coach John Warren tonight at the University men's pool at 7 p.m.

All events are wide open and any man with previous swimming experience or who likes to swim is invited to come out. Only one returning letterman is enrolled at the University at present. Bob Prowell, back stroke ace of the finalists in 1943, is back again for record seeking races.

"We want everyone out that will swim, or thinks he can swim," Coach Warren said in giving the call for water splashes. "In the past Oregon swimming teams have been on the upgrade—we want to keep this trend going with first post-war team," he stated.

Past history of Duck teams includes the best team this side of the Mississippi publicity renown in 1941-42. In 1942-43 finals the Webfoots were ducked by the University of Washington. The issue remained in doubt until the 400 yard free-style relay event, with a Huskie ace finishing one hand ahead of a trailing Duck.

Men interested in the sport are urged to come out tonight for information on the nine competition events. These include the 50, 100, 220 and 440 yard free style, 150 yard back stroke, 200 yard breast stroke, the 300 yard three man medley relay, the four man 400 yard free-style relay and diving events.

VOLLEYBALL NEWS

Judson beat University House 51-22 in yesterday's volleyball game which opened the volleyball season.

The paper industry makes more than \$500,000 worth of coin wrappers a year.



By Dave Goss

After the discussion on the OSC-U of O tilt has somewhat cooled off, it is about time for another little bit of jaw breaking to take place over the University of Washington game scheduled for Saturday. This is the second game played this season on Hayward Field by the Webfoot eleven and will be a very hotly contested battle. The Welchmen will be out to get their third scalp on their list of trophies for this season and Tex Oliver's boys are out to stop them from getting into their hair.

Cougars Backs Changed

A short news story in the Journal of Tuesday mentioned the fact that the entire Huskie backfield with the exception of Joe Stone, quarterback, has been revamped. Taking over the left half position is Maurice Stacy and Leo Trask is holding down the fullback assignments. Alternating at right half are Gordon Hungar and Dick Given. Hugar was the star of the 6-0 victory over WSC last Saturday and is expected to be very instrumental in any plans the Crimson and Gray have about the tilt this weekend.

Gale Guns for Ducks

Perhaps some of the older students on the campus have already recognized the tall, powerfully-built ex-Webfoot seen roaming the old familiar byways of the local homeground, but for the newer set we would like to make a statement on the best basketball player turned out by Hobby Hobson. He was all-American on the Oregon National champions of '39 which also were the Coast conference champs. Along with Slim Wintermute, Wally Johansen, John Dick and Bob Anet they formed the best team seen in recent years. This 6'4" tall fir is now taking life easy hunting ducks while on leave of absence from the Army. Oh yes, in case you already haven't guessed, this former Webfoot is Lauren, better known as "Laddie," Gale.

Seven Comes Again

For those interested in numerology an interesting article was found in the UCLA dope book. Head coach, Bert LaBrucherie, wore No. 7 jersey, as a Bruin player; is the seventh UCLA football coach; he was introduced to the student body on the seventh of May; he won seven varsity championships; and is beginning his 17th year of coaching. As I said you have to be interested in numerology to get excited about this, but you don't have to be a mystic to get hepped over the game taking place on the 27th of October with the Bears.



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