

'Zero Hour' Nears; Ducks Stay Inside

2 to 1 Odds Favor Touted Orangemen

By WALLY HUNTER

University of Oregon's Webfoots got a reprieve from the wind, rain, and mud on Hayward field last night as Coach Tex Oliver moved the Duck squad inside for a skull session as the "zero hour" for the annual Civil War game with Oregon State approaches.

Today the Ducks will probably get a light workout on Hayward field, although Head Coach Oliver is not revealing plans. Thus far in the week the Webfoot squad has had only one rugged scrimmage session, that on Wednesday.

When the Oregon Duck takes the field Saturday, Coach Lon Stiner's crew of Beavers will be a 2-to-1 choice to finish de-plucking the Duck. The Webfoots, after keeping their record clear in the early stages of the season have slowed to a walk in their last three games. In losing to Southern California, 43 to 0, UCLA, 14 to 0, and the University of Washington, 16 to 0, only against the hot-rod lads from UCLA have the Webfoots shown power. Against the high-flying, often-winning Bruins, the Ducks have operated in grand style.

Have Four Wins

Coach Oliver's gridders have chalked up victories this year over College of Pacific, California, Montana and Idaho. On the other side of the picture are the Oregon State Beavers who started slow but have gained prestige and momentum weekly.

Stiner's lads opened the season by taking a 50 to 7 lambasting from the Uclans. Since that time the Staters have taken opponents in stride—with the exception of a 0-0 tie with Stanford.

Coach Tex Oliver has not announced a starting lineup for the Saturday fracas, and Oregon railbirds are still guessing as to who will fill the halfback and tackle spots. At left halfback Jake Leicht will probably get the starting nod. Behind Leicht are Bobby Reynolds and Jim Newquist. At right half it's a different story, with Sam Ramey, George Bell, and Walt Donovan all possible as starters. Ramey is generally conceded as having the best chance of opening against OSC.

At left tackle Cliff Giffin, Chuck Elliott and Howard Frary have been battling it out. After an inquiry in the Southern Cal game benched Elliott, Giffin stepped up and has been playing first string ball. Frary has also been making a determined bid. At right tackle Don Stanton will probably start with Pete Miller standing by for relief work.

To round out the Duck starting lineup, Oliver will probably name Brad Ecklund at center, and Ted Meland, and Bill Murphy at guards. Eymie Harris and Wayne Bartholemey will start at the flanks—providing Bartholemey's game leg is in good repair by game time.

At quarterback will be Duke Iversen, Oregon's blocking back deluxe. Punting Bob Koch will handle the fullback duties with hard hitting Bob Sanders a likely prospect for action at this spot.

Band, Rally Committee Get Free Game Passes

Graduate Manager Anse Cornell announced last night that the University of Oregon rally committee and the Oregon band will not be required to have tickets for the Oregon-Oregon State game Saturday. Cornell also said that Oregon students should enter Gate 7 at Bell field.

Southern Schools Remain Eligible Under New Tieup

CHICAGO, Nov. 21—(AP)—The new Big Nine-Pacific Coast Conference Rose Bowl agreement does not slam the door on future appearances by southern teams in the New Year's day Pasadena classic, Commissioner K. L. (Tug) Wilson of the Big Nine said today.

Wilson, back from a Tuesday inter-conference confab at Berkeley, Calif., at which a five-year contract was drafted, made this explanation of the much-discussed pact:

1. In the final two years of the series, both conferences may select as the eastern bowl representative any team which adheres to athletic principles of both. (This, Wilson said, could be a southern team, "if it is traveling under our rules." The new Rose Bowl setup previously was regarded by some as a slap at southern athletic standards.)

2. Pending ratification by both leagues, the Big Nine representative will have a 16-day practice session, and the Pacific Coast, which closes its regular season later, a 13-day drill for the bowl classic.

Illini or Wolverines

3. The 1947 Big Nine representative will be either Illinois or Michigan, depending upon the outcome of their finales against Northwestern and Ohio State respectively Saturday, and will be selected formally in a faculty representative poll next week.

"Army would have been a fine bowl representative," declared Wilson, "but we long have had machinery started for the series, and had the Pacific Coast delayed it, we would have had to come back and tried to start things all over again next year, perhaps with less success.

"Don't forget the same picture might have developed next year. Perhaps Navy or Dartmouth, for example, would come up with a powerhouse team. The attraction might prove as great then for west coast fans as Army this year. When would the Big Nine-Pacific Coast series ever get started?"

Wilson estimated that the Big Nine team, under the conference plan of bowl receipts disbursement, will receive between \$25,000 and \$30,000 of the usual \$100,000 which goes to a bowl participant. The



These Beavers who played in the 1942 transplanted Rose Bowl will be in the lineup that tangles with Oregon's Ducks on Bell field tomorrow. Top, from left to right, Warren Simas, place-kicking quarterback; Ted Ossowski, tackle; Bill McInnis, pass-slinging' halfback. Bottom, Martin Chaves, who will likely get a starting nod at a guard position.

Susie Coeds Win Volleyball Title

Successfully retaining their title, the coeds from Susan Campbell trounced Rebec house 27-17 to win the intramural volleyball championship Wednesday on the Gerlinger courts.

Sparked by Pat Arnold and Coralee Thomson, the Susie squad defied the efforts of Bev Bennett and Grace Edwards who were the point makers for Rebec. Half-time score gave Susan Campbell a 10-9 lead under the rotational system but on entering the second half, they showed their prowess by establishing an early lead which they did not relinquish during the remainder of the contest.

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remainder will be divided among other conference teams and the Big Nine commissioner's office.

Bruins by At Least One Touchdown; More if Dry

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 21—(AP)—The Bruins by at least one touchdown.

That's the general outlook for Saturday's coast conference Rose Bowl clincher between the UCLA Bruins and the Southern California Trojans. The margin could be three TDs if the field turns dry and the Bruins get rolling.

Bert La Brucherie's Uclans undoubtedly will receive their stiffest test of the season from the steadily-improving Trojans. Both teams appear ready for peak performances. Probable muddy going, which may help the Trojans, is the only artistic impediment.

Trojan Coach Jeff Cravath's skill as a defense setter, plus a rock-ribbed USC line, may give the

Bruins a very tough first half. Such gents at 240-pound tackles John Ferraro and Bob Hendren and stubby guard Mike Garzonina don't budge easily.

But UCLA has four stellar ends, headed by Burr Baldwin, to work over those tackles, and plenty of center strength in Don Paul and associates.

The all-winning Bruins bear out the old saw about a good offense being the best defense. They are the nation's top offensive team—409.9 yards per game.

More important, they have the champion's quick-striking power. Ernie Case's passing and a half-dozen breakaway runners make UCLA a scoring threat from any part of the gridiron.



Local Prognosticator Chooses Webfoots Over Oregon State

By LARRY LAU

The eyes and ears of the nation will be turned towards Los Angeles this weekend. The undefeated Bruins of UCLA will lock horns with their traditional, cross town rivals, the powerful, once beaten Trojans of USC in the game that will decide the Pacific Coast Conference's Rose Bowl team. Subject of much controversy this year, the visiting team will come from the Big Nine, with Illinois the leading contender at the moment. The two teams stack up, generally, as even, but in scrutinizing the picture more closely, it may be said that the Trojans will have the edge in the line, while the Bruins will dominate the backfield. Despite the "Florida rains" that have hit Southern California during the past ten days, the field is expected to be dry and fast as usual and the Bruin's flashy backs should have a field day. The old speed versus power argument will be fought out again on the hard-packed turf of the Coliseum. Speed gets the nod here . . . UCLA by 7 points.

At Bell field in Corvallis, the annual struggle between Oregon and Oregon State will be resumed Saturday. Oregon State, defeated only by UCLA, is a strong favorite. The Webfoots, having lost their last three games, seem to be rated little chance by the experts. Something the experts can't possibly figure in their calculations, and account for, is spirit . . . fight . . . drive . . . the will to win. This game, between two teams who have no chance for the Rose Bowl bid, is such a contest. The Orangemen have won nine of the last ten contests; they'll be out to rack up number ten. The Webfoots still have the same machinery they began the season with; a machine that many thought would carry them to Pasadena on New Year's Day. The same million-dollar backfield will play, the same stubborn linemen will be in there trying to open the holes. If the Gods of Fortune breathe a spark of life into this inert collection of coudbe's, the men from Beavertown may find the raging Ducks just too hot to handle. The Webfoots are a great team. I think they'll prove it Saturday . . . Oregon by 13 points.

Cal Over Stanford

In Berkeley, a third game, that's not just an ordinary game, will be fought when California and Stanford clash in their 'big game' of the year. California, playing up and down football all year long is as potent a team, potentially, as there is on the coast. Stanford, picked for last place before the season, has startled the sports world with their amazing rejuvenation after a four year absence from football circles. The Indian brand of ball is flashier, speedier than the type played by the Golden Bears. The condition of the field will have much to do with the outcome, but Cal is due for a break this season, and it's getting late . . . California by 7 points.

Illini a Winner

In the Big Nine, Illinois, the team that may well play in the Rose Bowl, faces a powerful North-

Volleyball

The Sig Eps, SAE, and Sigma Chi posted victories in yesterday's intramural volleyball league action. Sig Ep took things easy in their conquest of the Yeomen, flooring a very calm and smooth working outfit that was never in trouble throughout the game. In the opening canto the Greek boys were a little tense and it took a portion of that game for them to loosen up, but they went on to win 15 to 10. Sig Ep had things pretty much their own way the rest of the battle as they took the final game 15 to 7.

SAE looked very impressive in their game against Villard. The Thirteenth street boys took the hall gang into camp with the runaway scores of 15 to 2 and 15 to 0.

The best game on yesterday's calendar was the Sigma Chi-Phi Psi affair. The first game was a battle royal, and the outcome was in doubt right up to the final gun. It took the Sigma Chis one extra frame to defeat the Phi Psi club 16 to 14. After this close one, Sigma Chi gathered themselves together and made it a clean sweep, taking the last contest easily 15 to 5.

DU, Theta Chi, and Delta Tau Delta, won their games by forfeit.

Tomorrow's games:

- 3:50, Court 40, Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Phi Delta Theta;
- Court 43, Vets Dorm B (B) vs. Vets Dorm BB (B).
- 4:35, Court 40, Sigma Phi Epsilon (B) vs. Pi Kappa Alpha (B);
- Court 43, Vets Dorm A (B) vs. Vets Dorm CC (B).
- 5:15, Court 40, Chi Psi (B) vs. Sigma Alpha Mu (B);
- Court 43, Vets Dorm C (B) vs. Kappa Sigma (B).

Prep Grid Playoffs Slated for Tonight

PORTLAND, Nov. 22—(AP)—Four Oregon high school football teams clash tonight in playoffs leading to the state championship.

McMinnville, western Oregon district winner, plays Grant, Portland champion and defending state tittlist, in Multnomah stadium here. Grant is a slight favorite.

Medford, southern Oregon district winner, will meet Hood River, eastern Oregon champion, at Hood River. Six inches of snow were on the gridiron there, but officials said the game would be played anyway. The field is expected to be cleared by game time. Heavier Hood River is the favorite.

western aggregation. The Wildcats have risen to the heights this year, as witnessed by their 14-14 tie with Michigan that was at its peak. The same Wildcat eleven has slumped badly in the stretch. Illinois has played consistently better ball as the season progresses. The Illini looks slightly the better of the two in tomorrow's contest; the Rose Bowl incentive for the Illinois squad should do the trick . . . Illinois by 14 points.