

DUCK TRACKS

By DON FAIR
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The rain is officially here, and along with it comes the problem of how the Oregon T-system will function in the mud. Although the Ducks will be playing in so-called sunny California this weekend, the Aikenmen still have six more games to play up north, where rain is a deciding factor in many close grid battles.

Throughout the final quarter of the Nevada upset, the Webfoots were performing from the tricky T, in a light downpour which apparently didn't seriously hamper either team. However, the field, even with the wet weather Saturday, offered the ball carriers sure footing, something that can't be counted on following days, and even weeks, of steady rain.

As an offensive attack, the T depends for its strenght on deceptive hand-offs, optional run-passes, and quick opening line thrusts. On a sloppy gridiron, the first two factors are

rendered somewhat impotent, leaving only bruising, line-busting power to rely on for yardage. Passing is possible, but with a slippery, wet ball, much of its sting is lost, too.

Van Brocklin Passes in Rain

In the rain against Nevada, Webfoot passer deluxe Norm Van Brocklin didn't seem to be too hampered with the elusive pigskin, although a couple of his heaves slipped off in wobbly arches. Yet the sophomore signal caller is still in the learning process of passing under any conditions, and should improve as the occasions arise.

However, the rock-ribbed power necessary to crash over, around, and through the opposing guards and center is lacking in the Webfoot attack. On lightning-like dashes through the middle of the Wolfpack line, speed-merchant Jake Leicht was bottled up tighter than the old aged-and-mellowed. The openings simply weren't there.

Even though the Oregon running carried time and again inside the Nevada 30, especially in the late stages of the game, when that extra yard was needed down in 6-point territory, the Duck line and backs couldn't find the scoring punch.

Wet Field Hampers Leicht

Leicht's biggest ground gainer this year has been the hand-off where he skitters either outside the opposing ends or between the flank and tackle. On a good soggy, muck-and-mire gridiron, as was the condition against Washington State at Hayward field last season, the diminutive speedster isn't going to have the steady footing for quick starts, which makes many of his gains possible.

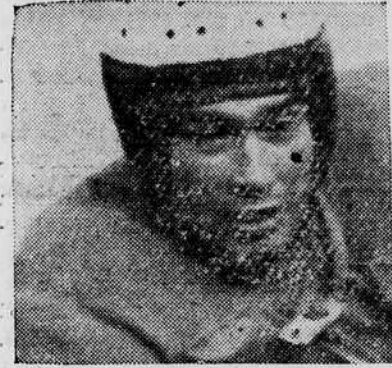
Picking up of yardage then is clearly left up to other knee-churning, hard-hitting backs. Only Bob Sanders, as yet, has shown that this rock-em, sock-em business is right up his alley. Jim Newquist, although leading the team in average yards gained with six yards per try on 19 attempts, isn't the answer to the problem as he doesn't pack the beef needed to make a through-the-middle attack click.

Johnson May Click

Bob Koch has been hot and cold. At times he tears the opposing line to pieces, and on other occasions can get nowhere. The possible shift of southpaw halfback Dewayne Johnson to a starting role in the Uclan game this weekend may alleviate the problem because he has the weight and is rugged enough to be a tough customer. The loss of Ken Maine through ineligibility hurt the Oregon running no little. The Ducks, if they expect to keep on the heels of the big boys, must find that hidden spark, which means a sure two yards with the blue chips down and the goal line in view.

Apparently the Northwestern upset win over UCLA last weekend was somewhat costly to the highly-rated Bruins, with at least temporary injuries to starting backs Al Hoisch, Skip Rowland, and Jerry Shipkey, and to all-conference center Don Paul. But you can bet your marbles that come next Saturday at the Los Angeles Coliseum, these boys will definitely be putting out for coach Bert LaBrucherie, particularly if the Webfoots give the Bruins a rough go.

Speaking of the Coliseum, why is it that the teams from the Northwest never draw the crowds to even partially fill the 103,000 capacity stadium? Surely the brand of football played there is no different than that displayed by the southern schools. Nevertheless the fact remains that if any northern eleven draws 40,000 to the huge stadium, it's considered successful as far as Californians are concerned.



JIM NEWQUIST

ATO, DTD, SAE, Phi Delts, Tekes, Pi Kaps Take IM Tilts

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

3:50

Theta Chi vs. Sherry Ross hall
Sigma Alpha Mu vs. Villard hall
Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Omega hall

4:45

Stitzer hall vs. Phi Gamma Delta
Yeomen vs. Cherney hall
DU vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon

By EDDIE ARTZT

Atop a slippery turf, twelve crown-seeking intramural grid powers bulldozed one another up and down lower Howe field yesterday, until six of the scrappy outfits toted home the laurels and moved up a peg in the red-hot race for the 1947 championship.

It was another case of six shut-outs, with scores ranging from way down at 1-0 to the impressive total of 20-0. The big game of the afternoon, the Sigma Chi-Alpha Tau Omega tiff, saw two undefeated units come together in a thriller that ended with the ATOs out in front 7-0. Pi Kappa Alpha topped the scoring for the day by flattening Sigma hall 20 to 0. Phi Delta Theta still holds an unblemished record with its 14-0 triumph over Nestor hall, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon rumbled over French hall 13-0. Delta Tau Delta dumped Kappa Sigma 13-0, and by the old first down tickler, Tau Kappa Epsilon

eked out a win over Campbell club 1-0.

An important change in schedule was released by the intramural office to the effect that Lambda Chi Alpha would face Beta Theta Pi instead of the Legal Eagles next Friday afternoon.

ATO 7, Sigma Chi 0

Chasing all over the gridiron in a match that had everyone on edge, Alpha Tau Omega tossed a hint to

An injured ankle, inflicted during the Phi Delta Theta-Nestor hall game yesterday, sent Hal Schick of the Phi Delts to the infirmary for x-rays. Schick, one of the first to receive a serious injury in intramural football this year, is now on crutches and is awaiting the doctor's verdict.

the rest of the teams that they intend to take their second consecutive championship by erasing Sigma Chi from their list 7-0.

Early in the third quarter, Mo Thomas, shifty ATO back, smashed the Sigma Chi defense to block a punt. The ball was pounced on by Bill Monroe on the Sigma Chi six-yard line. Two plays later Dick Stoinoff pitched the TD aerial to Thomas. Stoinoff fired again, this

time to Ramsey Fendall to rack up the point after touchdown.

Pi Kaps 20, Sigma 0

Displaying the kind of punch that spells trouble for the rest of the highly-touted teams, Pi Kappa Alpha unloaded on Sigma hall 20-0.

Frank Beeson fired a bullet pass to Harry Slack from the 25-yard line for the first Pi Kap score. Beeson and Slack clicked again in the second quarter, this time from the 20, where Beeson unleashed his touchdown-happy arm. Jack Costello pegged a Sigma hall lateral and danced a cool 40 yards for the final score in the third quarter.

Phi Delts 14, Nestor 0

Still known as the "unbeatables" is Phi Delta Theta after hanging a 14-0 drubbing on Nestor hall. The hard-driving Phi Delts have dumped every opponent thus far by fairly convincing scores. Jack O'Connor fired special delivery to Walt Kirsch from the Nestor 10 for six early in the third quarter. Larry Hays, sensational Phi Delt veteran, snagged another O'Connor aerial in the third heat, this time from the 15, to put the boys from Nestor on ice.

Delts 13, Kappa Sig 0

Delta Tau Delta hit the airlines and flew home a 13-0 winner over Kappa Sigma.

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By AL PIETSCHMAN

SPORTS: Somebody at the press had too much cider or something. That story about Leicht and the "sleeper" play wasn't written in such a hobablobbin state as it appeared in yesterday's column.

To keep the record straight and avoid many queries, here is the story about a play being illegal but not called as such:

Jake snuck down the sidelines. Nevada didn't see him, neither did the officials. A sleeper play is legal, ours was too, until Jake laid down on the ground. Then, according to the official, the play was illegal. But no one with ruling authority saw Jake hit the turf, therefore, no penalty.

But now the Nevada coach may have heard about it and may protest, but they won the game, sleeper or no sleeper.

FASHIONS: House dances are on the agenda and everybody is checking their formal attire. Maybe you haven't your tux shirt yet, maybe the other is shot. If so, drop down to MEN'S TOGGERY, 40 E. Broadway. They'll fix you up.

WOMEN: The colorful kerchiefs that ladies have worn around their neck evidently serve a dual purpose. Yesterday they were "off the neck" and "on the head." One gal says to tirade against them as she doesn't like them at all. Is that the consensus of feminine opinion?

Remember, in Portland for the finest jewelry it is at CARL GREVE'S.

SPORTS: Norm Van Brocklin's passing has been commended by many sources. Here are some statistics on his tossing. In three games he has thrown 71 times and has completed 28 of them. In percentages that reads almost 40 per cent completed.

Jake Leicht is the workhorse on the team when it comes to carrying the ball. He has lugged it 38 times in three contests.

(Pd. Adv.)