

Oregon Readies for El Troy With Rough Contact Session

Pass Defense, Rushing Game Show up well

Working again in "closed" practice Jim Aiken sent his charges through the first contact workout of the week, stressing especially passing and pass-defense, as Saturday's tiff with Southern Cal approaches.

The major part of the session was taken up with the number one offensive squad running plays against the top defensive unit.

Running Attack Clicks

The attack was moving well on the ground, with Tommy Hines, Bob Oas and Keith DeCoursey doing some nice running.

However, though they were unable to stop the ground attack consistently, the defensive unit was effective in stopping the aerial game. Van Brocklin's receivers were having a rough time breaking into the clear, as the defensive unit bottled them up very efficiently.

Without any pass receivers, Van was caught several times behind the line by the opposing line.

Wilkins Looks Good

When he did throw, however, he laid the ball right down the line. His favorite target was Dick Wilkins, who pulled in several tosses.

Neither George Bell nor Johnny McKay, regular halfbacks, took part in the scrimmage, though Bell was wearing pads. They ran around the field, loosening up during most of the session. Aiken was hoping that they will both be available for duty Saturday against USC.

"We expect the Trojans to be plenty tough, and I hope we'll be at full strength for the game," he said.

Tradition Favors Lettermen-Stocked Eleven From Troy

This Saturday, the Webfoots meet a team they haven't beaten since 1941, a team that has lost only twice to them in the history of the rivalry.

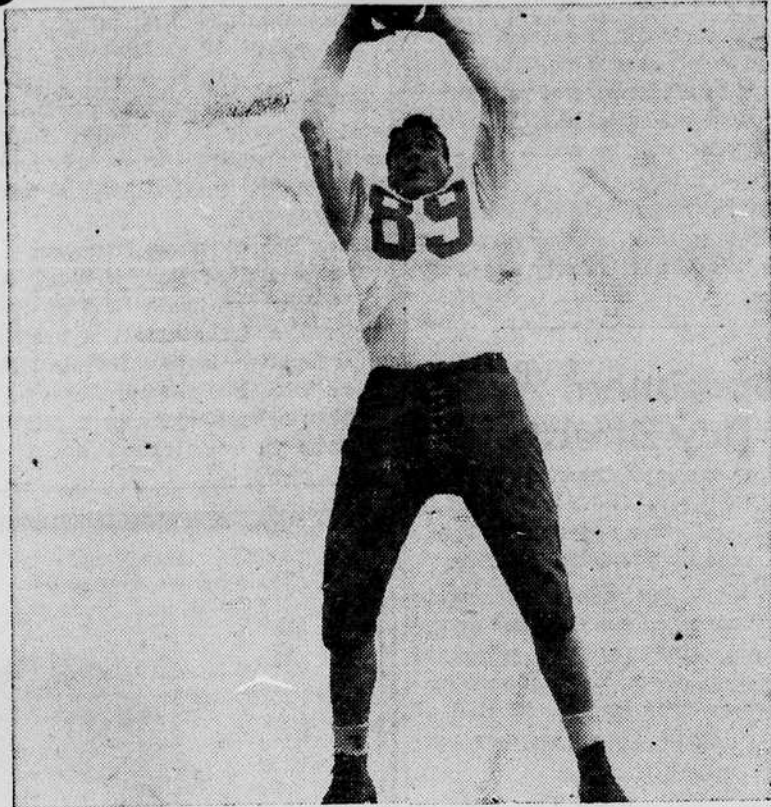
The University of Southern California, to name the culprits, has won 11 out of the 14 games between the two schools, and has only been held to a tie once. Coached by Jeff Cravath, they have a veteran team with 19 lettermen as a nucleus. And, as his ardent advocates point out, Cravath has never lost a game to Oregon since becoming head coach.

Cravath 83, Ducks 0

In 1942, in his first year at Troy, Cravath's boys battered the Webfoots 40-0. In their only other meeting since then, the Trojans swamped the invaders from the North, 43-0.

Cravath feels that his team this year is underrated. "After all, we are the defending champions, and we have a lot of men back from that team. We'll be tough this year," he said before the season began, and he hasn't publicly changed his mind since then.

The Trojans lost 19 lettermen from the 1948 Rose Bowl team, but they have 19 left to build upon. Also reuniting are three letter-



CAGEY CATCHER—That's Dick Wilkins, who glittered yesterday as one of the most dependable receptacles for Norm Van Brocklin's aerial slants. And Dick's "cagey" in more ways than one, for he is quite some shakes as a basketball player.

Bowerman's Yearlings Dash Through Workouts

Oregon's football Ducklings resumed full-scale practice operations yesterday afternoon after last weekend's successful opener against the Washington freshmen.

Coach Bill Bowerman sent his first team up against an aggregation composed of mostly third and fourth stringers, while the second squad scrimmaged another scrub outfit.

Assistant coaches Bill Abbey and Steve Mezzera took charge of the second team.

Regulars Pressed

Although the regulars found the offensive going rough at times, Quarterback Calderwood's pitch-outs to halves Holeman and Edwards were consistent ground gainers, while Missfeldt through the line was usually good for about five yards.

When the first team went on defense Tackle Dick Hudson, Guard Don McCauley, and End Bob Wilcox stood out in the line.

Tackle John McAloon played a rugged brand of defense for the scrub outfit along with Guard Malcolm Marsh.

Timms Goes Well

At the other end of the field where the second squad was scrimmaging, halfbacks Herb Timms and Ray Karnofski sparked offensively.

Timms especially got off several long runs that would have been sure touchdowns under game conditions. A small, speedy left halfback, Timms will probably give first string backs a run for their money in the future.

During pre-scrimmage drills, Bowerman put plenty of emphasis on pass defense, a weakness in the Washington game.

men from years previous to 1947, including Art Battles, a regular in 1946 who has again been awarded the first string right half berth.

Raft of Transfers

Also around are nine members of last year's squad who failed to letter, and 10 are outstanding stars from the SC freshman team. Numerous transfers have also reported to Cravath and the six other Trojan grid coaches, all but one working with the varsity.

The men of Troy will run out of a regular "T," and have speed and passing to run the system.

Stengel Comes Back to Majors As Pilot of New York Yankees

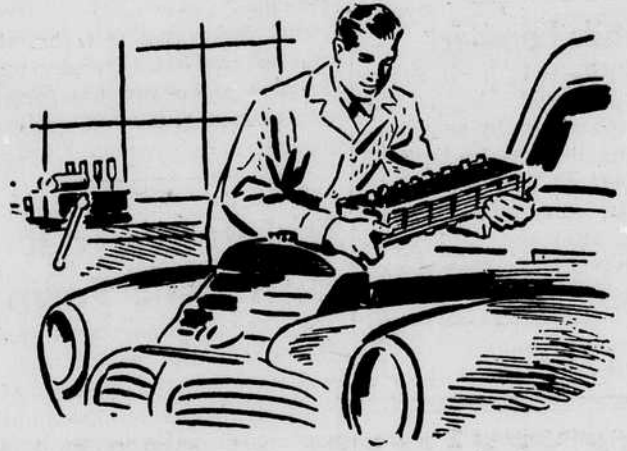
NEW YORK, Oct. 12—(AP)—Casey Stengel, one of baseball's most colorful characters, today returned to the majors as manager of the New York Yankees for the next two years.

Fresh from a pennant and playoff victory with Oakland of the Pacific Coast league, Stengel flew in for a conference with Yankee officials last night that won for him one of the most coveted jobs in the game.

No salary terms were announced by President Dan Topping, but it was understood that Casey will be paid about \$25,000 a year under a two-year contract.

Now 57, Stengel has been knocking around baseball since he started playing the outfield for Kankakee, Ill., back in 1910.

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