

Bear Back Tops PCC Statistics

All-American candidate, Jackie Jensen, of the University of California took over the top spot in Pacific Coast conference total offense this week, and at the same time widened his lead in Conference rushing to over 100 yards ahead of his nearest competitor.

The Bear fullback ran and passed for 169 yards against the Oregon State Beavers last Saturday to give him a total of 587 yards gained in five games.

Don Samuel of OSC, last week's total offense leader, slipped to third place as Ray Nagel of UCLA also moved ahead of him. Nagel's 578 total leaves him within striking distance of Jensen.

Jensen Top Ground-Gainer

The statistics released by the conference commissioner's office show that Jensen has gained 484 yards on the ground in 44 attempts for an 11.2-yard average per try.

Oregon's Johnny McKay, the number two rusher in the league with 385 yards, did not play against Southern California and so could not increase his total.

Norm Van Brocklin and Nagel, the PCC's leading passers, pulled farther ahead of the field in the matter of passes completed.

Van Completed 35

Webfoot Quarterback Van Brocklin has completed 35 tosses in 69 attempts, while Nagel has completed 32 out of 60. Dick Erickson of California has the highest passing efficiency rating, completing 12 out of 17 for 70.6 per cent.

Van Brocklin and McKay hold down fourth and fifth spots in total conference offense, with 433 and 385 yards respectively. George Bell is third in PCC rushing, with 327 yards in 75 tries.

McKay, Sarver are tied for the tie conference scoring lead, each with 36 points on six touchdowns.

Duck End Dan Garza rates third in the pass receiving column, with nine catches for 92 yards. Dick Wilkins, with eight passes caught for 140 yards, is in fifth position.

Lynn Waldorf's mighty Golden Bear also pulled up as the PCC's undisputed leader in both offensive and defensive play at the half-way mark in the 1948 football campaign.

Bears' Offensive Leader

California, which has led in total offense since the start of the season, moved into the top position in the defensive standings too by holding Oregon State to 131 yards from rushing and passing.

The Bears, with a 2107 total, have averaged 421 yards per game this season in total offense, while holding their opposition to less than half of that, 201 yards per game.

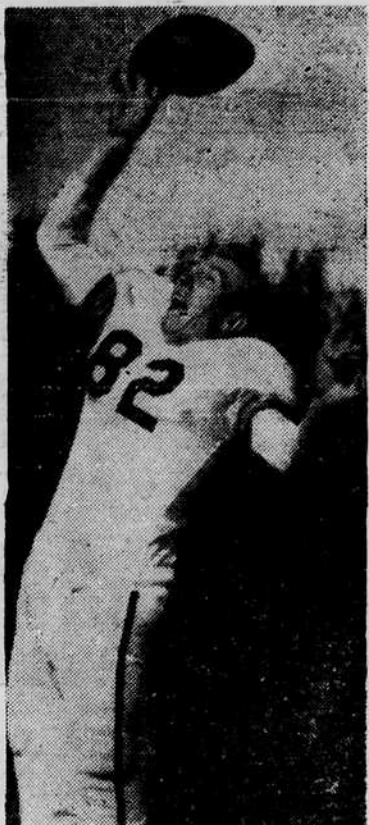
Ducks Behind Cal

The Berkeley monopoly on conference figures goes even farther. The Bears are the conference's best rushing team, averaging 303 yards on the ground in each of their games this season, and they have put up the best defense against a running attack, limiting their five opponents to 119 yards from rushing per game.

Jim Aiken's Oregon Ducks hold down second total offense position, with 1706 yards in five games. The Webfoots rate as the third toughest defensive team, limiting their opposition to 1146 yards in the five games, a 220.2 per game average.

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Beaver End



ONE END spot on Lon Stiner's Beaver eleven will be taken care of by lanky Bob Grove, when Oregon State meets UCLA this Saturday in Los Angeles.

Top Lineman Laurie Niemi To Lead Upset-Minded WSC

By DICK CRAMER

Led by the lineman of the week Laurie Niemi, Washington State will romp onto Hayward field with upset in their eyes this Saturday.

Niemi, who played the full 60-minutes against Washington last week, was named in a nation-wide Associated Press poll as the outstanding collegiate lineman of the week, being named over the other 34 players nominated.

The 6-foot, 240-pound tackle is quick on his feet and has tremendous charge. He likes the going rough, and spearheads the rugged Cougar line. Against the Huskies, Niemi consistently stopped plays on his side of the line for losses, and also opened many holes when WSC was on the attack.

The Cougars have a fast flotilla of backs to spring from behind their big line, and have two highly efficient quarterbacks in lefty Frank Mataya and Bob Gambold. Though passing had been their major weapon up to the Washington game, they rolled over the Huskies by moving on the ground.

Against the Webfoots they plan to do both.

Mataya and Gambold can both pass very well, and the leave little to be desired in their ball-handling. Both can run if all receivers are covered.

The running attack will be led by little Jerry Williams, one of the best backs on the coast a year back and still better now. He will have able assistance from Don Paul, Marv Cross, Bob McGuire, Bob George and Gordie Brunswick, all of whom are slated for duty in Coach Phil Sarboe's split "T."

For the first part of this week, the Cougars have been working on pass defense, trying to stop Norm Van Brocklin's accurate passes to Ends Dick Wilkins and Dan Garza.

In Jerry Williams and John Mon-

lux, Sarboe feels he has two of the best pass defense men in the Northwest, and thinks they will stop Van Brocklin's effectiveness in the air.

Frosh Right Half Injured; Powerful Rooks Prepared

The Oregon Frosh may miss the McKay and Sarver are tied for Holeman next Saturday in the OSC Rook game at Corvallis.

Holeman has been in the University infirmary since Tuesday with an infected finger, Coach Bill Bowerman said yesterday, and it is not known whether he will be ready for the Rook game Saturday.

Filling in for Holeman on the first eleven is Ray Karnofski. Karnofski has been turning in good performances nightly, and may prove an able substitute in the event Holeman is not in shape to play.

OSC Ready for Game

On the OSC side of the picture, all hands appear to be in good shape after the trimming administered to the Pacific frosh last Saturday. Al Cox has a star laden quartet to carry the ball for the baby-Aggies, with three all-Staters in the backfield.

At quarterback for Cox will be 175-pound Carlos Houck, from Salem high school. Doing the passing from the left half spot will be All-Stater Gene Morrow from The Dalles. Morrow can be depended upon to turn in some flashy passing, but is not a runner, and will

probably carry the ball very little on running plays.

Sheffold All-Stater

At the other half is Bill Sheffold, from Bend high, also an All-Stater. Sheffold will do most of the end-running Saturday, but can also put 165 pounds worth of punch through the line. Big Sam Baker, the most valuable player in the Shrine game last August, will carry the duties at fullback.

Baker weighs 192 pounds, and earned from Dick Sutherland, the Shrine All-State coach, the title of "one of the few high school players I ever saw who really knows how to run through the line." The big fullback will also take the punting chores for the Rooks.

Elliott Draws Release

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20—(AP)—The San Francisco Forty Niners have signed up 230-pound Roman Bentz, former New York Yankee's guard out of Tulane university.

To make room for the 27-year-old native of Iron Bridge, Wis., Coach Buck Shaw released Chuck Elliott, former University of Oregon star.

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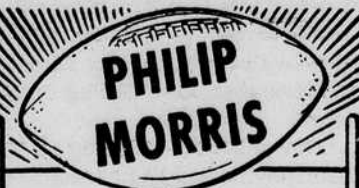


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