

DUCK TRACKS

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Last night's Oregon-UCLA game creates an odd situation regarding this week's football predictions. As this column is being written, the game's four hours away, but it will be so much grid history by the time the Emerald is printed.

It would seem useless to make a prediction which would be read hours after the game's over, so we'll concentrate on the other coast games, and travel around a bit to pick up the big ones around the country.

1948 football is getting away fast, and as the season's end nears, some mighty interesting and thrilling action will probably be played in the nation's grid plants. Teams with any chance at all for recognition will be trying for a win all the way, while the powers will be fighting to maintain a top reputation.

It doesn't look like a day of upsets, but the underdog always seems to be the customer's favorite. Let the underdog keep our .793 accuracy percentage in mind. Here we go with this week's ten:

OREGON STATE vs. UTAH—The once-beaten Utes come to Corvallis with a better-than-fair record, an excellent passer in "Cannon" Parkinson, and the psychological disadvantage of having beaten the Beavers 7-6 last year.

This intersectional clash should be a thriller, with the Orangemen favored anywhere from 20 to 6 points. We don't think Lon Stiner's purities are quite that good, but they're probably one touchdown better than the Utah outfit. Listen in over KORE.

WASHINGTON vs. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA—One of four conference games in the PCC this week, this one won't mean too much in the title picture. Both teams have been beaten, and will be out for glory.

After watching the Huskies against Oregon last week, we look for a close game, but the Trojans also have a strong squad. It looks safe to go all in for a 14-point margin for the men of Troy.

CALIFORNIA vs. WASHINGTON STATE—Not much in question here, although the Bears are definitely under pressure. Pappy Waldorf and his golden crew need a convincing win to help their Rose Bowl chances. Superior manpower and a terrific ground attack should win for California, but the Cougars should score once or twice.

Cal will be shooting for more than Oregon's 34 points, and Jensen, Swaner and mates could go to town. WSC's Jerry Williams will shine, but it's Cal, by more than 20.

Stanford, Idaho, Broncos Look Good

STANFORD vs. MONTANA—Another "glory" game, but it's all Stanford. After the beating they took last Saturday from Army, the Indians should massacre Montana, the PCC underling. It's the third and last conference game for the Grizzlies, but they won't have much to cheer about. Stanford by a whole pack of touchdowns.

IDAHO vs. PORTLAND—A non-counting game for the Vandals, and the Portland Pilots might be tougher than most people think. They played a good game last week against St. Mary's, and may put on another show. Idaho by two or three touchdowns.

SANTA CLARA vs. ST. MARY'S—The Broncos made a name for themselves by whipping Nevada 14-0 last week, and will keep right on going. Those St. Mary's kids will play a good game, but Santa Clara has it. Again, the Broncos by two or three touchdowns.

Game of Week: Northwestern vs. Notre Dame

NOTRE DAME vs. NORTHWESTERN—The BIG game in the nation right now, and will be one to listen to. The Irish should add to their now unbelievable win streak, and Northwestern couldn't afford another dent in their prestige.

Everybody says the Wildcats are forgetting about the Bowl, and will concentrate on Notre Dame. What good will it do? Notre Dame by one, and possibly two touchdowns.

Three quick ones to wind things up. Those powerful Cadets from West Point will meet Pennsylvania, and look good for a win. Nothing like last week's Stanford rout, but a 7-point Army win seems conservative. The Ohio State-Illinois Big Nine game should be a good one, and the Buckeyes are the choice. Ohio State by one touchdown. To keep their Rose Bowl hopes going, the Gophers from Minnesota have to win from Iowa. It's fairly safe, and by three touchdowns.



Yearlings Slate Pilots

PCC Footballers Under Pressure In Today's Tilts

By Associated Press

BERKELEY, Calif., Nov. 13—(AP)—California's Bears, bidding for an undefeated football season and a chance at the Rose Bowl, take on the twice beaten, once tied Washington State Cougars here today.

The Bears have gone through four conference and as many non-league games. They are strong favorites to add the Cougars to their list of victims. California's ground power and tremendous reserve strength is expected to spell the difference between the two teams.

Washington State, however, is expected to give its strong rival a battle. The Cougars, with speedy Jerry Williams as the backfield running threat and an assortment of aerial weapons, have scored on every opponent this season. They hold third place in the conference.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 13—Southern California's Trojans remained heavy favorites to trim the Washington Huskies today in a renewal of grid rivalry that began 25 years ago.

Washington offers a stout line that includes Alf Hemstad, Bob Levenhagen, Bill McGovern and Ernie Stein.

Bearing this in mind, no doubt, USC Coach Jeff Cravath named his leading passer, Jim Powers, to start off at the quarterback spot. This indicates the Trojans plan their major thrust via the aerial route.

Upwards of 45,000 are expected to watch the game, with good weather predicted.

PALO ALTO, Calif., Nov. 13—Stanford's Indians and Montana's Grizzlies, two teams with not much left to salvage in the way of a football season, meet here today in a Pacific Coast Conference game.

Montana will line up at practically full strength for the first time. The Grizzlies have a fair attack and the shortenders confidently expect to score on their favored rivals.

Coach Doug Fessenden's charges have dropped six of their eight engagements thus far, their poorest showing in some time.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Nov. 13 (AP) The Utek Redskins limbered up in the dusk here yesterday after an air flight interrupted by fog.

The Utes, scheduled to land at Salem, sat down instead at Portland, then boarded a bus for Corvallis, arriving late for the workout in preparation for today's clash with the Oregon State Beavers.

The Beavers also worked out lightly, stressing their aerial game. Backfield Coach Bob Dethman said he was worried over chance of the aerial game, for the Utes boast one of the best pass defenses in the West and the field is expected to be wet.

The forecast is for showers tomorrow. Kick-off time is 2 p. m. (PST).

Ducks Smash

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from where Bell went over. Daniels' try for conversion was blocked.

Fourth period: A drive begun late in the third netted another Oregon tally. The Webfoots went 51 yards, again by running the ball. Sanders racked it up from the one. Sophomore Billy Stamper of UCLA fired the Bruins up, and they traveled 93 yards in 15 plays for their lone touchdown. Dave Dobrow scored on a 14-yard pass from Stamper. Final score—Oregon 26, UCLA 7.

Ducklings End Season Against Portland Frosh

The Oregon Frosh will finish their 1948 football season today at 2 p. m., with a game against the University of Portland Yearlings in Portland's Multnomah stadium.

Bill Bowerman's Ducklings enter the game as heavy underdogs to the Pilot Midgets this afternoon, and comparative scores against the Oregon State Rooks give the Portland eleven a definite edge.

The Portland squad gave the Rooks a good fight in dropping a 6-0 battle earlier in the season. Oregon has lost two decisive contests to the Rooks, 32-14 and 34-7.

Regular Lineup

Bowerman is expected to start his regular first-string lineup in the Portland game, but several changes may be made. Chuck Bafaro and Jerry Leslie are slated for the end positions, but Bob Wilcox may have the edge over Bafaro.

Dick Hudson and Simmons will hold down the tackle positions, while Lewis Langer and Ken Kirkpatrick will start at guards. Johnny Adams will be at center.

Calderwood to Pass

The Duckling offense will be built around Jim Calderwood's passing arm, which has passed consistently for the Frosh all year. Tommy Edwards, Emile Holeman, and Chuck Missfeldt will carry the bulk of Oregon's running attack.

Reserve quarterbacks Harry Kanasto and Tony Geremia are slated for duty, subbing for Calderwood. Kanasto played a good game last week against the Rooks, but may be sidelined with a broken finger suffered in practice this week.

Hard-Charging Line

Little is known about the Portland Frosh in the Bowerman camp, other than comparative scores against the OSC Rooks. A fast-charging line, centered around Jim Loftin, right guard, gives the Pilots an advantage over any heavier line they meet, as was the case in their Rook tilt.

If the Ducklings manage to pull

out a win today, their season's record will stand at three won and two lost, balancing the other way if Portland wins.

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