

# Passing Drills Sharp As Boston Battle Looms

By John Whitty

A light workout was the order of the day as coach Len Casanova continued to groom his Webfoots for Saturday's game against the Boston University Terriers at Fenway Park in Boston. The Ducks have only one more day of practice at home, as they leave for the East by plane at 5:30 tonight. They will arrive at their destination at 9:00 A.M. Thursday, and will work out both that evening and Friday in Boston.

Yesterday's drill followed much the same schedule as has been the rule for the past two weeks. During the first half hour, John McKay and Jack Roache ran the backfield men through their plays, with special emphasis on timing and perfection of the faking. At the same time, Line Coach Gene Harlow directed the centers, guards, and tackles in work on the blocking machine. Casanova spent the time with the ends, drilling them in fakes and working on quick starts and stops. Another fifteen minutes was spent by the backs and ends in development of pass play timing.

### Boston Plays Run

The remainder of the session was taken up in team offense and defense. The junior varsity offensive team worked a number of Boston U. play patterns against the varsity defensive unit. The varsity offensive eleven used both passes and running plays as they broke away for numerous long gains against the reserve defenders. Casanova used alternate backfields on each play, with one group being composed of George Shaw, Ted Anderson, Bob Ashworth, and Cece

Hodges, while Barney Holland, Lloyd Powell, Don Sloan, and Ray Karnofski made up the other. Shaw's throwing arm was especially accurate, as he connected on several heaves, one a 50 yard beauty that the receiver took without missing a stride. Ted Anderson, who scored both touchdowns in the Idaho game, was the target for the majority of the freshman quarterback's aeriels.

The Ducks spent about ten minutes in running wind sprints in the early part of the day, and nearly all of them were breathing hard before coach Casanova decided they had had enough. Quarterback Hal Dunham returned to action, but his injuries restricted his activities to the throwing of a few passes.

The Ducks will be seeking their victory of the season, while the Terriers will be after their fifth win in eight games. The men from Boston have a 4 won, 3 lost record this year. They defeated Louisville 39-7, Camp Lejeune 16-0, New York University 52-6, and garnered a surprise upset victory over strong College of Pacific, whom they knocked over by a 27-12 count. Their losses were to William and Mary 25-34, Penn State 34-40, and Temple 13-20. The only common opponent is College of Pacific, who crushed the Duck crew 34-6.

### Agganis Passing Star

Greek", handles the passing end of the two-headed Boston U. attack, while John Kastan, a 190-pound fullback takes care of most of the rushing chores. Agganis, a sensational left-handed passer, has completed 72 of 127 attempts for 922 yards, which places him seventh in the nation in this department. Eight of his throws have gone for touchdowns. The Boston sparkplug has chalked up 976

yards by rushing and passing combined to give him the 14th in the nation in total offense.

Kastan also ranks high in national standings, as has 676 yards in 87 carries for an average of 7.8 yards per try, puts him in the number 8 spot in rushing offense. End Bob Capuano, the target for most of the "Golden Greek's" throws, ranks 12th in pass receiving, as he has hauled down 26 aeriels for 322 yards and five TDs. Agganis excels in punting also, and his average of 41.3 yards on 26 boots marks him for the 5 spot nationally in this field. Scatback Jim Hanson and hard-driving Tom Wallace combine with Kastan and Agganis to complete the Terrier backfield.

As a team, Boston University ranks 14th in total offense, with an average of 377 yards per game. The Terriers are 7th in passing offense, as they have completed 82 out of 147 attempts for 1161 yards and a 55.8% average. Nine of these have gone all the way for touchdowns. The last game played by the Terriers was that against New York University, which resulted in an overwhelming 52-6 victory for the Bostonians, and the Ducks may expect a wide open, high scoring game.

The Webfoots hit their stride last week against Idaho, however, and will want another taste of victory this Saturday. The game may well be decided by the passing of the two quarterbacks, Shaw and Agganis. Although only a freshman, Shaw has demonstrated amazing passing ability, as he has rung up a .434 average while collecting 361 yards through the air. Shaw also leads the nation in pass interceptions, with ten, and will have a good chance of increasing this total against the air-minded Agganis and his teammates.

Coach Biff Donelli of Boston U. is an advocate of the Split-T, as is Oregon's Casanova. Although the record of the Bostonians is much better than that of the Webfoots, the calibre of the competition faced by the Terriers is not equal to that met by their opponents. The distance from home and a possible difference in climate will work against the Webfoots, however.

### Today's IM Schedule

- 3:50 Court 40—Nestor Hall B vs. French Hall B
- 3:50 Court 43—Gamma Hall B vs. Sherry Ross Hall B
- 4:35 Court 40—McChesney Hall B vs. Stan Ray Hall B
- 4:35 Court 43—Sigma Alpha Epsilon A vs. Delta Tau Delta A
- 5:15 Court 40—Tau Kappa Epsilon vs. Lambda Chi Alpha A
- 5:15 Court 43—Sigma Chi A vs. Chi Psi A

# Squad Works Hard For Balance, Skill

A game type scrimmage was the feature attraction of Tuesday's varsity basketball practice. With only three weeks of practice left before the Duck opener on Nov. 31 with Portland university, Coach Bill Borchers is working his charges hard to produce a potent offense.

Tuesday's scrimmage was preceded by fake-and-pass drills and half court scrimmages. The fake-and-pass drills are performed by five or six men in a circle passing the ball back and forth while a man in the middle tries to intercept. J.V. Coach Don Kirsch participated in these and saw a lot of action from the center. After this full teams played under each basket. Five point games were played with the loser doing three laps around the court.

The ensuing scrimmage pitted Mel Streeter, Chet Noe, Bob Peterson, Ken Hunt, and Bud Covey against Ron Phillips, Al Murray, Bill Choat, and Don Hendrickson. The former team dominated play and showed a lot of spirit. Bob Peterson, six-foot seven forward, looked like the old master, making shots from all angles and with both hands. Chet Noe dominated the backboard and put in a lot of favorite pivot and jump shots. Ken

Hunt looked fast driving under the basket to sink several lay-ins. Ron Phillips spargled for the opposition turning in a good performance at guard. Although the fracas was ragged in spots, Borchers noted a decided improvement from the last one. The Duck mentor revealed that aside from minor difficulties, the biggest problem remains to be the defense. Borchers says his goal is to turn out a well balanced club, equally strong in both offense and defense.

Another scrimmage is scheduled Thursday with the Coppings AAU team. Last Thursday, the varsity nudged the Copping team 44-41, in a ragged tilt.

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Three National Football League teams have been undefeated in the league's 30-year history. Two of the three were coached by Guy Chamberlain, whose teams won 54 games, lost 9, and tied 5. Chamberlain's gridders won four world championships in five years.

### Stellar Guard Ken Hunt



SENIOR GUARD KEN HUNT is expected to be one of the mainstays of the Oregon hoop squad this season. Hunt is a two year letterman, and played his high school ball in Marshfield under his present mentor, Bill Borchers.

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### Ski Team to Meet

A meeting of all aspirants to the Oregon ski team has been called for 12:15 p.m. today at McArthur Court, according to Skiing Coach Gene Harlow.

Last year's ski squad competed in the Reno Winter Carnival, and listed among its victories the slalom event at Donner Pass, California.

Two lettermen, Stan McCollum and George McMath, are among the slatmen back for another year of action.

Gil Dobie was in his twelfth year of coaching when he suffered his first loss. He started out with two perfect seasons at North Dakota State and then moved to Washington, where his Huskies were undefeated for nine years, an all-time record.

Army averaged 7.92 yards per play during the 1945 season.