

Duck Tracks

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(Ed Note: At the request of the Emerald, Sports Editor Don Theophilus Jr. of the Idaho Argonaut, the University of Idaho campus newspaper, has written a guest Duck Tracks on Saturday's football game between the Webfoots and the Vandals.)

MOSCOW, Ida. — It's Homecoming day here at the University of Idaho Saturday afternoon. Traditionally, for us, that means a big parade with fancy floats, colorful campus decorations, returning alums, and of course a football game.

This year the Homecoming program will read Idaho vs. Oregon for the third time in five years. A glance at the record book shows that your Ducks have the best of the football series, winning 30 games to three for the Vandals, while four have been deadlocks.

This lop-sided margin, however, doesn't give any idea of the reception Oregon teams have gotten in the past when they wandered onto Neale stadium grass for an Idaho Homecoming tilt. We're tough to beat for the big one.

Will They Repeat?

Two years ago a determined Vandal eleven grabbed a 14-0 victory over Jim Aiken's club. It was the first win over a Eugene team since 1925. Hard charging by Fullback King Block, dashes around end and through the line by speedster Glen Christian, plus the running and passing of John Brogan, brought the upset.

In 1948 a bigger upset almost made the headlines. It was certainly the oddest scoring game of the annual clash between our two schools.

No one gave the Vandals a chance when your great squad, captained by Norm Van Brocklin, rolled into town. That was the team that eventually tied for the PCC championship with California, but had to settle for a Cotton Bowl bid (We up here think Oregon could have done better in the Rose Bowl, too).

Anyway under perfect skies Idaho scored first to make it 6-0 and then missed the extra point. Oregon made it 6-2 on a safety when our Jim Hatch stepped into the end zone in an attempt to punt. Oregon scored soon after this and converted to make it 9-6. The Vandals pulled up to an 8-9 halftime score when Webfoot End Wayne Bartholemey was tackled in his own end zone. Norm Van Brocklin put the game in the icebox with a touchdown pass to Garza in the third quarter. Final score 15-8.

Pitching vs. Running

The game Saturday, in contrast, should be a high scoring, wide open contest, matching an Oregon passing attack against an Idaho ground defense. Last week against Utah the Vandals racked up a net gain of 235 yards in rushing, 66 more than the 169 against Washington earlier.

Offsetting this offense is an Idaho pass defense that has failed to function in our first two games. The University of Utah led by Don Rydalch, completed 16 of 22 tosses while Washington's Don Heinrich made 23 of 36 aeriels.

With such a pass defense Idaho fans know they can look for lots of footballs in the air when Hal Dunham gets here. Your own publicity man, Art Litchman declared in Spokane this week that Oregon had virtually abandoned hope of making much headway on the ground against Idaho.

"Our scouts," said Litchman, "reported that the Vandals, from tackle to tackle, have as solid a line as any club on the coast. So we expect Dunham will have to do a lot of passing." Coach Babe Curfman has been working extra sessions on pass defense but it remains to be seen just how much improvement has been made in practice this week.

Idaho's Strength

Standouts on the rugged line that Litchman mentioned are End Ray Lewis, Linebackers Mel Bertrand and Bob Holder, Tackle Pete Hester and Guard Ray Faraca.

In the backfield you radio fans should often hear the names of a trio of sophomore backfield sensations, Jay Buhler, Dick Pickett and Flip Kleffner. Buhler raced 71 yards on a kickoff return last week while Pickett and Kleffner gained an average of 5.5 and 4 yards respectively at Seattle.

Our Idaho boys are fighting mad over being tied by Utah after having a 14-0 lead at one time and pushing the Redskins all over the field in the first half.

Both Idaho and Oregon will be looking for their first win of the season and battling hard to get it. It should be a good afternoon of ball and in behalf of the Homecoming Committee I hope some of you fans are making the trip. Our hospitality is tops.

Webfoots Invade Palouse Country

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tion (Wayne Anderson to Jerry Ogle) although they haven't resorted to the aerial game much," said Cas. The Idahoans actually out-distanced the Washington Huskies on the ground two weeks' ago in Seattle.

Talk of the Palouse is the Iowa importee, Bob Holder, the guard and linebacker, who will probably crack a few of the All-Coast teams come November. Holder, in an unprecedented action, was acclaimed season captain last winter when the Vandals held "spring" practice in their fieldhouse. The Waterloo senior is a two-year sweaterman and stands five-feet eleven-inches.

Other Vandals expected to dish out trouble in double measures are Anderson, the engineer, who punts, fakes and passes with the best of them; Don Ringe, the 232 pound senior tackle, who was honored on the 1951 Duck all-opponent eleven; and Kleffner, the good-sized fullback, who as a freshman last year, gave the Webfoots some miseries at Hayward field.

A warm afternoon, with temperatures in the low 80s expected, plus the homecoming attraction, may help to lure a capacity throng of 18,000 to Neale stadium. The last Oregon team to invade Moscow was humbled 14-0. Last year the Webfoots, thanks to Emerson Harvey's right foot, edged Idaho, 14-13.

OREGON IDAHO

(offense)
Monte Brethauer LE Jerry Ogle
Hal Simmons LT Burdette Hess
Jack Patera LG Neil Caudill
Don Hester C Mel Bertrand
Emmett Williams PG Bob Holder
Don Hedgepeth RT Pete Hester
Wayne Johnson RE Roger Randolph
Hal Dunham O Wayne Anderson
Farrell Albright LH Jay Buhler
Tom Elliot RH Larry Hart
Tom Novikoff F Bob Lee

(defense)
Emery Barnes LE Ray Lewis
Hal Simmons LT Don Ringe
Jack Patera LG Varnell Neese
Don Hedgepeth RG Ray Faraca
Hal Reeve RT Pete Hester
Monte Brethauer RE Bruce West
Emmett Williams LRB Bob Holder
Chuck Laird RLB Mel Bertrand
Cecce Hodges LH Larry Hart
Merritt Barber RH Jim Petrucci
George Shaw S Jay Buhler

Hale Kane Wins

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and their first down to gain the victory, their first of the season.

Mike Lally's long touchdown pass to Roger Zener in the third quarter plus the extra conversion point was enough to stoff a fourth period drive by Beta Theta Pi and give Phi Gamma Delta the nod, 7-6.

With Dick Kremmel flinging a TD pass to Ron Ranson, Lambda Chi Alpha was able to defeat Phi Kappa Sigma. Gordon Green originally handed off to Kremmel, who tossed to Ranson, with the sticky-fingered receiver leaping high in the air to snag the pass and then racing across the double stripes for the six points.

Nestor whipped Sherry Ross on the passing and field generalship of Jack Davis, ex-Franklin high of Portland quarterback. Sherry Ross, with Gary McMurrey tossing long passes, threatened early but failed to score.

In a game that resembled tackle football rather than touch, Merrick hall honored Stitzer, 7-0. Merrick's Lou Henault, who caught a pass for the game's only touchdown, suffered a dislocated jaw, and Wayne Decker of Stitzer sprained an ankle. Gary McFarland and Dave Talbot, teammates on last year's Grants Pass State High School championship team, starred for Merrick.

Polio Strikes Tarheel

Four students at the University of North Carolina have polio, and one is the fullback on the North Carolina football team. As a result, the university has cancelled its next two games. Next Saturday with Georgia. The following Saturday with North Carolina State College.

Yankees Swamp Dodgers 7-1

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ting hero of the afternoon, rifled a single to left that scored McDougald. The Yanks led 2 to 1. It remained a tight game only a few minutes longer.

Mickey Mantle, beat out a drag bunt in the sixth and stopped at second on a single by Gene Woodling. Yogi Berra walked and Erskine was through for the day. Loes took over and one run scored as Joe Collins rapped into a force play at second. A safe bunt by McDougald scored Woodling, and Martin applied the crusher with a three-run shot into the lower left field seats.

In the fifth after the Yanks

had taken a 2 to 1 lead, Martin was on second and Bauer on first with only one out. Erskine cut loose with a pitch that hit the plate and bounced away from Campanella. The stocky catcher recovered and saved Erskine some embarrassment by nailing Martin trying for third.

The game was played before 33,792 fans at the Dodger balliwick, Ebbets field. Today the teams shift to spacious Yankee stadium for games three, four and five. For game three it will be Ed Lopat for the Yanks against Preacher Roe of the Dodgers in a battle of left-handers.

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