

Duck Tracks

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What's wrong with the Beavers? Such is the question that is currently being asked around the Oregon State campus in Corvallis. It's being asked because the Beavers have had the worst season an OSC football team has ever had since the sport was inaugurated at Oregon Agriculture college in the 1890's.

After beating the University of Utah Redskins 14-7 in the season's opener, the Orangemen have failed to register a victory. Seven straight times the Beavers have gone down to defeat. Last weekend was the most humiliating loss of all. Idaho beat the Beavers 27-6 in the Beavers' homecoming game at Corvallis. It seems that since the Beavers beat Utah, all they have been able to win at times was the proverbial toss of the coin.

OSC has been beaten in succession by Michigan State, Stanford, Southern Cal, Washington State, Washington, UCLA, and finally Idaho. The Beavers gave Michigan State's Spartans the closest contest the nation's No. one team has had this year. It took a field goal with two seconds left in the game for the Sparts to win, 17-14.

Beavers Whittled Margin

After that heart breaker the Orangemen traveled to Palo Alto to face Stanford's Indians. After a futile first half the Beavers rallied in the last quarter with a 21-point scoring spree, but an early Stanford lead was too much to overcome. The Indians won 41-28.

Then came USC. The Beavers scored first in this contest but were on the short end of a 28 to 6 score when the final gun sounded. Kip Taylor, OSC's headman, credited the Trojans with virtually wrecking the Beaver ball club. After being mauled around by USC's terrific line, the Beavers have never recovered. Many members of the Beaver club are still suffering from the effects of injuries received in that game.

It looked like the Orangemen would have a victory in the next game, but Washington State staged a terrific comeback in the final quarter, scoring 20 points to top the Beavers, 33 to 20. Then Washington handed the Orange a 38 to 13 setback, followed by UCLA who gave the Beavers a 57 to 0 drubbing, the worst defeat OSC has ever received.

Last week the Beavers were picked to win by some prognosticators, but after leading 6 to 0 at the half, the club fell apart in the second half. Idaho took quick advantage. Thus the 27 to 6 defeat.

Two Big Headaches

Now the OSC coaching staff is faced with that same old problem of pulling the team together, both physically and in morale. The latter problem has seemed to be just as much a worry during the season as the injuries.

For instance, the Beavers looked reasonably good in the first half of the Idaho game and were leading in the score column. But when the second half started the Staters couldn't seem to block or tackle, and couldn't work together as a team.

The team had its usual share of hard players who were out to win, but without the efforts coordinated the cause was lost. Fullback Sam Baker, the lad who literally had a field day last year in leading OSC to a victory over Oregon, played his usual hard game, both on defense and offense. Jimmy Cordial, team captain and defensive end, was also playing his usual good game. Bob Hartman, who was transferred from end to tackle for the Vandal game, also was worthy of plaudits. But the club didn't work like a team.

But Multnomah Gets Game

Now comes the big game, the often called Benton-Lane county championship.

The Ducks haven't had a much better season than OSC, but the Webfoots can boast an upset victory over Stanford.

Around the Corvallis-campus much optimism is heard concerning the team's final game. Fans point out that in this contest all past records will be forgotten as usual, and the rivalry will regain the sought after team spirit. That remains to be seen.

Coach Len Casanova and his Oregon Ducks can be sure of two things come Saturday. One is that the Oregon club will undoubtedly be favored and the second is that the Beavers will be playing to win. And if the latter is true, don't be too surprised at an Oregon State victory.

SOME THINGS TO EXPECT—If Withrow recovers he'll be passing to the Beavers' top pass grabber, End Jack Gotta. Sam Baker will be playing his last college ball game as will be other seniors. And after a poor year for the one-time all-American candidate, the bruising fullback might run wild.

Orange Trouble-makers



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They're Out to Roast the Ducks



JIM WITHROW

PCC Standings

| | | | | |
|------------------|---|---|---|-------|
| UCLA | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Southern Cal | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Washington | 5 | 2 | 0 | .714 |
| Washington State | 3 | 3 | 0 | .500 |
| California | 2 | 3 | 0 | .400 |
| OREGON | 2 | 4 | 0 | .333 |
| Stanford | 2 | 4 | 0 | .333 |
| Idaho | 1 | 3 | 0 | .250 |
| Oregon State | 0 | 6 | 0 | .000 |

GAMES SATURDAY

OREGON vs. Oregon State at Portland.
Stanford vs. California at Berkeley, Calif.
UCLA vs. Southern California at Los Angeles

Beaver-Duck Grid

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University of Idaho. Four men are on the doubtful list—Quarterback Jim Withrow, the Van Nuys, Calif. sophomore; Bill West, linebacker, who has a shoulder hurt; La Verne Ferguson, guard and John Witte, tackle. Withrow has a broken thumb on his right hand, his throwing flipper.

Taylor, who coached at Michigan State college before coming West in 1949, mixes the single wing with the T for Oregon State. If the Beavers switch into the wing after lining up in the standard T, fullback Sam Baker will handle the ball. Baker either smashes into the line or spins and hands off to either

Oregon—State Records

| | | |
|------------|-----|-----|
| OREGON | 13 | 14 |
| UCLA | 28 | 14 |
| Nebraska | 28 | 14 |
| California | 41 | 28 |
| Washington | 49 | 6 |
| Montana | 14 | 20 |
| Pacific | 14 | 13 |
| Wash. St. | 19 | 0 |
| Stanford | 20 | 6 |
| | 212 | 101 |
| | | 248 |

Jack Pinion or Wally Jackson, his halfbacks. Withrow, or his understudy, Kaye Booth, will do most of the passing from the T.

Jack Gotta and Jim Cordial are the two principal targets although Claret Taylor occasionally is singled out. Bulwarks of a good sized Oregon State line are 195-pound center Joe Fulwyler; Doug Hogland, 215 pound tackle; and Witte, a 215-pound tackle.

But the main boy to watch is Baker, who dynamited a 7-0 Oregon lead last year and powered his way to a single-handed triumph over the Ducks. Baker, overlooked for the first quarter by Taylor, was worked overtime in the last three until he wore down the Duck wall.

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| OREGON | OREGON STATE |
| (offense) | (offense) |
| Monte Brethauer.....LE..... | Jack Gotta |
| Hal Reeve.....LT..... | Doug Hogland |
| Ken Sweitzer.....LG..... | Cal Moore |
| Ron Pfeister.....C..... | Joe Fulwyler |
| Emmett Williams.....RG..... | Clarence Wornack |
| Len Berrie.....RT..... | John Witte |
| Ron Lyman.....RE..... | Bill Storey |
| Barney Holland.....O..... | Jim Withrow |
| Ted Anderson.....LB..... | Wally Jackson |
| Cece Hodges.....RH..... | Jack Pinion |
| Tom Novikoff.....F..... | Sam Baker |

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|------------------------------|------------------|
| (defense) | |
| Emery Barnes.....LE..... | Jim Cordial |
| Hal Simmons.....LT..... | Doug Hogland |
| Len Berrie.....LG..... | Fred Burri |
| Hal Reeve.....RG..... | LaVerne Ferguson |
| Dick Stout.....RT..... | John Witte |
| Don Hedgepeth.....RE..... | Bill Storey |
| Emmett Williams.....LLB..... | Bill West |
| John Adams.....RLB..... | Joe Fulwyler |
| Monte Brethauer.....LH..... | Kaye Booth |
| Merritt Barber.....RH..... | Chuck Brackett |
| George Shaw.....S..... | Ron Seigrist |

A beautiful young movie aspirant slipped into what doctors said was a "trance-like" state last week when she listened to a crooner in a Las Vegas night club. The same thing happens on the campus every day when students listen to professors in class.

Fijis Clinch Volley League Title

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Neil Mattheson, Tom Lekas, Steve Gornick, Roger Zener, John Bowles and Ben Lloyd exhibited fine teamwork and skill in taking their league title. Mattheson was outstanding spiker for the winners while Keith Farnam was the Phi Delt's best spiker. Bud Covey, Dick Zimmerman and Farnam were the outstanding Phi Delt players.

The Barrister Inn B team failed to make an appearance to play the unbeaten Hale Kane team.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon's A team looked below their usual standard as they downed Phi Sigma Kappa 15-4, 15-2. Fred Baltz and Harlan Henry of Phi Sigma Kappa led their team to a couple of fruitless rallies with good spiking. The set shots of SAE's Jay McMurren, Frank Franciscovich and Jim Gan-

ong, and the spiking of Pat Dignan and Bob Carlson were not as accurate as usually seen. Bob White's crushing spikes for the SAE's were the best seen on either side.

In other volleyball action Thursday afternoon, Beta Theta Pi rolled over Lambda Chi Alpha in two straight games 15-10, 15-6. The Lambda Chi's got going several times but couldn't seem to keep it up against the hard playing Beta A squad. The Beta's were led by Ridgers Dickstader and Sogges Chandler.

The Sherry Ross's B team watched two games slip quickly away to fast moving Stitzer hall. Stitzer's tall Art Weatherford was the outstanding spiker for his team who won by scores of 15-2, 15-5.

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