

Duck Tracks

By Bob Robinson
Assistant Sports Editor

Some football prognosticators are poor but by far the worst of all to our notion is none other than Paul B. Williamson. Williamson, if you haven't already noticed, is the so-called noted football authority who each week ranks the top college football teams all over the United States. Supposedly, Williamson works out his rankings by comparative scores and statistics. For those people who haven't discovered that it is impossible to rank football teams accurately in this way, one look at Williamson's ratings will surely convince them.

Two weeks ago when he came out with his first set of rankings (a few days after the Oregon-Nebraska game) he had Oregon in 20th place, a very respectable rating. The following Saturday, Stanford edged out the Ducks 7-0 and immediately Williamson dropped Len Casanova's warriors all the way down to 45th spot. This big drop was reasonably understandable, considering that the Webfoots had gone into the game as a slight favorite over the Indians.

Downright Stupidity

But, in this week's rankings Williamson demonstrated the downright stupidity of his system. As everyone in this area knows, Oregon played a very good game last Saturday against U. C. L. A.'s highly-touted Bruins. For three quarters the Ducks held the powerful Californians at bay and only in the last quarter did the visitors finally manage to score a pair of touchdowns to win, 12-0.

Oregon, considered a three touchdown underdog, demonstrated in this game that they can take the field with the best teams and make a very respectful showing. But, did Williamson take notice of this? No, of course not. Instead, he put the Webfoots back to 73rd place. For the life of us we cannot see how in the world Oregon lost so much prestige after their great performance last week-end.

Look Who's Ahead of Us

It is interesting to note some of the teams who are rated ahead of the Ducks. A few of these are: Rutgers, Colorado A. & M., Fordham, and Wichita. It is hard for us to imagine any of these teams being able to defeat Oregon this year.

Big football game along the Pacific Coast this week-end will be in Los Angeles' Memorial Coliseum Friday night when U. C. L. A. matches plays with last year's Big Ten Rose Bowl entry, the Wisconsin Badgers. The Bruins will go into the game as the favorite but they will have to stop Wisconsin's hard running fullback, Alan Ameche, if they are to come out victorious. Ameche is considered one of the greatest backs of all time and could lead the Badgers to an upset if he is on.

Is That a Defense?

Interesting sidelight to the Oregon-Washington State game this Saturday is the Cougars' statistical record thus far. In the three games they have played they have given up an average of 410 yards per game to their opponents, ranking them ninth in the Pacific Coast Conference in this respect. All the other conference schools have fared much better on defense than the Cougars.

We noticed the other day that the Oregon State Rooks had a turn-out of 114 aspirants for the first practice of the season. That ought to please Varsity Coach Kip Taylor very much. Maybe he can find someone out of that bunch that will be able to generate a scoring punch for next year's team. This year's Beaver squad certainly lacks it. In their three games so far the Beavers have still to cross their opponent's goal line.

Rags to Riches

Rags to Riches Story—That is the best term that can be applied to the tremendous World Series performance of little Billy Martin, New York Yankee second baseman. Martin, who has always been a good fielder but a weak hitter, put his name in the record books as one of the most timely sluggers in World Series history. The fiery Yank pivot man banged out twelve hits during the just completed series to tie an all time record for number of hits in a World Series. To make his feat seem even more remarkable it should be mentioned that this year's play-off with the Brooklyn Dodgers only lasted for six games. Had Martin had a chance to swing a bat in a seventh game he would no doubt have set a brand new record.

The ironic part of the story is that Martin might never of got a chance to demonstrate his greatness if the Yanks' regular second sacker, Gerry Coleman, hadn't been drafted into the Armed Services two years ago. When Coleman left the New Yorkers, Manager Casey Stengel, who had become acquainted with Martin when Billy was playing for the Oakland Oaks of the Pacific Coast League, immediately called the little fellow up. No one thought that Martin would make much of it for the Yanks, but in the past two years Billy has proven that he is definitely big league in all respects.

Duck Center



RON PHEISTER
Seen Plenty of Football

Ron Playing Third Year

By John Cory
Emerald Sports Writer

Ron Pheister, Oregon's rough ready center, is the main subject of discussion this week, as the Emerald sports staff begins a series of short sketches on individual players.

Pheister is a twenty year old junior from Grant high in Portland, and this is his third season as center for the Ducks. The 6'2" 205 pounder has been a stalwart in the Oregon line all year.

Only Offense

Until this year, Ron was used only as an offensive center in the two platoon system, but has taken to the defensive side of the game like a fish does to water.

When asked for his opinion on the platoon system the hard working Pheister casually replied, "You don't get enough action by just playing offensive or defensive ball. I like it better this way, and besides, it gives Oregon a better chance."

Played at Grant

Well Ron should know, because he's been playing the game since grammar school. He played three years of varsity ball at Grant, where he helped them win two state championships, and was chosen on the Shrine All-Star team.

An interesting sideline is the fact that his quarterback in grammar school, high school, and college has been George Shaw, a star in his own right.

Ron is majoring in Physical Education, and hopes for a coaching career some day. He is an ATO and fishing is his chief interest outside of athletics. With a year of eligibility remaining, Pheister looms very large in Coach Len Casanova's future plans.

PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE			
	W	L	Pct.
UCLA	2	0	1.000
Washington	1	0	1.000
California	1	0	1.000
Southern Cal	1	0	1.000
Stanford	1	0	1.000
WSC	0	1	.000
OREGON	0	2	.000
OSC	0	3	.000
Idaho	0	0	.000

FOUR WAY BATTLE

Cal's Larson Takes PCC Offensive Lead

LOS ANGELES—Paul Larson, California's made-over T-quarterback, has taken over a 4-way battle for total offense honors in the Pacific Coast conference, it was disclosed by statistics from the PCC Commissioner's office.

Larson, a former halfback, amassed 434 yards in his first three games to move ahead of Sandy Lederman, Washington, who has 403 yards; Aramis Dandoy, Southern California, 401, and Paul Cameron, UCLA, 354. Larson gained 68 yards rushing and passed for 366. Cameron leads the parade in touchdowns, being responsible for six. He scored three and pitched three TD passes. Dandoy has four TDs; Larson and Lederman, one each.

Dandoy Rushing Leader

Dandoy is the rushing leader with 277 yards in 36 tries and a 7.7 average. Cameron is second with 253 and Flip Kleffner, Laho, third, 178. Lederman is the No. 1 passer with 32 completions in 69 throws for 393 yards and 46.5 per cent. One was a touchdown pass and three were intercepted. Larson ranks second with 24 completions for 366 yards and Bob Garrett, Stanford, third, 23 for 305.

Leading scorer is California halfback Al Talley with four touchdowns for 24 points. Cameron and Dandoy have 18 points each.

Steinberg Leads Catchers

John Steinberg has the most pass receptions, eight for 96 yards, while three men have caught seven: Jim Hanifan, California, for 94 yards; Kleffner of Idaho, 83, and Jim Warsinske, Washington, 81. Stanford's Garrett, who was strictly an offensive T-quarterback under the two-

platoon, leads the Conference in interceptions, having picked off three.

Cameron, UCLA's triple-threat tailback, leads the Conference in a talent only recently added to his repertoire, punting. Paul has 46.1 average on eight kicks. Kleffner is next, 41.0. Dandoy has the most yardage on punt returns, 104, followed by Cameron, 95, while Don Marks, California, has 133 yards on five kickoff returns with Ralph Carr, Oregon State, next, 112 yards.

Soccer Team Sets Practice

University of Oregon's soccer team will hold another practice Saturday at 1 p.m. on the intramural football field, according to Godfrey Ibom, team manager.

The squad will be practicing for a match November 14, at Corvallis, against the Oregon State Beavers. Sponsoring the University's soccer squad is Wesley Foundation and the foreign student organization.

Ibom has divided his men into two teams, the "Ghents", named after Foreign Student Adviser K. S. Ghent, and the "Newburns", named after the past president of the University.

The teams are:

Team A	Team B
Magi, Capt.	Hove, Capt.
Grimes	Maharajh
Pritchard	Wassiamal
Tan	Kemavor
Le Poullouin	Tang
Akebi	Bellnap
Chen	Yamado
Hilmati	Fung
Frank	Okeke
Abdul-Nabi	Loewe
Sakihara	Ibom
Reserves:	Reserves:
Vashys	Lo
Hoesel	Wiese
Berteza	Tambling

For

ALTERATIONS and REPAIRS

Bring Your Clothes to

THE Best Cleaners

815 E. 13th Ph. 5-6321

For a real college treat--

Dinners
1.65 - 3.75

"Food and Drink
at Their Best"

Open
except Monday
5-10 P.M.

Andy's Steak House

136 N. 4th - Springfield Ph. 6-4124