

Duck Tracks

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One of the better known stories about the University of Oregon basketball trip to the Far East this summer is the episode of the tied game at Taipeh, Formosa.

Undefeated after three games of the tour, the Ducks moved into Taipeh from Korea to meet a team of Chinese Nationalist All-Stars. The Nationalists, who were surprisingly tough, and Oregon, slightly below par because the team was unused to the food and climate, fought each other down to the wire.

The two teams were tied at the end of regulation time, and the referees and the Chinese officials wanted to call the game at that point. Coach Bill Borchers, however, stuck up for his rights, and insisted that the regular overtime period be played.

The Chinese finally agreed and Oregon won the game in the overtime period. At the time a number of comments—pro, con, and in-between—appeared in papers in this country.

We thought that one of the best was an editorial written for the August 17, 1954, edition of the Yakima, Wash., Republic by Associate Editor Dean Guie. With the permission of the Republic we are reprinting that editorial.



BILL BORCHERS
Better Than U.N.

The Embattled Webfoots

"The lemon and emerald flag of the University of Oregon may yet fly over China, if the embattled Webfoot basketball team continues to show the moxie it sported at Taipeh.

"Tied 42 to 42 at the end of play with the Chinese All-Stars, Oregon's Ducks refused to take a tie. The Chinese wanted to call it even, but the Ducks insisted on playing into overtime. Oregon came off with a 47-46 victory.

"Well, that is better than the United Nations did in Korea. It is better than the French did in Indochina. In an area in which splitting in halves and the drawing of stalemate lines is in vogue, the Webfoots, like General MacArthur, insist on playing it win or lose.

"We admire them, just as we admired the courage of MacArthur. Maybe it isn't mere coincidence that the name of the Webfoots' basketball pavillion is MacArthur Court."

Touch Football Program Opens

Men's intramural touch football begins this afternoon with a schedule of eight games on tap for the 30 competing living organizations.

Intramural Director Paul Washke has urged that all teams be prompt in reporting to the proper field for their games. In addition, each entrant is required to furnish a time-keeper and score-keeper.

Wrestling Not Added
Wrestling will not be added to the fall program this year. Discussion on the adoption of the mat sport was to have been held by the intramural board, but no action was taken by the group at its meeting last week.

The 7-man touch teams will play contests of four 8-minute periods on the intramural and lower fields. Games will be declared forfeited if one team is more than five minutes late, and no games may be postponed, Washke stated.

New Entries Listed
New squad entries this year are from Cherney Hall, Hunter Hall, Gamma Hall and the Straub Frosh. The team total is seven less than the 37 teams of 1953.

Games slated for today are:
3:50 p.m., intramural field, Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Beta Theta Pi; field one, Delta Upsilon vs. Lambda Chi Alpha; field

two, Phi Delta Theta vs. Chi Psi; field three, Pi Kappa Phi vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

4:45 p.m., intramural field, Phi Gamma Delta vs. Delta Tau Delta; field one, Sigma Chi vs. Alpha Tau Omega; field two, Phi Kappa Psi vs. Theta Chi; field three, Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Pi Kappa Alpha.

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Ducks Lose Second To Fired-up Redskins

Oregon ran its string of frustrations to two straight games Saturday afternoon as the Ducks dropped a 7-6 decision to a fired-up band of Utah Redskins.

Lou Mele and Herb Nakken, a pair of hard-running Ute backs led the visitors to the win, but once again it was the lack of an Oregon scoring punch which cost the Webfoots the ball game.

Oregon controlled the ball most of the time after the first quarter, and pushed the red-shirted Utes from one end of the field to the other, only to bog down a few yards from the goal. Fumbles and penalties stopped four budding Oregon drives in Utah territory, a pass interception killed another, and a sixth drive ended with Oregon losing the ball on downs on the Utah 11 yard line.

Utah Drives for TD

Utah got its touchdown late in the first period after Halfback Max Pierce ran an Oregon punt back to his own 48 yard line. Four plays carried the ball to the Oregon 37, where a personal foul on Oregon End Hal Reeve resulted in Reeve's disqualification and gave the Utes a first down on the Oregon 22.

Nakken went off tackle for

17 yards to the Oregon five, and then Mele carried over left guard for the touchdown. Mele was met by three Oregon defenders at the three yard line, bounced off, and went into the end zone. Mele then kicked the extra point that eventually won the game for Utah.

Oregon finally scored only 35 seconds before the end of the game, after a drive from the Ore-

GAME STATISTICS	
Net yards gained rushing.....	179 120
Passes attempted.....	26 11
Passes completed.....	7 4
Passes had intercepted.....	3 1
Yards gained passing.....	81 30
Total offense.....	269 150
First downs.....	17 6
Fumbles.....	4 3
Fumbles lost.....	2 2

gon 47, but as was the case against Stanford, the week before, the rally started too late and fell short.

Dick James went over for the touchdown from the Utah one yard line after Oregon had moved 52 yards in 17 plays. Dick Pavlet's conversion attempt was wide to the left and Utah was home free.

In justice to Pavlat, that missed point shouldn't have been the difference in the ball game. Just as against Stanford, fumbles, penalties and bad breaks stopped the Webfoots every time their offense started to move.

Utah played good, hard football all the way, but spent most of the afternoon bottled up in its own territory. Nakken and

Mele, in addition to scoring all the Utah points, personally accounted for 98 out of the 120 yards gained by the Utah ground attack.

Only one Oregon player, Guard Don Jacobs, missed the game because of injuries. Jacobs hurt his back in a scrimmage last week. Only two Oregon players were injured in the game, but what a pair they were.

Shaw Hurt Again

George Shaw aggravated a pulled leg muscle for the second straight week and could hardly move his leg after the game. Center Ron Fheister pinched a nerve in his shoulder for the fourth time in a week and was removed from the game, but later got back in the game.

Seven Utah players were helped off the field during the contest, but none were believed to be injured seriously, and at least three of them were back in the game at the end.

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Three Even In PCC Race

Washington and Stanford are currently tied for first place with one of the top contenders for the Rose Bowl, USC, after three weeks of Pacific Coast Conference football action.

The conference play was relatively light this weekend as the only game between Pacific Coast teams was the Washington-Oregon State encounter won by the Huskies 17-7. All other conference teams played intersectional foes, losing four while winning three. Northwest teams accounted for three of the four losses.

PCC Standings:

Team	W	L	T	P	F	P	A
Washington	1	0	0	17	7		
Stanford	1	0	0	18	13		
USC	1	0	0	39	0		
California	0	0	0	0	0		
UCLA	0	0	0	0	0		
Oregon State	1	1	0	20	17		
Oregon	1	1	0	54	18		
WSC	0	1	0	0	39		
Idaho	0	2	0	0	54		

Games last weekend:

- Washington 17, Oregon State 7
- Utah 7, Oregon 6
- Stanford 12, Illinois* 2
- San Jose St. 38, Idaho 7
- Ohio State 21, California 13
- USC 12, Northwestern 7
- UCLA 12, Maryland 7
- Texas 40, WSC 14

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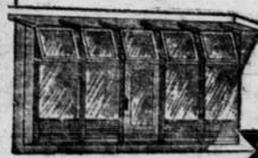
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