

Ducks Fumble Away Colorado Tilt

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Playing bang-up, flashy football between twenty-yard stripes but throwing scoring chances out the window with costly fumbles, the Oregon Ducks butter-fingered their way to 13-6 loss to Colorado's Buffaloes Saturday afternoon. The intersectional encounter, third between the schools, was carried throughout the west on a CBS television hookup.

The Webfoots outrushed, outpassed, and outplayed the high-ranking Buffs, but six lost fumbles handed the game to the boys from Boulder on a gold-plated platter. Dick James, the brilliant Duck half-back from Grants Pass, picked up 114 net yards on the ground, and hauled in two passes for 44 more to lead all backs for the day.

First Buffalo touchdown came as a direct result of an Oregon miscue. Winning the toss and electing to start with the wind at their backs, the Ducks kicked off. The Buff's single wing

kick was off to the right. After End George Slender broke through to drop Dick Harkins for a seven yard loss, Buff Coach Dal Ward evidently decided that his single wing offense wasn't fooling anybody. Using the straight-T almost exclusively, the Buffaloes marched 54 yards in 14 plays to their second touchdown, with Jenkins booting the extra point.

That was the ballgame. From then on, it was march-

fumble for the Ducks and march-quick kick for Colorado, and little else. The Oregon offense clicked off huge hunks of yardage when it could hang onto the ball, with Crabtree opening up the defense with timely passes and then sending his speedy backs through the touted Colorado line for long gains.

On defense, sophomore J. C. Wheeler, an Oregon City product, spent lots of time wreaking

havoc in the Buffalo backfield, while other standouts included Lon Stiner, Art Weber, and George Slender.

Most spectacular play of the game was undoubtedly James' shortstop catch of a bouncing lateral from Crabtree in the third quarter. Attempting a pitchout, Crabtree was rushed and threw low. James grabbed the pigskin on the first bounce and took off downfield for 53 yards.

Morris picked up nine more

on the next play, but James fumbled to nullify his brilliant effort.

Hank Loumena, who picked off Crabtree passes for 29 and 20 yards, did his share of the ground gaining, and played outstanding defense.

The Ducks drove to the Buff 31 in the dying minutes of the game, but Crabtree was thrown for successive losses attempting the pass and the march fizzled out.

STATISTICS		
	Oreg.	Col.
First downs	17	11
Rushing yardage	196	164
Passing yardage	170	27
Passes attempted	20	5
Passes completed	8	3
Passes intercepted	0	0
Punts	3	9
Punting average	36.0	43.4
Fumbles lost	6	1
Yards penalized	36	92

offense seemed to perplex the Oregon defenders at first, and Colorado picked up a fast first down. Then the Ducks defense stiffened, and the visitors were forced to punt.

The Oregons took over on their own 28, and the usually-reliable Jim Shanley fumbled in his first ball-carrying assignment, big Don Karnoscak falling on the pigskin for Colorado. It took Homer Jenkins, a tailback, who's a genius at following his interference, just one play to find paydirt around right end. Jenkins' try-for-point was deflated as green jerseys poured through the Colorado line.

Oregon bounced right back after the kickoff, to drive from their own 29 to the Colorado two, where another fumble, this one by Jack Morris, ended the bid. The march was highlighted by the brilliant quarterbacking of Tom Crabtree, who seems to have come into his own, especially in the ball-handling department. The Coos Bay junior has mastered the trick of faking a handoff until the decoy is nearly into the line, then withdrawing the ball and giving it off to another. Time and again his smooth trickery fooled fans and Buffaloes alike.

Crabtree also found his passing eye in this march, as the big gainer was his 40-yard heave to James.

The Ducks wasted no time evening the score in the second quarter. Shanley took the ball in the first play of the period and, sprung loose by Morris' key block, climaxed a 42-yard march with a 7-yard TD run. Morris'

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IM Schedule	
Monday	
3:50	Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Phi Kappa Sigma, IM field Iambda Chi Alpha vs. Chi Psi, field one. Kappa Sigma vs. Sigma Alpha Mu, field two. Young hall vs. Morton hall, field three.
4:45	Stafford hall vs. McClure hall, IM field. Cherney hall vs. Sederstrom hall, field one. Nestor hall vs. Hunter hall field two. Hale Kane vs. Philadelphia house, field three.