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Improving Webfoots Out to Stop Luppino

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Oregon's Webfoot's, intent on evening up their season's record, will take the turf against the University of Arizona Wildcats before a homecoming crowd in Tucson tomorrow evening.

Oregon will throw a jack-rabbit-fast backfield against the passing of Vaughn (Skip) Corley and the running of Art Luppino in what should be a hectic battle of offenses.

Third and rubber game in the intersectional series between the schools, the contest will give Coach Warren Woodson's 'Cats a chance to avenge the 39-21 licking they received in Eugene in 1951. Arizona won the first game in the series, 20-6, in 1937.

The Wildcat offense is built around Luppino, for obvious reasons. As a sophomore last year, the speedy tailback set six national records, including a total of 1359 rushing yards and 166 points, second highest total in 34 years of major-college football. So far this year the agile Luppino has picked up 606 yards in 100 carries, and not only leads in national rushing statistics, but is second in total offense as well.

Corley's passing arm and adroit signal calling keeps defenses in a state of confusion, allowing Luppino to slip through for big gains. Eighteenth among the nation's passers, Corley has com-

pleted 22 aerials for 326 yards.

Itching to throw a few of his bone-jarring tackles on the wily Luppino is huge senior Harry Johnson, regular tackle who has been sidelined for two games with a leg injury. Reported ready again for front-line duty, the big "Hurricane" from Grant high in Portland will strengthen an already-potent forward wall.

Johnson will run up against hefty opposition to his starter's job, mainly in the 214-pound person of Sophomore John Raventos. Raventos has teamed with Captain Lon Stiner in the starting tackle jobs lately, and has given an excellent account of himself.

The Duck backfield looks stronger than ever, after the Cal game uncovered some real talent on the reserve bench. Usual starters include Tom Crabtree at quarter, Dick James and Jim Shanley at the halves, and Jack Morris at fullback. But Fullback Fred Miklancik and Halfback Jack Brown demonstrated first-string ability against the Golden Bears, and either one could break into the starting eleven.

Already heavily favored, the Webfoots could turn the game into a rout if they find a way to stop Luppino—something nobody has yet accomplished.



SENIOR TACKLE HARRY (Hurricane) Johnson could be thinking about Arizona's Art Luppino, nation's leading ground gainer, as he churns for a scrimmage tackle. Injury has kept Johnson sidelined for two weeks, but he'll be ready to go against the Wildcats tomorrow.

Injured Cougar Fullback Star in '54, Drops School

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Bob Miller, a 6-foot-2, 210-pound fullback who was a triple-threat sophomore sensation before the start of the 1955 football season, dropped out of Washington State College Thursday.

The Downey, Calif., junior had been hobbled by injuries and failed to live up to his advance notices. He had seen little action since reinjuring a knee in the Kansas game this year. Although unavailable for comment, Miller was believed disappointed in his showing at WSC.

Coach Al Kircher is left with Bill Kramer, a senior reserve who has moved into the starting spot, and sophomores Ben Milam and Clarence Copeland as understudy fullbacks.

Bob Iverson, the Cougar's ace passer, turned out Thursday and didn't appear bothered by his bad knee. He is now likely to start at quarterback against Oregon State Saturday in place of Frank Sarno.

SEATTLE (AP) — University of Washington football players spent an afternoon Thursday seeking more speed and power to use against Stanford Saturday. The stiff and lengthy workout

was the first real deviation from three solid days of developing a defense against the aerial might of the Indians.

Coach John Cherberg said the team is attempting to build around the things it already does well, "occasionally adding something or tossing something out."

He said "we don't expect to surprise Stanford with anything unusual. I think they have us pretty well scouted. The team will have to do everything better than it has done at any time this season. Chuck Taylor has his team rolling right now."

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The Iowa football team arrived by air safely Thursday and Coach Forest Evashevski decided to call off a scheduled light workout Thursday night in preparation for the intersectional game with UCLA Friday evening.

The Hawkeye pilot explained that by the time the squad practiced and got back to the hotel it would constitute too long a day for he players.

The UCLA Bruins went through light exercises before going into seclusion for the night. They are still favored to defeat the Big Ten invaders.

Clemson Rocks Gamecocks 28-14

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP)—Quarterback Charlie Bussey steered Clemson to two quick first period touchdowns, enough to give the Tigers a 28-14 victory over South Carolina in the teams' 53rd state fair football game before an overflow crowd of 35,000 Thursday. The teams matched third and fourth period touchdowns after Clemson at one point had a 21-0 lead.

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