

# Duck Tracks

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It looks like another ordinary week for predicting football games, and once again we mean the "ordinary" type week that has been so rare in this year's gridiron action.

Last weekend was unusual for this season, with only one or two "upsets of the year" marring the performance of the favorites. And this Saturday looks to be about the same, just average football, (a good statement which has been made before all of those strange weekends this year.)

There just aren't many tossups around the country, and the Emerald experts keep on hanging together on picking favorites, and going down the drain as a group when the underdogs pull the plug every Saturday (as they have been doing with alarming regularity this year).

## Still No Splits on the Coast

This week we managed to split them up a trifle with a scattering of Big Ten and Southwest picks, but when it comes to the Pacific Coast, they're huddled together like the snowbound Washington State eleven.

Despite the slush at Pullman contrasted with Eugene's sunny skies and the Cougars' louder and louder wail for a win, everybody from seer to shining look-see picks Oregon once again, which can mean four in a row for the same Ducks that received pre-season condolences.

Meanwhile, back at the farm, Oregon State's bandaged Beavers are expected to have little trouble from an even more tired Idaho crew.

## Taylor Optimistic Again

Cheerful Charles Taylor, who does some surprising things with Stanford football when he's not making optimistic comments, claims that his Indians can do something with "everything" USC, if things go right. But Taylor seems to be shouting in an empty room again (which didn't hurt him too much before the Cards stopped Ohio State).

At Berkeley a couple of clubs who have had their coaches hanged in effigy will try to get off the hook, but it looks like the "de-emphasized" California Bears don't have enough emphasis left to take care of Washington's mistreated Huskies.

The only problem in following UCLA to Stockton is in attempting to guess how high the score, despite an injured Bob Davenport and a College of Pacific bunch that has established a reputation as "meanies."

## Utah Outlook Black

Outside the conference a couple of ex-Oregon opponents are tangling in Boulder, but it looks bad for Utah, which had been gaining speed until Wyoming tripped it two weeks ago. Colorado seems to have just too much, despite losses to Oklahoma and Missouri in its last two outings.

Texas A & M should be interesting against Southern Methodist, and Rice-Arkansas provides a little division in the ranks, but the most of the prognosticators don't seem to think that the Minnesota team that upset USC last week is for real—against Iowa, at least.

Last week's action paired off the pickers in percentage brackets, but the unnamed sports editor, this week too humble to mention his name, enjoyed eight out of ten prosperity and slipped up to a tie for last place after his lonely sojourn in the cellar last week.

## Down to Business

But on to the predictions, where Editor Rice found the wind blowing the wrong way, the assistants upped their averages a bit, while Redoubtable Robinson and Fearless Folly Claussen joined hands and stepped gaily into second place. The sports editor? When last seen, he was mumbling happily as he tore the brightly colored beads off his new abacus and hurled them at week number seven of Emerald predictions.

	Johnson	Wilson	Rice	Claussen	Robinson	Mitchelmore
OREGON vs. WSC	.632	.632	.596	.614	.614	.596
OSC vs. Idaho	Oreg. 6	Oreg. 13	Oreg. 6	Oreg. 13	Oreg. 7	Oreg. 2
USC vs. Stanford	OSC 21	OSC 28	OSC 13	OSC 7	OSC 21	OSC 15
Wash. vs. Cal.	USC 12	USC 14	USC 13	USC 20	USC 7	USC 6
UCLA vs. COP	Wash. 6	Wash. 12	Wash. 7	Wash. 13	Wash. 12	Wash. 21
Colorado vs. Utah	UCLA 30	UCLA 18	UCLA 18	UCLA 27	UCLA 13	UCLA 24
Texas A&M vs. SMU	Colo. 14	Colo. 7	Colo. 7	Colo. 27	Colo. 1	Colo. 12
Iowa vs. Minnesota	A&M 3	SMU 13	A&M 5	A&M 6	A&M 7	A&M 3
Rice vs. Arkansas	Iowa 3	Iowa 13	Iowa 7	Minn. 7	Iowa 6	Minn. 3
Tuskegee vs. Tougaloo	Rice 6	Ark. 6	Ark. 3	Ark. 2	Rice 3	Rice 6
	Tusk. 7.5	Tusk. 18	Tusk. 18	Tusk. 20	Tusk. 15	Tusk. 12

## Theta Chi, SAE Pi Kap, Sig Ep Delts Triumph

Spills, thrills and a lack of forfeits headlined Thursday's B volleyball play. All scheduled teams showed up and interest was high on the sidelines.

In the afternoon's first match, Pi Kappa Phi B took two from Sigma Chi B, 15-5 and 15-2. Delta Tau Delta B absorbed a first-game loss from Alpha Tau Omega B, then fought back to slam the ATO's, 15-6, 15-7.

Theta Chi B and Phi Delta Theta B came up with a close series. The Phi Deltas grabbed the initial game 15-13, but booting the second, 5-15. After trailing by seven points in the deciding tilt, Theta Chi came to life and won 15-12. Outstanding were Phi Delt Jim Pipher and Theta Chi Rex Titus.

Sigma Phi Epsilon B, using only four men, slammed Sigma Nu B 15-4, but had trouble before finally winning the last boy.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon B and Beta Theta Pi B provided a final thriller with SAE the victor, 16-14 and 15-8.

## Weather Forecast Favors Webfoots

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP)—Washington State enjoyed good weather for a change as it worked at perfecting a new defense aimed at stopping the Oregon Ducks in a homecoming game here Saturday.

All traces of snow were gone from the field and weatherman even issued a "fair" forecast for game time.

Two more sophomores have apparently secured starting line positions. Ken Baker will probably open at guard because of his improved showing and John Clark, out in mid-season with a broken leg, has evidently won back his job as number one center.

Halfback Rey Alvarado was still fighting off the flu and back Dewey Faith was nursing a sore shoulder.

## Radio-TV Sports

**Friday**  
KVAL-TV: 9 p.m., Frank Leahy's Football Forecasts.

**Saturday**  
KORE: 1:45 p.m., Oregon vs. Washington State.

KASH: 1:15 p.m., Oregon State vs. Idaho.

**Sunday**  
KVAL-TV: 2 p.m., San Francisco 49ers vs. Los Angeles Rams.

## IM Schedule

**Friday**  
3:50 p.m.—Kappa Sigma B vs. Hale Kane B on court 36.  
Phi Kappa Sigma B vs. Dorm Counselors B on court 40.  
Cherney B vs. Campbell Club B on court 43.

4:35 p.m.—Sederstrom B vs. Young B on court 36.  
Morton B vs. McClure B on court 40.  
Stafford B vs. Sheldon B on court 43.

5:15 p.m.—Beta Theta Pi A vs. Sigma Chi A on court 36.  
Delta Tau Delta A vs. Theta Chi A on court 40.  
Sigma Nu A vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon A on court 43.

## Elk Hunting Outlook Good, Fishing Poor This Weekend

The hunting and fishing report for this weekend as released by the Oregon State Game commission.

**NORTHWEST** — Waterfowl hunting in the upper Willamette valley is poor to fair. Pheasants are plentiful but a good dog needed to flush them. Elk hunting prospects are fairly good for Clatsop county.

Salmon angling fair by weekend if water continues to drop. Tillamook, Nestucca and Salmon river angling fair with some good catches of silvers and jacks. Occasional steelhead being taken in larger streams. Barview jetty producing perch and kelp bass. Both the Sandy and Clackamas rivers expected to be poor fishing.

**SOUTHWEST**—Coos county elk hunting prospects fair, best prospects in timber areas. Waterfowl hunting fair on Coos Bay and tidal areas below Rogue; poor in other areas. Quail and pheasant shooting is good for hunters using dogs.

Steelhead angling is slow. Angling for salmon and jacks is generally good in Tenmile lake.

**CENTRAL** — quail hunting

very slow. Good duck hunting in upper Deschutes river area.

**NORTHEAST**—Elk hunting prospects good for coming weekend. Best areas are: on the Umatilla and north fork of John Day river; in Wallowa county, especially Chesnimus, Wenaha and upper Innaha; Sled springs; Minam; Morrow and Wheeler counties, especially Ditch creek, Potomus, Dry Swale and Madison butte; bull area of Grant county; Desolation; upper Big creek and Union and Baker counties. Either sex prospects good on Camp creek. Pheasant and quail hunting fair to poor. Quail hunting good in John Day valley. Waterfowl hunting is fair. A few geese are being bagged along Columbia river between Arlington and Blacklock.

**SOUTHEAST**—Water is partly covered with ice, making waterfowl hunting poor. Plenty of birds in the area and should pick up with recent storms driving birds in. Snake and Malheur rivers and drain ditches supply best waterfowl shooting. Pheasant hunting is poor.

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