

# EMERALD Sports

## Duck Tracks

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There is an old Chinese proverb — nightmares never strike twice in the same place. Last year the Oregon football team's bad dream occurred at Hayward field in Eugene when they fumbled the ball away six times and blew one to Colorado 13-6. Friday night at Los Angeles, a recurrence of the Morphean hallucination obsessed the Webfoots when they fumbled seven times and lost four dropping a 6-0 decision to UCLA.

What is it about fumbles that beats a ball club? The obvious answer is loss of the ball to the opposition. But even when a team recovers its own bobble, the attack loses its continuity and rhythm.

A first down every three downs is the goal of a split-T team and a minimum of mistakes is a must if this goal is to be consistently attained. But the nature of the split-T offense, with its quick-hitting handoffs on the dive-bucks and its blind pitchouts on the option play, makes mistakes tough to avoid especially in early season games.

A split-T quarterback must be quick, sure, heady and above all, he has to have time to work that important option play. It's tough to pitch that ball out with a 200-pound lineman wrapped around you.

Now Oregon is not predominantly a split-T team but with its speed, the split-T is bread and butter to the Duck offense. The Webfoots don't have the crushing runners to go inside for an entire game.

Both Tom and Jack Crabtree, the number one and two quarterbacks, are slick ball-handlers and have proved it under fire. What causes these fumbles then? Those who observed the Idaho game, a near-upset, might have noticed the defensive measure which, perfected by the Bruins, played hob with those pitchouts.

When the guards pull out, the defense pours linemen through this hole to tackle the quarterback high, pinning his arms to his sides. Result: loose football with the off-halfback to whom the pitchout is aimed out of position to recover. Also, the Bruin tackles were out-charging their Duck counterparts.

You can't take credit away from the UCLA line, bolstered by four semi-eligible seniors back in action, but smart scouting and defensive preparation by Red Sanders and his staff paved the way for this Bruin win. The Ducks clearly had the edge in talent over the punchless Bruins.

It is becoming apparent that the split-T offense, without variations, can be stopped by specific defenses. Witness this year's collapse of Maryland as an example. Without the use of the running pass, one of the most difficult plays in football to stop, the out-and-out running game can be halted. It doesn't matter if you have Mel Patton, Jesse Owen and Charley Paddock in the backfield.

The most successful split-T team in the nation, Oklahoma, is also the only one that capitalizes on the running pass. Add this variation to the Sooner manpower advantage and the result is murdered opposition. Nevertheless, the pros, with the finest manpower available, stick to the flanker attack and pretty much avoid the split-T.

Some of the defenses, aimed at stopping a split-T running attack are the "Oklahoma five," the "gap eight," the "seven and a box" and the "man-on-man six." Any of these can force a split-T team into a flanker or aerial attack.

The "Oklahoma-five," a standard against split-T, can be varied any time on signal and when mixed in with an "umbrella" is poison. The "gap eight" precludes blocking any two men at the point of attack and the "seven and a box," an ancient defense, concentrates seven men on the ground attack with the ends "boxing" everything in.

The man-on-man six, manufactured by Herman Hickman at West Point to stop the Oklahoma split-T, (which it did) finds the front six hitting but not penetrating and sliding with the play. It is susceptible to flanker and quick end run formations. However, all those X's and O's on the blackboard mean little if you don't have the "hosses."

# Yanks Win Two Games To Even World Series

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A former infielder pitched the New York Yankees into a World Series tie Sunday, and set the stage for what could be a spine-tingling windup in the necessary two or three games remaining.

Tom Sturdivant stopped the Brooklyn Dodgers on six hits to even the series at two games apiece while Mickey Mantle and Hank Bauer belted home runs to offer adequate Yank scoring protection, in a 6-2 contest at Yankee stadium.

It was a wild weekend of baseball. The Yankees won two of the three tilts. After being drubbed 13-8 Friday, they came back Saturday to win behind Whitey Ford 5-3 and then won on Sturdivant's masterpiece, yesterday.

### Bums 13, Yanks 8

Whether this could be considered a ballgame between the top clubs of both leagues is to be debated, but the Dodgers, flattened by Yogi Berra's grand slam home run in the second inning and trailing by six, rose off the ground to tie it in the same second game, then proceed to pound seven assorted Yank hurlers for seven more runs.

Everyone hit in this one, but the Brooks' big highpoint was Duke Snider's tying three run blast in the second. Gil Hodges, having his best Series in history, added insult to injury with three

hits, two doubles, four runs-batted-in and two walks. Snider collected another hit to go with his homer and Jackie Robinson drilled two singles as the Bums used their 12 hits and 11 walks to good advantage.

Casey Stengel threw everybody in the bullpen but General Manager George Weiss. In order, they were: Larsen, Kucks, Byrne, Sturdivant, Morgan, Turley, and McDermott. Tom Morgan was the loser.

On the Yankee behalf though, it should be noted that they batted 27-game winner Don Newcombe around like a Little Leaguer, climaxed by Berra's big blast, but left seven big baserunners stranded. It was a long afternoon; in fact, the longest in World Series play.

### Yanks 5, Bums 3

This one looked more like the script was written. The Yankees, with their backs to the wall, used old Enos Slaughter's three run homer in the sixth inning, then beat off a late Brooklyn rally to win, behind Whitey Ford's effective eight hit pitching.

Until the 40-year-old Slaughter hit his home run, the youthful Roger Craig had the Yanks handcuffed and possessed a 2-1 lead. Singles by Hank Bauer and Yogi Berra, spaced between two outs, set the scene for the ex-Cardinal's big one, and put the pre-Series favorite

Yankees into a lead they never relinquished. Earlier, a solo homer by second baseman Billy Martin had tied the score.

Ford, coming back with two days rest after being knocked around in the opener, spaced the Dodger eight hits around so he was never in too much trouble. Carl Furillo's double and Pee Wee Reese's triple were the only extra base blows, and only one led to a run.

### Yanks 6, Bums 2

Sturdivant looked like a million dollars on the mound yesterday. After the Dodgers tied the score in the fourth on hits by Snider and Hodges, big Tom gave up only four other hits and was not in trouble again until the final inning.

Mantle socked one out of the park in the sixth with none on, his second 1956 Series homer and Bauer hit one with one on in the seventh off young Don Drysdale to provide the needed runs.

Baseball fans are now assured of two more games, and a possible three. Today's game is slated for Yankee stadium and the sixth and seventh, if necessary, will go at Ebbets field. The pitching of both staffs has been riddled in the first four games. Dodger manager Walt Alston goes with Sal Maglie, hero of the opening contest.

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