

# Duck Tracks

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Football meditation, near the climatic stage of this season, can go in either of two directions; your team can be not quite good enough in a section where everyone is bent on having a good year, and who, in the process, defeat you; or your team can be very, very excellent in a section where one or more teams are just as excellent.

In the chagrined case of the Oregon Webfoots, 1959, the latter, although it hurts some to repeat it, is true. Every game has gone right except one. That, you know, was Washington. It is now an ugly remembrance, and since it appears almost certain that the Huskies will beat Washington State on Saturday, it is even too late to ostracize the ugliness of the past. Washington beat Oregon 13-12.

## Too good for third

Now, if we are both thinking the same thing, we are sorely convinced that this Oregon football team is much too good to be considered only the third best team on the West Coast. But since there was only one game with Washington and none with Southern California, it is nothing more than fair to relegate the Ducks to third place in what, truly unfortunate, too, has been a tremendously successful year of grid prowess on the Coast.

Of course, this is all leading up to say that, unless there is a minor miracle in Seattle Saturday—a Cougar miracle—the Ducks will not play in the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day. Washington, instead, will represent the Coast, or what was the Pacific Coast Conference, by a vote of the nine athletic directors of the ex-conference members. And if they defeat Washington State, the Huskies deserve the coveted bowl spot. Washington beat Oregon 13-12.

## Ducks will win

Anyway, this is Homecoming. The Webfoots of coach Len Casanova will trot gingerly upon Hayward Field about 1:30 p.m., and commence to beat Oregon State, and for once, nobody will think anything about it, at least nothing more than the usual frivolities which a victory over Oregon State can bring to the Eugene campus.

In other years, it would be different. But this is the difference which a year can bring. Because of this and because a victory on Homecoming Day will provide the Webfoots with a final record of 9-1, it is suitable, if we disregard the Washington mishap, to call this the YEAR. The year of what? Nothing in particular. Just the YEAR. It has been a grand football year.

For one, it has been the YEAR of Cleveland Jones. He came from San Diego and because of his size (officially 5 feet, 3½ inches tall, 141 pounds, give or take one or two) he immediately became some kind of an institution. But could he play?

He played more in the fall than those early-spring doubters were willing to admit he would. He won a game by catching a phenomenal pass. You might as well give him credit for winning another (the Air Force game). The rumor, which circulated after the Ducks beat the Air Force, that one of the athletic department secretaries offered to pack Cleveland to and from class in her purse, was true. Whether she did or not is not important. It is the feeling behind it all that is.

## It's been Grosz's year

It has been the YEAR of Dave Grosz. He's the quarterback. He is responsible. He ran. He passed. He blocked. He tackled. In general he made sure that there would be a 8-1 record or maybe 9-1, instead of 4-6 or 5-5 or 6-4, and any of the latter three marks were expected more than 9-1. And, glory be, Grosz, because he chose to lay out a season and retain one more year of eligibility, will be back next year, with an extra 10 games of poise, an extra 10 games of remarkable leadership under his belt. The future, perhaps, lies ahead.

It has been the YEAR of frantic, last-moment desire; essential, gutty pride. Casanova, who in nine years as the head football coach at Oregon, has had a goodly number of teams, who, personnel-wise, usually left something to be desired.

## Success strange

Therefore, it sometimes was a quaint mystery just how the Ducks got so many things done and so many things done right. The Rose Bowl team was a good example, although it seems certain that those 1957 Webfoots had a bit more depth, an enormous amount more experience than the team which winds things up Saturday.

Casanova, two years ago, called his Rose Bowl team "the greatest team I've ever coached." This is hard to argue with. However, there is a fat chance, that in his coaching supplement or revision, call it what you'd like, this 1959 Webfoot squad would also receive a very nice rating. What else are you going to say about them?

## SENIORS

### Oregon State

Dennis Brundage  
Jerry Doman  
George Enderle  
Bruce Hake  
Howard Hogan  
Ed Kaohelaulii  
Dainard Paulson  
Larry Sanchez  
Sonny Sanchez  
Jim Stinnette  
Derald Swift  
Don Thiel

### Oregon

Greg Altenhofen  
Roger Daniels  
Gerald Gibson  
Tom Keele  
Alden Kimbrough  
Don Laudenslager  
Harry Needham  
Bob Peterson  
Dave Powell  
Fred Siler  
Jack Stone  
Willie West  
John Wilcox  
John Willener

The Emerald salutes these 26 players who will participate this afternoon in their final collegiate game.

## UO Matmen prepare for season opener

By WAYNE HOBSON  
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The University wrestling team, coached by Mike Reuter, has begun working out in preparation for the 12-meet 1960 season.

Two meets have been scheduled against defending PCI champion Oregon State. Home meets will be against OSC, Fort Lewis, San Jose, California, and Washington. Also scheduled for Eugene is an all-Oregon college meet on January 9.

Only one member of last year's fourth place PCI team was lost by graduation, and prospects for this year look very good. The lone loss was Jim Beaton, 167-pound runner-up. There are seven returning lettermen, including three who placed in the Pacific Coast tournament.

Returning lettermen include Ron Connor, 123; Jerry Mesecher, 130; Lanny Holmes, 147; Lynn Mathews, 137; Don Hoiness, 147; John Parker, 157; and Garry Stensland, heavyweight. Hoiness and Stensland were third on the coast last year, and Connor was second. Stensland is also a tackle on the Duck football team.

Connor, however, who was selected team captain and is the squad's only senior letterman, cracked a vertebrae in a mill accident three weeks ago, and may be lost for the season. Reuter said that Connor's accident "puts us in serious trouble."

Reuter said that, besides the promising sophomores, he has two non-lettermen who will be

pressing veterans for squad positions.

He gives George Handlery, 157-pound Hungarian, and 167-pounder Jim Musser, who missed most of last season because of a shoulder separation, good chances of winning places on the team.

The sophomores include Joe McFarland and Dennis Wisby at 123 pounds, and Ken Thayer (130), a California junior college transfer. 137-pounder Pete Richardson, Gary Wilson at 147, and Larry Payne (157), are other varsity candidates from last year's Frosh.

Heavier sophs showing promise are 167-pounder Hank Courtney, and Mike Stearns and Jerry Fenton at 177 pounds.

Completing the list are two varsity football players, Gary Farney and Sterling Wolfe, in the heavyweight division.

About this season, Reuter said: "We have a good chance for a successful season, but we are not up to Oregon State."

The Beavers are favored to win the PCI title. Reuter feels that the Ducks will be third.

Also working out with the varsity are grapplers who will be members of the freshman and junior varsity teams. The Frosh have a full ten-meet schedule, and the JV, seven meets.

This is the first year that the University has sponsored a JV team. Such a team will enable second-string wrestlers to keep in competitive shape, and provide a stronger team for next year.

## Purpose, merits of IM program told by director

By RON BUEL  
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Dr. Paul Washke came to the University of Oregon in 1930. Since that time the non-varsity sports program has become, under his direction, one of the finest in the nation.

This year, the intramural program includes over 40 living organizations and covers a variety of 10 sports: basketball, touch football, volleyball, handball, bowling, softball, track, tennis, golf, and wrestling, which was just added.

The specific aims of this program can be expressed in four points: (1) Physical development, (2) Mental stimulation, (3) Social adjustment, and (4) Worthy use of leisure time.

The program not only accomplishes the above goals, but allows the average student, who does not participate in intercollegiate athletics, to partake in his favorite sports. Finally, the IM program builds inter-fraternity relations.

Michigan and Ohio State inaugurated the intramural system in 1913 and it has grown along with this sports trend to its widespread existence.

At the University of Oregon, volleyball is presently underway with the season about half completed. Basketball follows next, starting January 11, 1960. These are the only sports which have both "A" and "B" divisions, thus allowing more students to compete.

Annually an over-all champion is determined on the basis of points scored in each sport. Points are awarded for entrance, victories scored, size of league, and playoff points.

John Borchardt, former swimming coach, and now Dr. Washke's assistant, has asked that all competing organizations turn in their winter term entry blanks soon.

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