

# Ducks set season finale with OSU

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The Oregon Ducks were busy Monday night, priming themselves for their biggest football attraction of the year, the Homecoming clash with the Oregon State Beavers Saturday afternoon on Hayward field.

Oregon came out of last week's Ohio State game in good shape physically and should be in full force for this 65th annual "Civil War" scrap.

**HALFBACK** Mike Gaechter twisted an ankle in the last half of Saturday's game and has been listed as the only doubtful participant in the upcoming battle.

Tackle Ron Snidow and guard Bill Del Biaggio were banged up a bit but both have been cleared for action.

The Beavers are in good shape injury-wise, with only end Skip Russell and third-string quarterback Rich Brooks on the sidelines.

**COACH TOMMY PROTHRO** is expected to send his crew into action with the same starting lineup that he has used all season.



**HANK RIVERA**  
... Beaver speedster

## Broken wrist puts Madsen on bench

Bruce Madsen, sophomore guard on this year's Oregon basketball team, suffered a broken wrist last weekend while practicing with the team.

Madsen played for the Frosh last year and was an All-Stater from Montana in high school. He will be out of action for at least six weeks.



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Terry Baker, the "boy wonder" will get the nod at quarterback, but Bill Sullivan, a junior from Crescent City, Calif., will be ready to give Baker any support he might need. Sullivan played approximately 10 minutes in last Saturday's contest with Brigham Young and according to his coaches did a surprisingly fine job.

A PAIR of real speedsters, senior Hank Rivera and sophomore Leroy Whittle will handle most of OSU's running chores from the halfback spots. Bruce Williams, a 200-pounder, will go at fullback.

The Oregon lineup should run about the same as it has the past three weeks, with the possible exception of Gaechter. Lu Bain will probably be called upon to fill Gaechter's right halfback spot if the senior scatback isn't ready to go by then.

The "war", while of great importance to state of Oregon fans, will mean little as far as the nationwide picture goes. The Ducks have a four-win, five-loss season record and Oregon State has done only a little better with four and four.

**THUS, THE** air of excitement

often times generated by the possibility of a bowl bid hanging on the outcome will be absent from 'his year's tussle.

Nevertheless, there will be action aplenty. There always is when these two arch-rivals meet.

For the first time in three years, Mel Renfro and Terry Baker will be thrown into action on the same football field, and for the first time they will be supporting opposing forces.

**RENFRO, OREGON'S** flashy sophomore halfback, and Baker, OSU's self-appraised demon of the gridiron, were teammates at Portland's Jefferson high school during some of that school's greatest football years.

If these two don't produce the fireworks, the game could very well end in the first 0-0 tie between these two schools since 1931.

No reports are in as yet, but national odds-makers are expected to rate the game nearly a toss-up.

**THE RECORDS** are almost identical and we find little reason to sway our opinion one way or the other by comparing results against common opponents.

Oregon beat Stanford, 19-7, while the Indians downed OSU,

34-0. But on the other side of the ledger, Oregon dropped a one-point decision to the same Washington State team which the Beavers had conquered the week before by seven.

Both teams have beaten Ida-

ho and Washington.

This will, of course, be the final game of the year for the Ducks, but Oregon State will have one game remaining against Houston the following week in Houston.

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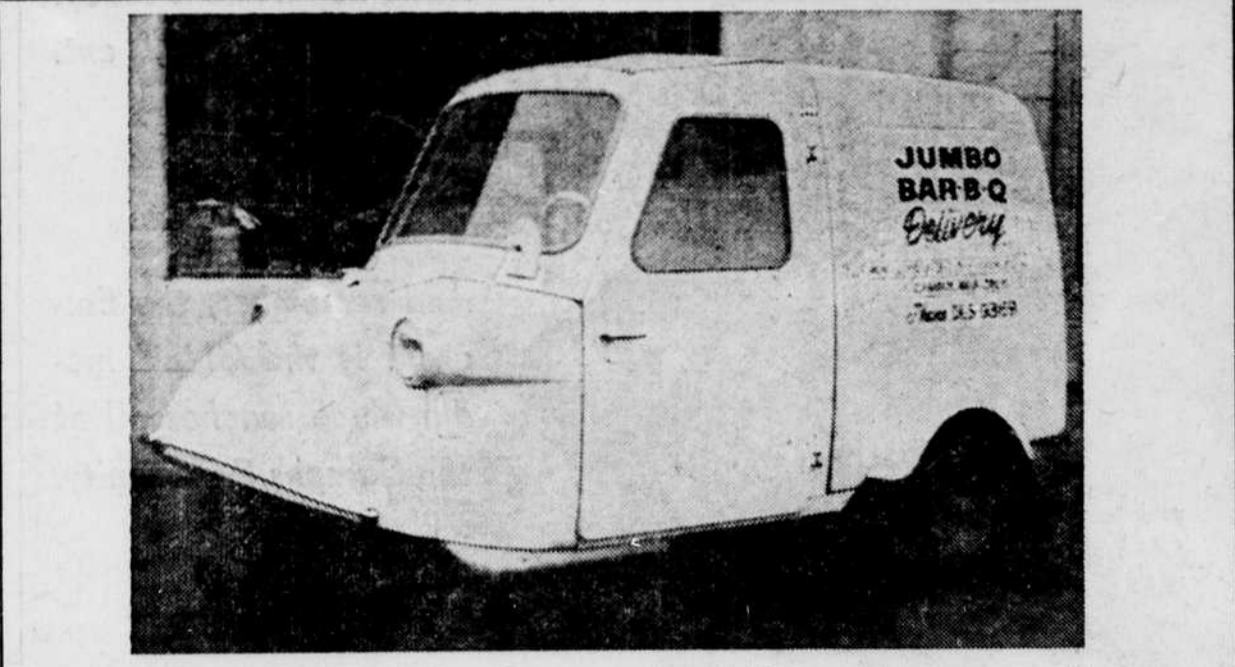
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