

Quack Cracks



Watch Nik Kick

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WHEN A GUY WHO has never done it before can run up to a football and kick a 40-yard field goal his first try, you know there's got to be some trickery behind it.

Well, there's trickery all right—but that doesn't alter the fact that Hans Nik, a senior transfer student from Holland, did it . . . and can do it again—consistently.

Hans is an expert rugby and soccer player. That explains his kicking proficiency.

What it doesn't explain is why he doesn't use his rugby trickery for the Oregon football team. The reasons? None, in particular. He hasn't been invited; he hasn't given it much thought, and he isn't sure that he is needed. Consequently, Hans is playing a star role on the Duck's undefeated soccer team.

THAT IS A PLACE where he IS needed.

In the Netherlands, he was good enough to make a professional team as a sub-18 year old amateur—and he would have collected money for his play except that he was not old enough to do so.

As for rugby, he is an ex-member of the Dutch National team, which is composed of the top 15 amateur players in Holland. There are about 3,000 players to choose from.

Blond haired and stocky at 5-7, he's a natural athlete, runs the 100 in close to 10-flat, is strong, and has exceptional balance.

The Duck half of the Oregon soccer team, according to him, is not going to be beaten. And the reason is simple: "We're the best team around."

The Mallards, Oregon's other soccer team, is actually made up of second stringers—those who couldn't make the Duck squad. But the two teams compete in the same league.

NEXT ACTION for the Ducks is Saturday at Reed College. On October 29, they play a Vancouver, B.C. squad here.

Hans is quick to point out that despite the undefeated status of the Duck squad, "this team and this league are not at all strong by Dutch standards."

"The people around here just haven't played enough," he explained.

"In Holland, we were playing when we were six years old."

As for the value of experience, Hans bluntly said that "even if the slowest guy on their team is two-tenths of a second (for the 100) faster than your fastest, they're going to beat you if they've had much more experience."

And speed, he said, is the second most important characteristic of a good soccer team.

Dutch soccer teams aren't the powerhouses that some other European countries—such as England, Finland and Hungary—are, says Hans, but the sport is nevertheless respected.

A Dutch athlete, for instance, recently received the equivalent of \$150,000 for turning professional.

Soccer in the Netherlands, he said, is operated on much the same basis as American baseball.

"Amateurs never play with the pros," he said. "And we have three professional leagues—with each team operating farm clubs for boys who aren't ready for top-flight competition."

However, he pointed out that the leagues are different from baseball leagues in at least two respects. One, the three leagues represent distinctly different levels of competition (the top league is called the "honor" league), and two, the teams in a league are not consistent from year to year.

The last team in the honor league in a given year, for example, drops down into the second league to make way for the champion of that division.

Season Statistics

Team

Number rushing plays—Oregon 191, Opponents 234.
Yards gained, rushing—Oregon 773, Opponents 925.
Yards lost rushing—Oregon 188, Opponents 240.
NET YARDS GAINED—Oregon 585, Opponents 785.
Passes Attempted—Oregon 101, Opponents 93.
Passes Completed—Oregon 33, Opponents 53.
Passes Had Intercepted—Oregon 3, Opponents 8.
YARDS GAINED PASSING—Oregon 652, Opponents 682.
Total Plays—Oregon 325, Opponents 327.
TOTAL OFFENSE—Oregon 1237, Opponents 1367.
First Downs Rushing—Oregon 34, Opponents 39.
First Downs Passing—Oregon 31, Opponents 34.
First Downs Penalties—Oregon 6, Opponents 4.
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS—Oregon 71, Opponents 76.
Punting Average—Oregon 30.3, Opponents 44.5.
Punt Return Average—Oregon 9.3, Opponents 7.4 (last week).
Kickoff Return Average—Oregon 19.5, Opponents 11.8 (last week).
Fumbles—Oregon 12, Opponents 12.
Fumbles Lost—Oregon 7, Opponents 3.
Penalty Yards—Oregon 308, Opponents 294.

Individual

Steve Jones, lb—388 yards on 107 carries (3.6 average).
Arlan Elms, fb—86 yards on 22 carries (3.9 average).
Roger Smith, rh—51 yards on 7 carries (7.3 average).

Claxton Welch, rh—46 yards on 12 carries (3.8 average).
Mike Barnes, qb—32 yards on 27 carries (1.2 average).
Scott Cress, rh—31 yards on 12 carries (2.5).
John Buller, rh—16 yards on 6 carries (2.7 average).
Ken Grote, fb—11 yards on 3 carries (3.7 average).
Eric Olson, qb—12 yards on 9 carries (1.4 average).
Tom Trovato, qb—9 yards on 9 carries (1.0).
Mike Brundage, qb—55 yards on 10 carries (5.5 average).
PASSING
Mike Barnes, qb—17-44 for 252 yards, 1 touchdown (.386 pct.)
Mike Brundage, qb—12-32 for 153 yards, 1 touchdown (.375 pct.)
Eric Olson, qb—8-13 for 136 yards (.615 pct.)
Tom Trovato, qb—6-12 for 11 yards, 1 touchdown (.500 pct.)
PASS RECEIVING
Steve Bunker—10 for 120 yards.
Scott Cress—10 for 156 yards.
Steve Reina—6 for 89 yards (2 TD)
Lynn Hendrickson—6 for 77 yards.
Lachlan Heron—4 for 123 yards (1 TD)
Steve Jones—2 for 19 yards.
John Buller—2 for 36 yards.
Roger Smith—1 for 29 yards.
Claxton Welch—1 for 3 yards.
SCORING
Steve Reina—14 points (2 TDs, 1 conversion).
Mike Barnes—6 points (1 touchdown).
Steve Jones—6 points (1 touchdown).
Lachlan Heron—6 points (1 touchdown).
Mike Brundage—5 points (5 conversions).
Ken Klein, rh—6 points (1 touchdown).
Gunther Cunningham, lb—3 points (1 field goal).

Huskies Next PAC Foe

Welch, Bunker Return

Tailback Claxton Welch and end Steve Bunker will return to the Oregon lineup for Saturday's contest with Washington's Huskies in Seattle, Duck head coach Len Casanova reported yesterday.

Due to a knee injury Welch has missed every game since the season opener and Bunker, the conference's leading receiver last year, was suspended prior to last week's game for disciplinary reasons.

The only Duck being kept out of action due to injury is fullback Arlan Elms. Elms pulled a muscle before the Stanford game two weeks ago.

With Tom Sparlin throwing to Dave Williams and Jim Cope, and with the Pacific-8 leading rusher, Don Moore at halfback, the Huskies possess a potent, balanced offense.

Sparlin is fourth in conference passing with 37 completions for 526 yards while Cope is fourth in receiving and Williams is tenth. Moore has gained 447 yards in

five games for a 5.1 yard average. As a team the Huskies are fourth in total offense.

In order to stop such an attack defensive secondary coach John Robinson, has assigned Jim Smith, who leads the Duck secondary with three interceptions, to cover Williams, and Ken Klein, who ran back an interception 99 yards last week against Air Force, to cover Cope.

Wednesday the Ducks concentrated on the offense and defense

they will throw against the Huskies. Casanova put his squad through some hard dummy defense and had the freshmen simulate Washington's offense.

Casanova felt the team needed a rest Monday and gave them their first day off since practice began.

IM Schedule

Touch Football

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

Sigma Chi 13, Deadenders 0. Yoon won by forfeit over Busads. Sigma Alpha Epsilon 6, Boynton O. Alpha Tau Omega 6, Clark 6 (ATO wins on first downs, 4-3).

WRA VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

Morton Hall 2, Rebec A. O. Morton Hall 2, Rebec A. O. Smith 2, Alpha Chi Omega 1, Caswell 2, Rebec B 1. Laurel won by default.

Chapman Sees Rook Advantage



Coach Chapman Directs Offense

By JEFF WOHLER
Emerald Sports Writer

Oregon Duckling Coach Norm Chapman feels the frosh will be at a disadvantage when they take on Oregon State in Corvallis Friday.

Considering the 33-0 whipping they gave Washington State in the season opener last week, you'd think, Oregon State should feel that way.

But Chapman points out that the Rooks, who haven't played a game yet, have had the entire three weeks of practice to prepare for Oregon's style of play. The Ducklings, on the other hand, have only this week to get ready for OSU.

"And they've scouted it, too, that's for sure," Chapman noted. "It's hard for us to know much about them since all they've done is practice. However, we know about some of their players from their high school records, so we'll have to go on from there."

Chapman picked out Rick Olsson of Corvallis and Mick O'Connor of Eugene's Sheldon High as two outstanding prospects for the Rooks. Olsson is a hard-running halfback while O'Connor is a fine quarterback.

According to Chapman, the only changes being made from the successful operation of last week is a switch in blocking as-

signments, since Oregon State plays a different style of defense.

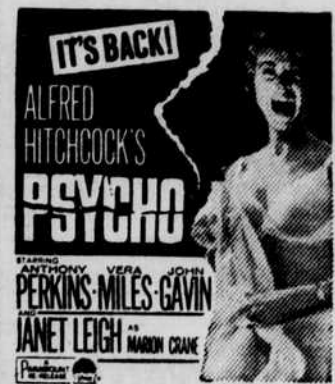
He added that injury-wise, the Washington State game was a

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