

UO Bids Hayward Bye With Loss

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The University of Oregon football team will receive a gift next season—a new 40,000-seat stadium where all future home games are to take place.

Saturday Oregon gave a present themselves, a 14-13 foul-weathered victory to Washington State in the swan song of Hayward Field as the University's football arena.

Despite losing, the Ducks dominated the game from the statistical standpoint. They had a 71-65 play advantage, accumulated 287 yards total offense to State's 176, and picked up 18 first downs to the Cougars' 10.

One other numerical category deserves mention: The Ducks had four passes intercepted, and were unable to pick off any WSU aeriels.

However, despite the passing errors Oregon made, a mechanical malfunction was most responsible for the defeat, halting a late fourth-quarter Oregon drive at the State two.

After forcing WSU to punt, coach Len Casanova's men launched a series from their own 18 with about three minutes remaining in the encounter, and the score already standing at 14-13.

Quarterback Mike Barnes quickly completed two passes, first a nine-yarder to Scott Cress, then one good for 12 more to Steve Bunker. Sprawled on the turf the split end made a fantastic scooping catch and Oregon had a first down at their own 39.

Following an incompletion — WSU safety Mike Cadigan actually intercepted the pass, but in his anxiety let the ball

drop out of his grasp—an unnecessary roughness call against Washington State gave the hometowners another first down at State's 46.

Next, Tom Trovato took a lateral from Barnes, then fired a 12-yard strike to the quarterback downfield at WSU's 34, with 1:13 to go. After an incomplete toss to Steve Jones, Barnes rolled right, broke through two defenders at the 38 and scrambled to the 23 and a first down.

From there, Barnes found Bunker on a sideline pattern with Steve making the catch at the 11, then stepping out of bounds. First down, clock stopped at 0:44.

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Jones slashed up the middle on a draw play, picking up just under 10 yards, and the Ducks looked to be in business at the two. Barnes wisely threw out of bounds on the ensuing play, stopping the clock with 28 seconds left.

Instead of a touchdown, only confusion resulted in the next few moments.

On third down, Barnes tried to crack left tackle on a keeper for the score. He was stopped cold. As the Oregonians came to the line of scrimmage for actually the fourth down play—their last chance — the sideline down indicator showed a big "3."

Barnes and the other Webfoots assumed that Jones had picked up a first down on his nine-plus run two plays before, so another clock-hauling pass was thrown. Just as Mike got the center snap, the sideline operator changed the marker to "4" and all the protests possible couldn't change the picture—a one-point defeat.

The game was a study in frustration from the standpoint of the Webfoot defense. Washington State was thwarted each time the Cougars threatened to get a drive underway, but three first half WSU pass interceptions were too much for Oregon to endure.

The three thefts—all picked off by one Stater, soph Rick Reed who had never started a game at defensive half before—set a new WSU single-game record, and set Oregon down 14-0.

REED GOES TO WORK

Reed's first steal did little damage save wipe out the good field position Oregon was given when they recovered a fumble seconds before. The Duck defenders were able to contain the Cougars after Reed cut in front of—and intercepted—a Barnes to Claxton Welch pass.

However, the next two steals did sufficient damage to the home team to make up for State's initial failure to capitalize.

On the last play of the first period, Reed grabbed a pass intended for Cress at the WSU 33 and brought the pigskin back deep into Oregon territory at the 25. Five plays later, Cougar fullback Del Carmichael plowed over center from a yard out, and after the conversion, WSU led 7-0.

Trovato—replacing the shaken Barnes—was Reed's last victim. A pass intended for Lynn Hendrickson was pilfered by the Snohomish, Wash. performer at Oregon's 40 and returned to the 18. The distance remaining was shorter this time, consequently it took only three plays for State to score with Carmichael going the

final 10 yards on a pitchout.

Oregon put the offense together before the half, however, and cut the lead to 14-7. Highlighting the 80-yard drive were a 15-yard sweep of left end by Barnes, a Barnes-Jones pass for nine, and a 15-yard penalty against WSU. With 21 seconds remaining in the second quarter, Barnes backpeddled on fourth and 14 and hit Cress on a streak pattern in the left corner of the end zone.

A frustratingly-scoreless third quarter set up the desperation final period in which the Ducks almost came back far enough to win.

With 8:09 left in the game Cas' crew got their drive underway at the visitors' 48 following a punt. Barnes—11 for 28 and 143 yards for the day—missed on two passes, but accomplished a first down at the Cougar 38 on a combination completed pass to Cress and fumble recovery.

Kent Grote moved for eight more on a draw play, and then Barnes connected with Cress again for another 30-yard touchdown combination. Cress extended his arms and fingertips to the limit in making the over-the-shoulder grab.

Disdaining the tie, Oregon chose to go ahead immediately. Barnes' look-in pass for the two-point conversion was intercepted, however, and the last-chance series Oregon launched five minutes later also fell short.

One interesting note: Except for the two interceptions which resulted in WSU's touchdowns, the Cougars never penetrated inside Oregon's 30 during the entire game.

Duck Booters Blank Portland 6-0; Take First as Mallards Tie OSU

OISA STANDINGS				
	W	L	T	PTS.
UO Ducks	3	0	0	6
Oregon State	2	0	1	5
UO Mallards	2	1	1	5
U. Portland	2	2	0	4
Reed	1	2	0	2
Lewis & Clark	0	4	0	0

Oregon's Duck soccer team moved into lone possession of first place in the Oregon Intercollegiate Soccer Association Saturday, blanking University of Portland 6-0, while second-place Oregon State was held to a 3-3 tie by Oregon's Mallard team.

The visiting Pilots provided the toughest opposition for the Ducks this season, holding the Oregon kickers to a 1-0 halftime lead. Hans Niks scored the first goal and added the final two after John Morgan and Paul Wormleighton put the Ducks ahead 4-0. Morgan scored twice, once knocking the Pilot goalie into the nets after the goalkeeper had caught the ball in the goal mouth.

Portland's best scoring opportunity was thwarted when Duck goalie Vernon Crek knocked a first half penalty kick out of danger.

In Corvallis, OSU jumped to an early 2-0 lead before Randy Swangard's penalty kick and Lou Murray's goal tied the score at halftime. The Beavers again went ahead 3-2 in the second period, but Swangard's eighth goal in four games provided the final score with five minutes to go.

In other OISA action, host Reed edged winless Lewis and Clark 2-1.

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