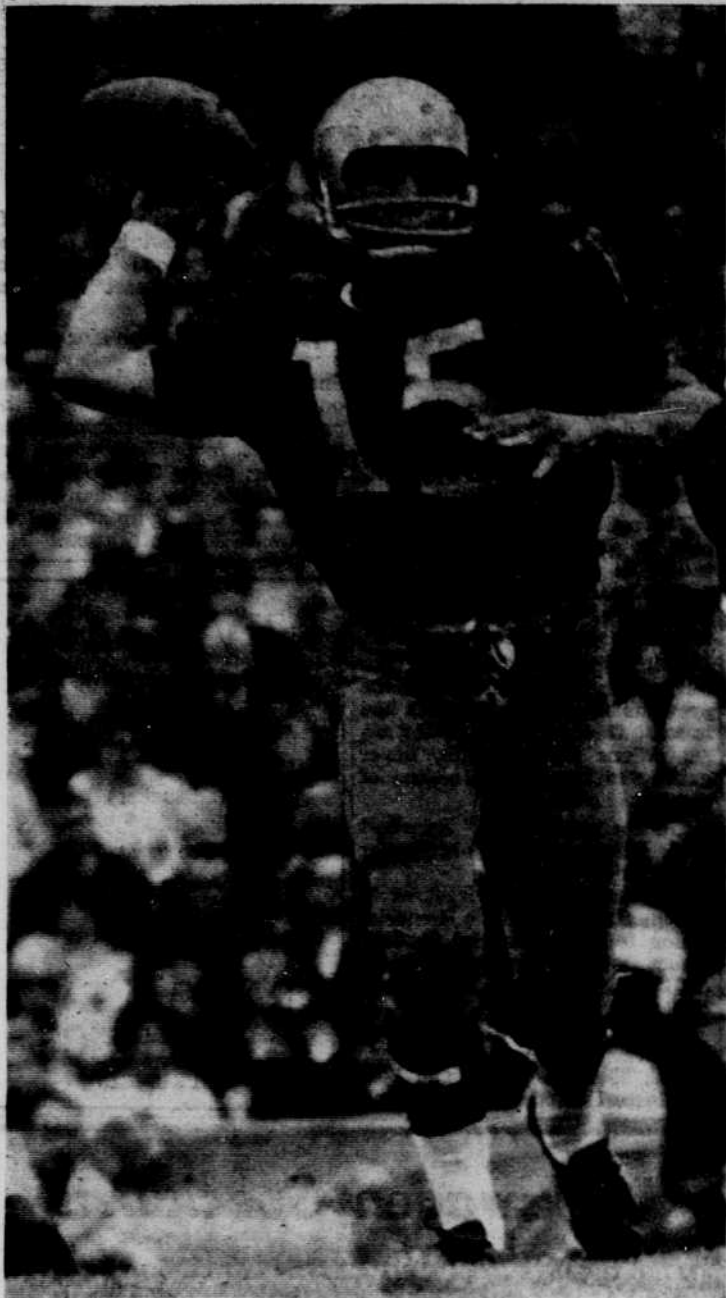


**TOM MANKE**

Second in AAWU Total Offense

Purple Helmets Everywhere

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When Oregon quarterback Tom Blanchard brings his offensive unit to the line during Saturday's encounter with Washington, he'll be looking out over a sea of purple helmets.

But all that royal color shouldn't make the Duck signalcaller feel like pulling up a throne and surveying his kingdom; in this case purple signifies the opposition.

Traditionally, Washington's outstanding defensive players are awarded the purple headgear. Coach Jim Owens demands that only performers "who give 110 per cent" receive this honor. Defenders who fail to draw blood or crack a limb during the week's practice sessions are subjected to the humiliation of a gold helmet on game day.

After the Huskies' opening 17-7 loss to Nebraska, the defensive unit stabilized to the point of becoming one of the best on the Pacific Coast.

Three Straight for UW

UW has beaten Wisconsin, Air Force and Oregon State on successive Saturdays, allowing but 13 total points in the three contests.

Washington's defensive line is anchored by veteran tackles Steve Thompson (6-5, 230) and 6-3, 225-pound Bill Glennon. Both are experienced seniors and definite professional prospects.

Other defensive stars who have risen to the top of the 96-man Husky roster include guard Mike Maggart, end Dean Halverson, linebackers Cliff Coker and George Jugum (both vying for the same position) and defensive backs Al Worley, Dave DuPree (a 46.2 440) man and Bob Pederson.

Manke at QB

Any question about who would open at quarterback for UW in tomorrow's 1:30 p.m. Autzen Stadium contest was cleared up when Owens announced he would stay with sensational soph Tom Manke.

The 6-0, 200-pounder is second in the PAC in total offense — an improving passer and powerful runner. The improving Washington offense is further bolstered by a deep and experienced line, with the standout here being tackle Bob Richardson, 6-3, 240.

In the backfield, Manke teams up with returning halfbacks Carl Wojciechowski and Gerald Wea, fullbacks Jim McCabe and Tom Verti, and flankers Jim Cope and Harrison Wood.

Oregon will welcome some much needed help in the offensive line, but once again will miss at least one regular in the starting eleven.

Smith at Center

Ron Smith, a 230 pound junior from Los Angeles City College will play center. This should strengthen the offensive line, a weak-sister in the Oregon attack all year. He has been out due to a knee injury and subsequent surgery.

The Ducks will probably have Dick Crowley back at tackle where he played much of last year. Crowley was pressed into service as a center due to lack of depth.

Coach Jerry Frei has been trying to bring his club up for their first winning performance of the season.

Although 0-4 on the season, the Ducks have kept plugging and only greenness and youthful mistakes have kept them from winning.

"If we can just put together a game with a minimum of mistakes, we'll win a game," commented Frei.

Frei is expecting the return of Warner Wong, but latest indications show that Denny Schuler will probably be out.

Sophomore safety Cam Sinclair will probably be out for the year.

Frei announced halfback Claxton Welch and defensive specialist Keith Sherman as co-captains for the Husky clash. Tom Blanchard will start at quarterback.

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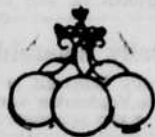
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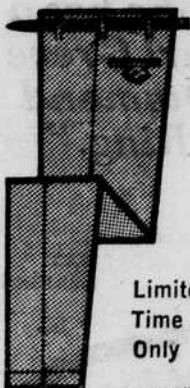
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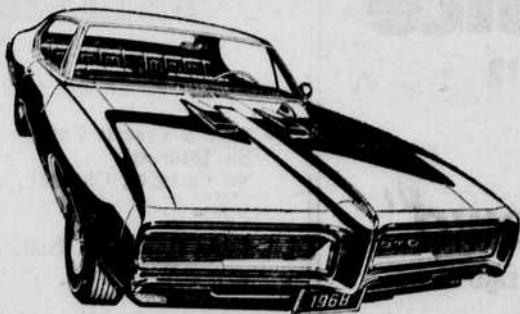
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