

What if they gave a Civil War.and nobody came

It is Civil War time, again. It is a time in the football season when Oregon and Oregon State annually wind up a long, sometimes very long, gridiron season. Almost always it's a time when either

the Beavers or the Ducks can salvage their losing seasons and pacify demanding alumni with a victory over their rival. This year is no different—or is it? The Ducks, promising much more before the season began, are 2-8. The Beavers are 1-9.

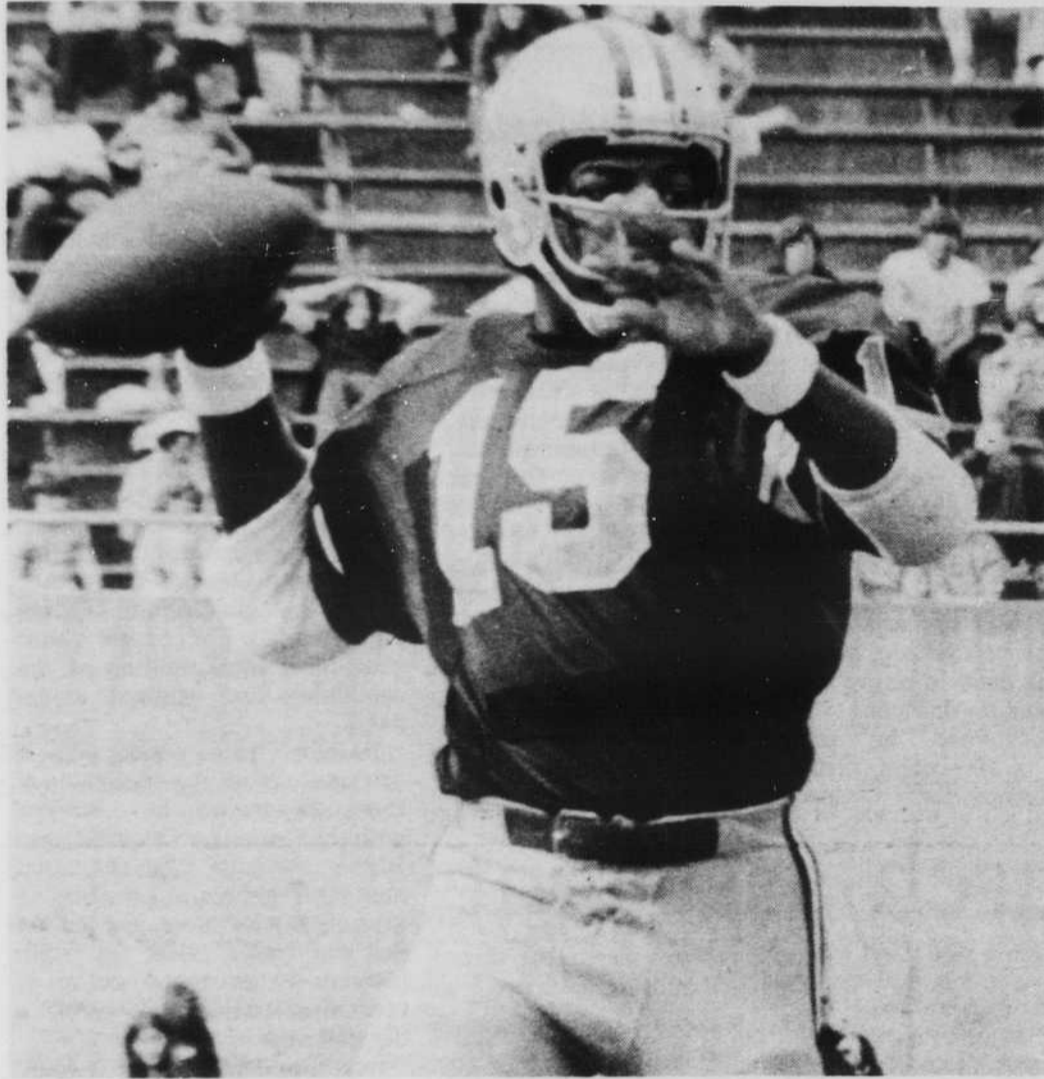


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It's Duck QB Herb Singleton against. . .

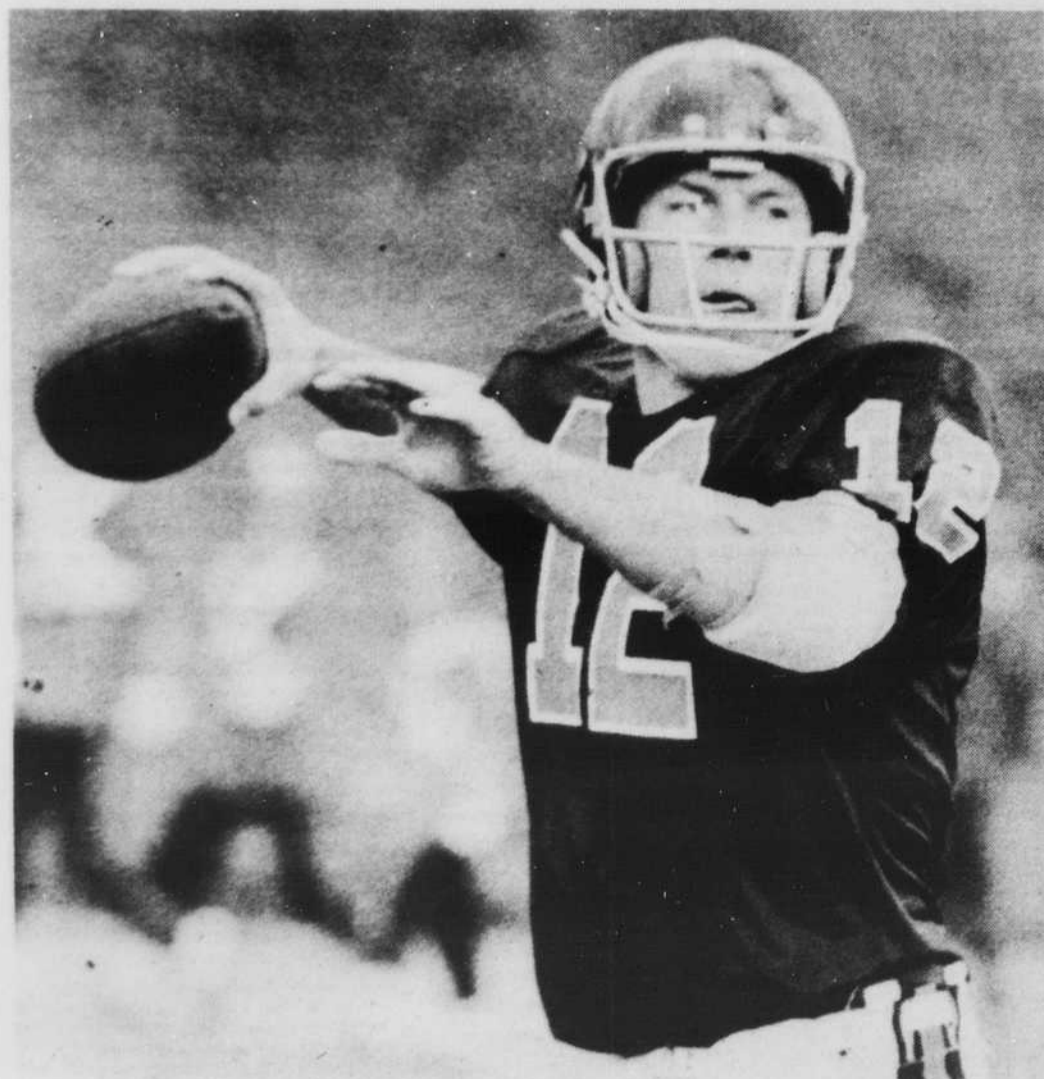


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. . .Beaver quarterback Al White

Can you really salvage a 3-8 football season with a victory over a team 1-10? (That's if the Ducks win.) The Beavers, on the other hand, might—if they try very hard—salvage the season by finishing a strong 2-9 over the 2-9 Ducks. In short, this year's Civil War might be more aptly termed a Turkey Bowl, Lemon Bowl, or Game of the Weak, as termed in a Eugene Register-Guard headline last week. The prospects of viewing the game are

"I realize he's in great pain," said Enright. "But he'll come charging out onto the field leading them out and getting them fired up." It will definitely be a psychological ploy to fire his Beavers. He's tried it before during the season, although the pain usually forces him to forego the charge that was his trademark throughout much of his coaching career at OSU. "I've been trying to sprain an ankle or something," replied Enright, chuckling.

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not that tantalizing. Never before have the two teams met with worse combined records. What's more—it just might rain. And USC goes against UCLA on the toob in the nice warm living room.

Students apparently have sensed this. As of Monday, approximately 1800 tickets remained to be sold in the student section.

Nevertheless, a Civil War battle—tinged as it is this year by losing records—has an unusual capacity of producing good football games. There's the old adage: You throw out the records for this one. Coaches Dee Andros of the Beavers and Dick Enright of the Ducks will gladly do that.

The Ducks have been disappointing following the tremendous pre-season build-up and it is quite possible the Ducks themselves might have trouble peaking for a game with the Beavers.

"This is a survival thing," said Enright. "They might be down now, but what will it feel like afterwards if we lose this game."

The Beavers, however, should easily get sky-high for the game.

You can build a lot of frustration going 1-9—and the Beavers have something to fight for: staying out of double figures in the loss column.

"It's big to me," Enright said, "and it's big to the football team. It sure makes living a lot easier when you beat the Beavers."

Enright has a one-game winning string going for him against the Beavers—and that isn't bad considering its the only victory Oregon has registered over OSU in the last nine years.

Last year Oregon jumped to the lead on its first offensive play from scrimmage on a Donnie Reynolds 60-yard TD sprint through the heart of the Beaver defense and the Ducks won 30-3. This year the Beavers have a little more going for them.

"Looking at the films," Enright said, "they're not bad. Some people may laugh at that, but they are better than they were last year. They're quick and they hit better."

They also have another intangible factor going for them—Andros' ailing hip. In tremendous pain, Andros expects to undergo surgery in the offseason.

"One of the assistant coaches offered I should have a vasectomy. But that won't work. They're too smart," he said, indicating he couldn't use that to fire up his Ducks.

"The Beavers will be out to win one for the Hipper, instead of the Gipper," quipped the Duck coach.

But the traditional battle is important to Enright.

"I'll tell ya, I've got a couple of neighbors who are Beavers. Now they're a different breed. They can really get on you. And I don't want to move out of the house."

"Besides, we owe them about seven more, don't we?"

Standing in Enright's way is a Beaver defense that has looked impressive at times during the season. A defense that held Southern Cal to 21 points, and WSU to 13.

The Beavers biggest problem, however, has been not unlike the Ducks—inconsistency, mental and physical breakdowns at the wrong times.

The Beaver offense has only twice scored more than 20 points—once clobbering Washington (for their only win) 31-7 and another time in losing to Stanford 24-23.

When penalties and fumbles weren't getting the way, then it was quarterback, Alvin White, throwing interceptions. And he has thrown 23 this season.

The Ducks have been plagued the same way.

Against the Bruins of UCLA, fumbles were the order of the day and it turned a close first half into an easy Bruin victory. Last week the Ducks held onto the ball running, but quarterback Herb Singleton threw four interceptions and after a 7-7 first half, the Ducks eventually lost, 24-7.

And so what usually has been a match-up of better teams, the Civil War this year has turned into a Turkey Bowl featuring two of the more disappointing teams in the Pacific-8 Conference. On one side will be the Oregon Ducks who fumbled, bumbled and stumbled to a 2-8 record, while on the other side is the Oregon State Beavers who streaked to a 1-9 mark.

What channel is the USC-UCLA game on?

Bowlers club Oregon State 4-0

The Oregon bowling team enjoyed an early Thanksgiving feast as they gobbled up the Oregon State Beavers four straight games last Thursday in Corvallis.

The victory vaulted Oregon into the top spot of the Oregon Collegiate Bowling League's Southern Division with a nine win, three loss record. Oregon State dropped two games behind the Ducks as their record fell to 7-5.

Once again the match was a case of Oregon totally dominating the opposition. Mike La Lumiere led the team for the second straight match as he rolled games of 233 and 209 for a 620 series. Veryl Brovald chipped in with a 600 including

games of 200 and 215. It was Brovald's third career 600 series in varsity competition, two of which have been against Oregon State.

As a team, Oregon put together their high game of the season, a 1019 which is an average of 203 a man.

In a league with no clear-cut favorite, Oregon has now assumed the leadership role at this stage of the season. They have won eight straight games, possess the high-average bowler in the league, have shot two games over 1000, and have defeated one of the better teams in Oregon State.