

Newman

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brought Newman fame in Oregon prep circles, and it was football that paid his way to the University. He holds every rushing and scoring record in Beaverton history. Newman topped off his career in 1983 with a 1,861-yard, 23-touchdown senior season that earned him the state Offensive Player of the Year award. One coach, after losing 30-0 to the Beavers, even called him "the best high school running back I've seen in this state since (ex-University and NFL star) Mel Renfro. Anthony can single-handedly beat you."

As an Oregon freshman, Newman played on most of the special teams, as well as in the Ducks' nickel-back defense. He also returned kickoffs an average of 22 yards, second only to Tony Cherry.

"He's an outstanding athlete," said football coach Rich Brooks. "Anthony will challenge very seriously for a starting safety spot this spring and next fall. He's got size, quickness, good instincts and he's a quality person as well."

To Newman, baseball was mainly a way to stay in shape between spring football drills and fall camp. Newman was a four-year letterman at Beaverton, but he never reached the fame he did in football. On a team that boasted four all-stars, Newman wasn't even all-league. He missed most of his junior season with a cut tendon in his hand and hit only .190 as a senior.

Newman also had a number of tryouts after his senior season for different pro teams. The tryouts were drills that measured hitting, speed and throwing ability. "I did real well in those," said Newman. "We had four all-stars at

Beaverton, and me and one other guy were the only ones drafted."

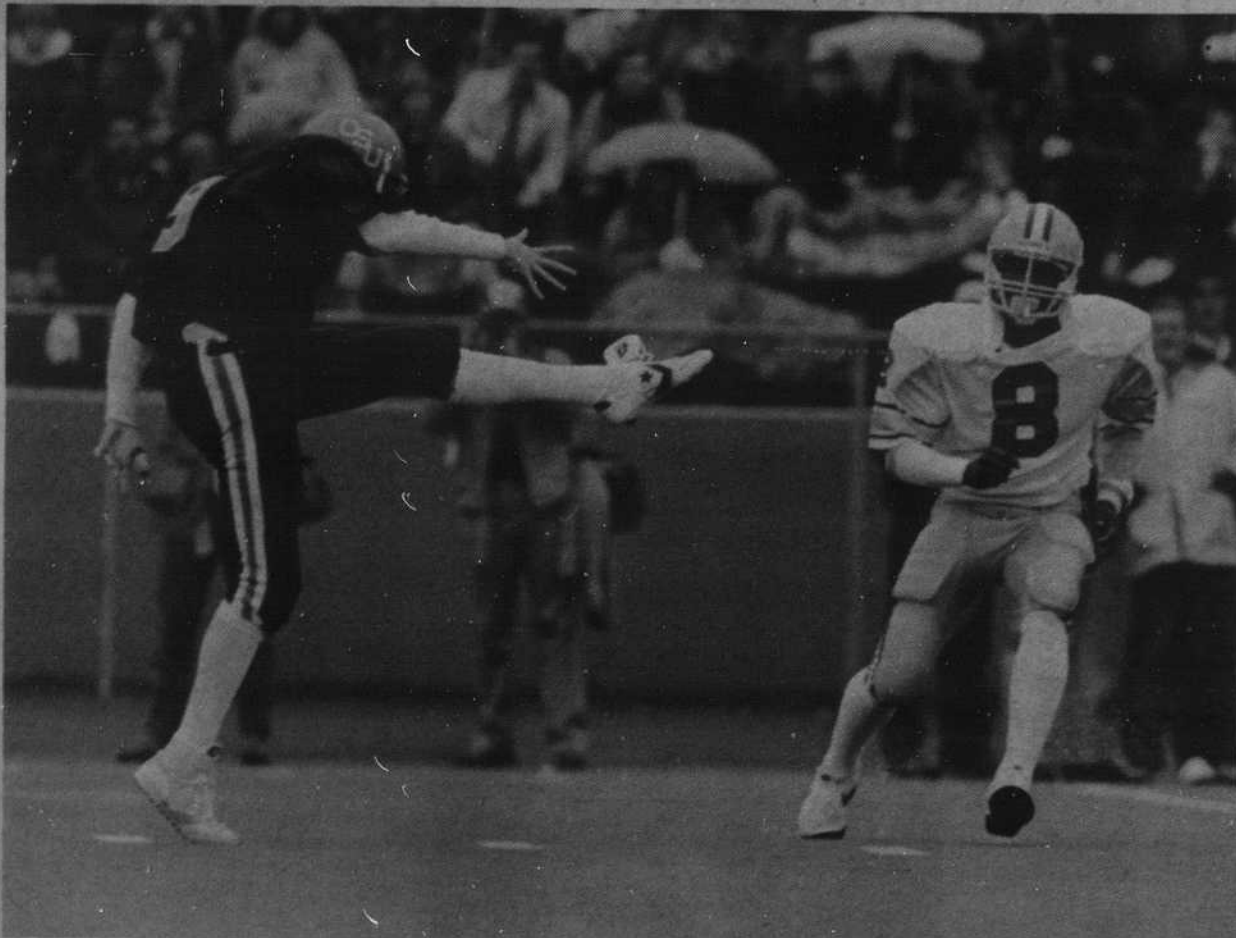
Dave Roberts, former Duck All-American and the first pick of the 1972 primary baseball draft, is the Cleveland scout who drafted Newman. He agrees with Bubalo's assessment. "We realize that Anthony is football-oriented, but we still want him because of his athletic ability, as well as his baseball skills."

Newman isn't letting the heady experience of pro recognition go to his head. "I'm not going to play baseball. I love football too much. Baseball is a little slow for me. I like to get out there and make some contact, take my aggression out on other people. In baseball, you can't do that. You have to be relaxed and control your emotions."

Newman also cites the harsh schedule and farm system as reasons why baseball has little appeal for him. He admits that a baseball career is often longer than a football career, but "you often spend most of those years in the minor leagues: Double-A, Triple-A, always traveling, living in a Motel 6. It just wears

you down, traveling all the time. Plus, you can go from Single-A to Triple-A, and then they'll drop you back down to Double-A. You're just not stable."

Newman is perfectly happy with his football career. "This year was really fun. It was a lot different than high school, everyone's so much faster here. I enjoyed getting in the games when I did, and I can't expect to start off real fast. I'm satisfied with what I did, and I'm looking forward to next spring when



Emerald file photo
Duck cornerback Anthony Newman harasses OSU punter Jim Nielsen during the 1984 "Civil War." Newman, who expects to contend for a starting role on the '85 football squad, exhibits star qualities on the baseball diamond as well.

Dan Wilken and I will battle for the number one free safety position. He's got the experience on me, but I think I'm faster than he is."

There is also the hope of a pro football career. According to Brooks, "Anthony has some potential professionally and he understands that. He's got a lot of things to do between now and the end of four years to accomplish it."

"It's way too soon to tell now," Newman says. "But if I work hard enough and do my

homework (running and lifting weights) and then get some luck here and there, I feel I'll get drafted. I feel I can do it. You have to feel that way if you want to make it all the way to the big."

Moreover, Newman wants to get an education. "That's the main thing. I want to have a job afterwards, because I can't play football all my life. I have to have a good education to get a good job to support my family. I could be traveling forever playing baseball."

A telecommunications and film major, Newman wants to work behind the camera. "I just like to work with the people in that area."

This is not to say Newman has eliminated the option of playing baseball. "They say that you can be drafted every year. So I always have that option, if I get hurt and can't play football. I guess the scout from Toronto told my Dad that they are just going to keep drafting me, because they want me."

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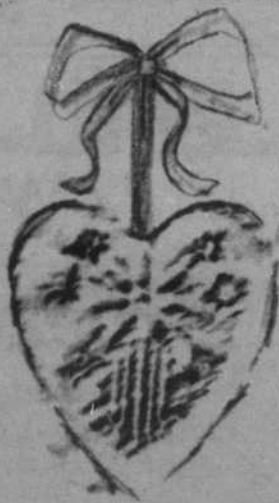
•Monday's noon-time film series scheduled for Feb. 18 at 12:30 p.m. in the Outdoor Program office, Room 23, EMU, will feature a series of **Windsurfing Videos** filmed in Hawaii and the Columbia Gorge.

•There will be a repeat presentation of Monday's noon-time film series on windsurfing Thursday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at deFrisco's in downtown Eugene's Atrium Building.

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