

Duck starters defeat reserves in practice

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It wasn't always pretty, but Oregon's starters defeated its reserves, 17-3, in the final scrimmage of spring football camp Saturday at Autzen Stadium.

"I'm not very pleased," Oregon coach Rich Brooks said. "I thought it was sloppy, it wasn't very crisp. It just didn't seem that the intensity was there, that we were doing the things we need to do to win games this fall."

Brooks was particularly displeased with the intensity of "older, more experienced" players.

The offense had six turnovers, including three interceptions by quarterback Bill Musgrave, who completed eight of 17 passes for 115 yards and one touchdown. One of Musgrave's interceptions came when he threw directly into the defense and the waiting arms of cornerback Johnny Taylor in the end zone.

"Musgrave made some uncharacteristic mistakes," Brooks said.

Another Musgrave interception came on a tipped pass that fell into the hands of defensive end Joe Bagnio. Reserve quarterback Bob Brothers also had an interception while the running game resulted in two lost fumbles.

"Defensively, we wanted to take the ball away, but a couple of those turnovers were just bad plays by the offense," Brooks said.

However, Brooks was pleased with the running combination of tailback Sean Burwell and sophomore fullback Brandon Jumper. "I feel

like we'll be able to come up with a good backfield... I'm fairly confident of that," Brooks said. "What we need to do is hopefully keep them healthy."

Burwell, a redshirt freshman, carried the ball 11 times for 62 yards. Jumper, a powerful 234-pounder, had 69 yards on 12 carries, including a 4-yard touchdown run and an 18-yard off-tackle burst for the longest run of the day.

The first score of the scrimmage came on a 14-yard Musgrave pass over the middle to a wide-open Tony Hargain.

Junior kicker Gregg McCallum, displaying the form that made him an Oregon record-breaker in field goals last season, connected on field goals of 49 and 37 yards, the first for the reserves and the second for the starters, to round out the scoring.

Brothers was involved on two of the best plays of the day, but both were nullified by penalties. One was a spectacular 28-yard scamper and the other a 28-yard pass to a streaking Ngalu Kelemeni.

Brooks feels the offensive line, one of the biggest question marks coming into spring camp, has made some progress. He was particularly impressed with the play of Jeff Allen during Saturday's scrimmage.

Two players sustained injuries Saturday. Redshirt freshman fullback Juan Shedrick, who has been impressive this spring but gained only five yards in the scrimmage, may have suffered a broken bone in his foot. Also, reserve linebacker David Massey, who was on the receiving end of one of Musgrave's interceptions, injured an ankle.

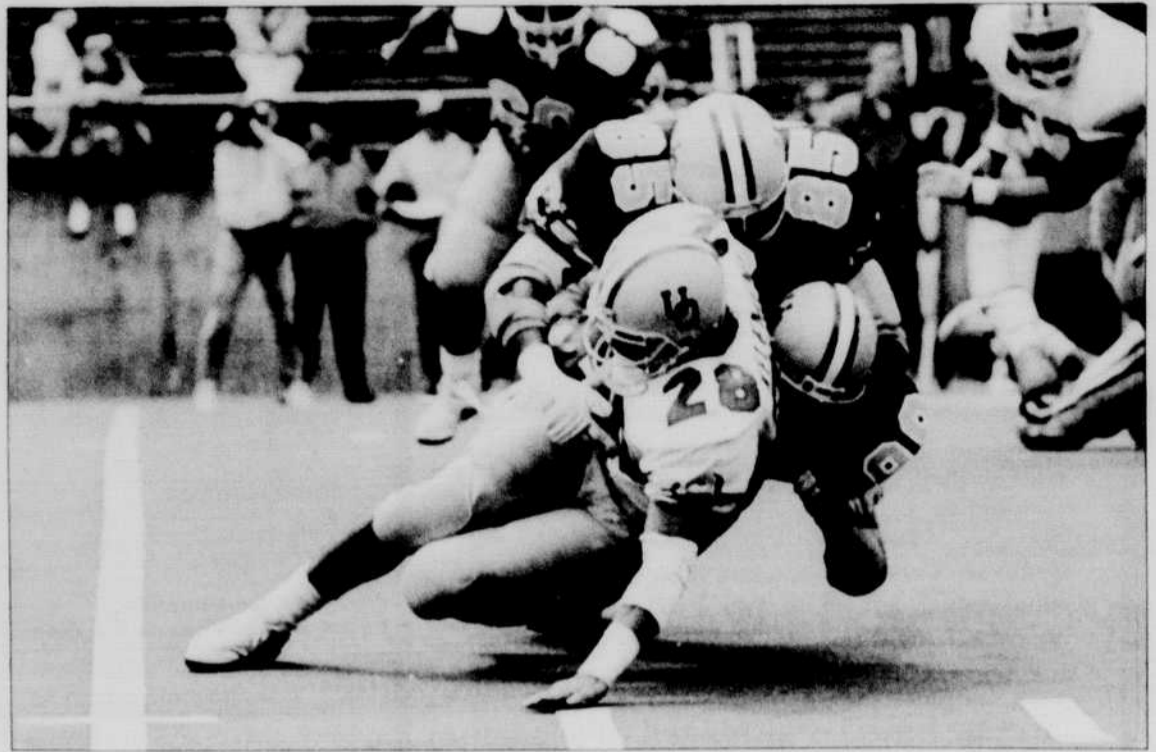


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Junior starter Peter Brantley (85) tackles sophomore reserve Ngalu Kelemeni (28) in the Oregon football team's final scrimmage Saturday. The starters beat the reserves 17-3.

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