

BREAKING 1,000

Saladin McCullough became the sixth Oregon running back to reach 1,000 yards in a season during the Ducks' loss to Arizona State last Saturday

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It was such an inconsequential moment in time. One that would not normally draw a second thought from almost anyone watching the game, nor from any of the players or coaches on the field.

It was a measly three-yard run by Oregon's Saladin McCullough against Arizona State last Saturday.



It was no better, no worse than any of McCullough's 213 other carries this season.

But when the numbers were added up and all the math was complete, it was a run that put McCullough in select company that only five other

Oregon running backs can say they belong in.

Going into last weekend's game, the senior tailback needed just 32 yards to break the 1,000-yard mark for the 1997 season, and with that short run he did just that.

It was only three yards, but it gave McCullough 1,001 for the season, making him just the sixth Oregon football player to rush for more than 1,000 yards.

He now trails just two players on Oregon's all-time single-season rushing list, Bobby Moore, now known as Ahmad Rashad, (1,211) and Derek Loville (1,202).

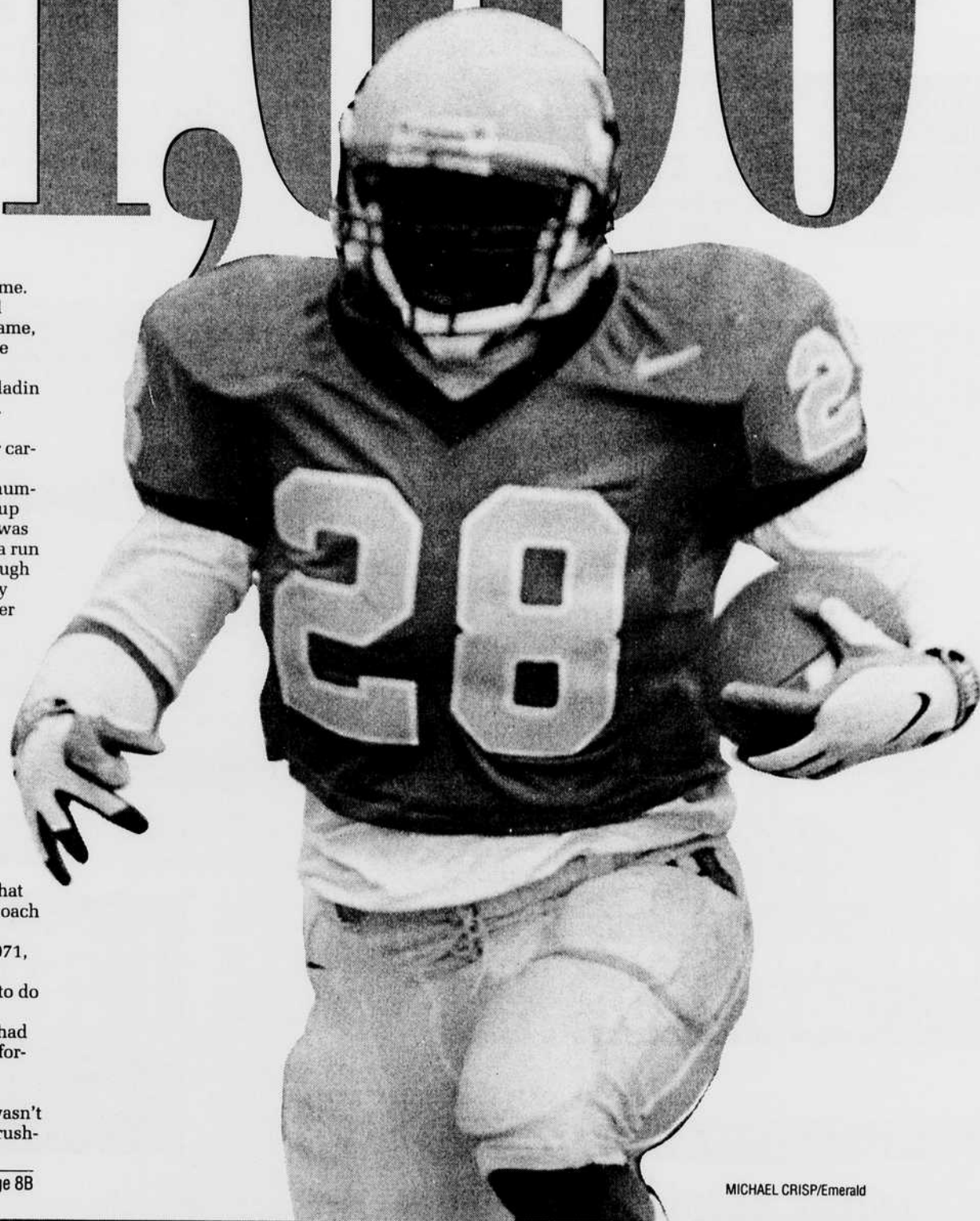
The special thing about McCullough's feat is that he accomplished it in 10 games, running backs coach Gary Campbell said.

Moore set the Oregon record in 11 games in 1971, and Loville became only other player to pass the 1,200 mark in 1988, but he needed a bowl game to do it.

Unfortunately for McCullough, his milestone had to come in a game the Ducks would just as soon forget.

It was a 52-31 defeat in a game that they never seemed to be in, and for McCullough the game wasn't so special either. He finished with just 69 yards rushing, his second-fewest total of the season.

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