

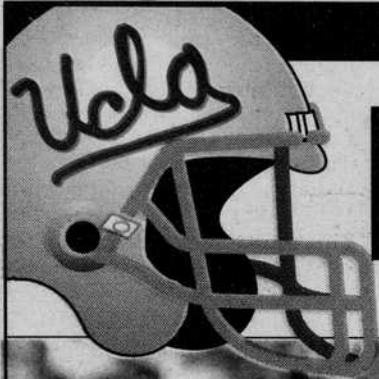


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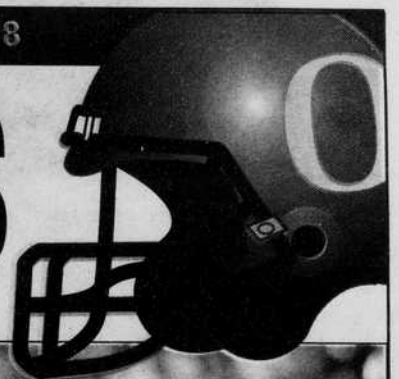
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BRING ON THE BRUINS



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The Ducks aim to hold off UCLA on Saturday in hopes of earning national respect, protecting their 16-game home winning streak and gaining a leg up on the rest of the conference in the race for the Rose Bowl.

■ Respect throughout the Pac-10 and the nation is at stake when the Ducks try to beat the visiting Bruins for the first time in four seasons

By Scott Pesznecker
Oregon Daily Emerald

Second chances often come when they're least expected. When the Oregon football team squandered the opportunity to beat a fifth-ranked Wisconsin team on the road

two weeks ago, the Ducks failed to prove they could beat one of the nation's best.

But here comes UCLA, the only Pacific-10 Conference team to best Oregon in their last four meetings, ready to do battle in Autzen Stadium at 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

And what's that the Bruins have? Yup, a No. 6 ranking.

"This gives us a chance to prove who we are and get back in the rankings," cornerback Jermaine Hanspard said. "I didn't think it would be UCLA; I thought it would be Washington."

"It's our way to establish ourselves in the Pac-10 and in the nation," wide receiver Keenan Howry said. "UCLA is coming off two big wins, and for us to get

that attention that they're getting we have to beat them. We've got to knock them off."

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