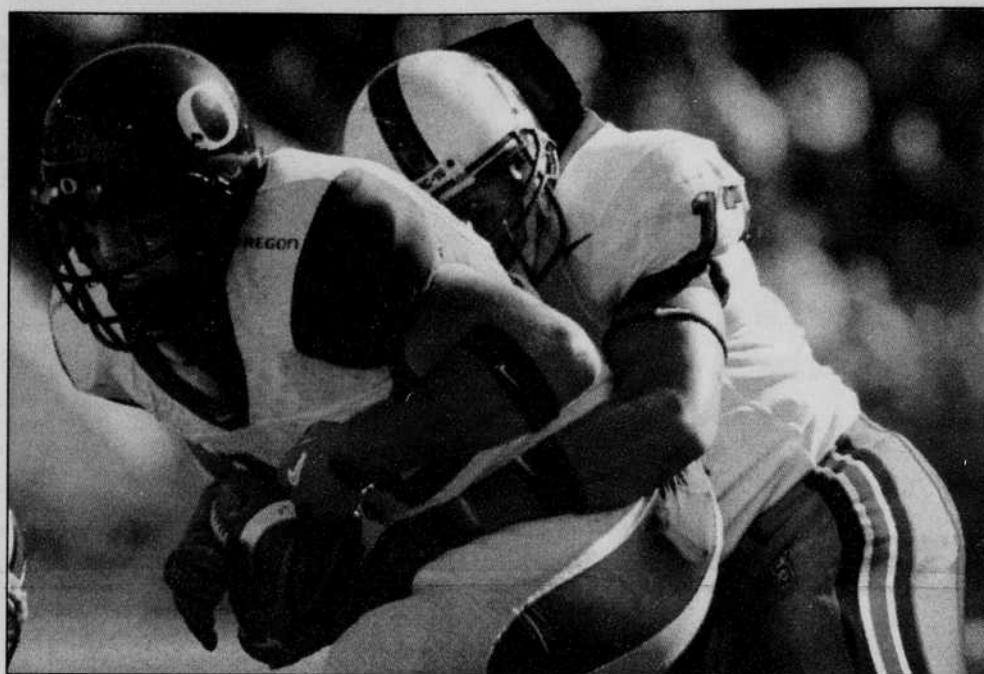


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Pac-10: Stanford seeks second win at home

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New Mexico enters the weekend after having been walloped by Arkansas 63-13.

**Oregon State (0-1) at
Boise State (1-0)**

We all know what happened to Oregon State last weekend with their heartbreaking 22-21 overtime loss to the defending national co-champions Louisiana State. The Beavers now look to bounce back and avoid starting the season 0-2 for the first time since 1996.

One of the questions surrounding the Beavers will be whether their kicker Alexis Serna can recover after missing three extra points last Saturday. Serna missed his third attempt in the overtime period to seal his team's fate.

This week does not look promising for the Beavers as they travel to Boise State, which holds the nation's longest home winning streak at 19 games and longest overall winning streak at 12. The Broncos are coming off a 65-7 win over Idaho last weekend.

History, however, is in Oregon State's favor, having won each of the team's three matches, including a 26-24 victory in Corvallis last year. Boise State is 0-9 all-time against the Pac-10.

**Washington State (1-0) vs.
Colorado (1-0)**

Both teams were originally scheduled to play Sept. 15, 2001, but the

game was canceled due to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. This weekend will make up that game and marks the sixth time that Washington State and Colorado will battle. Colorado leads the series 3-2 despite losing to the Cougars 47-26 last season in Boulder, Colo.

Last weekend, Washington State came back from a 10-point deficit to win their season opener against New Mexico 21-17. The Cougars have won their last four season opening games and are riding their best four-year span in team history, including three 10-win seasons.

**Stanford (1-0) vs.
Brigham Young (1-0)**

Stanford looks to repeat their start from last season where they defeated San Jose State and BYU to begin 2-0. Last week, the Cardinal beat San Jose State in a convincing 43-3 win.

Stanford and BYU will meet for the second time after an offensive struggle in last season's game, in which the Cardinals won 18-14. Stanford passed for just 56 yards, which set a school record. They also held the Cougars to -5 yards rushing — the fourth lowest total in Stanford's history.

Sophomore quarterback Trent Edwards who threw for 187 yards and two touchdowns last weekend, will head the offense. Edwards made his collegiate starting debut against BYU last season.

**Arizona State (1-0) at
Northwestern (0-1)**

Senior quarterback Andrew Walter leads the Arizona State offense into Evanston, Ill. after an impressive 41-9 victory over Texas-El Paso last weekend. Walter finished with 241 yards and three touchdowns in only three quarters of play. He returns for his final season as one of the top quarterbacks in the Pac-10.

The Sun Devils are 2-0 all-time against Northwestern, with this game being the first meeting between the two in over 26 years. Arizona State has won six of their last eight games against Big Ten Conference teams.

Northwestern lost to Texas Christian University 48-45 in a double overtime thriller last Thursday.

UCLA (0-1) at Illinois (1-0)

The teams will meet for the 11th time in their schools' histories with the series tied 5-5. UCLA dropped their season opener to Oklahoma State 31-20 despite totaling 443 yards of offense — the most since 2002.

Bruins running back Manuel White leads the offensive attack after a career-high 145 yards and two touchdowns in last week's loss.

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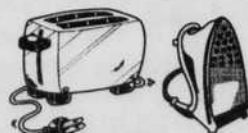
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they have to the coaches because both will fight for consistent playing time this coming season.

"Both of us are hungry and got a lot of playing time last year," Phinisee said. "I don't think either of us were satisfied with our individual performance because we know we can do a lot better."

Phinisee started nine games for the Ducks last season and ranked third in the secondary in tackles with 59. In Oregon's biggest win of the season, Phinisee picked off a pass, had a sack and added eight tackles in their victory over Michigan.

In addition to the early-morning workouts, Vincent went back home to Philadelphia to work on his footwork with NBA players Aaron McKie and Malik Rose and with the St. Joseph's University basketball team, including recent NBA first-round pick Jameer Nelson.

"We had a good time," Vincent said. "We all wanted to improve and not just sit back. You would be surprised what some people do. They just chill all summer."

Vincent's work ethic developed after seeing high school teammate Larry Fitzgerald have a great football career at the University of Pittsburgh

and sign a hefty contract in the NFL with the Arizona Cardinals.

Vincent originally went to Louisiana State University, but the program wasn't a fit for him, so he transferred to Oregon.

"When I got into college, I got comfortable because that's what you wanted to do was play college football," Vincent said. "Now that you're in college you want to play in the NFL, but sometimes it takes a while for it to dawn on you that you're at this level."

Vincent's freshman season at Oregon didn't go as well as planned, because an ankle injury slowed down the 6-foot-1, 225-pound running back. Like Phinisee, he also had a career game against Michigan. He was Oregon's leading rusher with 77 yards on 21 carries.

"It's really a sense of maturity waking up this early in the morning consistently. Some people just fall off the mat," Phinisee said. "We'll get guys here for three days then they won't show up again."

"After four hard days of working out we're thinking we got a winner and a week later they're in bed sleeping."

Phinisee and Vincent both dedicated themselves to achieving their goals and know that everybody doesn't have the same kind of attitude.

"I called my friend this morning, and he was tired and didn't want to get up, but I know that won't happen with Chris nor myself," Phinisee said. "I see the light at the end of the tunnel, and I know what needs to go down on the field next year, so I'm going to bring my behind out here for these 6:30 workouts." Unfortunately for Vincent, injuries once again hobbled him. He was unable to go out and prove himself until the second scrimmage of the year, where he led all players with 40 yards on nine carries.

"Since I didn't get to play during the first scrimmage, I wanted to make a point that I'm out here ready for the season," Vincent said.

The Philadelphia native will have to prove himself more during the season and fight for playing time with three other running backs.

The hard work has paid off for Phinisee after reclaiming the starting spot at right cornerback for the Ducks' opener Saturday. Phinisee will be looked upon as a leader of the Oregon secondary, but won't brag about it until he performs.

"I won't be the man 'til the stats say I'm the man," Phinisee said.

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