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Oregon Tech To End Home Play Saturday

The Oregon Tech Owls have been working their way through snow flakes this week as they prepare for Saturday night's invasion of the potent Humboldt State College Junior Varsity football team as the two are scheduled to clash here on Modoc Field.

This is a "replacement" game in the Techmen's nine-game slate for the '56 season. Originally the Owls were to meet Lassen, but the Cougar athletic bosses pulled out of the meeting. Humboldt's Jayvees, reportedly very much stronger than Lassen, were added to the schedule to fill out the five home games for the Owls.

Irish Coach May Switch Leading Back

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)—Coach Terry Brennan of Notre Dame faces one of his biggest football decisions today—whether or not to shift quarterback Paul Hornung to halfback and use an untested sophomore as field general against Oklahoma.

Hornung leads the Irish in rushing, scoring, passing, punting, kickoffs returned, passes broken up, playing-time and is second in number of tackles made.

The thumb on his left hand was hit while he was making a tackle in the second quarter of last Saturday's game, which was won 47-14 by Michigan State.

"The thumb was dislocated and we taped it up as soon as we could," said Brennan, whose Irish now have lost two straight and three out four starts.

"He played the second half and I knew it was hurting him. By Sunday it had swollen badly. This week I have given him a rest—he's only been passing and running a little. He hasn't been able to take the snap-back from center."

"Today I will decide definitely if he can take the ball from center well enough to play quarterback. Otherwise we'll shift him to halfback. I feel that he will have less chances of aggravating the injury in taking hand-offs than in taking snap-backs."

Oregon Tech's home season will officially bow out of the local sports scene with the Humboldt clash Saturday evening. After this game, Coach Rex Hunsaker's Owls will be on the road for the final two weeks of play.

Saturday night's special tag will be "Boy Scout Night." All members of Cub, Boy or Explorer Scouts will be admitted free upon the showing of their membership card. One guest may accompany each scout who is interested in joining the Modoc Area scouting movement. Parents are urged to attend the game with their boys. The Modoc Council will also supply the halftime entertainment.

Hunsaker announced some bad news to Tech grid followers early this week when he reported that standout guard Frank Wilson will be out of this weekend's game, and possibly be on the sidelines for the remainder of the season. Wilson suffered a leg injury in the Southern Oregon clash last Saturday afternoon and has been ordered to lay off football for an indefinite period.

Richard Pekala, all-around back for the Owls will be ready for the Humboldt JV game this weekend. Hunsaker added after looking over his injury reports. The half-back-fullback candidate was badly shaken up in the OTI-SOC fray, but is okay other than a few bumps and bruises.

A large crowd of sports fans is expected to be on hand to usher out the Tech grid season Saturday, and Harry Giesin, president of the Owl Hoots, the OTI booster's club, has urged everyone to plan on attending Saturday evening's home finale of the Owls. "Let's all turn out to thank the Owls for a great season of football," the Owl Hoot leader added.

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Arnett, USC Seniors Face Last Game Saturday

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Some four-score male students of Stanford and Southern California will conduct a little research Saturday into whether honesty is the best policy in the Pacific Coast Conference.

So far this fall, high mindedness has not fared particularly well in the won-loss records. Southern California, heavily penalized for under-the-table assistance to brawny young gentlemen, has won all of its four football games.

Stanford, which came untouchable out of the PCC crackdown on extra pay for extra-curricular athletics, has won just

three of its five jousta. The Indians lost to Michigan State and Ohio State, Big 10 schools that subscribe to the theory that more character is built by winning teams. Ohio State incidentally is under Big 10 penalty — for extra aid to football players.

Because of its pay program, Southern California's seniors were limited to five consecutive games this fall. Seven of those 12 decided to play the first five on the Trojan schedule, so they would get a crack at Stanford, which stood firm for penalizing those who violated PCC pay standards.

Among the seven Trojans is Jon Arnett, who has gained more yards rushing and scored more

points than anybody else in the league this fall.

Coach Chuck Taylor said the main job for his Indians "obviously" will be stopping Arnett and C. R. Roberts, a big fullback who runs like a runaway freight car.

Stanford and Taylor depend mainly on the passing of John Brodie, who leads the PCC in passing and total offense.

Scout George Lynn told the Indians the Trojans are "not as good as Michigan State but have to be regarded as stronger than Ohio State because of their multiple offense."

While Stanford and USC are deciding that moral issue, there will be two other PCC games Satur-

day, California at Washington and UCLA at Oregon State.

At Washington, Dick Day was moved from right tackle to left guard and Don McCumby promoted from second string into Day's old spot to beef up the line which now averages 210 pounds.

Cal's Coach Pappy Waldorf drilled his Bears on offense and pass protection and remarked the timing was not too good. Halfback John Stewart, who injured a leg against UCLA, probably won't make the trip to Seattle.

UCLA dampened its field and practiced with a wet ball in anticipation of weather trouble at Oregon State.

Coach Tommy Prothro said he

was undecided on the starting lineup for Oregon State. He has

a fine speed back in Paul Lowe and good inside man in Tom Berry and Earnel Durden as well as a big, tough line.

Washington State goes to College of the Pacific and Oregon plays at Pittsburgh.

Dick Bass returned to the COP practice and ran well with an in-

tercepted pass. The Tigers worked mainly on defense.

Washington State worked for two hours in snow and rain trying to find a way to score. The Cougars were blanked by UCLA and Oregon State.

Jack Crabtree, No. 2 Oregon quarterback, hurt his knee in scrimmage and probably won't go to Pennsylvania.

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