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**Studying Becomes a Problem**

Garrett is serious about his education and it disturbs him because it is so difficult to get in study time and play football.

"I'm in a whirlpool right now," he says. "On Saturdays and Sundays I'm pooped out. I'm in bed as much as I can be the day before a game and all day afterward. I have very little energy left."

"Monday I'm still aching. I have to go to the doctor and get my bruises treated. I get very little study time in during the day. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays we work on plays. Friday we have to travel. It's hard to bear down on your books on subjects like physiology and psychology."

"I have to write papers now. I'm having trouble catching up. How I envy those who have no problem. We had a boy on the team last year, Tom Johnson, who was an English major, a very difficult course. He got a 3.5 grade average out of a possible 4.00. How I admired him."

Garrett has to put in a certain number of hours in campus work.

"I rake leaves and trim hedges," he says. "I get started around 8. My first class is at 10. I'll usually study from 7 p.m. to midnight. Sometimes until 2 a.m. That's why I sleep whenever I can. It's rough. You can only do it four years out of your life. But it's worth it. I have no complaints."

**He's a Bundle of Nerves**

Yet, curiously, he is a bundle of nerves before a game. "Nerves?" he says. "That's my middle name. I sort of shake like a leaf. The doctor gives me pills. Nothing helps. A couple of tackles, then it leaves you."

"My trouble is I play the game in advance. I'm lying there thinking—I hope they don't hit me too hard. I hope Craig (Fertig) has a good day. I hope all goes well for the coach. I hope everyone has a big day . . ."

"You'd think none of this is fun," he says, "but it is. The pros say they wouldn't play if it was just for the money, and I believe them."

"I'm in love with the type of football we play, wide open, audacious. I'd feel exasperated playing like, say, Oklahoma. We go wide, inside, throw. We can do everything. Coach has a creative mind. It's great to play for him. He gives us leeway."

"In football, the important thing is to go for the hole."

Sometimes I won't even follow my blocking if I see an opening in another spot. I'll go for that.

"Ours is option running. All of us have the privilege of going anywhere we want if we see the chance."

**They Call Him Webster Webfoot**

Garrett is a great favorite with the team. He has a friendly, sincere personality. There's none of the big shot in him. Because he likes people they like him. They have pet names for him.

"They call me 'Duck' and 'Ten Minutes to Two', and it seems like every day they get a new one," he smiled. "Webster Webfoot is their latest name for me. They say I walk like a duck. 'Here comes Webster Webfoot!' I don't mind. I don't even listen to it half the time."

Garrett entered USC as a physical education major and then switched to sociology. "I decided I didn't want to be a teacher of phys ed," he said. "Coaching would be all right, but I think I can do more good, accomplish more, in other directions. I like to converse, exchange ideas, get to know people. I love people."

Since everyone seems so race conscious in this political year, I asked Garrett if he had ever been confronted with this problem in football.

**Lauds Oklahoma, Texas A&M Players**

"I'm glad you asked that," he answered. "I thought I would when we played Oklahoma last year. I didn't speak to anyone. Then we played them again this year, and played Texas A&M. They were downright nice. Everyone of them. Jim Grisham and Mike Pitman threw their arms around me and shook hands. It was like we had known each other for years. I guess communication is the most important thing in life. You learn something from football. You give your utmost and then hold no animosity."

"It's what I believe anyway. Be true and nice to someone and he'll be true and nice to you."

Garrett is 5-9 and weighs around 185. People tell him he is too small for pro football. "Anyway, I'm not even thinking about it now," he says.



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