

WEEK EIGHT  
OREGON at WASHINGTON

**Herbert rallies No. 12 Oregon past No. 25 Washington 35-31**

SEATTLE -- For all he's accomplished in his Oregon career, Justin Herbert had never faced the challenge of rallying from this much of a deficit, on the road and against the Ducks' most hated rival.

Doing so would all but lock up the Pac-12 North, keep Oregon on the very fringes of the College Football Playoff conversation and put a nail in Washington's hopes of repeating as conference champs. "I don't even think we did that in high school. It was a lot of fun today and glad we got the win," Herbert said.

Herbert capped Oregon's rally from a 14-point second-half deficit with a 5-yard TD pass to Jaylon Redd with 5:10 left, and No. 12 Oregon rallied to beat No. 25 Washington 35-31 on Saturday. What was expected to be a defensive showdown turned into an offensive shootout with both Herbert and Washington quarterback Jacob Eason taking the spotlight. Eason was great. Herbert was better.

Down 28-14 after Puca Nacua caught a 33-yard TD pass from Eason on the opening drive of the second half, Oregon's touted defense finally showed up and gave Herbert a chance to rally the Ducks. The Ducks pulled within 31-28 on the final play of the third quarter when a well-designed screen pass on fourth-down found Mycah Pittman, and the freshman raced untouched 36 yards for the score.

The Ducks' defense forced consecutive three-and-outs, and Oregon marched its way to the go-ahead score. Between Travis Dye and Cyrus Habibi-Likio, the Ducks went 70 yards in 3 1/2 minutes, and Herbert found Redd in the flat for the final 5 yards and the lead. It was the last of Herbert's four TD tosses.

"We talk about the harder it gets the better we play and that showed up in the second half," Oregon coach Mario Cristobal said.

Herbert finished 24 of 38 for 280 yards. He threw TDs of 12 yards to Spencer Webb and 16 yards to Redd in the first half.

The victory gave Oregon (6-1, 4-0 Pac-12) complete control in the North Division. Four of the five other teams already have three conference losses, with Oregon State at 2-2 the closest to the Ducks. Washington (5-3, 2-3) reached the Oregon 38 with 2 1/2 minutes left, but Eason was sacked on second and 6 by Popo Aumavae and lost 12 yards. It was the first sack of the game by either team.

The Huskies faced third and 23 after a false start but got 20 yards back on a pass to Marcus Spiker. On fourth and 3, Eason's pass for Nacua was high and the Ducks celebrated a second straight win over their rivals. Washington argued there should have been pass interference on the throw to Nacua. "What did it look like to you guys? You guys got a better vantage than me. I think we know," Washington coach Chris Petersen said. Whether it was interference or not, Washington helped give away the game with its stagnant fourth-quarter on offense. After exposing Oregon's defense in ways it hadn't during its five-game win streak since dropping its season opener to Auburn, the Huskies had just 52 yards of offense and two first downs in the fourth quarter.

"It's pretty frustrating given the fact we were playing pretty well on offense," Washington center Nick Harris said. Eason was 23 of 30 for 289 yards and three touchdowns. He was nearly perfect for a stretch of the second and third quarters when he threw TD passes 48 yards to Jordan Chin, 5 yards to Andre Baccellia and his strike to Nacua through a tiny passing window. But the Ducks made the plays it needed to in the fourth quarter to get Washington off the field and the ball back in Herbert's hands. "Our defense ended up playing well at the end. I don't think our defense played poorly," Cristobal said.

**GROUND GAME**

Habibi-Likio had 81 yards rushing and a 14-yard touchdown. Oregon finished with 154 yards rushing, with 108 coming in the second half. Salvon Ahmed rushed for 140 yards and a score for Washington. The Huskies tried direct snaps to running backs on three third-and-short situations, and all came up short.

**INJURIES**

Washington was without second-leading rusher Sean McGrew for "health reasons," according to the school. McGrew rushed for 106 yards in the win over Arizona and had 110 yards earlier this season against BYU. Washington was already without Richard Newton (foot).

Washington also played the majority of the game without leading receiver Aaron Fuller, who was in briefly in the first quarter and never returned. Petersen said Fuller was banged up. Washington WR Chico McClatcher, who has suffered several leg injuries in his career, limped off the field after being tackled awkwardly on a screen pass in the third quarter.

Oregon cornerback Deommodore Lenoir was injured midway through the second quarter and went immediately to the locker room.

**THE TAKEAWAY**

Oregon: The Ducks' defense that allowed four touchdowns all season gave up three in the first half to Washington. Oregon had allowed one touchdown in its previous 63 opponent drives entering the game, but Washington scored TDs on consecutive first-half possessions. The Huskies' 414 total yards were the most allowed this season.

Washington: The Huskies averaged 6.5 yards per play but were just 3 of 13 on third downs.

<b>Final</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>T</b>
ORE	7	7	14	7	35
WASH	7	14	10	0	31

**Scoring Summary -----**

	ORE	WASH
<b>FIRST QUARTER</b>		
ORE TD 9:44 Spencer Webb 12 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick)	7	0
12 plays, 89 yards, 5:16		
WASH TD 0:20 Salvon Ahmed 9 Yd Run (Peyton Henry Kick)		7
13 plays, 52 yards, 5:44		
<b>SECOND QUARTER</b>		
WASH TD 12:48 Jordan Chin 48 Yd pass from Jacob Eason (Peyton Henry Kick)	7	14
4 plays, 73 yards, 1:51		
ORE TD 2:59 Jaylon Redd 16 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick)	14	14
8 plays, 69 yards, 2:58		
WASH TD 0:58 Andre Baccellia 5 Yd pass from Jacob Eason (Peyton Henry Kick)	14	21
8 plays, 75 yards, 2:01		
<b>THIRD QUARTER</b>		
WASH TD 13:16 Puka Nacua 33 Yd pass from Jacob Eason (Peyton Henry Kick)	14	28
4 plays, 74 yards, 1:44		
ORE TD 8:36 Cyrus Habibi-Likio 14 Yd Run (Camden Lewis Kick)	21	28
10 plays, 79 yards, 4:40		
WASH FG 3:39 Peyton Henry 30 Yd Field Goal	21	31
10 plays, 53 yards, 4:57		
ORE TD 0:00 Mycah Pittman 36 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick)	28	31
10 plays, 75 yards, 3:39		
<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b>		
ORE TD 5:10 Jaylon Redd 5 Yd pass from Justin Herbert (Camden Lewis Kick)	35	31
8 plays, 70 yards, 3:26		

<b>Team Stats</b>	ORE	WASH
First Downs	26	20
Passes for First	16	11
Rushes for First	9	8
Penalties for First	1	1
Third Down Efficiency	5-13	3-13
Fourth Down Efficiency	2-2	2-3
Total Yards	434	414
Total Plays	77	64
Avg Gain Per Play	5.6	6.5
Net Yards Rushing	154	125
Rushes	38	34
Yards Per Rush	4.1	3.7
Net Yards Passing	280	289
Comp-Att	24-39	23-30
Yards Per Pass	7.2	9.6
Times Sacked	0	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-12
Interceptions	0	0
Punts	5	5
Punt Average	41.0	42.4
Penalties	3	7
Penalty Yards	30	62
Fumbles	1	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Time of Poss	29:01	30:59

**Individual Stats**

<b>RUSHING</b>							
OREGON	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Cyrus Habibi-Likio	14	81	5.8	1	15		
Travis Dye	8	51	6.4	0	21		
CJ Verdell	11	48	4.4	0	13		
Jaylon Redd	1	4	4.0	0	4		
Justin Herbert	0	4	0.0	0	0		
Team	4	-34	-8.5	0	0		
WASHINGTON	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Salvon Ahmed	24	140	5.8	1	20		
Kamari Pleasant	6	8	1.3	0	7		
Cameron Davis	1	7	7.0	0	7		
Jacob Eason	2	-11	-5.5	0	1		
Team	1	-19	-19.0	0	0		
<b>PASSING</b>							
OREGON	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Justin Herbert	24	38	280	7.4	4	0	80.7
WASHINGTON	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Jacob Eason	23	30	289	9.6	3	0	77.1
<b>RECEIVING</b>							
OREGON	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Johnny Johnson III	5	90	18.0	0	29		
Mycah Pittman	2	48	24.0	1	36		
Jaylon Redd	5	36	7.2	2	16		
Spencer Webb	2	31	15.5	1	19		
Brenden Schooler	1	23	23.0	0	23		
Bryan Addison	2	16	8.0	0	13		
Cyrus Habibi-Likio	3	15	5.0	0	9		
CJ Verdell	2	12	6.0	0	7		
Travis Dye	2	9	4.5	0	7		
WASHINGTON	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG		
Hunter Bryant	3	65	21.7	0	27		
Cade Otton	3	53	17.7	0	22		
Jordan Chin	1	48	48.0	1	48		
Puka Nacua	3	43	14.3	1	33		
Terrell Bynum	6	43	7.2	0	13		
Marquis Spiker	1	20	20.0	0	20		
Chico McClatcher	1	8	8.0	0	8		
Andre Baccellia	1	5	5.0	1	5		
Salvon Ahmed	4	4	1.0	0	4		