

Duck-Idaho Opener Today

Krause to Take Mound Against Traveling Vandals As Kirschmen Face First Northern Division Test

Today's the day when Don Kirsch's hopeful Oregon Ducks roll out the carpet to both the Idaho Vandals and the opening of the 1949 Northern Division baseball chase. And just how well they fare against the visitors from Moscow may serve as a pretty good yardstick on where they'll stand when the things come to a halt a little over a month from now.

The fireworks get under way at 3 o'clock on Howe Field.

Awaits Bell



SET FOR VANDALS—That's Coach Don Kirsch of the Ducks, who will direct his boys when they take on Idaho here today in the Northern Division opener.

WSC's Friel Levels Blast At Accusers

SPOKANE, April 12—(AP)—Coach Jack Friel of Washington State College today challenged rumor-mongers he said were accusing him of Communist affiliation to bring their charges out into the open.

The veteran basketball coach told the Cougar quarterback club here that he had asked publicly "to clear up once and for all criticism of my politics."

"I NEVER at any time have been a member of nor a contributor to the Communist party," he said, "and I have no intention of ever doing so."

Dean Charles E. McAllister, president of the WSC Board of Regents, said Friel's public statement will undoubtedly help to justify the attitude of the administration of the college in the "face of rumors affecting Mr. Friel."

FRIEL said he supported Henry Wallace for president in 1948 because of his study of history and political science had convinced him that the issue of peace was the primary issue in the campaign.

"If you believe these things, you have two courses," he said. "You can lose your guts and keep your mouth shut or you can speak out your convictions."

"I have nothing to hide and I want to evade nothing. I don't propose, on the other hand, to have others tell me what I shall think or do in these matters."

For the Webfoots, who just cleaned up in seven out of 11 pre-season exhibition tilts, it will be Mel Krause, a 21-year-old orthodox sophomore, on the hill, and Gene Rose, who played frosh ball at Idaho, behind the plate.

KRAUSE EARNED the assignment after flashing some high quality twirling in the exhibitions, and Rose came in for the catching choice off of his fine performance last Saturday against Salem.

Just whom Coach Chuck Finley of the Vandals intends to start is not known, but he's bringing a six-man mound corps down here with him, including Ossie Kanikkeberg, Don Fodrea, Bob Linck, Chuck Triggs, Arnold Beebe and Chuck Dailey.

As things shape up at the present, the Ducks will measure up as favorites to sweep the 2-game series (second game tomorrow, same place, same time) against a ball club that won only two out of 12 ND contests last year, in finishing in the cellar.

BESIDES Krause and Rose, the remainder of the Webfoot lineup is pretty much set. The veteran Dick Bartle will go at first, Walt Kirsch at second, Captain Al Cohen at short and Don Kimball at third.

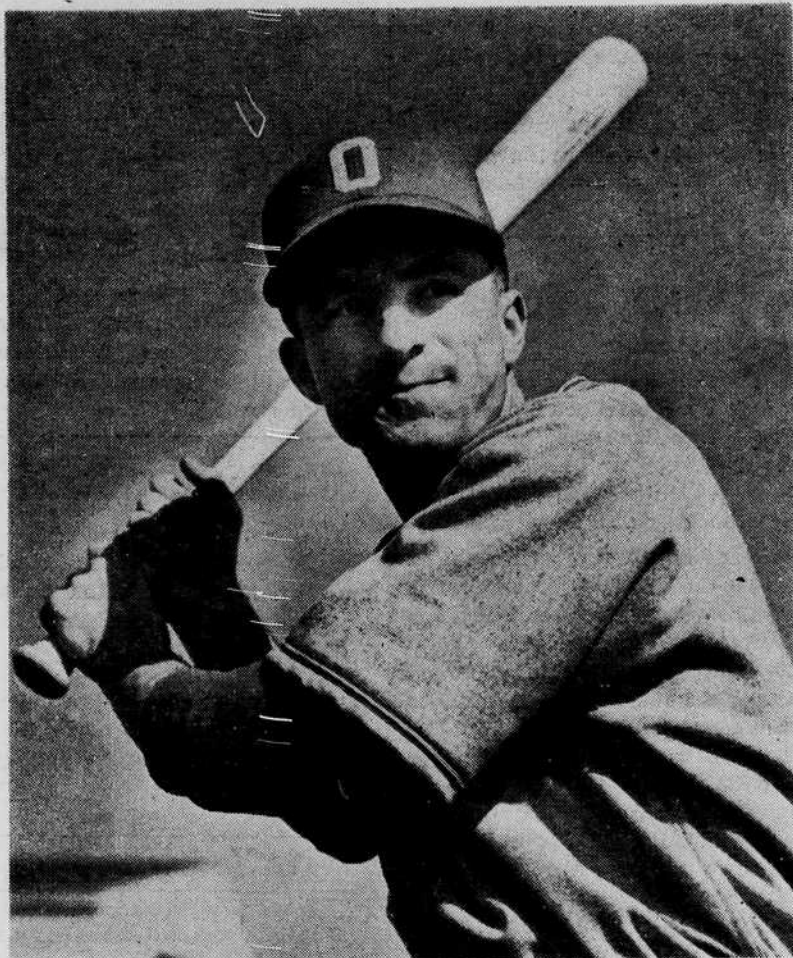
Cohen, incidentally, is pacing the Ducks with a .442 average in those 11 previous games.

This revelation comes as somewhat of a surprise since, although he's something of a timely hitter, Cohen never has been known as a big stick man in the percentages. Bartle tops the RBI field with 19.

IN THE OUTFIELD for Oregon it will be Johnny Kovenz in left, Hal Zurcher in center and either Pat Wohlers or Don Dibble in right, depending on the starting Vandal hurler.

Idaho will field an all-sophomore infield composed of Bob Pritchett at first, Bob Mays at second, Nick Stallworth at short and Rod Grider at third.

Dexter Linck, the highly-hog-called cager, Harley Williams and Hal Hunter will go in the outfield, and Max Cleaves will do the receiving



WAR CLUB IN HAND—With two big years on the varsity behind him, Centerfielder Hal Zurcher of the Ducks will be gunning for his share of the safeties when he goes in against the visitors this afternoon. He hit .200 in exhibitions.

Oregon Grids Continue Long, Heavy Workouts

Oregon Varsity gridmen went into their second week of spring drills flailing away in lengthy scrimmage sessions as usual.

THE BOYS held a long leather-laying sortee yesterday, the squad being split into two groups.

Particularly impressive from his halfback position was Woodley Lewis, the colored speedster.

He ripped through for repeated gains after taking handoffs from Earl Stelle and Jim Calderwood, the two top quarterback candidates.

ON THE receiving end of a great many passes was Darrell Robinson, the hefty 185-lb. end who has shown to advantage ever since practice started.

Easy Triumphs In Intramural Softball Play

4 o'clock

South Field—French Hall vs. Phi Sigma Kappa
Upper Field—Sigma Nu vs. Delta Upsilon (practice).

An old-timer by the name of Dr. James (Itchy) Popp pitched the SAE ball club to a 17-0 victory over Sederstrom hall yesterday afternoon in the most lop-sided of the six-game Intramural softball slate. And most of the games were lop-sided.

In other tilts, Phi Kappa Psi lost to McChesney 6-5, Pi Kappa Alpha downed Campbell 7-1, Delta Tau Delta topped Sigma hall 7-0, Theta Chi won likewise, 7-0, over Sherry Ross, and Phi Kappa Sigma clubbed the Yeomen 13-3.

POPP, with his famous "nude" ball, allowed only two hits in hand-cuffing the hallmen. Brewer was the loser.

Wirtges of the Phi Kappa Psi nine held McChesney to no runs until the fifth frame when errors upset him and he and his mates went down to a heart-breaking one-run defeat. McChesney, with Fox on the hill, took advantage of their foes' misses and went on to win.

The Pi Kapps came through with a 7-1 decision as Pyatt tripled in the second with bases loaded to provide the biggest noise. Klobas came through with the fine one-run effort.

ED SANFORD of the DTD's permitted only one hit and he fashioned a shut out victory over Sigma

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