

Webfoots Scrimmage, Work on Ground Play

Several tons of gridiron-wise beef went through two hours of vicious scrimmage Monday afternoon at the Varsity practice field, as Coach Jim Aiken launched the task of preparing Oregon, both mentally and physically, for Saturday's Pacific Coast Conference tussle against Washington State.

Although there was a generous sprinkling of passes, Aiken and Jerry Lillie drummed their troops on ground offense. The defensive squad, clad in Cougar-red jerseys bore the brunt of the punishment as the offensive squad ripped through their razzle-dazzle T-formation attack.

Twenty minutes of calisthenics started off the grueling drill schedule as Coach Aiken oiled his Green machine for the unpredictable Cougars. This afternoon's practice session will feature the final scrimmage of the week. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday are reserved for light drills and plays.

Aiken plans to leave for Pullman Friday, via the airlines, arriving at the Cougar stronghold in time for limbering up drills that afternoon.

Once under way, the ground attack sparkled, with the offensive line splitting the "Cougar" forward wall time and time again as Woodley Lewis, George Bell, Bob Sanders, Jack Gibilisco, and company took turns parading through the gaping holes.

The iron pocket received plenty of attention from the meticulous Aiken who held the aerial offense to a minimum.

While the Webfoots reported no serious injury as a result of Friday night's UCLA game, Coach Phil Sarboe of Washington State does not expect to use Tackle Landy James Saturday. James came up with a sprained foot after the Southern California game, which the Cougars dropped, 35 to 7.

However, Halfback Don Paul, Cougar mainstay, will be ready for action against Oregon despite rib injuries and bruises suffered in the Trojan encounter.

Paul scored the only WSC touchdown against the Webfoots a year ago when he blazed some 65 yards off the Cougar T-formation attack. Oregon won the game, a homecoming attraction, by a score of 33 to 7.

Frosh Ready For Portland Yearlings

With a team that is three deep in all positions, Bill Bowerman's Frosh grid squad tangles with the yearling eleven from the University of Portland, Saturday at 2 p.m. on the turf of Hayward Field in the initial tilt of a five-game schedule.

A line weighing on the average of 186 lbs. and twenty-three backfield candidates provide the Ducklings with plenty of power for their clash against the Pilot Freshmen. Bowerman hasn't assigned starting positions yet, but those who will possibly get the nod for end berths are Jack Lust of Klamath Falls, Monte Brethauer, Emery Barnes, and Phil Cosgrove, Portland, and a Boys Town, Nebraska lad, Jake Williams. Tackle slots are apt to be filled by Don Bottemiller, Albany; Emil Brandaw, Hillsboro, and two Portland linemen, Bill Lees and Jerry Shaw.

STATERS BATTLE

Out-of-staters are neck-and-neck with natives for the guard spots. Californians Ron Brown and John Laird along with Clark Engelmeier from Springfield, Ohio are battling with Oregonians Fitz Brewer, Medford, Tug Franks, Gresham, and John Schneider from Newport. Bob Rudolph, Portland and Bill Mills of Medford are striving for the center position.

Shrine all-star Don Sloan from Portland is fighting for right halfback slot with Jack Cook, Dallas, and Delmar Clemens of Burns. Top contenders for left halfback honors are Phil Turner, The Dalles and Jerry Mock of San Diego.

Yankees Favored In World Series

NEW YORK, Oct. 3 — (UP) — Those mountain-climbing New York Yankees who got to tap without asking the odds, were installed today as stout favorites to go with their stout hearts against the Brooklyn Dodgers in the 1949 World Series which begins Wednesday in Yankee Stadium.

Except for what the Yankees managed to do despite more than 70 lost time accidents and ailments, plus being a ball club that any paper didn't figure to win, it looked like the odds were a little out of line.

But the bookies who were quoting them in some quarters at as high as 2 to 1, weren't looking at a paper lineup. They were going along with a team that won all season when it wasn't supposed to and which grimly adopted "another injury, another victory" as its rallying cry.

The happy Yanks, some of whom looked a little bleary-eyed from last night's into-the-small-hours victory celebration, worked out for a couple of hours this afternoon and Manager Casey Stengel said it was a notable drill "because nobody got hurt."

After posing for the official team picture they went briskly into their field drill and it was most heartening that their big fellow, Joe DiMaggio, seemed to be in better shape than at any time since he was stricken with virus pneumonia two weeks before the season ended.

Although Stengel said he would not announce his lineup until tomorrow, it was figured pretty definite that he would start a left hander, heady Eddie Copat, who won 15 games, a lot of them blue chip jobs this season in the series opener.

At the same time Dodger Boss Burt Shotton was expected to start his stopper hurler, Lefty Preacher Roe, who also won 15 games and who most of the season was the man who won the games Brooklyn just had to have.

The lefty duel, which could be a honey, figured to have a stadium setting rather than in Ebbets Field, because southpaw pitchers will force both managers to pack their lineups with righthanded batters. Yankee Stadium is a left handed hitters' paradise with its 296-foot foul line and with its low barriers that permit home runs on soft flies or wind blown balls.

The Dodgers will get their first look at the Stadium since the spring exhibition series with the Yankees at 10 a.m. tomorrow at which time Shotton definitely will decide on his starter.

One thing that worried the Brooks and could hurt them badly was the possible loss or at least reduced efficiency of their best hitter in the final month, Right Fielder Carl Furillo. Furillo has been suffering from a pulled groin muscle and instead of joining his team mates in celebrating that attended their clinching of the pennant in Philadelphia yesterday, he went home to Reading, Pennsylvania, for medical treatment.

Sacramento Manager Tenatively Quits

SACRAMENTO, Cal., October 3 (UP)—Del Baker, manager of the third place Pacific Coast League Sacramento Solons, quit today, but it may not be permanent.

Baker said he had resigned in order to "clarify the situation" following the firing last week of Solon General Manager Victor (Cookie) Devincenzi. Baker was secured as manager of the club last winter through the efforts of Devincenzi. His contract still had one year to run.

The former Detroit Tiger manager said, however, he would "gladly entertain any future proposition" from the owners of the Sacramento club.

George Klumpp and Ed Sparks, principal Sacramento stockholders, said they would do everything they could to get Baker back next year.

Leahy Hits Officiating At Irish-Husky Tussle

SOUTH BEND, Indiana, Oct. 3 — (UP)—Coach Frank Leahy of Notre Dame charged today that not only were the officials who worked the Irish game against Washington Saturday "incompetent, but also they seemed prejudiced against our team."

Leahy, who previously had been quoted that he wouldn't want any one of the officials involved to handle another Notre Dame game, said that he would accept Umpire Bill Corbus of Stanford.

"But the other three," he said, "I wouldn't want any part of them."

The other officials at the game were Referee Thomas D. Wilson, College of Pacific, Field Judge E. T. Starbuck, Chicago, and Linesman W. H. Frazier, Gonzaga.

"I'm sorry the whole situation has arisen," he said. "It's been unpleasant to all concerned."

Leahy said he felt obliged to speak in defense of his players.

"If any team is penalized 135 yards, as we were," he said, "All the people in the stadium will think it was an illegal, unethical and dirty team."

"We didn't play any different than we ever played, but if I didn't speak up the people who saw the game would think we were dirty."

"Our captain kept trying to find out what the trouble was," he said. "We wanted to play it their way, but they wouldn't tell him what was wrong."

Leahy said charges that the officials saw the movies of last year's Washington game, played at South Bend, on Saturday morning had been confirmed by one of the officials to a South Bend writer in a telephone conversation today.

"It's slightly irregular," he said. "I never heard of it before. If you take the officials into a room and show them a moving picture and point things out, it's bound to influence their judgment."

"Anybody that wants to point out faults can find a lot of little things to show officials. I think the

moving picture affected the officials' judgment a lot."

Leahy said it was the first time his team had had any difficulties with officiating on the West Coast, although his club plays Southern California each year and plays on the Coast in alternate years.

"Why, last year in the Southern California game," he said, "and we didn't win that one, I thought the officials did a wonderful job. Referee Jim Cain was fine and so was Bill Corbus. The officials out that way have always been fine."

Officials for the Washington game, as for past Southern California games, were assigned by the Pacific Coast Conference.

"I regret it all very much," Leahy said. "I've never made any public complaints about officiating before, but I felt I had to speak out on this one to protect the reputation of Notre Dame."

Hollingberry Denies

YAKIMA, Wash., October 3 — (UP) — The four officials who handled the Notre Dame-University of Washington football game at Seattle Saturday were "extremely competent" and "if anything, lenient toward Notre Dame," Orin "Babe" Hollingberry, one of college football's all-time great coaches, said tonight.

"Coach Frank Leahy should consider himself fortunate that his team was not called four or five times for unnecessary roughness in addition to the eight major penalties that certainly were called right," Hollingberry said.

The former head coach of Washington State College, who witnessed the game from the press box, said he was "amazed" that Leahy charged the officials with incompetence and prejudice.

"All four officials were extremely competent," Hollingberry said. "It takes courage to call penalties as you see them and I am positive that they did. Most of those penalties were for fundamental infractions of the rules."

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