

Ducks Tighten Up Defense

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Yanks, Brooks Set For Series Starter Today; DiMag OK

NEW YORK—(UP) — Certain that the unforgettable pennant races will produce the same kind of a memorable World Series, the big town took down its sophisticated hair-do tonight and prepared to watch the Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Yankees slug it out in the opening game today.

The Yankees were favored at 7 to 5 to get off to a flying start tomorrow behind their big right hander, Allie Reynolds, a sulky Creek Indian from Bethany, Okla., who made Joe Page famous as a relief hurler.

As usual, Curt Burt Shotton, the Dodger manager, refused to reveal who would be his starting pitcher, but figured to be the brainy veteran of his staff, 30-year-old Preacher Roe. Shotton made it a policy in the 1947 World Series against the Yankees not to name his pitcher until just before game time "Because it might make him nervous," but pure logic was behind the choice of Roe.

Roe, a skinny fellow who needs plenty of rest, also is the most dependable man on his staff with 15 wins and 6 losses. And if he is to work more than one game in the series, he would almost have to start the opener.

There was a possibility that the first game might have to be postponed because the forecast was for cloudy weather with some rain. However, the forecaster said he could not predict, either whether the rain would be heavy enough to cause postponement or whether it would even rain at all during the game, which is scheduled to start at 1 p.m. EST.

An assured sellout of 70,000 persons was expected for the opener in mammoth Yankee Stadium — rain or shine — and Baseball Commis-

sioner A. B. Chandler, volunteered an optimistic note about the weather.

"I hear showers are forecast," he said, knocking on wood. "But in 27 World Series games since I have been commissioner, we have never had a postponement. I hope our luck holds out."

Chandler has been commissioner since 1945, but it has been more than 10 years since a World Series game was rained out.

In addition to the betting partiality for the Yankees in the opening game, they remained stout favorites to win the series.

The most frequently quoted odds favored them at 8 to 5, levelling off slightly from yesterday when in some quarters they were up to 2 to 1.

The Dodgers announced that Star Right Fielder Carl Furillo would be in their starting lineup, but the guy who has the best throwing arm in baseball and who batted .424 over the last six weeks of the race, wasn't so sure. He is suffering from a groin injury and he said "boy I don't feel so good," after the Dodgers worked out today in Yankee Stadium for two hours.

"Today, I just can't stride, I can't bend—in fact I just can't play this way," he said.

Trainer Harold Wendler said he realized Furillo was not in good shape but perhaps he could relieve the pain by taping up his injury so that he would be able to start. However, Furillo isn't likely to be in peak form and that means the biggest bat in the Dodge lineup of late becomes a liability.

The Yankees also worked out and were in high spirits as their big man, Joltin' Joe DiMaggio, appeared to have recovered his health completely. lacom-

Sanders Third In Rushing

LOS ANGELES — (UP) — Bob Gambold, Washington State's able quarterback, led the Pacific Coast Conference in total offense, football statistics showed tonight.

The Cougar player had a total of 423 yards gained. He was followed by Ken Carpenter of Oregon State with 385 yards, Ernie Johnson of UCLA with 380 and Bob Celeri of California with 328 yards.

The bulk of Gambold's yardage was on passing with only 10 yards from rushing. Carpenter, however, made 217 yards from rushing and Johnson 194.

Tommy Kingsford of Montana completed nine passes last week to maintain his position as the leading passer in the conference with a record of 24 completions. Washington's Don O'Leary followed with 18 completions while Gambold was

third with 17 and Earl Stelle of Oregon was fourth with 15.

In rushing California's Charley Sarver gained 229 yards for an average of 8.8 yards in 26 times he carried the ball. John Brogan of Idaho was second with 227 yards and Bob Sanders of Oregon was tied with Carpenter of Oregon State with 217 yards.

Sarver also led in scoring with 36 points, followed by Sanders and Cliff Schroeder of UCLA with 30 points each.

Stanford's Bill McColl led in pass receiving with ten catches, followed by Bob Wilkinson of UCLA and Fritz Apking of Washington each with nine catches.

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Scribes Say Irish Play OK

CHICAGO — (UP) — Chicago football writers viewed a movie of the Notre Dame — Washington game today and a dozen of them agreed that the Irish, despite their usual brutal blocking, were no more guilty of illegal play than any other midwest team on an average weekend.

The film was shown and explained by Athletic Director Ed "Moose" Krause of Notre Dame.

"We use a shoulder block that is used by every team in the country with the elbow extended," Krause said. "Frank teaches the boys to hold their shirts on this block, and we were accused of holding."

Coach Frank Leahy of Notre Dame had complained about the officiating after the Irish were penalized 11 times, most of them for major offenses, for a total of 135 yards. Washington was penalized four times for 20 yards.

"The field judge called the first holding penalty when he was 35 yards away," Krause said. "Then the umpire called a holding penalty and next the linesman."

In the first quarter Notre Dame was penalized three times for holding and once for clipping. The film showed that on the clipping infraction, the Notre Dame blocker hit the Washington player above the waist, but rolled into his opponent's knees.

But the holding penalties, the film showed, were called on shoulder blocks and no holding was apparent in the move, the writers agreed.

Krause also explained that Leahy taught Notre Dame line backers to hit and slow the opposing ends near the line on possible pass plays. He said that in the second half captain and end Leon Hart of Notre Dame twice was hit and slowed by a Washington line backer and although Hart got away, he was called for holding.

Krause said the relations between the players of both teams were very friendly throughout and after the game.

"There's no reason I know of why future Washington-Notre Dame games couldn't be played," he said. "We have no reason to stop playing them."

An unidentified regent of Washington had announced earlier that Washington would not play the Irish again because of their "dirty" tactics.

Officials of the game admitted they had seen movies of the 1948 Notre Dame-Washington contest before Saturday's clash.

The film of this year's game showed that the umpire twice was nearly trampled by players because he was playing so close to the line. On some plays he was on a line with the backers-up and rarely was he more than five yards behind the line of scrimmage. Usually an umpire remains in the defensive secondary.

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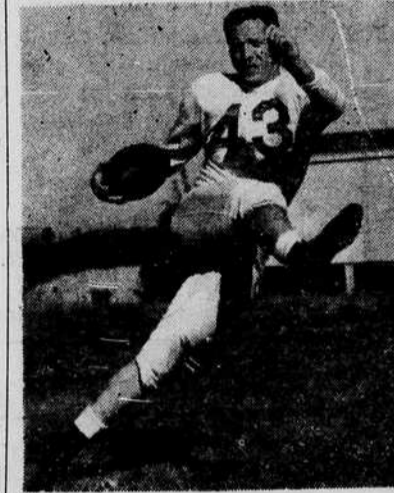
Listening to the World's Series today on local radio station KORE starting at 9:45 a.m. (PST).

Missfeldt To Starting Lineup Against WSC; McKay Captain

Jim Aiken finished off the pads for this week with a rugged two hour scrimmage Tuesday at the varsity practice lot.

The defensive line has shaped up remarkably well, and Aiken was pleased at their showing against the hard-running Oregon backs.

A new face has been added to the starting defensive lineup, with 200-pound Chuck Missfeldt named to take over the left end the game is at Pullman is being heavily reckoned with.



Aiken announced that Johnny McKay would be the game captain for the WSC tilt, with Earl Stelle carrying the brunt of the signal-calling chores. McKay's choice as game captain serves as sort of a pat on the back for the kind of football he played against the UCLA Bruins last Friday.

The Webfoots were chagrined after their loss to UCLA, but have built up a "hard work" attitude for Washington State, according to Aiken. This plus the improved performance of the defensive line were mainly responsible for Aiken's lone comment on the Cougar encounter — "we'll give 'em a rough game."

As usual, the Ducks came through the UCLA scrap, and two days of bone-crushing scrimmage without an injury, and appear to be in top shape for WSC.

Meanwhile, Coach Phil Sarboe drilled his Washington State Cougars on both offense and defense, and worked on fundamentals on a rain-soaked turf Tuesday.

Backfield ace Don Paul will be ready for action Saturday, it was announced, after he suffered rib injuries and bruises against Southern California last weekend.

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