

Viks rip 5 Oregon pitchers

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After Portland State thrashed Oregon 13-5 in a non-league game at Howe Field Tuesday, the main things Duck Coach Mel Krause would probably have on his mind would be the Vikings 21 hits off five pitchers, Oregon's three errors and their nine men left on base.

But Krause saw other problems that he thought were more important.

"The thing I'm most concerned about was that we had no life, no enthusiasm," said Krause. "It was a dead atmosphere. Even though you're six runs down, you can still give 100 per cent."

After taking five of six conference games from Washington this weekend, the Ducks didn't exactly blow Portland State off the field. The first three pitches Duck starter Jerry Cunningham threw resulted in a single by Mike Lulich, a double by Jeff Dunn and an error by third baseman Ray Smith which scored a run.

Dunn scored when Chris Pearson grounded out, and Gregg Mato doubled in Donovan to give the Vikings a 3-0 lead. PSU continued the track meet as John Dunn, and Jeff Dunn singled in runs, and Dale Lunde doubled in another to give the Vikings a 6-0 lead.

From there, it was all gravy for the visitors.

They stretched their lead to 9-0 until Hank Love's two-run homer in the fourth inning provided a brief bright spot. Five Vikings had three hits or more, including Jeff Dunn who was four for six with a double and two runs batted in. Love and left fielder Paul Kirsch had three hits and two RBI's a piece for the Ducks.

"That's the problem with these non-league games," said Krause. "It's hard to come off a Pac-8 series. Portland State's non-league, but it's a win."

Oregon will try to rebound today when they host Portland at 3 p.m. Brian Peterson (3-3) will start for the Ducks.

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Zagelow, Reichenberg (8), and Rontala, Wantland (9), Cunningham, Kelly (1), Gilmore (3), Shandera (5), Fetzer (7), and Hollins. W — Zagelow (11-4). L — Cunningham (0-1). 2B — Portland State, Lunde 2, Jeff Dunn, Pearson, Mako, HR — Oregon, Love, RBI — Portland State, Lulich 2, Jeff Dunn 2, Pearson 2, John Dunn 2, Rontala. Oregon, Love 2, Kirsch, 2, Gaboury.

The jumps: Because of poor facilities and scholarship limitations, they've become Oregon's major weak spot

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Should Oregon score in one of the four pit events in the Pacific-8 Track and Field Championships at Berkeley, Calif. this weekend, it will be only the second time in three years.

It's no secret Oregon is weak in the pit events with Ross Blackman's third place long jump in the 1974 Pac-8 meet the Ducks' only score in the pits since that year.

Oregon track coach Bill Dellinger doesn't find it hard to put his finger on why the Ducks are losing valuable points in those events.

First, the Ducks lack the complete facilities to beckon top flight jumpers. Second, when a program is limited to 14 scholarships for a 21-event sport, some events must suffer and take on the "weak sister" role.

A glance at last week's Pac-8 bests shows the Ducks have only two outside threats to score in the pits: Tinker Hatfield in the pole vault and Greg Fries in the high jump. Neither is currently ranked in the top six, Hatfield being seventh with a best of 16-7½ and Fries buried in a tie for ninth.

Craig Brigham has bests of 6-10 and 16-4 but will concentrate his efforts in the decathlon.

"We're hindered in the high jump and pole vault because we don't have an enclosed field house," said Dellinger. "We have the area underneath the stadium to work out in, but we're still handicapped because it's not enclosed."

It's difficult recruiting top vaulters because we're the only school in the Northern Division (of the Pac-8) without a field house facility."

A couple of decades ago, Oregon's jumpers used the dirt floored East Gym of Esslinger Hall to practice vaulting and high jumping.

"We were really better off 20 years ago," Dellinger said. "The world record for vaulting was 15-9 and we could accomplish what we needed to do. But then they put a wooden floor in and that made the ceiling too low. Besides, we couldn't use our spikes in there and you can't do much jumping in tennis shoes."

Working out in the cold and wind almost finished Hatfield's career prematurely and Dellinger feels indoor training facilities would have prevented a severe ankle injury he sustained in practice.

"He still can't run full speed," said Dellinger. "He was out here in the wind when it happened. It wouldn't have happened in a field house."

The high jumpers face many of the same problems as the vaulters.

The Ducks have had a pair of seven-footers in Marty Hill (1971) and Paul Stuber (1963).

Oregon state, meanwhile, has had seven who've hit seven feet while USC and UCLA each have had six.

Washington State has had two seven-foot-plus jumpers already this season, while the Bruins, Trojans and California all have seven-foot jumpers.

Dellinger felt he was going to have two seven-footers himself this season in Fries and Kelly Graham, a Lane Community College transfer.

Graham had been jumping 7-0 during the winter and Fries had a lifetime best of 6-10¾ going into this season.

But Graham wasn't academically motivated and failed all but one of his classes and quit school. Fries, on the other hand, hasn't been able to break the 6-10 mark in college.

"Greg's been right there all along, but has never made the breakthrough," said Dellinger.

Chris Dunn, a 1972 Olympic high jumper, dropped by Hayward Field the other day and echoed Dellinger's sentiments.

"I trained here two years and was only jumping 6-8 and 6-10. When I began training in Arizona, I set a personal best in four months, finally reaching 7-3½."

When it comes to long jumpers and triple jumpers, Dellinger can only point to the scholarship limits and shake his head.

Realistically, Oregon can't afford to recruit pure high jumpers simply because they generally are one-event men and the scholar-



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ship limitations force the Ducks to look for more versatile competitors.

"We've been really lucky to have Ted Farmer the last couple of years, he's really our only long jumper and is on a football scholarship."

Dellinger classifies his long jumpers with sprinters and can't understand why more speedsters don't come to Oregon. Some of the world's fastest humans called Eugene home in the early 60s.

"We have had people like Harry Jerome (9.2 in the 100), Roscoe Cook (9.3) and Otis Davis (46.2 in the 440)."

"Long jumpers work on a sprint routine, and a little technique. It's kind of a violent event. If you spend a lot of time jumping you're going to have an injury."

"We've had some good long jumpers," he said, most notably Bouncy Moore (26-2¼), Blackman (26-1) and Tom Smith (26-¼).

Dellinger yearns for the days of the 32 scholarship track team, and he's doing something about it.

"We've got to come up with a proposal as a conference," said Dellinger. "I wrote up a proposal where we extend scholarships to 21. We have 21 championship events in the NCAA meet."

Dellinger admits he won't be going after many jumpers simply because of their lack of versatility. He has already signed one excellent pole vaulter for next year, and, despite Oregon's drawbacks, he's hoping for more jumpers.

Daggatt says incident blown out of proportion, context

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Scott Daggatt, the ex-Oregon runner involved in Saturday's controversial Northwest Relays, says recent newspaper articles "have blown the situation out of proportion and out of context."

The controversy mushroomed during Saturday's meet in Corvallis in which meet officials decided to stick with their original plans and offer a mile run instead of the 1500-meters. Daggatt and Mark Feig, another former Duck miler, wanted to run the latter in an attempt to qualify for the U.S. Olympic trials.

Also involved was an alleged accusation by Daggatt that Oregon track Coach Bill Dellinger "blackballed" him out of meet in San Jose the previous week.

"I never said 'Dellinger blackballed me,'"

said Daggatt. "I did say I had been blackballed, but I never referred to Dellinger."

Daggatt said a story which appeared in Monday's Register-Guard "tried to make me look like a villain. The picture of Morris (Oregon assistant coach Frank Morris, who was involved in the controversy) was of him in a suit and tie. They've got a picture of me that's three years old with my hair in my eyes."

"They've (reporters) tried to pit me against both Dellinger and Morris," said Daggatt. "It just isn't that way. It's not me against Dellinger or Morris, it's just me against the question: 'Why wasn't there a 1500-meters Saturday?'"

Daggatt, while admitting that he, Feig and his coach, Harry Johnson should have looked into the situation at an earlier time, said the type of meet was conducive to such a minor change.

"If it had been the Twilight Mile or something, I could understand it," said Daggatt.

"But it was an informal meet. Every one of the runners was agreeable to running the 1500-meters. I just can't understand why it wasn't run."

Daggatt said he has been "disappointed" with the lack of support he, Feig and Paul Geis have gotten from the Oregon program after they'd left it and begun training under Johnson, the South Eugene coach.

"It's not like they're (the Oregon coaches) ignoring us," said Daggatt. "It's just that they're not going out of their way to help us. You can bet if Pre had wanted a 10,000-meter race Saturday, he would have gotten it."

Daggatt says he'll try to qualify for the Olympic trials in three more meets: two in California, and the Prefontaine Classic in Eugene.

He also says he's fed up with the recent incident. "If I had to do it again," he said, "I would have just kept my mouth shut and gone off mad."



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