

EVERGREEN

SPORTS

Huskies hosted for home finale

WSU's Cougars will play their last home game of the 1969 season over the weekend, when cross-state rivals from the University of Washington visit to close out the league schedules for both schools.

Seniors who will take the field for the last time include captain Steve Dickerson, Norm Angelini, Larry Book and Jim Robinson.

Coach Chuck Brayton will probably go with Mickey Babler in the first game at 3 p.m. today, and plans on starting either Jeff Clark or Mike Gomez on the mound at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

The Cougars will end their season with a Shrine benefit game in Lewiston against Idaho, while Washington will end with city rivals Seattle-Pacific and Seattle University.

Cougar ace Norm Angelini will be held back in a reserve role. "Norm's been pitching hard lately," commented Brayton. "Gomez should be okay. He's got some good breaking stuff and throws hard. Bob Williams our catcher, will suit up, but he's going to have a knee operation next week and we'll only be using him in reserve or for pinch hitting. John Sullivan will do most of the catching, and he's a good one."

Coach Ken Lehman of the Huskies has a similar problem, but no corresponding answer. His regular catcher, Loren Brucker,

was sidelined with an ankle sprain and a couple of outfielders wound up behind the plate against UCLA. "We had about 11 passed balls in that doubleheader, which must be some kind of a record," sighed Lehman. "We had people volunteer, but that's not a position where you can just stick somebody. Loren will make the trip, but his ankle is still bad. And his replacement split a finger. I guess when things go bad they seem to get worse."

And worse it could get, if Bobby Waits, with 17 steals, Manny Perez with 11 and John Rankin (10) decide to challenge the backstopper.

The Huskies will start Gary Huson and Jim Pope on the mound in a bid for their second league win in 19 attempts, and their seventh victory overall. "We're hungry. Our appetites are whet," Lehman admitted. "We hit the ball well against WSU our last game, but we didn't score."

If WSU takes both games, it will shut the Huskies out of victories in football, basketball, track and baseball. In two years, Washington has taken one baseball win in those four sports. The Cougars hold a current 24-15 mark for the season, and are assured of a second division finish. The Huskies have a death-grip on last place, and haven't taken a series from the Cougars since 1957.

Star-studded Alums meet varsity tonight

WSU's third Varsity-Alum game will get under way tonight at 8:00 p.m. in Spokane's Joe Albi Stadium. The Varsity won the previous meetings, both times by one point.

The Alum team being fielded for the contest could be the strongest ever in the short history of the annual clash.

Clarence Williams of the Los Angeles Rams will be making his second appearance. He is a defenseman but may see some action of offense.

Another defensive star on tap for the game is All-AFL safety Ken Graham of the San Diego Chargers. It was Graham who tipped the pass in last year's game that Freddie Moore caught in the waning seconds of the contest to give the Varsity a 7-6 win.

Dave Middendorf, rookie lineman for the Cincinnati Bengals, is also scheduled to make an appearance. Middendorf is regarded by many as the finest Cougar lineman in recent years.

Possibly the most famous Cougar of recent time is Keith Lincoln. Lincoln is an assistant coach of the Alum team but he too is slated to see some action. Lincoln, like Graham, plays for the San Diego Chargers. In 1965 Lincoln was voted the MVP in the then recently-formed AFL.

Making the trek down from Canada for the contest is Ted Gerela. He was the outstanding field goal kicker in the Canadian League last year. He may also see playing time at fullback.

Coaches for the Alums are Frank Mataya and Byron Bailey. Both were Cougar stars nearly three decades ago.

Men, women's track tomorrow

Intramural track championships for both men and women will be held tomorrow in Rogers Field. The men's finals will start at 9 a.m. with the field events. The running events will start at 9:45.

The women's events will start about 1:30 p.m. Competitors who want to run can sign up as late as noon, as long as lanes are available, according to head judge Sue Stanisich.

Points will be awarded for five places in both men and women's competition.

Ribbons will be awarded after the meet at a picnic, Miss Stanisich added.

Men's decathlon competition will be held May 24 and 25.

Co-rec slate announced

Weekend co-recreation starts tonight with family swimming, badminton and volleyball in Smith Gym from 7-10.

Bohler will sponsor co-recreation swimming, basketball and volleyball from 7-10.

Tomorrow Smith Gym will have family swimming from 2-5, and badminton, volleyball and co-rec swimming from 7-10.

Bohler will be open from 7-10 tomorrow for co-rec swimming, basketball and gymnastics.

Sunday Smith will be open for family swimming, volleyball and badminton from 2-5.

Bohler Gym is scheduled for co-rec swimming, basketball and gymnastics from 2-5.

Jock It To 'EM

The third one

By Rick Coffman

There are certain advantages to being the Sports Editor. You get your picture in the paper. Profs recognize you and exclaim, "I see you've stuck your foot in your mouth once again, Mr. Coffman." And, just like every other position on the paper, it is just a question of time before the Common Ministry writes in and complains about something.

But I have endured all this and much more. There are little things about the job that make it all worth the headaches involved.

For one thing I have access to all the letters sent in by the Common Ministry. Someday I'll gather them all up and edit a collection of them and I shall call "Memoirs at a Post Card Rack in Indiana" or possibly I'll call it "Flagrante Dilicto."

At any rate I'll be sure and send a copy to the Common Ministry so they'll have an example of absurdity to match their one of obscenity.

Also, if it'll put their mind at ease, it is difficult to tell whether those are heterosexual beings reclining in THE PICTURE. You can always rationalize and hope that it may have been two males' or two females' feet. That way you can have your choice, either a heterosexual or homosexual relationship.

Just as I get my little yuks out of this job there are a group on campus who are here to get theirs. The third Varsity-Alum game is on tap tonight at Joe Albi Stadium in Spokane.

The Alums, most of them at least, are now here ready to post their first win against the varsity. Alums never die. They become junior high teachers, bartenders, or construction workers. And a few of them make it to football heaven - pro football.

Ruggers host Montana club

WSU will go to the field for its last rugby game of the year tomorrow afternoon at 4 on the Farmway Field. The Cougar ruggers are undefeated at home so far, and visiting Montana, with a new club, is a good bet to continue the record.

Several of the ruggers will be competing after participating in the varsity-alumni game tonight.

WSU has its share. Clarence Williams, Ken Graham, Dave Middendorf and Keith Lincoln are the most notable. Others who have made it big in pro football are Ted Gerela, Garner Ekstran and Hugh Campbell. Of these all will play tonight except Campbell. He will be trying to keep Marv Harshman off the field.

Fortunately for the Varsity, the Alums have a total of about two hours to get their offense and defense ready for the encounter. Any longer and it would be destruction.

Are you one who thinks a mouse should trade bites with a lion in mortal combat? Do you think it is unsporting of the deer to run from a hunter? Is it rotten of a duck to fly too high?

If you attend tonight's game you are going to see much of the same. The Varsity is in shape, the Alums aren't. The Varsity is used to contact, the Alums aren't. The Varsity has worked together for an extended period, some of the Alums barely know one another. The Varsity should obliterate the Alums, but they won't.

Nature gives spots to the leopard, wings to the eagle, speed to the zebra - and experience to the Alums - to equalize the competition of life and survival.

Similarities and contrasts will be abundant in the game. Tom Roth, WSU's only first-rate QB since Bob Newman in the late 50's, will direct the grads. Chuck Hawthorne, the man who is re-kindling WSU's hopes for a competent QB, will lead the Varsity. Bob "Baby Bull" Ewen will be



at fullback for the Varsity. Ewen isn't a very aesthetic runner. He enjoys bashing into people and making them pay the price for ever trying to bring him down. One of his counterparts, Vince Antonio, was noted for the same thing when he was a Cougar.

The battles in the line will be especially interesting. Both the offensive and defensive lines of the Varsity are manned primarily by inexperienced people. The Alums, by definition, have much more combat time and should teach some valuable lessons that will help in the fall.

Out of necessity the Alums must pass to move the ball. The Varsity isn't supposed to red dog, which will help the Alums.

There are some who claim this isn't fair. Listen! They give a bullfighter a cape and a sword. Even a skunk gets a scent. World War I was won on a stall.

The Varsity will probably feel like General Braddock who couldn't understand why the Indian didn't fight like a man. The Alums will hit here and hit there and break off the engagement when they come up against superior forces.

The last two games have been decided by a total of two points. This year's game should end that.

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