

Inside Sports

Ruef's Playoff Predictions Favor Pirates And Orioles

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As the baseball season draws to a close, the bs. will fly thick and fast, and the so-called experts will predict their pennant choices.

Being a so-called expert, I will give you my fearless predictions on the upcoming playoffs. It is difficult in picking winners of playoffs or the World Series. Past records and which team has the superstars means absolutely nothing. Last year everyone picked the Big Red Machine to

demolish Baltimore. But the Orioles, via the bat and glove of Brooks Robinson, disposed of Cincinnati in 5 games.

In the National League playoffs, I'll take the Bucs. Los Angeles and San Francisco are fighting it out in the National League West. Both teams have played very badly, and neither appears to be in winning form. The Pirates, should be well rested for the playoffs. And the best hitting team in baseball with last year's playoff defeat fresh in their minds, should pick up the N.L. Crown.

In the American League, the Baltimore Orioles, with four 20-game winners, appear to have that winning magic once again. And one never knows what Brooks has up his sleeve.

Oakland hopes to give them a rough time. The pitching of Blue and Hunter, and the mean bats of Bando and Jackson could put salt on the tail of the high-flying Orioles.

Penn State Boast Of Veteran Team

Penn State football coach, Joe Paterno, the winningest coach in college football, boasts a veteran 1971 team.

The offense is made up entirely of lettermen and sophomore halfback Buddy Ellis is the only non-letterman on the defensive unit.

The Lion offense is built around running backs Franco Harris and Lydell Mitchell, who Paterno calls "the best one-two punch in college football."

Harris, a 225-pound fullback, and Mitchell, a 200-pound halfback, have both gained more than 1,300 yards in their two seasons at Penn State.

Quarterbacking will be John Hufnagel, a junior who took over the job when the Lions were 2-3 in midseason last year and directed the team to five straight victories. Hufnagel will be backed up by sophomore Steve Joachim.

Senior Glen Cole rounds out the

backfield at flanker. Cole lettered last year while seeing only limited action.

The offensive line has senior Bob Parsons, a converted quarterback, at tight end and junior Scott Skarzynski at split end. The tackles are offensive captain Dave Joyner and junior Craig Lyle. Senior Bob Knechtel and junior Carl Schaukowitz are the guards with senior Mike Botts at center.

"The offensive line has developed well during preseason," Paterno notes. "Joyner is an excellent college tackle and we appear to have some depth."

Linebacking is the strength of the Lion defense. Defensive captain Charlie Zapiec joins senior Gary Gray and juniors Bruce Bannon and Jim Laslavic at end with senior Frank Ahrenhold and junior Jim Heller at tackle.

The secondary probably will have Ellis and senior Chuck Mesko at the halfbacks with junior Gregg Ducatte at safety.

Penn State has not had a losing season since 1938. And with two impressive victories over Navy and Iowa, it looks like Paterno's crew is keeping the tradition.

Boosters Show Film October 6

The Behrend Booster Club will show a "Highlights" film of the 1970 Penn State football team Wednesday, October 6. This color film will include all of last year's games. It will be shown in the Reed Union Building lecture room at 8 o'clock and 9 o'clock and a brief meeting will be held between the films.

The Booster Club was organized to help promote athletics at Behrend. In the past, the club has provided various items of equipment that the University is unable to provide, helped the cheerleaders with travel expenses, has written articles for the local newspaper, and has sponsored the Athletic Awards Banquet.

Any student who would like to help the athletic program is asked to contact any of the coaches at Erie Hall.

The club is especially in need of a photographer and someone who would like to help with sports information.

Booster Club membership can also be attained from any of the coaches for only \$1.00.

You Want To Bet? Warren Predictions

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Sports writer

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| 1 Notre Dame | 6 Texas |
| 2 Michigan | 7 Alabama |
| 3 Nebraska | 8 Oklahoma |
| 4 Auburn | 9 L.S.U. |
| 5 Colorado | 10 Ohio State |

Last season was celebrated as the "Year of the Quarterback." It appears that this year's campaign will go on to be known as the "Year of the Uncelebrated Quarterback."

This year for the second season in eight years, Notre Dame is without an All-American quarterback. But quarterback or no quarterback, collegiate football's perennial winner will again find themselves at the helm.

Michigan, which boasts the finest offense in the nation,

should capture both the Big Ten Championship and the Rose Bowl, and achieve the number two spot behind Notre Dame.

The Nebraska Cornhuskers, defending national champions, will put their controversial crown on the line. Despite some excellent talent, Nebraska just doesn't have enough to repeat.

Auburn's All-American combination of Pat Sullivan and Terry Beasley should lead them to a Southeastern Conference Championship, and a national ranking of fourth.

The University of Colorado, led by 9.2 sprinter Cliff Branch, should surprise many this year. Only a defeat by Nebraska will cost them a Big-Eight Conference championship and ranking lower than fifth.

Rounding out the top ten are: Texas, who are rebuilding this year; Alabama and Bear Bryant, who should take 7th; Oklahoma in the 8th spot choice; Tommy Cassanova's efforts should place Louisiana 9th and Ohio State rebuilds also, and should fall to 10th.

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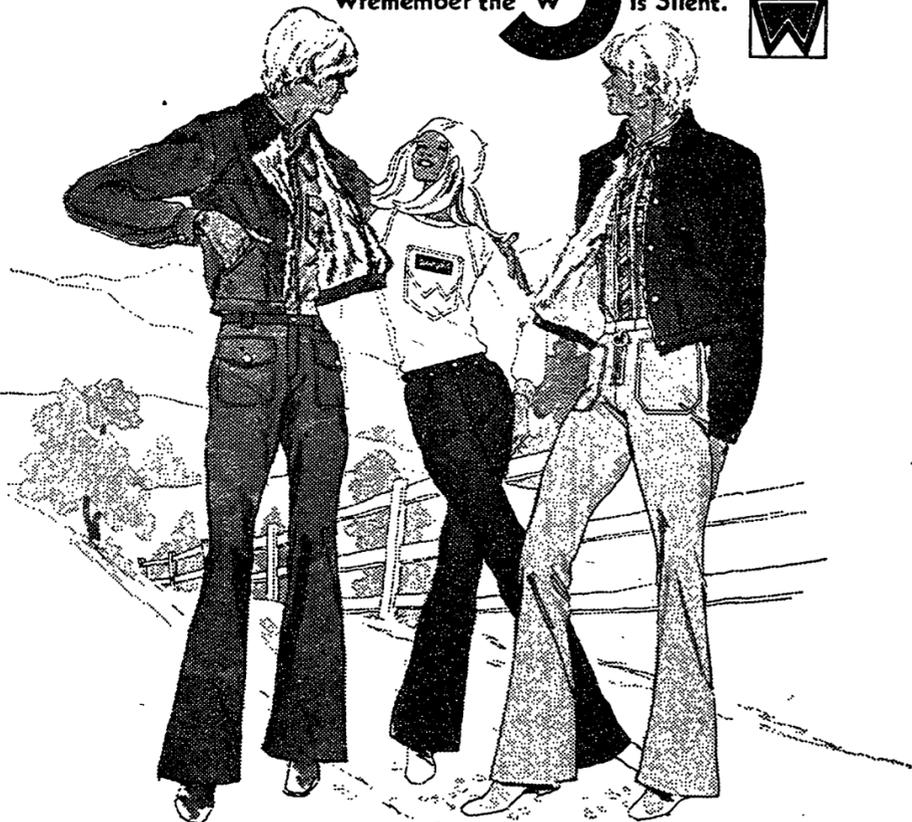
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