# **Lions Meet Spartans Next**

### Halfback Reader Threat In Intersectional Clash

Michigan State brings its "Flying Z" formation to New Beaver Field Saturday when the Spartans invade the East for the first of two intersectional games on the Lions' 1946 football schedule. A Homecoming crowd of over 16,000 is expected.

For the Higginsmen, the game will offer an opportunity to avenge last year's 33-0 shellacking and at the same time even the series between the two teams. In three prior meetings, the Spartans won twice. The Nittany Lions scored their only win in 1925.

Spartan Stars Back

Two players who contributed heavily in last year's defeat of the home forces are in the visitors' starting line-up. Half-back Russ Reader, the Spartan's candidate for All-American, scored one touchdown and kicked three extra points in addition to tossing a pair of touchdown passes to Warren Huey, end from Punxsutawney, Pa.

Head coach Charlie Bachman describes Reader as one of the best defensive players he has ever

Following are last week"s scores of Penn State's 1946 op-

Bucknell 0 .. Muhlenberg 6 Michigan State 0

Mississippi State 0
Colgate 9 ..... Cornell 13
Fordham 8... Georgetown 8
Temple n Temple 0 .. Duke 21 Navy 6 .... Miami (Fla.) 20

Texas Christian 12

Opponent's Records	To	Date
Opponent	W	L T
Bucknell	¹ <b>0</b> .	3.0
Syracuse	1	2 0
Michigan State	1	2 , 0.
Colgate	0	2 0
Fordham	0	(1) O
Temple	0	1 2
Navy	1	20 0
Pitt	i1)	2 1
Miami	2	11 0

seen. Regarding him as the Jim Thorpe type, Bachman explains, "Reader is the only player I've see who backs up the line from the safety position."

Top Passer

Last year Reader completed 53 forward passes to rank among the nation's leaders in that department. He scored 35 of the Spartans' 120 points and tossed three touchdown passes, two of them to Huey.

Eleven lettermen are back from the 1942 Michigan State team, which defeated the finest Great Lakes' wartime elevens 14-0 in a game rated as one of football's all-time upsets.

Fullkack /" Jumping Steve" Sieradzki, former paratroop 195 pounds. jumpmaster, has played outstand-Bachmen's celebrated Flying Z Beaver Field for a pre-game offense which centers attention workout on Friday.



SPARTAN ACE—Halfback Russ Reader of Michigan State is not only one of the nation's leading forward passers, but is an outstanding leather-lugger.

the distance in 9:27 time.

Most of Curt's service career

was spent with the 8th Air Force

ground crew in England. He com. peted in a few meets and claims

## Stone To Captain Nittany Harriers In Saturday's Cross-Country Meet

With the Michigan State-Penn for the first time. The same year State cross-country: meet sched he was a member of the team that uled on home grounds Saturday, Coach Chick Werner has selected stellar runner Curt Stone to cap. tain the Lion squad for the event.

Curt, a senior journalism student, has become one of Werner's best runners. Before coming to Penn State, Curt did very little running, but captured a few county titles in a Brooklyn, Pa., high school.

Curt's concern for the team ex. cels over his desires for personal glory. When asked about the possible outcome of Saturday's meet, Curt's reply was "though the Spartans have a strong team, they'll have to be at their best to

In 1942 Curt was a sophomore on the harrier squad when Penn State won the National Collegiates

on the fullback moving with great speed and agility. Heavy Team

The Spartans will field a rugged line which averages 203 pounds while the backfield, heaviest and perhaps one of the fastest in Michigan State history, averages

The visitors will leave Michigan ing ball in Michigan State's last tomorrow and make Altoona their three contests. He is ideal for headquarters, traveling to New

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## Between The Lions

By ALLEN OSTAR

When the Nittany Lions go on a trip, almost anything can happen. Witness the Syracuse expedition.

Midway to the home of the Orange, Coach Bob Higgins decid. ed that the time was ripe for the "pause that refreshes." Guard Steve Suhey, whose home is in Cazenovia, N. Y., offered to direct the bus driver to a "nice place."

Pulling up before a small building with a big sign, "Beer Sold Here," the bus stopped. Before anyone could alight, the "Hig" noticed the sign and let out a roar. The buses left the place in a cloud

The Syracuse game marked the first time that Suhey ever got into Archbold Stadium legitimately. As a boy he used many devious means to sneak into the stadium. Once he spent all evening digging a hole under the fence.

Saturday morning. Center Og-gie Martella decided to take a walk after breakfast. While he was crossing a street a car rounded the corner and bore down on

Using his football training, Og-gie straight-armed the car and skipped and weaved before it until it pinned him against a building. In the brief skirmish, the car's headlight was smashed as it hit Oggie's hip. In his pocket his steel eye\_glass case was slightly bent while the glasses remained

Ed McKeever, Cornell football coach, sat in the press box and as he watched Joe Colone's booming punts, he remarked about the 1942 game between Cornell and Penn State which ended in a 0-0 deadlock. Colone had teamed up with Aldo Cenci in a similar copped the National AAU cham. pionship title at Newark, N. J. downpour to keep the In 1943 Curt set the Penn State at bay the entire game. downpour to keep the "Big Red" record for the 2-mile by covering

Penn State is ready to strike off the two or three footballs it sent to Joe Colone in the Pacific as a good investment.



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