

The Nittany Realm

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Looking once more to the growth of football as a major sport, we find that President Teddy Roosevelt never got a chance to carry out his threat to outlaw football because of the rough manner in which it was being played.

The Rules Committee of Football in the winter of 1905-06 legalized the forward pass, and thus at the start of the 1906 season the game was revolutionized.

At the start few schools used the pass to any extent. They stuck to refined line-bucking, plenty of end runs, and a stepped-up field goal attack.

The drastic change which turned football into a razzle-dazzle, ball-slinging affair came in the 1913 season. Army had a gap in its schedule, and offered \$1000 and expense money to footballistically unknown Notre Dame University to fill the open date. Notre Dame accepted.

The Notre Dame team of that year included a quarterback named Gus Dorias and ends Knute Rockne and a young fellow named Pliska.

Now Rockne and Dorias had worked all the previous summer together at a beach resort, and during their spare moments they practiced and mastered the forward pass. When they returned to school they took Pliska aside and drilled him in the new-found art.

This hitherto unheard-of football team with a hitherto unheard-of scoring weapon went to West Point that day, and, with Dorias throwing passes to Rockne—and to Pliska when the defense ganged up on Knute—not only plunged Army into defeat and humility but, also awakened the

football world to the potency of the forward pass.

Pitt was the first school to "step up" its football program. It hired Glen "Pop" Warner to coach the Panthers in 1915 or 16, and the "old grads" began scouting the high school football fields for talent.

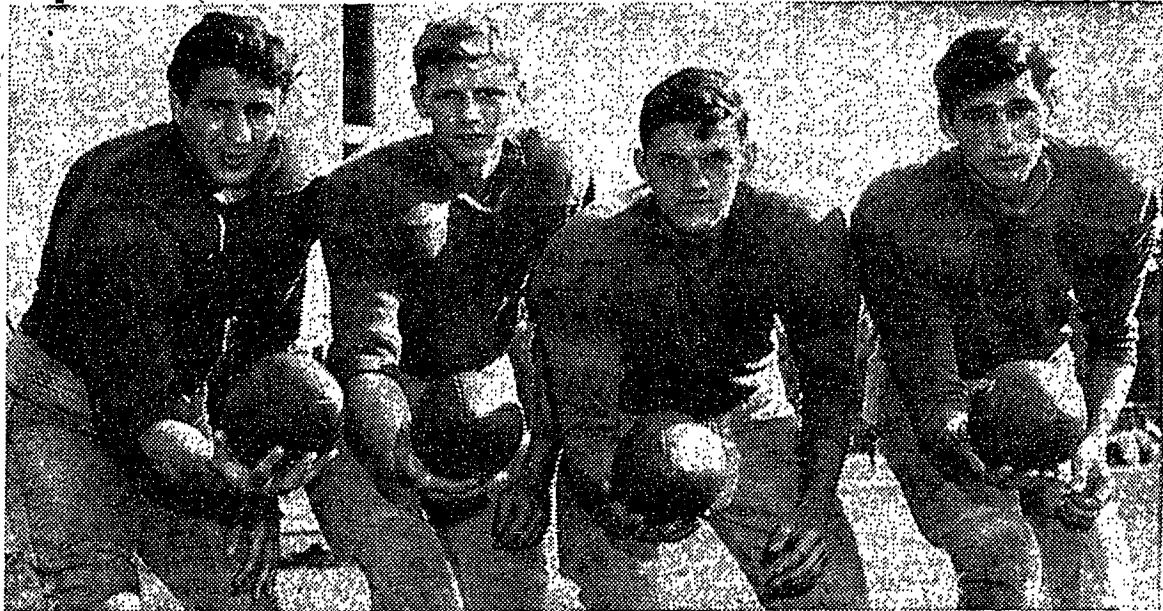
After 1917 football gained in standard play and attendance and with the aid of publicity has grown greater and greater until reaching the spot it holds today as one of America's favorite spectator sports.

Grid Odds 'n Ends: The greatest succession of football teams ever assembled were Fielding Yost's Michigan teams of 1901-05. Their only defeat came in 1905 when one of their halfbacks was pushed across the goal line by a Chicago player for a safety. The final score was Chicago 2, Michigan 0.

The longest run on record was by W. Y. Terry of Yale who scampered 115 yards from behind the goal against Wesleyan in 1884. . . . Brick Muller of California threw the longest pass on record, 70 yards to H. W. Stephens against Ohio State in 1920. . . . J. Haxall of Princeton kicked the longest place kick, 65 yards, in 1915 against Yale. . . . The record dropkick was recorded by Mark Payne of Dakota Wesleyan when he sent the ball 63 yards between the uprights against Northwest Normal in 1898.



Top Quarterback Candidates



TOP CANDIDATES for the Penn State quarterback position are (l-r) Tony Rados, John Dubinsky, John MacAvoy, and Bob Szajna. Rados and Szajna are sophomores while Dubinsky and MacAvoy are freshmen. At the moment Rados and Szajna are the leading candidates for the starting role against Boston University, Saturday. MacAvoy is still on the sidelines with a shoulder separation.

Quarterbacks Key To '51 Grid Season

This is the fourth in a series of articles on Penn State's football team, examining the team position by position to see just who will represent the Nittany Lions on the gridiron this fall. Today—Quarterback.

By ERNIE MOORE

Penn State's hopes for a successful football season can rise and fall with the Nittany Lion quarterbacks, depending on how fast Tony Rados and Bobby Szajna can gain the experience needed to field-general the Lions against some of the best teams in the country.

As was the case last season, Coach Rip Engle is without an experienced wing-T quarterback on whom he can rely to lead the Nittany Lions on the field.

Both Rados and Szajna are about to enter their first season of varsity ball. Rados, a sophomore, was ineligible last season. Szajna quarterbacked Coach Earl Bruce's freshman squad.

Lack Experience Only

Both men have the potential to become good T-quarterbacks. Tall and slender, possessing rifle-like passing arms, both have the physical qualities. But that valuable asset, varsity experience, which can only come through actual playing, is missing.

Rados looks to be the leading contender for the starting role, but after Szajna's showing in the Cornell scrimmage Saturday, it will be a fight right until game time.

Rados Consistent

A smooth ball handler and good passer, Rados seems to be the most consistent of the two. At times, Szajna looks great, but he has a tendency to hit streaks where his passing is off and he sometimes has trouble spotting his receivers. A few games under his belt might do wonders.

After Rados and Szajna, Rip must dip into the freshman ranks to find another quarterback. The brightest prospect seems to be John MacAvoy. But he is out with a shoulder separation and probably won't be available until mid-season.

Other freshman prospects are Don Bailey, Renault DeSalle, John Dubinsky, Pete Fuhrmann, and John Levy.

65th Grid Campaign

Penn State, now in its 65th year of intercollegiate football, played the game uninterruptedly over this span of years.

Soph Ball-Handlers

Tony Rados and Bob Szajna, both sophomores, will handle the all-important quarterback chores at Penn State this fall.

Remember '49

Penn State will be seeking revenge for a 1949 shellacking when it confronts Villanova at Allentown, Pa., Oct. 6.

His 19th Year

Charles (Chick) Werner will field his 19th cross-country team at Penn State this fall. He also doubles as track coach.

Soccer Team Scrimmage Features Sharp Passing

Sharp passing was featured Saturday when the Lion "regulars" decisively whipped the "scrubs" in a soccer scrimmage.

Included in the regular lineup were Captain Ron Coleman, Don Shirk, John Hess, Jack Pinezich, Frank Follmer, and Jack Charlton.

Playing for the scrubs were Jay Simmons, Paul Dierk, and Dick Cheskis.

Pessimistic Coach Bill Jeffrey said that he expected a "fair club that will look like a Penn State team."

One Defeat In '50

State lost but one game last year and that was by the narrowest of margins, 1-0, to West Chester in overtime. If State's team this year resembles last season's then it will probably go down in the books as better than a fair club.

Penn State's forward wall for the Bucknell opener Oct. 6 is still in doubt. At present outside of Coleman, Shirk, Hess, Pinezich, Hap Irvin, Ellis Kocher, and Bill Norcik are still battling for the remaining four positions.

In scrimmages, Jeffrey has been using Shirk at Joe Lane's old spot of center forward. The two wing slots have been manned by sophomore Irvin and freshman John Hess with Norcik, another sophomore, working with the other squad. Pinezich and Kocher have seen most of their action at one of the inside spots.

Fullback Spots

The fullback spots seem to have been nailed down by Jay Simmons, a regular last year, and Dierk.

Three other positions that seem to have been nailed down are the halfback posts. Follmer, right, Kurt Klaus, center, and Charlton, left, seem to be tops here. Ray Dutrow and Gary Nugent will be on hand for reserve duty.

The goalie spot, handled so successfully by Ron Coder last

year, is still a wide-open battle between frosh Cheskis and Jack Krumrine.

Giants Win 4-3; Trail by 2 1/2

Little Eddie Stanky, one of the most valuable players in the majors, cracked out a ninth inning single to give the New York Giants a dramatic 4-3 win over the Boston Braves yesterday, the Associated Press reported.

This "must" victory slashed idle Brooklyn's lead over the New Yorkers to two-and-one-half games. The Dodgers still need any combination of four wins or four Giant defeats to clinch the National League pennant.

Brooklyn has seven games to play, the Giants only four. The Burns play four in Boston, then finish with three in Philadelphia. New York plays at Philadelphia today and tomorrow and finishes at Boston Saturday and Sunday.

Young Chet Nichols had an eight-strikeout game going into the ninth. Don Mueller singled, moved to second on a sacrifice, and scored on Stanky's two-out single.

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CLEVELAND, Sept. 24—(AP)—For more than a month, the Cleveland News has been running a drawing of the "Lopez Limited" on the top of the front page.

It was the picture of a train, steaming the Cleveland Indians speedily towards the pennant. A banner was draped over the train, saying: "We'll be back Sept. 29 on top—we hope!—Al Lopez."

Today, the News again carried the drawing, but the train was a mass of wreckage. The banner read: "We'll be back Sept. 29—we hope!—Al Lopez."

Musial Sure Bet For Batting Title

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