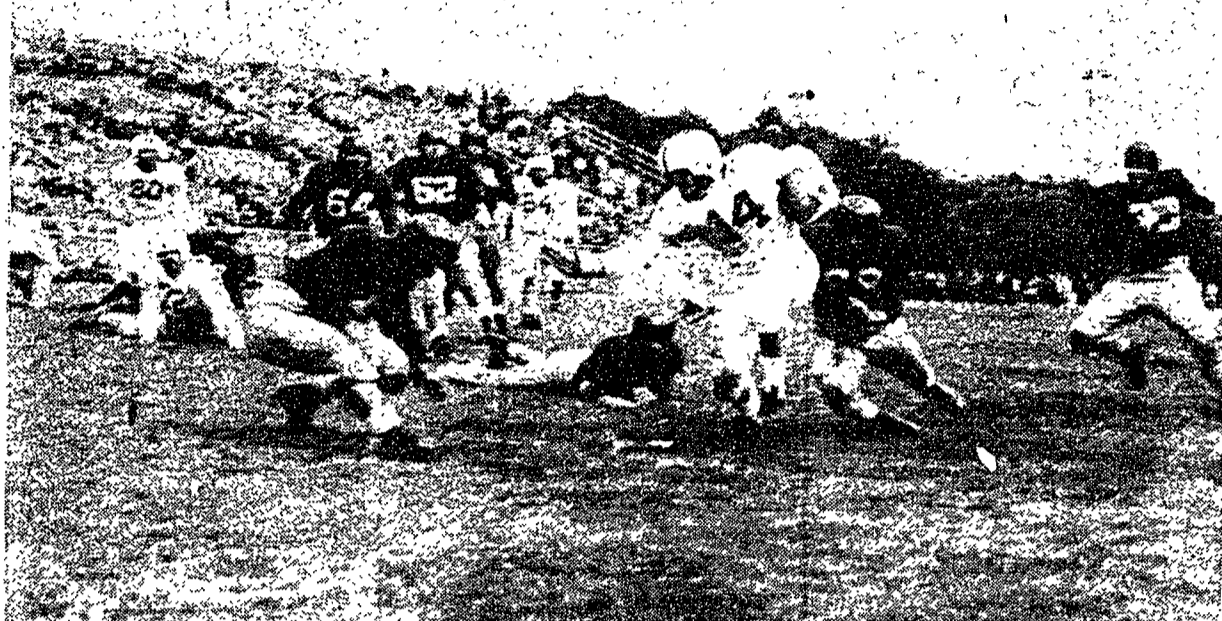


Football Madness Here Again



BEAVER FIELD will soon feel the return of the autumn's annual football madness when scenes like the above will be repeated often: the determined, jaw-set, stiff-arming runner and the equally determined, grimacing tacklers.

Penn State will open its season against Temple University on Saturday Sept. 20. The Blue and White will be attempting to equal or better its 5-3-1 record hung up last year. Head Coach Rip Engle begins his third year at the Nittany helm.

Engle Starts 3d Year at State

Charles A. Engle, better known as "Rip," opens his 22d year of coaching and his third at Penn State when the Nittany Lions kick-off the football season with Temple University a week from Saturday on Beaver Field.

The 46-year-old grid master took over the Lion reins at the beginning of the 1949 season following six years of producing winners for Brown University. His Brown elevens won 38, lost 20 and tied one. Rip's two years at State have produced a winning 10-7-1 record.

A native of Salisbury, Engle graduated from Western Maryland College (1930) where he was a four letter athlete in football, basketball, tennis, and baseball. Captain of his football and baseball teams, he won recognition as all-Maryland end. The famous coach of the Johnny Harvards, Dick Harlow, was Rip's collegiate coach.

Moving from college to Wayneboro, Pa., as high school coach, Engle hung up an 86-17-5 record in 11 seasons. In 1942 Rip moved on to Brown as assistant and then as head coach in 1944. One of the innovators of the Winged-T—regular T with a single wingback—Rip has successfully installed the system at State. His 1950 team posted a 5-3-1 mark and last year Engle broke the win column five times against four losses.

For the last three years, 1949, '50 and '51, the white-thatched Engle has served on the North's coaching staff in the annual Blue-Gray football game played at Montgomery, Ala.

The College abandoned a 20-year tradition of alumnus coaches when Rip succeeded Coach Joe Bedenk after the 1949 campaign. (It was during '49 that Engle's Brown team licked everything that came along except Princeton.)



Rip Engle

Rugged Schedule, Injuries Dim Nittany Grid Outlook

By JAKE HIGHTON

In sharp contrast to the spirited drive and enthusiasm shown by Penn State gridders during the past two weeks of practice, a slight touch of gloom prevails over Head Coach Rip Engle as his huskies begin their third week of fall drills today.

Rip, beginning his third year as Nittany mentor following a winning record at Brown U., isn't one to wring tears from the "crying towel." But he does have more than the ordinary worries of coaches about the season which opens against Temple, Sept. 20 on Beaver Field.

State's murderous, booby-trapped 10-game schedule is cause enough for Rip to reach for Bromos. However, to the schedule miseries, a plague of injuries adds more woe to the Lions' grid skipper.

Rados Hobbled

The rash of injuries which broke out last week in scrimmages, hit all but a few of the probable big guns in the Nittany offensive backfield. Although most of the sidelined footballers will be ready for the opening kickoff, they will have lost plenty of valuable practice and conditioning.

Of the backs which have been forced to sit out full scrimmages, Tony Rados, one of the keys to the vital quarterback slot in Engle's Winged-T, is badly hobbled by knee trouble. At lefthalf, Buddy Rowell's bunged ankle forced Engle to shift his southpaw signal-called Norm Paul to left half. Fullback Bob Pollard, converted halfback who made a habit of spectacular touchdown dashes last year, is nursing a bad shine bruise. Also on the temporarily out-of-action list are halfbacks Ron Younkens, Tony Frey, Wayne Wolfkeil and fullback Pete Shopa.

Only fullback Matt Yanosich—looking great to date, halfback Dick Jones and quarterback Bob Szajna among the leading backfield candidates are able to scrimmage.

Drill Twice Daily

Fortunately State's forward walls, with the exception of guard Dan Van Sickel, are in fine shape.

For the past two weeks the 53-man squad has been drilling hard and even overtime, twice a day. Coaches Engle, Al Michaels, Jim O'Hara, Earl Bruce, Sever Torretti, Joe Paterno and Frank Patrick have been hammering especially on the all-important fundamentals of blocking and tackling.

State has lost 21 lettermen from last year's squad which won five, lost three and tied one, but 20 big "S" winners are returning.

They are linemen: Bob Smith, Jim Dooley, Don Shank, Peter Schoderbek, Carl Pfirman, Don Barney, co-captain Stew Scheetz, Rosey Grier, co-captain Joe Gratson, Joe Yukica, Dave Simon, Don Malinak and Jesse Arnelle; backs back in harness are: Rados, Szajna, Pollard, Shopa, Yanosich, Eyer and Bill Leonard.

Sports Flashbacks

Summer, 1952

Ernest B. McCoy replaced Penn State's retiring Dean of Physical Education and Athletics, Carl P. Schott on July 1st. University of Michigan alumnus McCoy will be aided by newly-appointed special assistant, Ralph Ricker, former Dickinson and Lebanon Valley grid coach.

In the District Two baseball playoffs last June, Penn State bowled over Fordham 13-4 and then Villanova 9-6 to cop District honors and a spot in the "College World Series" tournament at Omaha, Nebraska. Joe Bedenk's nine dropped Texas 5-3 and mighty Duke 12-7 to earn third spot out of 8 in the NCAA championships. Missouri, tourney runnerup, edged the Lions 3-2 and champion Holy Cross walloped the Bedenkmen, 3-2.

The track world saw the result of former Penn Staters' distance running power during the Olympic summer. Curt Stone scored a distance double in the Olympic tryouts with new American records in 5,000 and 10,000 meters. Horace and Bill Ashenfelter, shattered the American record in the 3000 meter steeplechase event while finishing one-two in the Olympic tryouts. Horace then went on to pick up all the marbles. The FBI agent smashed the Olympic record while winning Penn State's first individual gold medal championship in Olympic competition. His winning time over the almost two mile obstacle course, 8:45.4, was the fastest recorded in history.

Quickies: Former Olympic gymnastics coach, Penn State's Gene Wettstone, served as one of the two American judges of events in Olympic gym competition at Helsinki this summer. Chuck Medlar, Nittany athletic trainer, had to withdraw from his assignment as a member of the Olympic staff because of a wrist sprain. Lion track coach Chick Werner served as assistant to Olympic Coach Brutus Hamilton and the all victorious USA track forces

Collegiate Chatter

Don Coleman, Michigan State's unanimous All-American tackle choice last fall, will have his No. 78 football jersey retired permanently by the Spartan school. It was the first time any Michigan State athlete has been given the honor. (Mr. Coleman will NOT be back this fall.)

The Spartans now have three of their former NCAA boxing champions in the professional ranks: welterweights Chuck Davey and Jed Black, and light heavy Chuck Spieser. (Davey, currently the more prominent, nabbed National Collegiate honors during all FOUR of his College years.)

Michigan State's end coach Earle Edwards formerly held the same position for the Nittany Lions.

Dick Tamburo, Spartan's ace linebacker who WILL be back, has inherent grid prowess. Brother Sam was an All-American end at Penn State, brother Harry is a current teammate and father Tamburo played professional ball years ago.

for Minnesota's Golden Gophers Short's: MS's Coach Biggie Munn was an All-American guard for Minnesota's Golden Gophers during the 1930 and also the 1931 seasons. There's no question about MS stealing out of state grid stars; at least All-Americans, because the 11 Spartans so honored were home grown products. Clarke Scholes, Spartan swimming sensation, became the first Michigan Stater to win an Olympic Gold medal with his triumph in the 100 meters at Helsinki this summer.

Family Affair

Dave Simon, of East Millsboro, Pa., who looms as a defensive standout at Penn State, is a brother of John Simon, who filled a guard position on the unbeaten 1947 team. Dave is an end.

Frosh, Sophs Must Take Phys Ed

Indicative of the importance of health, the College requires all freshmen and sophomores to take physical education regardless of curriculum.

Freshmen are required to take four semesters while sophomore transfers from Penn State centers must take phys ed whether or not they have had it before.

An adaptive course, Phys Ed 10, is available for students who are physically unable to take the regular physical education course.

Students participating in an intercollegiate sport will be excused from their phys ed classes only when that sport is in season. Any students that might plan to go out for a varsity sport this fall must be sure to report to their first phys ed class scheduled.

All new students will take the swimming classification test this week. Non-swimmers and beginners will be scheduled for swimming the first semester.

Students scheduled for phys ed or swimming must obtain a towel ticket from the Bursar's office in Willard Hall. The ticket will entitle the student to towel service in Rec Hall. A \$2 deposit, which will be refunded at the end of the year, is required.

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