

Purdue Grid Team Boasts 29 Returning Letter Men



Max Schmaling
(Purdue Halfback)

Big Ten powerhouse Purdue, Penn State's next Saturday visitor to Beaver Field, was really boiling toward the close of last season when it rolled to convincing victories in its last four games.

With 29 lettermen returning from that Boilermaker squad which turned a losing year into a conference runnerup season, Purdue figures to give State a rough afternoon.

17 TD Passes

One of the reasons the Indiana huskies will be so troublesome is pass master Dale Samuels, quarterback, signal caller, and ball carrier.

During the last two years, Samuels has completed 155 of 331 forward passes for a 47 per cent completion average and a total of 2023 yards. In addition, Slingshot Sammy has found receivers in or headed non-stop for the end zone 17 times.

But the Lions can't make the mistake of merely stopping Samuels. Purdue will have practically every member of the backfield which last year led the entire Big Ten with an average gain per play of 4.48 yards. The Boilermakers topped their rugged conference in scoring with an average of 23.2 points per game. Since Samuels was responsible for all of Purdue's passing tallies—seven of them last year—a lot of backs must have been scoring the Boilermakers' other 15 TD's.

Pile-Driver Schmaling

Lefthalf for Purdue is well set with a sprinting letterman returning in the person of Phil Klezik. Last year Klezik gained 441 yards and picked up an average of 6.12 yards per carry.

Perhaps the biggest threat to come out of Purdue Saturday—possibly a bigger threat than even Samuels—is a pile-driving fullback, Max Schmaling. Big Max, an 195 pound dash man and quarter-miler for the Indiana thin-clads, tied Klezik for most touchdowns last year with six.

At righthalf for Purdue will be the tiny but scampy Rex Brock. Only 159 pounds, Brock last year picked up a net yardage of 5.25 per carry.

Senators Obtain 'Twig'

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Washington Senators baseball club announced today it had obtained infielder Wayne Terwillinger on waivers from Brooklyn.

Penn on TV?

NEW YORK (AP)—Asa Bushnell, director of the college TV program, said today he didn't expect an answer until tomorrow on the University of Pennsylvania's request to televise Saturday's football game with Notre Dame in Philadelphia.



Rex Brock
(Purdue Halfback)

Marciano Wins Title In Philly

There's no rest for the weary so once again ancient Jersey Joe Walcott, heavyweight champion of the world, went to the boxing wars last night to defend his title against a blockbusting youngster, Rocky Marciano.

Rocky Marciano lifted the heavyweight crown from the aged head of Jersey Joe Walcott with a 13th round knock-out last night in Philadelphia. A smashing right to the jaw won the title.

Meeting in the same Philadelphia Municipal Stadium squared circle that held the Gene Tunney-Jack Dempsey title fight exactly 26 years ago, Walcott and Marciano were expected to draw 50,000 in person and another 120,000 on video.

To make sports writers hark back to the night Gentleman Gene lifted the crown from as Manassa Mauler, rain appeared to be hovering over Philly.

The Brockton Belter still ruled an 8 to 5 favorite of the betting mob and even a larger favorite among the writing gentry as fight time neared last night.

Walcott owned a 10 pound weight bulge over Marciano in addition to years of experience and crafty ringmanship which the unpolished, brawling Rocky lacks.

However, Marciano, unbeaten in 42 consecutive professional fights, never knocked down or out, figured to become the first unbeaten world's champion in the history of the Marquis of Queensbury game.

Gain Only 9 Pounds—Be an Athlete!

EAST LANSING, Mich.—The old belief that football players go to fat after their playing days has been refuted by a study at Michigan State College.

Mark Hauser O'Donnell in a thesis for the degree of master of arts in physical education has put the lie to this popular theory. The purpose of the thesis, entitled "A Study of Longevity and Morbidity of Football Athletes at Michigan State College," was to compare various characteristics of varsity football letter winners with non-athletes.

The Michigan State College football players included were those who participated from 1928 through 1937. The non-athletes investigated attended Michigan State during the same period.

The survey utilized a questionnaire developed by the Phi Epsilon Kappa Committee which is conducting a national longevity and morbidity study.

The comparative weight tables developed by O'Donnell show that at graduation the mean weight of the athletes was 189 pounds and the mean weight of the non-athletes was 159.

From graduation to 1952 the table shows that the athletes gained on the average nine pounds while the non-athletes gained sixteen. This was a percentage gain of 4.8 for the athlete and 10.3 for the non-athlete.

Another finding that may prove valuable indicated that medical ailments are more prevalent among the non-athletes. The findings of this study at Michigan State and at other schools across the nation have great potential value and could easily affect the future planning of sports programs everywhere.

Hacker Leads in ERA

NEW YORK (AP)—Righthander Warren Hacker, in his first full season with the Chicago Cubs after failing to stick in 1950 and 1951, has forged to the front of the National League earned run listings.

Statistics computed by the Associated Press disclose that the 6-foot-1, 185-pound hurler has allowed 46 earned runs in 180 innings for a 2.30 ERA. Figures include games through Monday.

Hacker, a 27-year-old fastballer, has posted a 15-8 won-lost record, including five shutouts. He is scheduled for another start this season against the St. Louis Cardinals in one of the weekend games.

Allie Reynolds of the New York Yankees, a 19-game winner, maintains his American League earned run supremacy with a 2.07 mark.

The 34-year-old Yankee mainstay, who has six shutouts to his credit, has given up 54 earned runs in 235 innings.

Race Deaths Rise

NEW YORK (AP)—A series of week-end accidents brought to 15 the number of race car drivers and spectators who have been killed since the first of the year in race track mishaps.

Seven drivers have smashed to their death and eight spectators have died when hit by cars going out of control.

Major Leagues

AMERICAN LEAGUE (Associated Press)

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	90	58	.608	
Cleveland	90	61	.596	1½

Remaining games: New York away 6; Boston 3; Philadelphia 3; Cleveland at home 1; Chicago; away 2; Detroit 2.

BASEBALL'S BIG SIX (Based on 350 at bats)

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Fain, A's	142	526	81	173	.329
Mitchell, Ind.	131	496	58	158	.319
Woodling, NY	121	404	58	127	.314

HOME RUNS
Doby, Indians 31
Easter, Indians 31
Berra, Yankees 29

IM Entry Deadline

All intramural touch football and tennis singles entries must be turned in at the IM office, 213 Rec Hall, before 4:30 p.m. tomorrow in order to be included in this season's scheduling.

The entry fee for the football tournament is \$1 per team. The tennis entry fee is 25 cents per man.

Makes Boilermakers Hot



PURDUE'S mite quarterback and professor "par excellence" of the Boilermaker's attack, Dale Samuels, will be on stage at Beaver Field Saturday afternoon featuring his southpaw aerial slants. The 5-9 passing phenom, a possible All-America candidate at the QB slot, will operate out of the T-formation. Saturday's tilt between the Lions and Boilermakers will be the latter's season opener.

Sports Briefs

Brown Becomes Pop

DALLAS (AP)—Dr. Bobby Brown, former infielder for the New York Yankees, became the father of a son today—but he doesn't know about it yet.

Brown is in the armed forces and is en route to Japan.

Mrs. Brown, the former Sarah French of Dallas, gave birth to the 7-pound, 12-ounce son early today at a Dallas Hospital. The new addition to the Brown family is named Peter Stanley.

Ortmann Waived

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Coach Joe Bach of the Pittsburgh Steelers asked waivers today on quarterback Chuck Ortmann, former University of Michigan star.

Ortmann was the Steelers No. 2 draft choice in 1951. His departure leaves the Steelers with 36 players, three over the National Football League limit.

Sauer Signs

CHICAGO (AP)—Outfielder Hank Sauer today signed his 1953 contract with the Chicago Cubs of the National League. Terms were not disclosed.



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