

Sports Thru The Lion's Eye

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With the football season three games old and Penn State still the snooty "300 Club" of the unbeaten, you might expect Nittany Coach Rip Engle to be wreathed in smiles. But Engle, cousin to Notre Dame's Frank "Jeremiah" Leahy, is a foresighted man who has no use for the past—even if it shows State with a 20th ranking in the AP polls. Instead of dwelling in the pleasant past of the current campaign, the Ripper is peering apprehensively into the future.

The monsters Engle sees ahead on the Nittany schedule make him unmindful of the "good games" State has turned in during the past three weekends. And, you can't blame the Ripper for not smiling. The worst is yet to come.

This weekend the Lions take on a West Virginia team which hasn't minded its own business during the first two games because they had State on the brain—an obsession to upset the Lions. The next week it is unbeaten Nebraska and Bobby Reynolds. Enough said. Then it's the number two team in the nation, Michigan State. Again enough said. After the Spartans, it is Penn which tied better-than-most-people-think Notre Dame. Still trouble, in order, is Syracuse which dumped Temple 27-0—far more convincing than the Lions' win over the Owls.

Disregarding what's ahead from a coachy pessimistic viewpoint, a three game appraisal of the Lion gridders looks like this:

Penn State has a mighty good football team. Saturday's 35-23 win over William & Mary was the clincher. After opening unimpressively with a 20-13 win over Temple, State played tremendous football to tie powerful Purdue, 20-20. Yet, it might have been that the Lions simply were "up" for Purdue. But when the Nittany's roared from behind—and often—for the third straight week against W&M, even non-partisans must admit the Lions are especially strong.

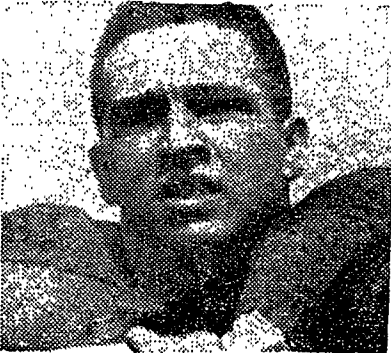
Perhaps the biggest secret of the Nittany success to date is the powerful offense which gives one the feeling it can respond when necessary. Six point deficits seem like nothing at almost any point in the game.

The defense too is improving all the time and can really hit as evidenced by the second half of the W&M game when it stalled the powerful Indian offensive.

Certainly it is far too early to start crowing because a rough schedule remains. However, the 1952 gridders will certainly give a heroic account of themselves from here on in; they probably will not lose by more than one touchdown; and may even upset Michigan State or Penn—or both.

One thing noticeable about the Nittany attack this year is that the Engle winged-T seems to be completely absorbed into the gridders' systems. State's offense has been varied and deceptive this season in contrast to the plodding, hit-the-line game when first introduced. The W&M game was a case in point. Twice quarterback Tony Rados engineered fakes for touchdowns on beautiful deceiver plays.

Late in the third period, trailing 16-14, State drove to the W&M 22. There Rados leaped high into the air, faked his favorite jump pass to Arnette, and dropped to the ground. With the entire Indian secondary sucked in, Rados flipped to Bob Pollard who was so unguarded it looked like State pulled the old sleeper play.



Don Barney

Then in the fourth quarter with the ball on the W&M seven, State pulled another razzle-dazzler. Rados faked a handoff to versatile Matt Yanosich who not only plays full-back and halfback but acts like a Barrymore. Matty dived into the line so realistically that no one saw Pete Shopa taking a reverse until he was barreling into the end zone.

All season two unsung Nittany heroes, offensive center Jim Dooly and defensive guard Don Barney, have been playing tremendous games but naturally without the headlines because of the nature of their jobs. However, the sometimes short arm of justice caught up with Barney last week with a tribute which one can never forget. A Boalsburg girl about to enter junior high school wrote the following on a card:

Dear Don Barney, number 60,
I come to see you play every Saturday. I think you are wonderful. Please send me a picture . . .
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Such an admirer couldn't have failed to miss the play in the second quarter of the W&M game which is so typical of Barney. W&M was chawing off huge chunks of yardage. With a first down on the State 20, Tom Koller suddenly spun loose around end and was on his way to glory when Barney, blocked at the line, came from behind to drop Koller at the one-yard line.

W&M POST MORTEM: The pass protection for Rados and Bob Szajna was so good that the ends and backs could have run all day to get loose . . . Beaver Field is really seeing the pros. First Samuels, then Mioduszewski and Reynolds to come . . . Engle commended tackle Rosey Greer, safeyman Jack Sherry, guard Pete Schoderbek, guard Don Stank, and Yanosich.

Griffin Wins Golf

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—George Griffin Jr., Green Valley pro, yesterday won the Pennsylvania Open Golf championship, defeating amateur Arnold Palmer of Luboke in an 18 hole playoff.

Wrestlers to Meet

The first meeting of last year's returning men, candidates, and managers for the 1952-53 varsity wrestling team will be held 7:30 tonight at 316 Sparks, according to head wrestling manager William Winterburn.

Wrestling films will be shown at the meeting, Winterburn said.

Chatter . . .

Tackle Warren Spragg of the Spartans is a co-holder of the college intramural doubles tumbling championship.

Bert Zagers, Michigan State right halfback from Cadillac, is called the "penguin" by his teammates because of his northern Michigan origin.

Michigan State will meet Marquette Nov. 22, resuming a series dating back to 1909.

Soph Led Hitters

A sophomore, Hubie Kline, of Benton, was Penn State's leading hitter during the 1952 baseball campaign.

Depth Big Problem To Lion Harriers

With the season opener against Cornell only four days away, Coach Chick Werner is faced with the problem of getting enough balance in his 12-man starting cross-country lineup.

At this late date, just whom Werner will send against the Big Red cross-country team is a tough question to answer.

On the basis of Monday night's time trials, it's safe to assume that Captain Jack

Gym, Soccer Get New Manager, Ass't

Lloyd Hartsough has replaced Allan Wampler as manager of gymnastics and Norbert Solden has replaced Ronald Wint as first assistant manager in soccer, according to Harold R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics. Both replacements were due to registrations.

Horner, Lamont Smith, Red Hollen, Jim Hamill, John Chilrud, and possibly Stan Lindner have definitely clinched starting berths. Reviewing Monday's time session, one will remember that the six harriers previously mentioned clinaxed the scheduled five-mile run in a pack finish. Their time was 27:27.

In the four-mile, clocking a week ago, all except Lindner placed in the first five.

This is where Werner's depth problem crops up.

In cross-country running the team score is determined by totaling the points scored by the first five men of each team to finish. The team scoring the smallest number of points is the winner.

Big Five?

Although the sixth and seventh runners of a squad to finish don't score points towards their team's total, their places, if better than those of any of the first five of the opposing team, serve to increase the score of the opponents.

If Werner's big five, so to speak, doesn't run up to par, the possibility of his other hopefuls coming through remains a big question mark.

Standing at the finish line midway on the cinder track Monday night, we noticed that as the six men crossed the line, they still seemed strong.

The reason for this was that before the trials Werner told his veterans to take it easy so that the other candidates might keep up with them and also gauge their pace.

As a result, the first six finishers, who are all lettermen, didn't give an accurate account of just what they actually could do over the five-mile course.

IM Deadline

Entries for intramural swimming must be filed at the Intramural office, Recreation Hall, by 4:30 p.m. today, the IM office has announced.

Collegiate Chatter

Don McAuliffe, Michigan State's football captain and left halfback, scored nine touchdowns in 1951 covering only 34 yards. His first score this campaign was a 70-yard run against Michigan.

Two former Michigan State All-American footballers were named the two most valuable players in the six-year history of the Hawaiian Hula Bowl football game. They are halfback Sonny Grandelius in 1951, and tackle Don Coleman in 1952.

Ralph H. Young, Michigan State's director of athletics, played football under Amos Alonzo Stagg and Fielding H. Yost.

Billy Wells, a key performer in the Spartans' "Light Brigade" backfield, has been nicknamed the "Menominee Meteor" by sports-writers.

Last year the Spartans' football forces ranked 11th in the country defensively, allowing only 109.6 yards a game.

Sports Briefs

Leahy Beats Heat

CHICAGO—It now comes out how Coach Frank Leahy of Notre Dame first beat the heat and then Texas, in that order.

For the first time in the history of the school, Notre Dame players wore light, sleeveless T-shirts in a game. Before game time they were ordered just to jog around the field, no running. Pith helmets were worn on the bench and the boys looked like a bunch of jungle hunters sitting there. In contrast, Leahy wore a 10 gallon sombrero that was given him by Texas greeters.

Ezzard to Fight

CINCINNATI—Ezzard Charles, who at 31 still hopes to regain the world's heavyweight championship, resumes his ring career here tonight against Bernie Reynolds, of Fairfield, Conn.

Frosh Boast Kicking Specialist

By DICK McDOWELL

As Earl Bruce's freshman squad went through its paces at one end of the Beaver Field practice area, a lone figure stood at the opposite end intently place kicking a football through the uprights of a wooden goal post.

Larry Shank, the latest addition to the freshman contingent, was doing just that, too. With



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each swift stroke of his right leg, the pigskin sailed high and true, splitting the uprights.

At first glance, most people wouldn't notice anything peculiar about his form in kicking, but with close inspection, it becomes

obvious that he has the use of only one arm—but yet the ball sails accurately with every kick.

And thus is introduced, Larry Shank, who suffered from paralysis in his left arm as a child, leaving it withered, and who loves football so much that he fought to get permission to play for Penn State. And now that he has his opportunity, he has already started to show both Bruce and Rip Engle that he is going to be a big help in coming football seasons.

Larry's football career started with Carlisle High School in Carlisle, Pa., where served as a place kicker. With Carlisle, he soon gained the reputation of being one of the finest high school kicking "specialists" in that part of the state.

In 1951, "The Thundering Herd" from Carlisle won the South Penn conference, with Larry's accurate toe adding 18 points to the gridders' offensive point total. His season total was 25, but his 18 placements in conference play were enough to lead the league.

Then came Penn State, and Larry's first thought was to continue where he had left off, kicking extra points for Bruce's squad. But Dr. A. H. Greiss, the team physician said no. He refused to allow Larry, because of his physical handicap, to participate in football.

Finally, after his family and high school coach, Ken Miller, had written letters to Engle, Bruce, and the doctor, Larry was finally given permission.

It's not hard to see why the booting frosh is so successful with his kicks. His 5'9", 160 pound frame tapers down to display a pair of solid, muscular legs that work like pistons, when he toes the pigskin.

With only a week's work behind him, Larry is already cutting the uprights at 25 yards, but he expects to hit from 40 yards out with a little more work. His

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