

West Virginia Is 5th in Nation

Rados Rises In NCAA Pass Ratings

Unbeaten and fifth-ranked nationally, West Virginia stands to break up an old school record Saturday when it plays Coach Rip Engle's Nittany Lions' football squad at Beaver Field in quest of its 12th consecutive victory. Penn State will be looking for its fourth win in a row.

Kickoff time is set for 1:30 p.m. instead of 2 p.m.

With five stright victories this season tacked on to a six-game winning skein last year, the Mountaineers will be facing their most rugged test against Penn State. A victory will give West Virginia's gridders clear sailing for national honors and an undefeated season.

Mountie Sub Impressive

Critics, however, have contended that the Mountaineers now are not the same team that decisively whipped Pittsburgh in the season's opener. Although the Mountaineers convincingly defeated VMI, 52-20, last Saturday, they have made two or three touchdowns against minor competition, then settled back. This has happened after the Pitt engagement.

Engle will have several obstacles to confront this weekend. His newest is Teddy Anderson, a dis-

Rifle-armed Tony Rados, the Lions' quarterback, has jumped from ninth to sixth place among the nation's passers, according to statistics released by the NCAA.

Rados' outstanding performance against TCU Saturday raised his completion total to 48 in 98 attempts in five games. The Steelton slingshot has passed for five touchdowns and a 49 per cent completion average.

In addition he ranks 15th in the nation in total offense with 573 yards in 107 attempts. He still maintains his supremacy in the East, a position he has held for the past three weeks.

regarded senior quarterback who hasn't won a letter in three years or figured in any West Virginia plans for 1953.

Runs 71 Yards

A third-stringer and an understudy to sophomore sensation Freddy Wyant, Anderson gained 215 yards in eight carries against VMI for an average of 27 yards per try and two touchdowns.

To enhance his 6 and 40 yard touchdown runs, he broke loose for gains of 71, 59, 15, 3, 17 and 6 yards. Most of these gains were made off West Virginia's famed optional "keep" play. In addition he intercepted a VMI pass and ran it back 32 yards.

The amazing part of his comeback is that he carried the ball twice in four games and picked up only four yards. In his first two seasons at West Virginia he handled the ball only 17 times.

Moore Top Rival

If it can be proved that Anderson is a "flash in the pan," then Engle has only one quarterback to worry about. That is Wyant, West Virginia's "Freshman Back of the Year" last season. Coach Art Lewis' outstanding QB is being plugged for "Sophomore Back of the Year" but is finding his goal more difficult to reach as the season progresses.

Penn State's halfback, Lenny Moore, is undoubtedly his number one rival. If Moore can continue to play as well as he has been, it is possible that Engle will have the back of the year instead of Lewis. Although both will be playing in different positions, a

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Lamont Smith
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Chick Werner says . . .

Balance is Requirement Of Strong Harrier Team

By HERM WEISKOPF

Balance is one of the requirements of a winning cross-country team. According to Lion Coach Chick Werner, balance is exhibited when the fourth and fifth men on the squad finish within a maximum of one minute of the front three on the team.

Upon first glance it can be seen that in Saturday's victory in the triangular meet at Annapolis the Lions displayed a lack of balance. The Nittany Triple-Trouble-Trio of Lamont Smith, Red Hollen and Doug Moorhead finished one, two, three with times of 26:40.5, 26:55 and 27:16.

The No. 4 man for the Blue and White was Jim Hamill, who was timed at 28:09, while John Chillrud was fifth with 28:25. The lapse of time between the third and fifth men exceeded the one minute mark.

Nittany Trio Too Good?

But wait, there is more to the story than meets the eye. Several questions can be raised. Could it be that the first three finishers were so good that the fourth and fifth men could not possibly come in under the one minute deadline? This is a question that can not be answered on paper. Only actual competition can tell. The cross-country season is short when compared to other sports, and therefore it is hard to judge what any given runner will do during competition.

Werner pried into the question as to whether the Triple-Trouble-Trio is too good for the rest of the team. Using the case of Horace Ashenfelter, who was one of the top harriers in the history of the College, he pointed out that despite his wonderful times, the lapse between Ash and the other four men who figured in the scoring for State was seldom greater than one minute.

Many Other Factors

True, Ash did not always place first, but during his final campaign he was practically unbeatable. In comparing Smith to Ashenfelter, Werner said, "Smitty is not in the class with Ashenfelter, but he's approaching it."

Werner pointed out that there are many other factors involved in calculating the balance of a team than the one minute rule. The Lions may not have the balance of a tight-rope walker, but they definitely are no pushover. This is one thing the Nittanians will be out to prove Saturday to Michigan State.

Gridders Rated Fifth in Lambert Trophy Battle

Penn State's football team, with three straight victories and a 3-2 record is in fifth place in the Lambert trophy race according to standings released Tuesday by the Lambert trophy committee.

This is the second consecutive week that the Lions have occupied the number five position. Their victory over TCU Saturday did not affect their position since only records compiled against eastern colleges are considered.

Army has replaced Navy in the first place spot this week, followed by Penn and Pitt. The Middies have been dropped to fourth. The trophy is awarded annually to the team judged the best in the east.

'Red' Leaves Bums After 15 Years

NEW YORK, Oct. 28 (AP)—Walter "Red" Barber, the "Voice of the Brooklyn Dodgers" for 15 years, today switched over to the New York Yankees.

"The Old Redhead" will handle the Yankees' clubhouse television programs before and after the games. He succeeds comedian Joe E. Brown in that post. Brown plans to return to show business.

Barber has been alternating between radio and television announcing of Brooklyn games.

Lemyre Chosen Mr. PS

Wrestling Co-captain and All-College President Dick Lemyre, of Merrick, L.I., is the newly-elected "Mr. Penn State" of 1953. He was chosen on the basis of popularity, character, promotion of student unity, and participation in extra-curricular activities.

QB and the 'T'

Sam's Song

By SAM PROCOPIO
Collegian Sports Editor



Until 1944, neither team—Penn State or West Virginia—was able to win on the other school's home field. The Nittany Lions licked the jinx in 1949. Now the question facing the avid football fan is can the Mountaineers, who are rated fifth nationally, do it Saturday to save its honor?

Well, the answer dwindles down to last year's score. Penn State won, 35-21. West Virginia has practically the same outfit back again. State has most of its players, too. Defense was nothing exceptional for either side. It was offensive football.

Picking an offense is probably the most important decision that confronts a football coach. He must choose one that is suitable to his material and that can be simplified and toned down for his players.

The types of offense to be observed by an expected capacity crowd at Beaver Field Saturday when State-West Virginia skirmish are the split-T and the winged-T.

Leading Coach Art Lewis' Mountaineers' split-T will be Fred Wyant, while Co-captain Tony Rados will quarterback Coach Rip Engle's familiar winged-T.

Although the two 'T' variations are different, both types are considered to be a modern T formation which is a quick type of offense. The quick-opening plays, the man in motion, and the faking of the backs beautifully conceal the ball and the point of attack. But the 'T' itself doesn't produce touchdowns.

A team must have the right kind of material to implement it—a fast, hard-running fullback; a slick ball-handling quarterback who can pass; fleet, quick-starting halfbacks who are good fakers, good pass receivers, and dangerous in the open field.

When the final scrutiny is made, however, everything points towards the quarterback—the man who begins almost every operation.

The 'T' quarterback must perfect the following maneuvers: One-half pivot, one-quarter pivot, balanced reverse pivot, cross-over step, pivot one way, lateral to the other, fake hand-off and pass. If the backs fake well and the quarterback does a nice job of deceptive ball-handling, the opposing lineman and backers-up are pretty well-frozen.

Since the days of Knute Rockne, the fighting Irish of Notre Dame have been America's perennial grid power—the real reason is QB strength. Every year there seems to be an outstanding player to replace the outgoing Notre Dame quarterback. For example, such stalwarts as Angelo Bartelli, Johnny Lujack, Frank Tripucka, Bobby Williams, and now Ralph Guglielmi have quarterbacked the Irish during the past several years. They're not good QB's. They're great.

A player who could have been among them is Rados. Yes, Penn State's own star. He is a transfer student from Notre Dame, playing only freshman football before coming to State.

Rados, who had much to say about State's impressive record last year, is doing much of the same this year. Giving him the necessary running help is Lenny Moore, Dick Jones, and Bill Straub. For passing protection he has an array of line talent. And too, he has the nation's top-flight pass-snatching end in Jim Garrity.

Engle's offensive star is a crafty fellow at mixing his calls, keeping rivals off balance with his "To pass or not to pass."

Looking to the other side of the fence, Wyant is regarded as the most powerful split-T quarterback in college football. Although he was gaining stature as a passer last year, Wyant has not been effective air-wise as yet this season. He has been relying on pitchouts to speedy halfbacks like Joe Marconi, Carl Norman, and Jack Stone. The pitchout which comes with the famous Mountaineer optional "keep" play is one of many headaches Engle will have to stop.

Because a QB is normally the brains, eyes, ears, and living force of any 'T', we believe the outcome of Saturday's game will revolve around the two quarterbacks—Wyant and Rados.

A possible sleeper? Sure. Teddy Anderson of West Virginia.

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Lamont Smith, of Lehigh set a new course record at Annapolis as Penn State beat Navy and Georgetown in cross-country.

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