

Sporting the Lions

Sam's Song

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Coach Rip Engle ended his fourth season at the Nittany Lion helm in fine fashion last Saturday as his gridders upset the Panthers of Pitt, 17-0. Despite the fact that his 1953 seasonal record reads only 6-3 compared to the 7-2-1 log for 1952, it's quite noticeable that Engle missed winning seven straight-by one point. That was the controversial game against West Virginia, 20-19.

With Saturday's finale dotting the win column the Lions were lifted in the Associated Press ratings. Not far (28th), but the fact remains they are listed.

Engle's team won the game it wanted most. Rip remarked after the win:

"I knew the boys wouldn't let me down, but I did not think we'd win so decisively."

If an individual award were to be made at this game, there would be something like ten players who would be contenders. Pitt's nomination would be Henry Ford.

Penn State's Quarterback Tony Rados, ends Jim Garrity and Don Malinak, linebacker Pete Schoderbek, halfbacks Lenny Moore, Wayne Wolfkeil, Buddy Rowell, and Ron Younker, tackle Rosey Grier, and fullback Bill Straub.

Rados received compliments from the radio announcers who said: "Rados has lived up to his reputation. We weren't surprised."

The same radio announcers said: "We heard a lot about Lenny Moore. Now we know what they mean."

Schoderbek and Straub must be given consideration mainly for their defensive operations. In fact, both were listed by reporters as the game's "unsung heroes."

Rowell and Younker receive the nod on their fine running performances. Wolfkeil certainly ended his career in fine style, blocking three "sure" TD passes. Engle's great tackle, Grier, won the loudest applause from the 42,277 fans when he was taken out late in the game. Grier had a not-too-impressive showing at the start of the season but quickly made the one-planet change in All-American style.

Garrity, who made a sensational catch at the West Virginia contest, made one against the Panthers that topped it. One reporter exclaimed: "That Garrity is playing a banged-up ballgame."

It was a great season and congratulations are in order to Rip Engle, his excellent coaching staff (Al Michaels, Jim O'Hara, Sever Toretta, Joe Paterno, Frank Patrick, and Earl Bruce), and the football players.

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Former Lion Grid Star Suspended By Redskin Club

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (AP)—Chuck Drazenovich, Washington Redskins fullback, was suspended indefinitely today for what Head Coach Curly Lambeau said was "improper attitude."

Lambeau did not elaborate on his reasons in the announcement, issued through Redskins' Manager Dick McCann.

Drazenovich, a former Penn State athlete now in his fourth season with the Redskins, appeared only briefly in the lineup of yesterday's 24-21 victory over the New York Giants.

McCann said Drazenovich has seen little service in recent games and has complained of various injuries and aches.

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Dodgers To Name New Boss

NEW YORK, Nov. 23 (AP)—Brooklyn is expected to name its new manager tomorrow and your guess is still as good as the next fellow's.

Since the Dodgers and Chuck Dressen parted company after the World Series, the rumor mills have been grinding out names by the bushel.

Once it was Pee Wee Reese who seemed a sure shot for the big job. But Reese let it be known that he wasn't intrigued by a player-manager deal.

After Reese spoke out, the manhunt broadened. Old familiar names and some not even newly familiar were dropped into print. Frankie Frisch, a TV performer last year, was mentioned in the papers. So was Bill Terry, the ex-New York Giant.

Terry told reporters he hadn't been asked but, if he should be, would not take a one-year contract.

It was the one-year contract that got Dressen in the middle.

Dressen hooked on with Oakland of the Pacific Coast League but three coaches still are available. They are Billy Herman, Cookie Lavagetto and Jake Pitler.

In the farm system such names as Walter Alston and Clay Hopper have been mentioned. Jackie Robinson has some support.

Eddie Sawyer, former Philadelphia manager, and Lefty O'Doul also were on the rumor list.

Add Luke Sewell, Marty Marion and you have a good-sized list. The new manager may be somebody never mentioned.

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Lions Shutout Penn, 6-0, In Final Game

By ROY WILLIAMS

With sophomore Dick Packer leading the scoring parade with four goals, the Nittany soccer squad closed its season by shutting out Penn, 6-0, in one of the best games the Lions have played all season.

"If the boys had played the same kind of game against Temple," Coach Hosterman said, "the final score might have been a different story." Temple shut the Lions out, 2-0, last week.

Penn State's first four goals were netted by Dick Packer, center forward. After the first period resulted in neither team rallying, Packer tallied two in the second period. His first goal was a head shot from eight yards out, after he received a corner kick from Bill Norcik, outside right.

Packer Scores 3rd
With the start of the second half, by virtue of Packer's two goals, the Lions held a 2-0 lead.

"The first half was bitterly contested by Penn," Hosterman remarked.

In the third quarter, Packer again scored on an eighteen-yarder to give the Lions a 3-0 lead.

The roof fell in on the Quakers in the fourth period, when three goals were scored against them by State's fast-moving forward line. Packer scored the first of those three goals for the Lions with a six-yard boot for his fourth of the game, and the Lions' fourth.

"Packer had been working on turning and booting the ball in one motion," Hosterman remarked.

"He finally succeeded in getting the form of the move, and booted two of his best goals of the season. They were both eighteen-yard kicks."

Matacia, Norcik Score
Penn State put the game on ice as Dick Matacia, another sophomore lineman, and Senior Norcik each tallied. Matacia's shot was an eight-yard head shot, while Norcik netted a goal on a difficult four-yard shot from the side.

Penn only had sixteen shots at the Lion goal, while twenty-four scoring attempts were made by the Nittanians.

The Lions had to work for their win, however, as the Quakers weren't as easy as the score indicates. Coach Hosterman was particularly impressed by the performance of Penn's goalie, Warren Youngblood.

After posting a 5-2 record in his first season as a soccer coach, Ken Hosterman said, "We had a good season, but it might have been better if we would have been able to meet North Carolina, and Navy. That's not saying we would have added them to our win column, but at least we would have had a chance to improve our record."

Grid Bowl Developments

Georgia Tech has accepted an invitation to be host team in the Sugar Bowl football game on Jan. 1, 1954.

Selection of an opponent for Tech will be made and announced later, Irwin Poche, president of the New Orleans Mid-Winter Sports Assn., announced late yesterday.

Georgia Tech Coach Bobby Dodd said the Yellow Jackets voted to defend their victory of last New Year's Day in the Sugar Bowl, and added:

"Our boys are happy at the opportunity to defend the honor . . ."

Poche commented, "Our committee was in agreement that it wanted a Southeastern Conference member as the home team and selected Georgia Tech, one of the season's outstanding and most colorful teams."

UCLA was named yesterday by unanimous vote as Pacific Coast Conference representative in the Rose Bowl against Michigan State in an announcement that surprised no one.

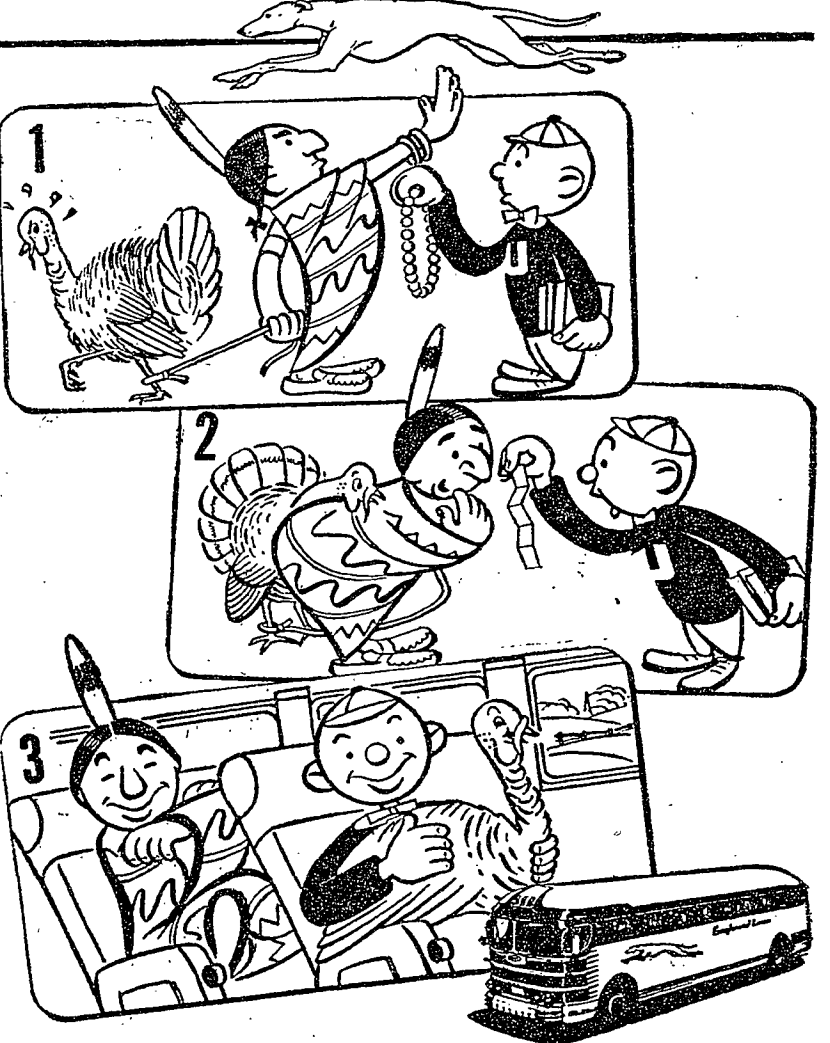
In fact, the students at the University of California at Los An-

geles had been celebrating their football's conference championship and the bowl bid more than an hour before the formal word was given.

So the New Year's Day battle in Pasadena will pit the powerful offenses of the Spartans from the Big Ten against the great defenses and strong running game of the local Bruins.

After a hectic session of hungry deliberation before naming Michigan State for the Rose Bowl, Big Ten athletic directors yesterday sought a method to make future decisions automatic in case of a co-championship.

Fritz Crisler of Michigan declared that "it might be well to consider the soundness of our present system of selecting a bowl candidate."



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