

From This Angle...

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HOLY CROSS POST MORTEM

E. E. (Shorty) Miller, the Harrisburg school principal who was dethroned of his Penn State rushing honors Saturday afternoon, is very happy about the whole state of affairs. Lenny Moore had a lot of rooters against Holy Cross, but none any stronger than Miller.

"I sure hope he breaks it (the record)," he said before game time. "He's a great runner, much stronger and faster than I ever was."

Of course, to imagine Miller in a football uniform is nearly impossible. He stands only 5-5 and weighed around 150 when he was playing for the Lions in 1912, but he really must have been a terror on the gridiron. He still holds the Penn State total offensive mark of 1031 yards. However, that one is about ripe for the Flying Flash. He needs just 188 more yards.

Moore, already a self-proven great on the field, proved himself a star out of uniform Saturday after he left the game. Rip Engle, who believes in playing the game for the sake of winning but draws a line in the "pour-it-on" department, was apologetic about keeping him out of action so much.

"That's all right coach," Moore answered, "just as long as we won the game, that's all that counts."

"He's a great kid," said Engle.

During the course of his two seasons as a ball carrying magician, Lenny has been tagged with a lot of nicknames and there seems to be a new one every week. The latest is the "Ghost", bringing the number to six. He's been tabbed the Reading Rambler, the Reading Flash, the Reading Wrath (Philadelphia writers gave him that one), Lightning Lenny, and the Reading Rocket.

Lambert Trophy Farce

The New York Jewelers who control the Lambert Trophy selections ought to get out their polishing rags and clean off the tarnish that certainly must have collected on their trophy last week. In fact after last week's ratings it might be better if the committee stuck with selling jewelry and forgot about football.

In case you're not familiar with last week's imbecility, the Lions were rated eighth in the east behind Army, Navy, Pitt, Boston College, Syracuse, Boston University, and Holy Cross.

It was an insulting blow to the University, the team, and coach Rip Engle. Penn State had already beaten Syracuse—a team which lost to Illinois, also another Lion victim. And Holy Cross, which finally managed to score against Penn State Saturday, had won only one game in six tries at the time of the selections.

Boston College, and Boston University don't even belong on the same field with the Lions, and Pitt, regardless of its abilities, cannot possibly be considered an eastern club. The Panthers have played only one game in the east. They upset Navy 21-19.

It's too bad this private group

has gained control of a selections process as big as this, but as long as newspapers continue to print its junk, the weekly farce will continue.

However, from now on don't expect to read about the standings in this newspaper. The "committee's" ratings will be politely dropped in the nearest garbage can.

Indignation, yes. But sour grapes, no. After grapes get sour, the next thing they do is get rotten and then it's time to throw them out.

Grid Dope Sheet

RUSHING					
Player	Trials	Gains	Lost	Net	Ave.
Moore	108	881	38	843	7.8
Younker	35	317	18	299	8.5
Bailey	60	241	100	141	2.3
Straub	18	114	0	114	6.3
Blockson	22	69	5	64	2.9
Kane	24	211	0	211	8.8

PASSING					
Player	Attempt.	Comp.	Ints.	Yds.	TDs
Bailey	63	26	2	295	3
Hoffman	15	9	2	98	1
Plum	17	3	4	22	0
Hochberg	4	3	0	41	1

PASS RECEIVING			
Receiver	No.	Yds.	TDs
Mechling	1	15	0
Moore	3	37	1
Arnelle	8	88	1
Garity	11	131	0
Allen	1	16	1
Sherry	1	98	0
Younker	3	39	1
Rowell	1	7	0
Kane	1	14	0
Rohland	1	10	0
Alberigi	1	17	0
Caldwell	1	9	1

PUNT RETURNS			
Player	No.	Yds.	TDs
Moore	6	99	0
Younker	10	165	0
Straub	1	19	0
Kane	4	42	0
Rowell	1	9	0
Bailey	1	0	0

KICKOFF RETURNS			
Player	No.	Yds.	TDs
Moore	5	159	0
Younker	5	81	0
Straub	1	20	0
Kane	4	79	0
Allen	1	13	0
Rowell	1	28	0
Della Penna	1	14	0
Caldwell	1	15	0

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Variation was the keynote in intramural basketball Monday night at Recreation Hall. There were some high scoring games, and some low scoring games, some runaways, and some tight contests.

In the first game the Ironmen captured a thrilling 18-15 win over the McKee Monsters. George Hopkins tallied eight points to lead the winners, and Nick Muslin scored seven to top the losers.

In the second game the Chug-a-Lugs completely overpowered the Cavemen, 53-12. John Farls led the winners with a 15 point output, and Carl Tamer led the Cavemen with eight.

The evening's third contest was a real thriller as Jordan Hotshots copped a close 32-30 win over the Trumplers. Charlie Patton of the Hotshots and Chris Kuebler of the Trumplers were the offensive standouts with ten points apiece.

In the fourth game of the evening, the Renegades topped the Lions in another close game, 26-23.

In the fifth game, the Kingsmen beat the Gnats, 32-23. Ed Finkbeiner with 11 points and Cliff Kreamer with nine topped their teams.

The Sixty-Niners topped the Libert, Clowns, 20-9, in the next game.

The McKee Deuces won over the Koons in the seventh game by a score of 20-13. Bob McKibben tallied eight points to lead the winners. In the evening's eighth game the Jordan Jokers copped a close win over the Steelers, 23-25. Lou Trautman scored 18 points to lead the winners, and Ron Casarella topped the losers with 12.

The ninth game was another close one, the Mustangs topping Physchem, 26-24. Job Menges led the winners with seven points and Dick Erb the losers with 13.

Dierks is Bulwark Of Booters' Defense

By JOHN LAWRENCE

It has been quite a while since an All-America soccer player has graced the Nittany campus. As a matter of fact, Harry Little, who won the coveted title in 1950, was the last Penn State player to earn the honor. However, the only obstacle that could stand in the path of Paul Dierks, burly fullback on the Lions' undefeated soccer team, would be a storm that would reduce Hurricane Hazel to a 'minor sneeze'.

"He's a battleship on defense," Coach Ken Hosterman said of his fullback ace who has become the talk of the soccer circles and the scourge of opposing teams.

For a big man, 6'2" 205, Dierks is extremely agile and has been one of the big reasons for the Nittany booters' unblemished record in six games.

Teamed with his running mates, Galen Robbins and goalie George Geczy, Dierks has formed an almost impregnable defense that has allowed the opposition a meager total of five goals.

His height is particularly effective in the department of head-balls, as was sadly witnessed by the Cadets of West Point.

With the State goal uncovered, Dierks picked an attempted Army score from the goal area and headed it downfield.

Paul was pressed into the center-halfback position last year as a result of the graduation of former Nittany captain, Kurt Klaus.

This position is comparable to that of the quarterback in football, and evidence of the big fullback's success can be shown by the booter's log of five wins and two defeats last year.

The center halfback directs the offensive attack with his passes to both wings and the middle. On defense, he is considered a keyman, playing between the full-

backs and the forward line and flanked by both halfbacks.

All-district honors were conferred on Dierks in his freshman year and again last season as a result of his center-half play. District honors are composed of votes from coaches and game officials from Pennsylvania, Delaware, and New Jersey.

"Paul keeps his opponents guessing. He never plays the ball the same way twice, which prevents the opposition from learning a certain pattern and playing accordingly," Hosterman said.

Dierks reached his peak against the midshipmen of Annapolis last Saturday when he turned back Navy on several tight occasions and developed the knack of "being in the right spot at the right time."

At Brooklyn Technical High School in New York City he was selected to the New York All-Scholastic team in 1948 and 1949, and captained the squad along with present Nittany captain, Jack Pinezich.

Dierks is a member of Phi Delta Theta and the Penn State "S" club. He is married to the former Louanne Gallaher, and is the father of one son.

There are a number of All-America soccer players performing in the East this year, but if there is a better fullback in the country than Paul Dierks he has not appeared in Eastern circles.



Paul Dierks

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