

LIONS versus PITT

Nittanies Seek 3rd Straight; Records May Go

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PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 20—Pitt and Penn State, two of the fastest stepping football teams in the east meet here today in what shapes up to be one of the finest matches in the 61-year-old rivalry.

Kickoff is 1:30 p.m.

Both clubs, rated with Army and Navy in the top eastern foursome, move into the contest behind impressive records—although Pitt's season began on a sour note.

The Lions have won six of eight contests, and are riding the crest of a three game win skein. Pitt, on the other hand carries only a 4-4 mark, but a look at the overall record lends favorably to the Panther's status in today's tussle.

Enthusiasm is running high in the Steel City and more than 50,000 fans are expected to jam into Pitt Stadium to watch State go after its third straight victory in the traditionally hard fought series.

Since Captain Tom Hamilton stepped into the Panther coaching job five weeks ago, the Jungle Cats have been on the upgrade. After a dismal beginning that cost them three straight losses, the Panthers suddenly caught fire under the ex-Navy coach and have come on to win four out of five, including victories over Navy, and West Virginia—the team that beat Penn State, 19-14.

However, Hamilton has a problem with the Lions that he possibly hasn't faced yet this year. He must stop halfback Lenny Moore if he is to stop Penn State, a trick nobody has been able to perform this year.

Moore, just 11 yards behind the national rushing leadership, and a very strong candidate for all-America honors this season, has run for 1014 yards and is a cinch to break at least one Penn State record today.

He needs only 17 yards from scrimmage to top E. E. (Shorty) Miller's total offensive mark, set in 1912, and he will break the Penn State touchdown record if he hits pay dirt once today. The Ghost, with 13 touchdowns in eight games, is currently tied with three former Penn State players—E. M. "Bull" McCleary, Harry Robb, and "Lighthorse Harry" Wilson.

The fleet footed junior, acclaimed by Lion coach Rip Engle as the best back he's ever coached, won't be a welcome sight for the Pitts today. He made the longest touchdown run of his career here last season when he galloped 79-yards to sew up the Lions 17-0 victory over Pitt.

This year his best scoring effort was a 60-yard dash against Penn, but he's crossed opponent goal lines four times from better than fifty yards out, one of them on an intercepted pass.

The longest run of the season belongs to the second half of Penn State's devastating running punch—Ron Younker. Younker broke loose for 80-yards in the Lions 34-7 rout of Virginia early in the year, and has scored on several long runs since. He and Moore have accounted for 120 of the Lions' 193 points scored.

Of course the Nittany swifties must get past the best defensive back they've faced this season—Henry Ford—and before they can get to Ford they'll have to pass one of the hardest lines anywhere.

Hamilton's forward wall, anchored by tackles Eldred Kraemer and Lou Palatella, will weigh in between 206 and 210 pounds, depending on who gets the starting assignments.

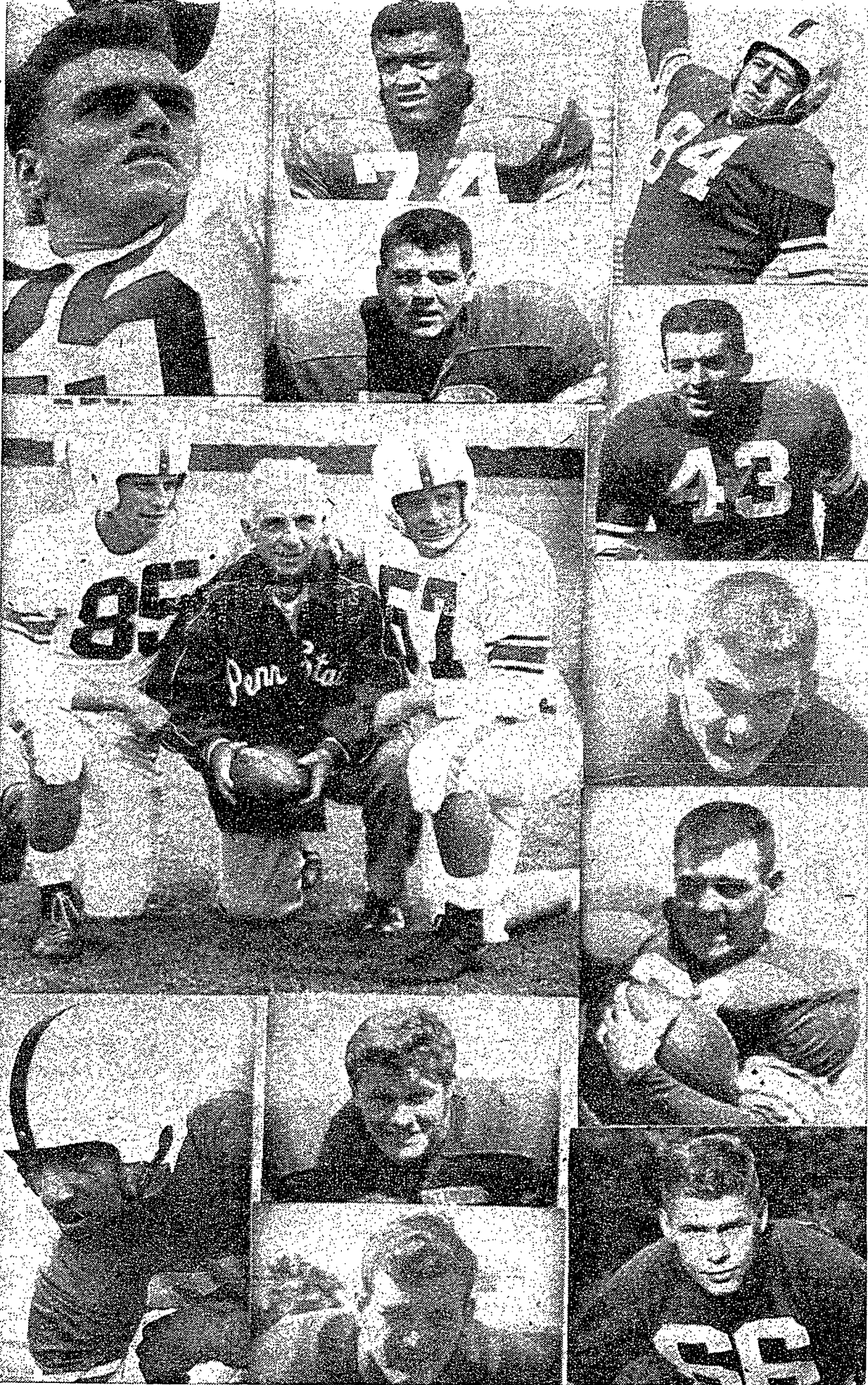
Last week Hamilton started his second team and used it successfully in dumping favored Nebraska, 21-7. Indications are that the captain will return to his regulars this week, but he is expected to employ his now famous "shock troop" system, a weapon that Rip Engle has used for two seasons.

Engle, however, has been plagued with injuries this season, and has been restricted. However, the Lions are in good physical shape for the big one. Veteran fullback Bill Straub, who has rested an injured knee for two weeks, will return to the starting lineup today. Straub and quarterback Don Bailey round out the Lion backfield, with halfbacks Billy Kane and Buddy Rowell on reserve. Both are expected to see extensive action.

On the line, one regular may be absent. End Jim Garrity, still hobbling on a bad leg, may be held to limited duty. Jack Sherry, a proven pass receiver, or Bob Rohland, will replace him at the terminal position.

Jesse Arnelle, in his fourth season of varsity ball, will be at the other end. Engle will have Rosey Grier and Otto Kneidinger at the tackles, Keith Horn and either Sam Valentine or Dick De Luca—both sophomores—at the guards, and Don Balthaser at center.

A win today would give Engle his third straight, and fourth in five years over the Panthers. Pitt, however, holds a comfortable edge in the overall series. The Panthers have won 31 and Penn State 20. Two games ended in ties. The Lions won the last two games by identical 17-0 scores.



THIRTEEN SENIORS will play their last college football game against the University of Pittsburgh today. Pictured above from the upper left to lower left are Don Bailey, Rosey Grier, Gene Danser, Jack Sherry, Buddy Rowell, Bob

Rohland, Ron Younker, Keith Horn, Dan DeFalco, Chuck Sowers and Jesse Arnelle, Co-captains Jim Garrity and Don Balthaser (center) are shown with Lion coach Rip Engle. The Lions have a 6-2 mark so far.

Penn State - Pitt Starting Lineups

PENN STATE
ARNELLE
GRIER
VALENTINE
BALTHASER
SHUMAKER
KNEIDINGER
SHERRY
BAILEY
MOORE
YOUNKER
STRAUB

Pos
LE
LT
LG
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RG
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RE
QB
HB
HB
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PITT
McQUAIDE
PALLATELLA
BOLKOVAC
BALLOCK
HUNTER
KRAEMER
PALUCK
SALVATERRA
PASSODELLIS
FORD
JENKINS