

3 Booters Named To All-America

Three of Penn State's soccer players who were members of the 1954 squad that piled up a string of nine straight victories, were named on the All-American team yesterday.

Dick Packer, high scoring sophomore center forward, and seniors Paul Dierks and Captain Jack Pinezich were chosen by the selections committee of the National Soccer Coaches Association.

Linemen Packer and Pinezich were named to the first team while Dierks, fullback, won honors on the second team.

Packer Led Scoring

Packer, who was elected captain of the squad for the 1955 season, led the Lions in scoring during the past season. He scored 19 goals while his teammate Pinezich, playing at outside left, scored nine tallies.

Packer's 19 goals were spread throughout the season, but he managed to net five of the Lions' nine goals in the win against Syracuse for his biggest point total in one game. Packer scored three of the Lions' five goals when Army bowed to Penn State, 5-1.

Pinezich, who had been moving toward the national recognition since his sophomore year when he turned in a record-breaking performance, shattered Penn State's all-time scoring mark when he registered 23 goals in one season.

Was Passing Star

Although the classy lineman failed to stack up his usual number of goals this season, Pinezich was a big cog in the Lions' passing and defensive attack. Pinezich repeatedly turned in effective passing plays to his teammates and figured directly in at least ten of the Lions' 45 goals.

Dierks, who also was a four-year man in soccer along with Pinezich, was named on the second team. Oddly enough, Dierks was voted by his teammates as the most valuable player of the 1954 campaign.

Dierks, along with Packer and Pinezich, was selected on the all-district team last week. During the past season the burly fullback was a brilliant defensive performer for Coach Ken Hosterman. Dierks was repeatedly praised by opposing coaches and referees for his spirit and soccer defensive ability.

Promoter Seeks 'The Horse' For Wrestling

DES MOINES, Jan. 10 (AP)—P. L. (Pinky) George, Des Moines sports promoter, said today he will offer Alan (The Horse) Ameche, Wisconsin's All-America fullback, a \$100,000 a year guarantee if Ameche will become a professional wrestler.

George said he expects to confer with Ameche at Milwaukee Friday night to offer him a contract and "a \$25,000 advance down payment to seal the bargain."

"I don't have any fundamental objections if Ameche also wishes to play pro football," George said. "But in that event, I could offer him only \$50,000 for about six months of wrestling a year."

Ameche is a senior at the University of Wisconsin.

Neither Ameche nor his attorney, John J. Walsh, who also is Badger boxing coach, was available immediately for comment.

Alan's wife, Yvonne, however, commented:

"I just can't picture him as a wrestler."

"I really don't think Alan will go for it. He's never mentioned going into that game, and I don't think he's the type."

Baseball Suit May Be Settled

CHICAGO, Jan. 10 (AP)—A \$12 million anti-trust suit filed by the now bankrupt Liberty Broadcasting System of Dallas three years ago against 13 major league baseball clubs may be dismissed on a compromise settlement payment of \$200,000.

The suit names all major league teams except the Brooklyn Dodgers, Cincinnati Redlegs, and Chicago White Sox. It charges violation of the Sherman Act and Clayton anti-trust laws and a "continuing conspiracy to monopolize and restrain competition in broadcasting and recreating play-by-play accounts of professional baseball games."

"Both sides have accepted the proposal subject to approval of the bankruptcy court," Will Harridge, American League president, said in a news conference.

Russia Needs Sprinters

MOSCOW, Jan. 10 (AP)—The Russians want to defeat the United States in the 1956 Olympic Games, and to achieve this they will have to develop some first class track sprinters.

That is one of the big Soviet aims for 1955, according to a scolding article in Soviet Sport, the country's leading sports paper.

In the 1952 Olympics at Helsinki the best the Russians could do in the four shortest runs was a single fifth place. The United States in the same events scored three firsts, one second, two thirds and one fourth.

Why do Russian sprinters seem to run with anchors in their pants? The men, at least.

It's faulty training and coaching, says Soviet Sport.

"It is high time," says Soviet Sport, "to speak about what prevents our sprinters from achieving top marks in competition. . . major reason is that in 1954 training was very badly organized and there are no plans at all for winter training . . ."

Leader Will 'Clean Up'

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Governor elect George Leader was quoted by the Philadelphia Bulletin as promising today that his administration is going to clean up boxing in Pennsylvania.

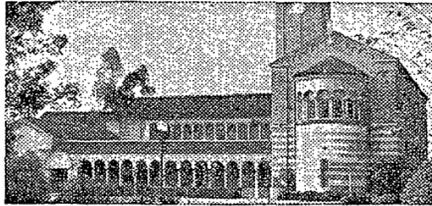
Gene Wettstone, Penn State gymnastics coach, directed the United States Olympic entry in 1952.

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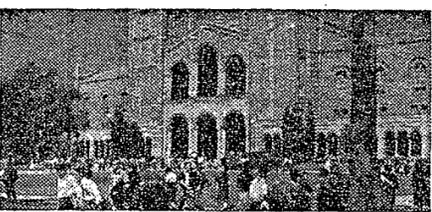
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