

Lion Fall Coaches Rate Among Best in Nation



Rip Engle
...the ace grid mentor



Ken Hosterman
...the youthful soccer coach



Chick Werner
...the harrier mastermind

(This is the first in a series of three articles on the Penn State coaching staff. Today the coaches of the fall sports.)

Why do fall sports at Penn State always rank among the top on the national scale? The answer is complex, but we like to give the coach his share of the glory, particularly when his record is as successful as those of our three coaches—Charles "Rip" Engle, Ken Hosterman, and Charles "Chick" Werner.

After seven successive years of building winning teams for Penn State, Engle is now in the possession of a team which the experts claim is better "on paper" than last year's squad which notched a 6-2-1 record.

In coaching, Engle has a much simpler objective than beating the bowl teams. And that is to produce winners, game by game and season by season. Under his coaching for the past seven seasons, Penn State has remained among the only three teams who have not had a losing season on the gridiron since World War II. The Lions' cumulative mark is 40-20-3.

His personal postseason record includes clinical tours for the Military, such as the one he completed this year through Japan. He has also served as an assistant coach in the annual North-South game at Montgomery, Ala., in 1949 and 1950.

After assisting Notre Dame's Terry Brennan in the East-West classic Shrine game, Engle was named head coach of the East for this year's tilt.

Werner not only handles the cross-country team, which had one of its most successful seasons last year, but switches to the track and field chores in the spring. And he's been building individual and team champions in the two sports since 1933.

During that time he has an excellent record of 49 wins and 32 losses in track and has won the IC4A championship in 1950 and 1951 and the NCAA cross-country competition in 1950.

Werner is ably assisted in both sports by Norm Gordon who also handles the freshmen cindermen and harriers.

Hosterman has probably the best starting record of any coach in Lion annals. In his four-year reign, the youthful soccer mentor has a 30-4-1 chart, including a 22-game undefeated streak which was just broken last year. His club was named National Champion in 1954 and co-National Champion in 1955.

Guards, Tackles—

(Continued from page eighteen) have been used in reserve roles.

Despite all the preseason raves and fancy notices being given the Lions by the football experts, Engle refused to be outwardly optimistic concerning the season ahead. He, in accord with past seasons, is adopting a wait-see attitude.

—As Ridge Rielly, author of the Penn State Alumni News, quoted Engle: "I'm a realist. Call me a pessimistic optimist." That could very well summarize "The Rippers'" feelings for the 1957 season.

Penn State will play six of ten football games on the road in 1958, opening against Nebraska at Lincoln Sept. 20.

1958 Marks Last Year Of Present Penn Series

The famed Penn-Penn State football series, originating back in 1890, comes to a temporary end following the 1958 encounter at Penn's Franklin Field.

According to Jim Coogan, University sports publicity director, the termination of the series came about as a result of a mutual agreement between the athletic directors of both schools.

The series was last interrupted in 1948 and was resumed in 1952. Since that time, the Lions have won four of the five contests, although Penn holds the series edge, 24-16, with four ties.

Coogan said that both schools expressed desires to play other rivals. Since Penn has only two open dates on its schedule now that the Ivy League is officially formalized, Penn State was a logical candidate for the drop. The teams had not scheduled a game for 1959 so the series is not cancelled.

Both athletic directors said that the termination of the present series in no way represented the complete termination of Penn-Penn State football. Both said that they expected the schools to again play each other at a later date.

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Vanderbilt, an opponent for the first time, will be the football attraction at Penn State's Homecoming celebration in 1957.

Pitt and Penn State, once traditional Turkey Day football rivals, will return to the Thanksgiving Day date for their 1958 shindig.

Penn State will undertake a 10-

game football schedule in 1958 for the first time since 1952.

Earl (Bud) Kohlhaas, Penn State's sophomore center aspirant, is a former all-Pennsylvania schoolboy football selection.

J. L. "Pete" Mauthe, first Penn State football player to be admitted to the Hall of Fame, is an industrial executive in Ohio.

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