

# Lion X-Country Team Places 9th in NCAA's

By GEORGE FRENCH

Led by Captain Fred Kerr, the Penn State cross-country team placed ninth in the National Intercollegiate Athletic Association 4-mile run at East Lansing, Mich., yesterday.

Kerr finished 13th in 20:10, 21 seconds better than he did earlier this year in a dual meet with Michigan State over the same course. The junior from West York placed 23rd last year.

Lion junior Ed Moran moved up 43 places over last year's 85th place, finishing 42nd in 20:35. Earlier this year, Moran covered the East Lansing course in 20:30.

Sophomore Dick Engelbrink was the next Nittany runner to cross the finish line, placing 44th in 20:51. Joe Thompson, another Lion sophomore, took 67th in 21:23.

Junior Chick King, who ran the East Lansing course in 21:26 earlier this year, placed 87th in 21:48.

Overall, the times recorded by the top five Penn State runners averaged 15.5 seconds faster in the NCAA Championships than their times in the dual meet with Michigan State.

Notre Dame, with a low of 121 points, dethroned defending champion Michigan State. It was the first team title for the Irish in the 19-year history of the meet. Michigan State was second with 127 points, with the University of Houston finishing third.

Syracuse, led by sophomore Ben Johns who placed 12th, took fourth ahead of fifth place Kansas. The Lions finished above the Orange in last week's IC4-A Championship at New York City.

On the strength of Mike Midler's 15th place and Dave Eckel's 21st place, Cornell took seventh in the NCAA meet. In a dual meet on Oct. 15, the Nittany harriers defeated Cornell, 20-35, with Kerr, Moran and Clem Schoenebeck tying for first place.

Max Truex, a 5-foot, 5-inch, 138-pound junior from the University of Southern California, shattered the individual meet record by covering the 4-mile course in 19:17.3, 24.4 seconds under the mark set by Charlie Capozzoli of Georgetown in 1952. The 73-year-old former Olympic distance runner wasn't even breathing hard as he finished 120 yards ahead of John Macy of the University of Houston.

Macy, a Polish refugee who has run two miles in a blistering 8:44 pace, covered the four miles in 19:35, 1.7 seconds under Capozzoli's mark.

## Fiedler's 4 Goals Pace 8th Victory

(Continued from page eight) After that Torgy had his second.

The Lions scored three more in the second frame, one in the third and three in the fourth. Pitt's lone tally came in the second quarter on a 15-yard boot by inside left Chuck Kane.

Statistic-wise, the Lions outshot the Panthers, 33-7, and had 7 corner kicks to 4.

Said Coach Ken Hosterman: "It was a tremendous victory. I sure hate to see the season end on that one. Now, I'd like to play about eight more."



## The Sportseer

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### FIVE LION GRIDDERS GET BOWL INVITES

Don't be too disappointed if you had to send those Gator Bowl tickets back to Jacksonville (we sent ours by special delivery) for you'll still be able to see several Nittany gridders perform over television during the holidays.

Five seniors, including captain Joe Sabol, have been invited to all-star games during the Christmas reprieve. Sabol will be with Coach Duff Daugherty's North team at Miami on Christmas Day along with end Jack Farls. Coach Rip Engle will take all-American end candidate Les Walters and fullback Babe Caprara along with him to San Francisco to the Shriners' East-West game Dec. 28. Engle is the head coach of that extravaganza. And "the best second team end in the nation"—Paul North—will wear the blue of the annual Blue-Gray classic in Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 28.

### PENN STATE SOCCER—OUTSTANDING

Let's give a little recognition to that "forgotten" fall sport of the Mount Nittany campus—soccer. The Lion booters wound up the season at Beaver Field last Saturday with a rousing 10-1 conquest over Pitt and in the process broke a season scoring record with 56 goals.

The victory was the 226th in 49 years of soccer against 38 losses and 43 ties. That's a winning percentage of .736. Only wrestling can match that mark.

In those 307 games played, the Blue and White has scored 1101 points (3.6 game average) to opponents' 286 (.9 game average).

Coach Ken Hosterman's personal record in his five year term is a gaudy 38-5-2 for .884 winning percentage (we disregarded the two deadlocks). No team has been able to defeat a Hosterman club twice although Navy and West Chester both own a win and a tie over a Hosterman-coached outfit.

### ODDS AND ENDS—

Frank Carver, Pitt's Graduate Manager of Athletics, will probably go into the prognostication business any day now. Carver has made only three predictions on football games this season and all three were correct. He gave underdog Georgia Tech the nod over Duke (the Engineers won, 13-7); underdog Notre Dame the choice over Oklahoma (the Irish won, 7-0); and picked favored Pitt over Penn State (need I say more?).

Joe, my favorite barber, thinks Chuck Ruslavage will be Penn State's grid captain for 1958 . . . he also sees the venerable Ruslavage (who hails from the coal region, no less) as an All-American candidate next fall . . . You could be right Joe . . . but Dave Kasperian, Al Jacks and Steve Garban are other possibilities for captain . . .

Joe also has a hunch that Andy Moconyi will be switched from halfback to end by Engle next season . . . says Joe: "Moconyi is a good runner, a fine pass receiver and a good defensive halfback. He'll probably take Les Walters' position next season" . . . boy Joe, you sure like to make those long shots . . .

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE DEPARTMENT—What will Penn State do next year with four quarterbacks—Al Jacks, Richie Lucas, Dick Hoak and Don Jonas — and???? halfbacks—Dave Kasperian, Andy Moconyi, Eddie Caye, Pat Botula, Bruce Gilmore, Lou Luce, Jim Kerr, Pat Funair, etc.? . . . get out the red shirts.

The Sportseer says: Don't be surprised if Jack Farls is a high draft choice of the Washington Redskins or Green Bay Packers.

### Pigskin Coin Flips . . .

## Out On a Limb

King Louie is dead—long live the new king! That's what the cheering will be for come this weekend after all the football scores are in.

Only there's one thing that has been bothering us—who gets "crowned" as the top prognosticator in the Collegian poll if the coaches beat out the boss (Vicious Vince).

Rip Engle will try to pull the coaches from their last place finish of last year to the top this year by picking Mississippi over Mississippi State (Ohh, oh boss!), Cornell over Penn (there's hope yet boss), TCU over SMU (you're in boss), and Brown over Colgate. (What, you picked Colgate? We've just decided to crown the coaches.)

Since you two only disagree on four games, maybe that tie won't be broken (things are lookin' up boss).

	Carocci .578	Coaches .578	Prato .535	Mathews .533
SMU-TCU	SMU	TCU	TCU	TCU
Miss.-Miss.St.	Miss.St.	Miss.	Miss.	Miss.
Cornell-Penn	Penn	Cornell	Penn	Penn
Brown-Colgate	Colgate	Brown	Brown	Brown
Army-Navy	Army	Army	Army	Navy
Fla.-Miami	Fla.	Fla.	Miami	Miami
Rice-Baylor	Rice	Rice	Rice	Rice
Ga.-Ga. Tech	Ga.Tech	Ga.Tech	Ga.Tech	Ga.Tech
LSU-Tulane	LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU
ND-USC	ND	ND	ND	ND
Tenn.-Vandy	Tenn.	Tenn.	Tenn.	Tenn.
Tex.-Tex.A&M	A&M	A&M	A&M	A&M
Va.-N.C.	N.C.	N.C.	N.C.	N.C.
Wake For.-S.C.	S.C.	S.C.	S.C.	S.C.
Ariz.-Ariz. St.	Ariz.St.	Ariz.St.	Ariz.St.	Ariz.St.

## Coaches Tie Carocci in Poll

Two teams—SMU and Iowa—did come through for the football coaches Saturday, elevating Engle & Co. to a first place tie with Vicious Vince Carocci. The final contest appears in today's paper.

Picking as a group, the coaches hit on ten games while Vince, who differed from the coaches on only two games, registered an eight-seven card. The co-leaders have 78 right, 57 wrong, and a .578 percentage.

Lucky Lou Prato fell three games off the pace and is mathematically eliminated as hunches on Virginia and Minnesota victories didn't pan out. Lou stands 75-60 (.555).

Magnificent Matt Mathews enjoyed a nine-six afternoon and now rests in a more respectable last with 72 correct, 63 incorrect and .533.

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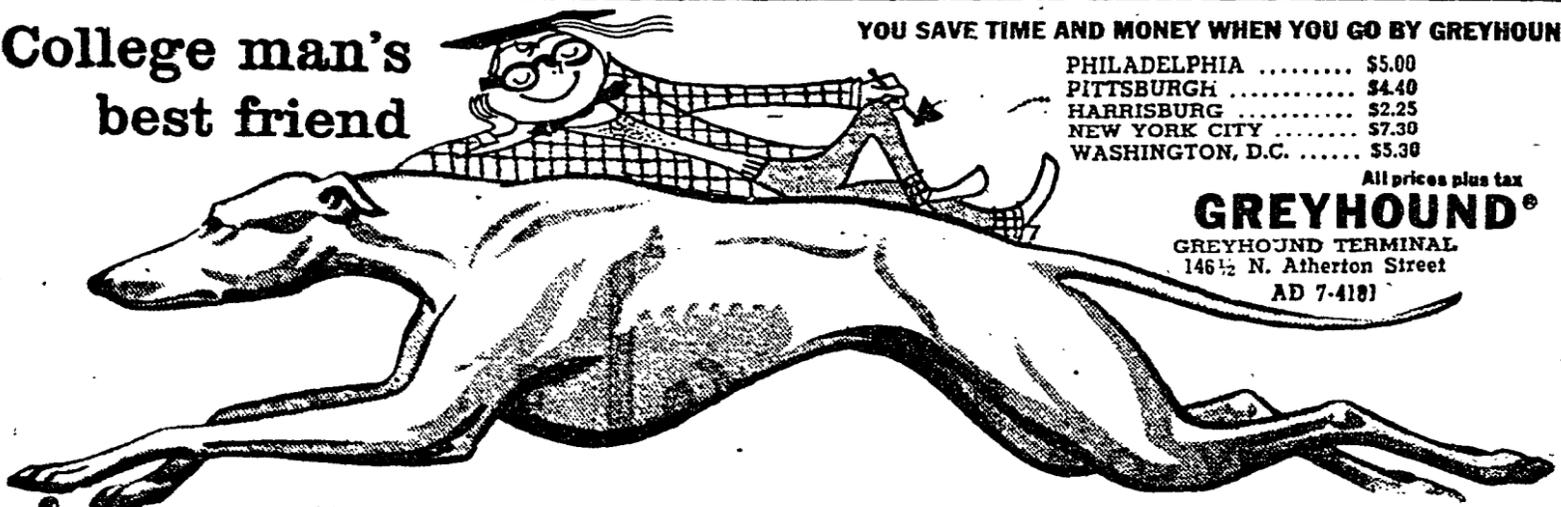
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