

Three Lion Masters . . .



FALL COACHES—Charles "Chick" Werner (left), Charles "Rip" Engle (center) and Ken Hosterman give Penn State 40 years of coaching experience at Penn State. The Trio had winning records last year in cross-country, football and soccer.

State's Fall Coaches Boast Forty Years of Experience

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

Experience makes the difference between a winner and a loser in any sport, and also holds true in coaching. That's one of the main reasons Penn State boasts the top three coaches in the nation in the fall sports program.

The Penn State trio of football Coach Charles "Rip" Engle, soccer Coach Ken Hosterman and cross-country mentor Chick Werner show 40 years of experience.

Werner tops the list in tenure as he starts his 26th year on the University Park campus.

Werner, who has a particular knack for developing distance runners, is also the indoor and outdoor track and field chief.

Since he began in 1933, Werner has a solid record of 49 wins and 32 losses in track and has won the IC4-A championship in 1950

and 1951 and the NCAA cross-country competition in 1950.

One of Werner's most outstanding students was 1952 Olympic steeplechase champion Horace Ashenfelter. Werner is highly respected nationally and has taken part in various tours abroad to instruct military personnel.

Second in terms of service comes the silver fox, Rip Engle. The grid master has been building winning teams for State every year since he arrived on the scene in 1950.

His eight consecutive years of winning continues a 19-season winning streak by Lion elevens.

In coaching, Engle has a much simpler objective than beating the bowl teams. And that is to simply produce winners, game by game, season by season. Under his coaching for the past eight terms, the Lions have remained among only three teams who have not had a losing season on the gridiron since World War II.

The Lions cumulative mark under Engle is 46-23-3.

His personal postseason record includes clinical tours for the military, such as the one completed last year through Japan and the one in Germany this past summer. He has also served as an assistant coach in the annual North-South game in Montgomery, Ala., in 1949 and '50.

But he has turned his post-season coaching talents toward the classic East-West Shrine game. After serving as assistant, Engle assumed the head duties for last year's tilt.

Youthful Kenny Hosterman has been around the campus as a coach for only six years, but in that short span has the best worst record of any mentor—a gaudy 38-5-2 record.

His successful coaching has led to two national championships for the Lions in '54 and '55. He just missed last year when West Chester knocked the booters out of contention with a 5-2 midseason loss.

TKE Captures All-Point Award

A team victory in the final event of the intramural sports program—track—last spring earned Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity its first all-year intramural sports championship since the pre-World War II days.

TKE, which copped two of the 17 IM crowns during the 1957-58 school year, wound-up the campaign with 902 points, 13 better than runner-up Alpha Sigma Phi. One-hundred and thirty of those points were scored in the track victory. The Alpha Sigs, on the other hand, poled only 56 points in the track tournament—and that was only good enough for a second place track deadlock with Alpha Phi Delta.

TKE also captured the handball doubles championship when Don Harnett and Dick Campbell won their second successive crown.

Alpha Sig also claimed two titles—touch football and volleyball.

The other members of last year's top ten included Lambda Chi Alpha (850), Delta Upsilon (809), Beta Theta Pi (650), Delta Sigma Phi (607), Alpha Tau Omega (553), Kappa Delta Rho (536), Acacia (535) and Sigma Alpha Epsilon (523).

Of these, only Delta Sig and ATO failed to win a crown. Lambda Chi won the golf medal (Dick Burgoon) and wrestling titles and deadlocked Delta Upsilon for the boxing championship. DU also won the swimming title.

Beta copped the handball singles (when footballer Al Jacks won his second straight crown) and the Gray brothers—George and Dan (both of whom are varsity wrestlers)—claimed the honors in tennis doubles.

KDR won its fourth basketball crown in five years. Acacia wrestled the soccer title from ATO and SAE won the team golf championship to round out the other top event winners.

Other team events were won by Beta Sigma Rho (tennis singles), Pi Lambda Phi (badminton), Sigma Chi (bowling) and Alpha Chi Sig—last year's all-point winner (horseshoes).

The rest of the fraternities in the order of their finish were: Phi Delta Theta, 521; Alpha Chi Sig, 511; Sigma Chi, 509; Alpha Chi Rho, 508; Sigma Nu, 508; Pi Kappa Phi, 507; Alpha Zeta, 498; Phi Epsilon Pi, 474; Delta Tau Delta, 461; Alpha Phi Delta, 463; Phi Mu Delta, 424; and Beta Sigma Rho, 418.

Beaver House, 407; Theta Xi, 406; Theta Delta Chi, 402; Phi Kappa Sigma, 396; Sigma Phi Epsilon, 373; Alpha Gamma Rho, 366; Theta Chi, 365; Tau Phi Delta, 357; Delta Chi, 350; Phi Gamma Delta, 347; Delta Theta Sigma, 337; Sigma Pi, 301; Sigma Alpha Mu, 295; and Phi Sigma Kappa, 280.

Pi Lambda Phi, 270; Chi Phi, 265; Phi Kappa Tau, 254; Kappa Sigma, 225; Tri-angel, 220; Phi Sigma Delta, 215; Zeta Beta Tau, 199; Theta Kappa Phi, 196; Phi Kappa, 194; Sigma Tau Gamma, 186; Pi Kappa Alpha, 171; Alpha Epsilon Pi, 158; Phi Kappa Psi, 118; Phi Sigma Upsilon, 115; Omega Pi Phi, 109; Alpha Kappa Lambda, 60; Alpha Rho Chi, 6; and Kappa Alpha Psi, 0.

Sports Dope . . .

Lions Boast Most NCAA Champs in Mid-Atlantic

Penn State boasts more individual National Collegiate champions than any other school in the Middle Atlantic district. Paced by track and gymnastics, the Nittany Lions claim 42. Princeton is the district team leader with 12 titles.

Lions Unbeaten Here

Penn State went unbeaten on its home gridiron for 50 straight games from 1889 to 1908.

Engle's 8-Year Mark

Rip Engle's eight-year football record at Penn State shows 47 wins, 23 defeats, 3 ties.

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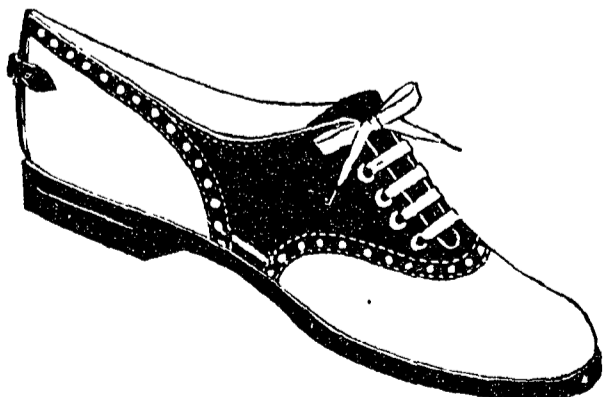
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