

Maierhofer Lost for Season

Broken Leg Claims Captain of Booters

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Calamity has hit the Penn State Soccer team for the fourth time in a week!

All-American halfback Howie Maierhofer broke his leg in a scrimmage Wednesday night. He will be lost for the season.

Earlier, the Nittany Lion booters lost the services of Lou Van Rafelghem, Ralph Becker, and Ihor Chyzowych. All were lettermen last season.

Last season Maierhofer gained honorable mention honors for the N.C.A.A. all-American soccer team. He was rated one of the best all-round players to don the blue and white in the last decade. Maierhofer was an offensive threat as well as a defensive standout.

The circumstances under which Maierhofer was lost brings to mind a similar story of 11 years ago.

1947 was the year that Lion coach Kenny Hosterman was being counted on to lead the Nittany Lions to the national championship.

He had led the Lions in scoring in 1946. After leading the booters to victory in their first three games, Hosterman broke his leg in practice. This broken leg ended his active career.

Maierhofer's sudden loss further complicates the Lion soccer situation.

One week ago Coach Hosterman was casting covetous eyes on a national championship. Now Hosterman is going to have a tough time fielding an experienced team.

The previously happy halfback situation joins the fullback and goalie positions on the critical list. Hosterman's problem doesn't lie in lack of candidates. The problem is that they aren't experienced.

To help alleviate the personnel problem, Hosterman has gone back to playing checkers with his men. Gary Miller, who has been moved everywhere, is now slated



Howie Maierhofer ... breaks leg

to be shuffled back to his original halfback slot.

Tony Mattei, a native of Italy, is taking a fling at center forward. "If this move works out it will help a lot," said Hosterman.

When asked to comment on the bad luck his team has had this year, Hosterman replied: "The losses will definitely hurt us. But this is the type of thing one has to expect in sports. You can be sure the boys won't give up. The scrimmage at practice last night proved that."

They Will All Get a Chance

Kochman, Daniels Give Frosh Speed for Coming Grid Season

Speed has been one of the outstanding lacks in Penn State backfields of recent vintage, so it is not surprising that freshman Coach Earl Bruce has come up with one of the fastest backs in the state.

The athlete in question is Roger Kochman who played "third man" on the championship Wilkensburg eleven. The 6-1, 185-pounder was the WPIAL sprint champion but "ONLY" the second fastest man in the state last year.

In the PIAA's, he finished second in both the 100-yard dash and the 220. Another oddity about this comparatively unpublicized star is, with all his speed, he played fullback. Bruce has been working him at halfback during the first four days of drills.

Kochman played in the American Legion All-Star game in Easton as his only post-season recognition. He joins Wilkensburg teammate Al Maiello, a guard, on the Lion frosh.

Coming from the same district (Duquesne) and just as highly touted, is fleet-footed back Mike Daniels. The 6-foot, 180 pound speedster was named to the usual amount of all-district squads.

Fullback Al Gursky worked hard enough at Governor Mifflin High School to be named to the Big 33 All-State squad. Gursky, who goes 6-foot, and weighs 185 pounds, also played in the All-State game at Hershey.

On the small side of the size chart, but still the big end of the talent line, stands Allen Brewster. The Ridley Twp. quarterback hits the scales at 153 pounds and stands 5-9 according to Bruce.

Brewster, whose father is the



Roger Kochman ... speed at last

baseball coach at Ridley and a Penn State grad, was named to the Associated Press All-State eleven.

Galen Hall is another top quarterback prospect for the frosh. Hall, who stands 5-11, and weighs 185 pounds, was named to the

Big 33 All-State team and also was a standout on the state championship basketball team at Williamsburg.

Harry Finkleston, 5-10, 170 pounds, is another top aspirant and, according to Bruce, is one of his best punters. Finkleston learned his football under a former Penn Stater, Joe Yukica.

Service veteran John Cino, 6', 180 pounds from Carbondale; Robert Hart, 6', 190 pounder from Morrisville; Bob Kline, 6', 180 pounder from Easton; Bill Peters, 6', 185 pounder from Meadville; Nixon Stuart, 6', 180 pounder from Bala Cydwyd; Ron Wilson, 5-10, 190 pounder from Hillside, N.J.; Werner Marshall, 6-1, 170 pounder; Tom Bundy, 6-1, 185 pounder from Sagertown and Tony Wayne, 5-7, 155 pounder from Higgins, Mass., are also top backfield candidates.

The best advice we heard from the coaches went like this: "Tell all the freshmen without the press clippings that the back who picked up the most yardage for us last year didn't even have one high school football honor, but he got to play for Penn State." He was talking about Dave Kasperian.

—By MATT MATHEWS

Panthers' Wide Open Offense Feared by New UCLA Coach

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The late UCLA football coach, Red Sanders, had many interesting theories about coaching.

Red used to say, for instance, that he'd rather have an under-coached rested team than an over-coached tired team on the field.

Big George Dickerson, who stepped up as head coach when Sanders died of a heart attack last month, has the same theory, and he has left unchanged most of the Bruin training routine.

So Saturday UCLA will field a squad at full strength, with many an injured player, when the Bruins open the season here against Pittsburgh.

As for the Pitt engagement, Dickerson observed:

"We'll be flying blind. They are not using the same attack they used to. We have no scout reports or movies on them.

"We'll have to diagnose them as the game develops."

Pitt Coach John Michelsen did indeed revise his offense. He opened it wide in spring

practice, using a split end and a wingback on almost every play, and emphasized the passing game.



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