

Team's 'In Good Shape'—Engle

Both Units Will Play Equal Time

By LOU PRATO
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LINCOLN, Neb. Sept. 20—Penn State's football team, with 10 lettermen in the starting lineup, rules a 13-point favorite over intersectional-rival Nebraska when the two clubs open the 1958 season here this afternoon.

Game time is 2 o'clock Central time. (Radio Station WMAJ will broadcast the game starting at 4 o'clock, Eastern Saving Time.)

Coach Rip Engle said after yesterday afternoon's practice at Lincoln's Memorial Stadium that he would make no changes in the starting array announced Wednesday. But he added that his alternate unit, which will include five veterans and three sophomores, "will see just as much playing time as the first" team.

If the Lion mentor sticks with his plan this afternoon, junior left end John



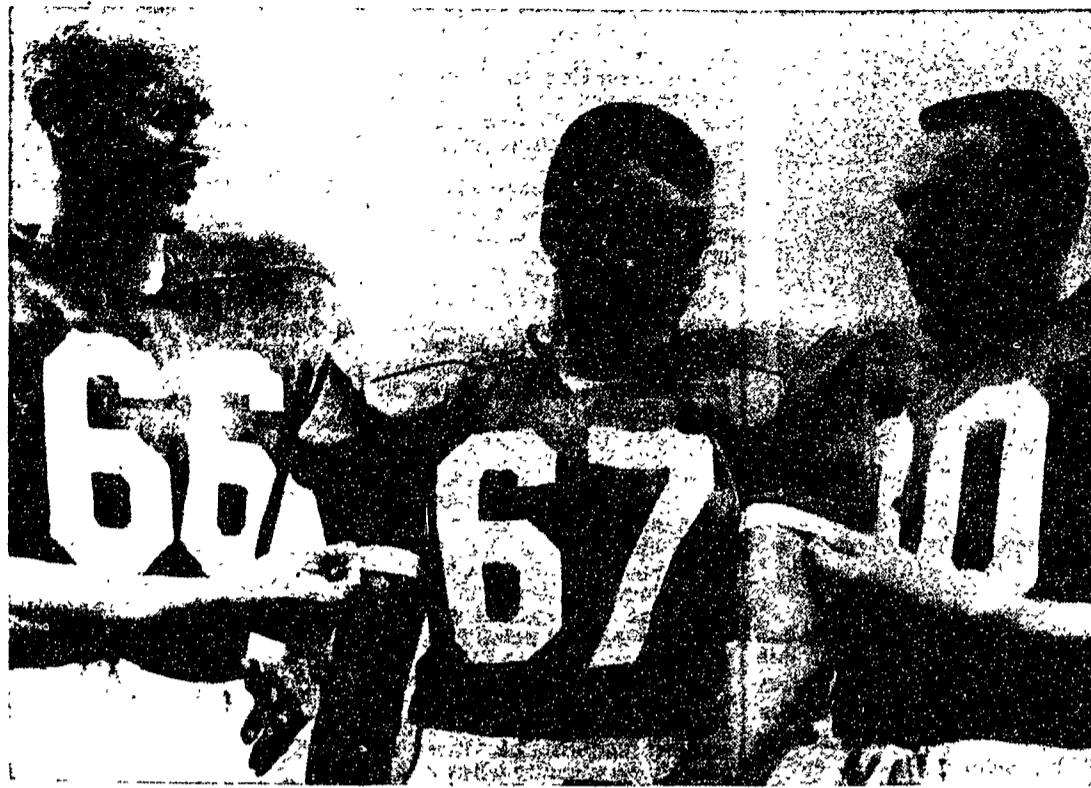
Bozick will be the only "rookie" in the starting array. The rest of the line up will show senior Maury Schleicher at right end, junior Andy Stynchula and senior Joe Bohart at the tackles, seniors Chuck Ruslavage and Bill Wehmer at the guards, captain Steve Garban at center, senior Al Jacks at quarterback, junior Pat Botula at fullback and seniors Dave Kasperian and Fran Paolone at the halves.

Bohart, Ruslavage, Wehmer, Jacks and Kasperian were regulars last fall. However, Ruslavage was a center and Wehmer a tackle then.

That forward wall will average 205 pounds, beefed up by the 230-pound mass of Schleicher. The weight of the backs will average 185 pounds.

The alternate unit is studied with upperclassmen. Bruce Gilmore, who led the Lions' in rushing average two years ago, is the only senior. He'll start at left half.

Norm Neff and Stu Barber



FOUR BIG CHANGES—Letterman Bill Wehmer (66), Charley Ruslavage (67) and Maury Schleicher (80) will be starting today in new positions. Last year Wehmer was a tackle and Ruslavage, a center. This year they will hold down the guard posts. Schleicher was switched from fullback to end. The fourth change in the picture is the new short-sleeved, tear-away jerseys the trio is modeling.

will be at the terminals. Tom Mulraney and Chuck Janerette will man the tackles. Bud Kohl-hass and Frank Korbini will be at the guards, Sam Stelatella will be the pivot man. Richie Lucas, the quarterback, Don Jonas, the right half, and Sam Sobczak, the fullback.

Barber, Jonas and Sobczak are sophomores. The others are juniors with Mulraney, Kohl-hass, Stelatella and Lucas veterans.

This alternate unit line average six-pounds per-man more than the first unit but the backfield is about the same.

The rest of the traveling squad includes ends Dave Truitt, Jim Schwab and Dave Alexander; tackles Jim Zaino and Bob Gil-mour; guards Bill Popp and Dan Maddigan; center Wayne Bere-field; veteran quarterback Bob Scrabis; halfback Jim Kerr; full-back Pat Funair and halfback-quarterback Dick Hoak.

The Lions will line up with Engle's wing-T attack against Nebraska's Oklahoma-T and single wing. They will be seeking their

fifth victory over the Huskies in a sixth renewal of the series. Penn State won the last meeting in 1952, 10-0. Nebraska's only win was in 1950, 19-0.

That game, incidentally, set a single game home attendance record for Nebraska—39,770. That's only 30 less than the 40,000 capacity. The Lions also hold the fourth best single game record with 39,238 in 1951.

Engle said yesterday that he did not know what to expect from Nebraska, the patsies of the Oklahoma-dominated Big Eight conference for the past few years.

"They don't have many men back from last year," Engle said, "so we don't know what we'll do. We practiced against everything we know about."

"The kids are in good shape,"

Engle continued, "but I still wish we had (Eddie) Caye and (Andy) Moconyi along." (Caye and Moconyi, both of whom are veterans.

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP)—Canvas was placed over the turf at Nebraska's Memorial Stadium to protect against a light rain Friday. Partly cloudy skies and temperatures in the 70s are expected today.

are on the sidelines with injuries. Caye is out for the year.)

Reserve tackle John Sava also failed to make the trip because of injuries. "We counted pretty heavily on Sava," Engle said, "but he has a bad ankle."

Tentative Starting Lineup:

PENN STATE		NEBRASKA	
John Bozick	LE	Mike Eger	
Andy Stynchula	LT	Duane Monkerson	
Chuck Ruslavage	LG	Dennis Emanuele	
Steve Garban (C)	C	Don Frieke	
Bill Wehmer	RG	Leroy Zentle	
Joe Bohart	RT	Joe Gacurann	
Maury Schleicher	RE	Roland McDole	
Al Jacks	QB	Harry Tolly	
Dave Kasperian	LH	Pat Fischer	
Fran Paolone	RH	Larry Navianus	
Pat Botula	FB	Dick McCashland (C)	



College Grid Openers Kickoff Season With Scattered Action

By JACK CLARY
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NEW YORK (AP)—The leaves have hardly thought about changing colors but they're getting a strong reminder Friday as the 1958 college football season begins its first Saturday of major activity.

Most of the action is the South, Southwest, and Far West, with a tidbit or two in the East, Midwest and Rockies. Everyone swings into action by next weekend, but by then the armchair quarterbacks should have a field day.

The only activity Friday night found Oregon State, picked No. 12 in the pre-season Associated Press Poll, visiting Southern California, George Washington at Detroit and Jacksonville at Chattanooga.

The controversial two-point conversion rule, one arm blocking, less stringent substitution rules and greater mobility for downfield blocking—all products of last winter's hotly discussed rules changes—get their first major tests.

So do three of the pre-season top 10. The rest begin next weekend. Mississippi, ranked No. 6 and the strongest contender for Auburn's Southeastern Conference

crown, meets Memphis State in a nonconference tilt.

Texas Christian, picked No. 8, also goes out of its Southwest Conference to meet Big Eight member Kansas.

In the East, Boston College meets Scranton and Villanova plays West Chester State, Penn State, another Eastern independent, is at Nebraska.

North Carolina's Tar Heels, rated No. 10, plays intra-state and Atlantic Coast Conference rival, and defending champion, North Carolina State.

In the second 10, Texas No. 11 plays Southeastern Conference contender Georgia while Clemson No. 18 meets ACC neighbor Virginia.

Pitt No. 19 faces UCLA, under new Coach George Dickerson on the West Coast.

Some new coaches get the real lay of the land Saturday. Arkansas' Frank Broyles sends his Razorbacks in a Southwest Conference tilt against Baylor, while Missouri's Dan Devine has his Eight Tigers take on Vanderbilt in a non-conference tilt, and a national TV (NBC) game.

Stanford's Jack Curtice matches his aerial wits that gave him a measure of face last year at Utah against Washington State's aer-

ial wizard Bob Newman in a Pacific Coast Conference game.

The PCC begins its last season as a nine-team league, with Oregon and Idaho meeting in the other conference tilt.

There is a complete slate of games in the ACC, with Duke-South Carolina and Clemson-Virginia the other top attraction beside the Tarheels-N.C. State battle.

Florida meets Tulane, and Kentucky, a 51-0 winner over Hawaii last week, plays Georgia Tech in the only Southeastern Conference games.

Georgia plays Texas, while Louisiana State meets 1957 Southwest Conference champion Rice.

In the Midwest, Dayton meets Cincinnati, Wyoming plays Kansas State, Iowa State faces Drake, and Xavier, Ohio goes against Kent State.

Rocky Mountain activity pits Oklahoma State against Denver in a regional TV game (NBC), Utah against Montana, Utah State against Arizona and Arizona State against Hawaii.

New Rules Unpopular With Engle

Three major changes in the rules for the 1958 grid season will take effect this afternoon when the Lions meet Nebraska at Lincoln.

Included among these is the widely-controversial two-point conversion rule. Basically it gives two points after a touchdown by a run or pass and one point for a kick. Also, play is started on the three-yard line rather than the two.

Coach Rip Engle has his own views on the subject.

"It will bring a new era of second guessing," Engle said. "A lot of games are going to be won and lost on whether you guess right or wrong. We'll let the situation dictate our decision. Certainly, if we're two points behind after a score, we're surely going for two points."

The best quote of all, however, came from Duffy Dougherty, the mastermind at Michigan State who said: "As Confucius said: 'Team which score most touchdowns no need to worry about extra points'."

Another of the rule changes refers to one-arm blocking, stating that no contact can be made with two arms.

"There was a lot more fuss over nothing," Engle said of the rule. "There will be a lot more penalties if the officials call it, but I think they'll use their heads and make a game out of it."

Engle also spoke out against the third revision—that any player can enter the game twice in the same quarter. Last year, you may recall, only those who started the quarter could re-enter.

"It may change the game a little," the veteran tutor said, "but in my opinion the other rule was alright. Some schools with a lot of material can turn this back into the old two-platoon system. And if that happens, then I hope the rule is changed."



TODAY'S THE DAY!

for the first football game of the season. The Nit-tany Lions meet Nebraska this afternoon to kick off the '58 football season.

The gang's planning to meet in the Coffee Spot to celebrate victory No. 1. Why don't you plan to join them?

We're still serving your favorites—spaghetti and meatballs. May we also suggest our new "babes"—the hot canine (an extra-long "pedigreed" hot dog served on an Italian bun) and our Double Decker DELIGHT (a hamburger and a cheeseburger served with tomatoes on a toasted bun.)

Hope we'll see you this afternoon after you finish listening to the game, or better yet—why not bring your portable radio and enjoy your favorite beverage while listening to the game?

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