

Nittany Harriers Down Pitt, 22-34

By GEORGE FRENCH

The undefeated Penn State harriers rolled to their third win of the season with a 22-34 victory over Pitt last Saturday at Schenley Park in Pittsburgh.

Although the triumph was by a comfortable margin, the fact that Pitt's Ron Rush became the first opposition runner to finish ahead of Lions Ed Moran, Dick Engelbrink and Capt. Fred Kerr raised a few eyebrows.

Rush won the 4.3 mile race in 24:51, followed by Kerr one second later. Moran took third in 24:57, with Engelbrink finishing fourth in 25:21.

Other Lion placers were Herm Weber (6th in 26:08), Chuck King (7th in 26:11) and Ernie Noll (10th in 27:39).

Besides Rush, the only Panthers to finish ahead of Nittany runners were Dale Fauser (5th), John Christoff (8th) and Micky Jupina (9th).

With the Lions' meet with arch cross-country rival Michigan State set for Saturday, some observers have pushed the panic button as a result of the Panther contest, but Nittany coach Chick Werner did not seem upset by the results.

"We weren't worried about winning the meet, so we had the boys stick as close together as possible throughout the meet," Werner said. "Our first five runners finished within one minute and twenty seconds of each other. Our only real concern during the meet was a good team effort, not individual times and places. We were more interested in having King, Weber and Noll running up with the rest of the team."

Werner was particularly pleased with the performances of Kerr and sophomore Weber. "Although these were not their highest finishes for either of them, I think they ran their best races of the season last Saturday."

The Lion harriers had a rough workout at Centre Hills Country Club the previous Wednesday, and Werner believes that some of the runners might have still been a little stiff from the heavy practice session.

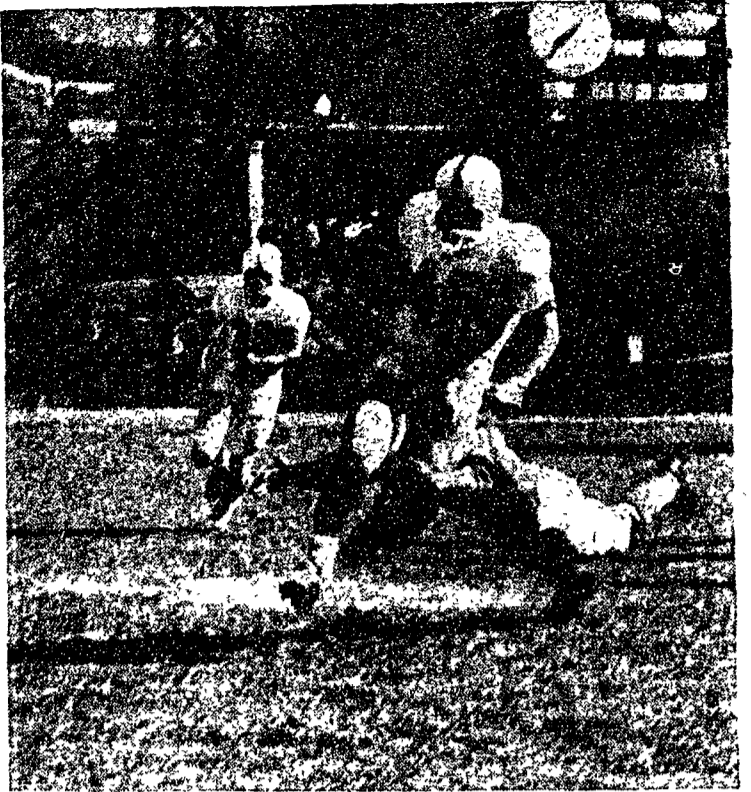


Fred Kerr



Herm Weber

... runners praised for Pitt performances



—Collegian photo by George French
LAST MAN THEME—Sophomore fullback Sam Sobczak (45) sang those blues more than once Saturday as he is caught by the last defender. Still, Sobczak had a great day by picking up 74 yards and leading the offense in the first two TD's.

Stynchula, Ruslavage Praised by Coaches

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of the Lion forward wall? "I was real proud the way the line moved out both offensively and defensively," line coach Jim O'Hara said. "They set out to be the boss and that's what they were. They really moved fast."

"In a game like this it's hard to single out any individual, but I thought the corner men and the inside line backers did a good job—especially on pass defense. They came up with a good many interceptions, but in turn, the rush on the passer makes the interception come easy."

Head coach Rip Engle also had a few words to say. "It was a great team effort," said the Nittany tutor, "but I thought Chuck Ruslavage did a great job backing-up and blocking. (Maury) Schleicher did a good job too and so did (Andy) Stynchula. That Stynchula is getting better by the week."

Another line coach, Tor Toretto, agreed with Engle on the play of Stynchula. Toretto wasn't at the game because of a scouting assignment, but after reviewing the movies yesterday he said: "Stynchula did a great job on offense. He completed 75 per cent of his blocking assignments and really looked great on downfield blocking. He did as good a job on downfield blocking as I've ever seen."

Backfield coach Joe Paterno also raved about the team effort and particularly praised the team tustle.

"There was one guy out there

whose hustling went practically unnoticed by most of the audience," Paterno said, "and that's Al Jacks. Jacks played a darn good game. He made some nice tackles out there today, catching two of those BU runners from behind when they were in the clear. And it was his block which sprang (Dick) Hoak loose on his (36-yard) touch-down run."

"Put in a plug for Jacks," Paterno continued. "He's doing a good job. He's working hard and playing his heart out. Richie (Lucas) is ahead of him but it's not because of Jacks' loafing. Jacks is a better all-around player this year than he ever was. But this team is made more for Lucas with the rollout option. But if Lucas lets up for one minute, Jacks will pass him by."

BOSTON BULLETS—Several members of the Penn State press corps were forced to watch the game via TV. Alumni secretary Ridge Riley stayed home because of the unexpected death of his close friend, Lou Bell, and Sports Editor Ron Field of the Centre Daily Times sat by his magic box because of illnesses on the Times staff.

But it was State's sports publicist Jim Tarman who really had the bad luck. Tarman flew to Boston early Thursday to set up a beachhead with the Bean-town newshounds. But he developed the flu Friday night and was confined to his hotel room Saturday afternoon.

—By LOU PRATO

NCAA Plans Attacks On Grid Recruiting

CHICAGO (AP) — The "letter of intent" method of combatting recruiting athletes may be put on a country-wide scale by the NCAA, Fritz Crisler, Michigan athletic director, said Monday.

Crisler, who is a member of policy-directing council of the NCAA, now meeting in Chicago, told the Chicago American Quarterback Club:

"A 'national letter of intent' may come with the recommendation of the council at the NCAA convention next January in Cincinnati.

"This would reduce the greatest evil in collegiate athletics—the mad scramble in recruiting for blue chip athletes. I think a letter of intent is a fine, wholesome type of thing."

Basically, a letter of intent is a declaration by a prospective athlete that he intends to go to a certain school. If he fails to do so, he may be ruled ineligible for athletics in his particular conference or he may be ruled ineligible for financial aid.

The Big Ten, pioneer of the "letter of intent" move, rules an athlete who fails to carry through his declaration ineligible for financial assistance at any other member school, but does not legislate him out of athletics.

Assistant Big Ten Commissioner Bill Reed said that in addition to the Big Ten, only three other conferences are using a letter of intent policy. They are the Southwestern, Southeast and Atlantic Coast Conferences.

scored the Jordan Jokers, 3-1. Except for Thompson II's 2-2 tie with Nittany 37, shutouts were the order of the day with Nav ROTC triumphing over Thompson VI, Nittany 39 over Nittany 34 and Simmons over the Knights

Old Genial George Tops Forecasters In Collegian Poll

"One-sided" games brought nothing but grief last weekend to our fearless forecasters.

The prophets, who claimed that the games last weekend were the easiest they could possibly pick, lost out on the Wake Forest-Villanova upset, the Michigan State-Purdue game, and the Wisconsin-Iowa tilt.

All the prognosticators lost out on the Florida-Vanderbilt game when Florida came up with a TD in the last eight seconds to tie the game at 6-6.

Genial George French ended up with nine correct picks out of 15 games. This is his second-worst week, but he managed to hold onto the top position.

Tied for second this week were lucky Lou Prato and Magnificent Matt Mathews, who each called eight right answers out of 15. In last place were the jaches under Coach Tor Toretto. Coach Toretto picked six of the 15 games correctly.

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AKL Records Highest Triple In IM Bowling

Alpha Kappa Lambda recorded the highest total league pinfall—2371—as they racked up a 4-0 win over Pi Lambda Phi in fraternity intramural bowling action.

Their 850-point high-game total was also tops for all 5-man teams in the fraternity C and D leagues.

Bob Federoff of Sigma Nu turned in the best individual performance of the evening, rolling a 233 single and 555 triple, as he and his mates downed the Tau Kappa Epsilon bowlers, 4-0.

In other contests Beta Theta Pi beat Sigma Alpha Mu, Alpha Chi Rho topped Acaia, Sigma Tau Gamma beat Chi Phi, Kappa Delta Rho stopped Alpha Sigma Phi, Delta Upsilon defeated Triangle and Sigma Pi beat Phi Gamma Delta, all by 3-1 counts.

Theta Xi blanked Pi Kappa Alpha, 4-0; Alpha Chi Sigma defeated Phi Sigma Kappa, 4-0; while Alpha Zeta beat Phi Sigma Delta and Sigma Phi Epsilon turned back Beaver House by 3-1 scores.

In independent competition Tom Marta showed the way with a 253 single as Nittany 32 shut-out the Honey Five, 4-0. A 561 triple won high series honors for Stan Warner as McKee III out-

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