

Schleicher Named Player of Week

By MATT MATHEWS, Associate Sports Editor

The caption on the Alumni Newsletter this week simply reads: "Maurice Schleicher—Player of the Week."

The outstanding player was so obvious this week that Ridge Riley, alumni executive secretary and editor (and only writer) of the newsletter, didn't need to wait for Collegian to announce the POW selection—it was unanimous from all standpoints.

Even the Furman players joined in the praise of the 6-3, 225-pound end. Their comment ranged from "He sure could outmaneuver

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us," to "That guy could really catch passes. How do you block a man like him?" and "He's another All-American candidate."

Heading the list of Schleicher rooters is Riley: "Schleicher seems finally to have come into his own. He's had a tough season, changing from a fullback to end. With many of the physical attributes of a great wingman, (size, more than average speed, and great hands) Maurice had to become adjusted to his new assignments. He's now something for future opponents to worry about."

Among his successes against Furman, Schleicher caught six passes, including one off his shoetops for two extra points and another on the Furman 40 that would have gone for a TD except that he stepped on the chalkline after eluding the only defender in sight.

On the third TD drive he caught three passes to personally account for 47 of the 67 yards in the drive and also snared a 21-yarder on the next TD drive.

In making the POW voting unanimous, Collegian sports editor Lou Prato commented: "My pick would unquestionably be Schleicher. Against Furman he looked like the pass receiver we have missed all season. He may now begin to take up the slack left by Les Walters' graduation."

"His defensive work has been great since Army and in previous weeks he has received POW votes solely for his defensive play. If he can keep up the receiving end as he did Saturday, it would help Penn State in the remaining three games."

Lions Rated 9th in Total Offense, Maintain 3rd Place in Rushing

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Penn State's football team joined the nation's total offense leaders this week, according to the latest statistics released by the NCAA.

The Lion Gridders, who have been among the top five rushing leaders all season, moved up to ninth in team total offense—one step behind Notre Dame. They have averaged 340.6 yards per game in seven outings, advancing for 2384 yards on 556 plays.

Those 556 plays, incidentally, are the most recorded by any total offense leader, including pace-setting Army. The Cadets, who was the only team to hold the Lions below 200 net yards this fall, has marched for 2450 yards on 425 plays for a top-rated 408.3 average.

Even Oklahoma, the perennial leader in ball control has run off less plays than the Lions—but they have played one less game. However, the Lions and Sooners own almost identical averages in plays-

per-game—79.4 for Penn State and 79.3 for Oklahoma.

Penn State held on to its third place ranking on rushing offense behind Colorado and Brigham Young. The Nittanians have rolled for 1820 yards, averaging 260 yards per game. Front-running Colorado, which had its unbeaten skien snapped last week by Oklahoma, has a 303.8 yards average.

The Lions are not ranked in any other major team statistics, but their next foe, West Virginia, is eighth in scoring. Coach Pappy Lewis' Mounties have averaged 26.6 points a game in seven outings for a 186-point total.

Penn State also fails to list a man among any of the NCAA individual leaders, but West Virginia has quarterback Dick Longfellow fourth in total offense and 14th in passing. The senior sparkplug has garnered 827 total yards, including 650 yards passing.

But the aerial rankings are based on completions and

Longfellow has hit on 48 of 95 tosses for a .505 completion average. Four passes were good for TDs, and only four have been intercepted.

Just how far are the individual rankings? Well, quarterback Richie Lucas, trails 15th place Dick Thornton of Northwestern in total offense by 117 yards. Lucas has gained 571 net yards, accounting for 362 of them through the air.

Lucas lacks 20 completions of reaching the passing elite. The Lion field-general has completed 27 of 65 passes for two touchdowns.

Dave Kasperian with 46 points is only four points away from the scoring leaders. Army's Pete Dawkins and College of the Pacific's Dick Bass are tied for ninth with 50 points each.

As for rushing, Bruce Gilmore, who is sidelined for the season with a torn ligament, is 168 yards away from the 15th best rusher, Mel West of Missouri. Gilmore had gained 288 yards before his injury

All Stars Lead Indie Keglers

The All Stars led the Independent bowling League A Monday night with a smashing 3-1 victory over the Holy Rollers.

Lou Klukosky, one of the most active bowlers on campus, featured the All Stars potency with a single game 208 and a three-game set of 549. The All Stars combined forces to turn in the high set of the evening, with a 895.

In other League A competition the Zeros defeated the Terrors and the Spires turned back the Poconos by 3-1 scores. Elsewhere it was Harts whipping Watts Warriors and Thompson knocking off the McKee Aces, 3-1. The Glenn Road five combined their strikes to crack the Splinters, 3-1.

Turning to the Independent League B, the Hamilton Hornets behind Ray Konceol's spectacular 604 set, stifled the Twenty Threes, 3-1. Konceol also added to his prestige with a magnificent 256 single, the individual high of the evening.

Other games in the League B went as follows:

The Gutter Balls turned in the only shutout of the evening, racking House of Wax, 4-0. The Peanuts used their manpower to down the Hi-Five, 3-1, and the Boozers slashed the King Pins by an identical score. Nittany 36 turned back the Hamilton Fours and the Strikes put their spares to good use in defeating the Labache Club, 3-1.

LSU Ranked First by AP; Iowa, Army Follow Again

By HUGH FULLERTON JR.
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Match the top five teams in the Southeastern Conference against the top five in the Big Ten and what would happen?

That question has stirred up a lot of lively and never-decided arguments in football circles. And, as reflected in this week's Associated Press ranking poll, does little to settle them.

The balloting of sports writers and broadcasters gave Louisiana State, the unbeaten, untied SEC leader, the edge over once-tied Iowa, the Big Ten pacesetter. It gave Northwestern a shade over Auburn and put Wisconsin and Purdue ahead of Mississippi.

The two conferences virtually monopolized the top ten places in the ratings, leaving room only for Army No. 3, Oklahoma No. 6 and the Air Force Academy No. 10.

For the second straight week LSU, Iowa and Army ran 1-2-3 in the balloting, with not too many points separating them. Then came the implausible Northwest-

ern team, which lost its top ten rating after a defeat by Iowa and regained it by handing Ohio State its first conference defeat in two seasons.

Louisiana State was given the No. 1 position on 82 of the 165 ballots and drew 1443 points on the usual 10-9-8 etc. point system. Iowa drew 54 first-place votes and 1379 points and Army drew 1105 points. Northwestern, without a single vote for first, piled up 815 points.

Auburn, in fifth place, trailed Northwestern by only three points. Then came Oklahoma, Wisconsin, Purdue, Mississippi

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