



ELUSIVE ERNIE DAVIS, Syracuse halfback (44), makes a short gain before being brought down by Penn State's halfback Jim Kerr (14) and center Jay Huffman (51). Syracuse won Saturday's game 20-18.

—Collegian Photo by Marty Scherr

# Coach Engle Praises Spirit of Fans, Team

By JOHNNY BLACK  
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"The standing ovation that the students gave the team after the game was the finest tribute I've ever seen a crowd give a team."

Thus spoke Rip Engle after his inspired crusaders left the battle-scarred Beaver Field turf Saturday just three points shy of an upset over the nation's top team in offense, defense and now the UPI poll.

The ovation was both well deserved by the Lion team and a fitting climax to one of the greatest weeks of spirit ever exhibited on campus.

For six days the students had clamored for a Penn State victory which did not materialize. And yet there was not one who was not proud of the Blue and White shirted boys trudging off the field; not one who was not satisfied that each and every man had given his all "for the glory of old state."

Inches of space could be filled listing synonyms of downhearted to describe the Lion players in the locker room and synonyms of relief describing the Syracuse lads. But removing it from the emotional context, both Engle and Syracuse coach Ben Schwartzwalder made the identical statement. "It was the hardest-fought game I've ever seen."

Schwartzwalder could have been giving an English grammar lesson in talking about the Lion team that had just caused a couple more hairs to turn white under his weather-beaten baseball cap. He used the superlative "best"



ANDY STYNCHULA  
... makes All-East bid

Engle admitted that when sophomore speed merchant Roger Kochman reeled off his electrifying run the length of the field, he did not even see him cross the goal. "I was watching for flags on the field," he confessed.

Bud Kohlhaas deserves some credit for that run, said the Ripper. "He threw the key block on Bob Yates, to spring Kochman loose."

But several facts were evident after the final whistle—Syracuse is not only big and powerful but is a smooth running and highly polished grid machine, deserving of Eastern and possibly national honors; Richie Lucas is a legitimate All-America candidate; and Andy Stynchula made a strong bid for recognition on the All-East squad next month.

The 22 men on the field knew that they were performing before an audience that included several of the top sportswriters and broadcasters not only from the East but from as far west as Minnesota. And these are the men who do the voting in the AP polls and the various All-America selections.

The running of the Orange backfield quartet and the teaming blocks and gang tackling of the line were indicative of the tightly-knit unit that Schwartzwalder has molded.

Lucas did not compile impressive statistics but his breakaway running and field generalship drew compliments from rival coaches as well as the pressmen. Stynchula spearheaded the Nittany defense and made a bid for the All-East honors predicted for him by Stanley Woodward prior to the start of the fall campaign.

## Lucas Honored By Maxwell Club

SPECIAL TO THE COLLEGIAN  
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Rip Engle no longer thinks Richie Lucas is "the best quarterback in the nation."

The Penn State head football coach told a Maxwell Club luncheon yesterday the star quarterback is "the best football player in the country."

After calling his team a "grand bunch of kids," Engle turned his praise to the student body.

"After we lost the Syracuse game the students stood and cheered the team after the game," he told the luncheon.

"It was the most inspiring sight I have ever seen," Engle asserted.

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## Grandstand Views



# Syracuse Has Choice of Bowls

By Sandy Padwe  
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The old pigskin took some weird bounces Saturday and as a result the bowl situation is really up in the air now.

Syracuse's win over the Nittany Lions, Tennessee's triumph over L.S.U. and Colorado's win over Kansas, messed things up but good.

In addition, Missouri, beat the Air Force, who along with Penn State, were considered as the teams "most likely" for the Liberty Bowl.

We don't know about the Air Force, but Penn State still is very much in the running for the Liberty Bowl—that is if Syracuse doesn't decide to go there instead. And they have their choice now.

Bud Dudley and his Liberty Bowl committee would very much like to have Syracuse and company for the new Bowl but United Press International reports that Syracuse officials prefer one of the established bowls rather than the Liberty Bowl.

The Orangemen have received feelers from the Liberty, Orange and Cotton Bowls. However, Syracuse athletic director Lew Andreas insists "no hasty decision will be made."

If Syracuse does decide to take one of the southern bowl invitations, then Penn State would have smooth sailing for the Liberty Bowl bid or maybe even the southern bowl Syracuse rejects.

But this all depends on the outcome of the Holy Cross game Saturday and the season's finale at Pitt.

The Liberty Bowl, though, would love to have Penn State Philadelphia, the host city, is a strong Penn State alumni town and a Pennsylvania team would be ideal—especially one of State's caliber—and the people would have the chance to see one of the top quarterbacks in the land in Richie Lucas.

"We very much would like to have Penn State," said Bud Dudley, the co-founder of the Liberty Bowl, "we think they'd be a good draw in Philadelphia."

Dudley, along with George Kerrigan, the other founding father, were in the press box Saturday watching the Lions and Syracuse battle it out.

And when the game was over there weren't two happier men within miles — well maybe not that far. Syracuse coach Ben Schwartzwalder was in good spirits too.

Since the Liberty Bowl's purpose is to restore grid prestige to the East, it's no wonder Dudley and Kerrigan were so happy. Either Syracuse or State would be a perfect choice. And Penn State is the logical choice.

As far as an opponent goes, the Air Force appears to be out. But a new name hit the top of the list—L.S.U.

But why would L.S.U. want to come north on Dec. 19 and play in Philadelphia?

Kerrigan had all the answers

and they all came before he even knew that the Tigers had lost to Tennessee.

"We talked to L.S.U. this week," Kerrigan said, "and they seemed very interested."

"You know we can offer them a good guarantee and they like the idea of coming North because only one boy on the squad has been North before. It would give the team time to see the country."

"They also like the fact that the team could spend the Christmas holidays at home instead of someplace else," Kerrigan said.

Concerning L.S.U.'s policy about playing against negroes, Kerrigan said that the L.S.U. Board of Trustees would meet this week to discuss the problem.

Kerrigan seemed to think that the rule, which prohibits the Bengals from playing against a squad with a negro player, would be lifted because the game was in the North.

L.S.U.'s loss left the Southeastern conference with Georgia in first place (5-0) and four teams tied for second.

Georgia isn't expected to hold the lead because their next two games are with Auburn and Georgia Tech.

So if they lose that will leave five teams in the running for bowls, and Southeastern conference teams are always prime favorites for Bowl committees.

The Orange Bowl is in bad shape because the Big Eight team coming into the game will have at least three losses and probably four if either Missouri, Colorado, or Kansas make it. Iowa State also is in the running.

The Cotton Bowl seems to offer the best opportunity. Texas looks like the Southwest conference champ and a game between the Longhorns and Syracuse would be a natural.

New Years Day is a long way off and so is Dec. 19. There's still plenty of football to be played and next Monday the Bowl outlook might be clouded even more.

## Opponents Scores--

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of Bucknell. Behind sophomore Freddie Cox, Pitt's Panthers eeked out a 22-14 win over Boston College. Army had its troubles too, just beating Villanova, 14-0.

Both West Virginia and Illinois lost. The Mountaineers dropped a 36-0 game to Southern California and Illinois lost to Michigan, 20-15.

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