

# Werner Feels Meet Didn't Decide Title

By BILL BARBER

Despite a 23-34 win over Michigan State Saturday, Penn State cross country coach Chick Werner feels the Lion harriers still have a long way to go before making any claims on the NCAA championship.

"This meet didn't decide the NCAA meet. Michigan State may have had an off day and we didn't look that impressive in winning," Werner said.

"However, this is certainly an above average team and one to be respected," the Lion coach said.

Assistant coach Norm Gordon felt the defending national champs were thin and not as well conditioned as in the past.

"This was their first meet of the season and they could easily come back in the nationals with a couple of months more practice," Gordon said.

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# Casey Victim Of Yankee 'Overhaul'

By JOE REICHLER

Associated Press Sports Writer NEW YORK (AP) — Seventy-year old Charles (Dillon) Casey Stengel, the most successful manager in baseball history, bowed out yesterday as boss of the New York Yankees in an aura of bitterness after having been advised by his employers he no longer fitted into their plans.

The master strategist, who had led the Yankees to 10 pennants and seven world championships in 12 years, said he was told the Yankees were overhauling their front office, including management, and that his advanced age would be a deterrent to their plans.

Yankee co-owner Dan Topping, present at the mammoth press conference, complete with television and newsreel cameras, said that Stengel was released because of the club's profit-sharing and retirement program.

There was no immediate naming of Stengel's successor although it is believed that Ralph Houk, currently the first base coach, will get the job.

Another press conference has been called for tomorrow, at which time it is expected that besides the naming of a new manager, the Yankees will announce the retirement of George Weiss as general manager.

The grey-haired, gravel-voiced Stengel went out roaring. He began calmly enough, thanking his players, the writers, the fans and even the rival managers who "tried so hard to beat me."

But before much time had elapsed, the old man, his seamed eagle face stern and hard, his voice loud and caustic, was bitterly castigating the Yankee owners for his dismissal, which he considered unfair and unjustified.

It was obvious that the chief target of his criticism was Topping, the club president, who earlier had attempted to soothe Casey's feeling by calling him "a great manager" and suggesting that the rules should be changed "so that Stengel may be put in the hall of fame at once."



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# IM Frontrunners Keep Slates Clean

By BRUCE HENDERSON

Defending IM grid champ Delta Upsilon and last year's runner-up, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, moved closer to another showdown as each took its fourth consecutive victory in IM football last night.

DU, playing in the hardest fought game of the evening, took a 1-0 decision from Lambda Chi Alpha on a 6-3 margin in first downs.

It was quarterback Jack Melchior's accurate short passing and a hard-charging defense spearheaded by Bill Simon that led DU to its win.

SAE, held scoreless by scrappy Theta Chi, won 1-0 on first downs.

Delta Theta Sigma rolled to an easy 15-7 win over Phi Kappa Psi despite a last minute touchdown by the losers.

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