

# State Booters Seek To Regain Past Form

By CRAIG YERKES

Ask the average Penn State student what he knows about the caliber of Penn State soccer played under Lion coach Ken Hosterman and chances are that the answer would be "so-so" or "not so hot."

This is only natural, since Hosterman's teams have won but 10 games while dropping 18 during the last three years.

But prior to the 1958 season it was an entirely different story. From 1953, Hosterman's first year as coach, through 1957, the Lions won 38 games and lost only five, while tying two.

During these years Hosterman's teams walked off with the NCAA title twice. In 1954 the booters won eight straight contests and ended up as undisputed national champs.

In 1955 the Lions won nine straight games, but were forced to share the national title with Brockport (N.Y.) State Teachers College. That season the booters extended their winning streak to 18. This broke their previous record of 17, set in 1936-1937.

State's '55 captain, Dick Packer, also broke an all-time record as he rammed 26 goals through enemy nets. Packer was the last first team All-American, and was also a member of the United State's 1956 Olympic team which traveled to Melbourne, Australia.

In 1956 the Lions pushed their streak to 19 games before being held to a scoreless tie with West Chester State College. The Lions "slumped" to an 8-2-1 record that year, but came back with an 8-1-1 log in 1957. Howie Maierhofer was named to the All-American squad in '57.

Then came the rains. Fans in 1958 saw the booters fall to five wins and four losses as injuries plagued Hosterman's crew. And 1959 proved to be the worst soccer season in the school's history as State wound up with a 2-7 slate. It was only the second losing season in Nittany soccer history. Even Bucknell defeated the Lions in '59, for their first decision over State in the 40-year series.

It was just about the same story last year. Hosterman's booters won three games while dropping seven. Two of the three victories were surprise upsets over previously unbeaten Navy and once-beaten Temple. Temple lost only to State and to West Chester, the third-place NCAA finisher.

Despite the sub-par seasons of 1958-1960, Hosterman still owns a record of 48-23-2, with two NCAA titles on his credit side.

Just what could cause the sharp decline in so short a time is a question that many State alumni are asking themselves. Past graduates, accustomed to championship soccer, are surprised at State's fortunes of late.

Coach Hosterman has a possible explanation to the decline. "We just cannot lure as many good boys away from the Pittsburgh and Philadelphia areas,"

### Held Sparks Indians

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL (AP)—Woodie Held drove in five runs and Wynn Hawkins pitched steady relief ball yesterday as the Cleveland Indians walloped the Minnesota Twins 12-5.

Held doubled in two of Cleveland's four first inning runs and then added a two-run homer in the four-run third, and his 23rd roundtripper, a solo shot, in the ninth.

Hawkins relieved Jim Grant in the second and allowed seven hits and two runs, including Harmon Killabrew's 46th homer, the rest of the way in recording his seventh victory in 16 decisions.

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# Ex-Iowa Coach Says Hawkeyes Will Be Great

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Forest Evashevski thinks Iowa will have a great football team this fall.

And the former Iowa head coach and now its athletic director says first-year coach Jerry Burns has reacted impressively to the pressures brought on by the Hawkeyes' No. 1 ranking in The Associated Press poll.

"I feel our ball club is going to be a real fine one," Evy said. "The reason I am so confident is that Jerry has several boys who are real game breakers and can win for him in the clutch."

Evy coached most of the same players last year when the Hawkeyes had an 8-1 record and were co-champions of the Big Ten Conference, with Minnesota.

"However, I don't want to put Jerry on the spot by saying Iowa will go undefeated," Evashevski said. "It's always possible to lose a game by the way the ball bounces."

"Jerry has handled the team very well," Evashevski said. "He worked on the team's weaknesses and brought the second team along."

"He has set the tempo for the practices, instead of letting the high ratings do it, I think that was a real test of his maturity."

### Fogg Issues Tennis Call

Coach Sherman Fogg has issued a call for all Freshman candidates for the tennis team to report to the varsity courts every day next week after 4 o'clock.

# Navy JV Player Dies From Football Injuries

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP)—A Navy football player died yesterday of an injury received when he was tackled at practice.

The victim was Donald G. Foley, 19, of Pasadena, Tex., a sophomore fullback on the junior varsity. His death was the second in Navy football history resulting from a gridiron injury and the first reported in college football this year.

Capt. Asbury Coward, director of athletics, said Foley's death was "a severe blow to the Naval Academy in general, the brigade of midshipmen, his classmates and teammates. It was a great tragedy."

Foley was injured late Wednesday. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Foley of Pasadena, were at his bedside when he died in the academy hospital.

Capt. Coward said Foley's death resulted from a "one in a million chance mishap." He said the "Circumstances at the exact moment of impact were just a little different than they have ever been before."

He said Foley was carrying the ball and had his head lowered and his chin against his chest when he was hit. The academy hospital said he suffered a "flexion dislocation" between vertebrae with a division of the spinal cord. Doctors linked the injury to a broken neck.

Navy officials said the only other death from a football in-

jury was recorded in 1910 when Earl D. Wilson died seven months after being hurt in the Navy-Villanova game. Another midshipman, Miles F. Fox, died of heat prostration during practice in 1928, the academy said.

### Liston Receives Acquittal; Suspension Still in Effect

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Charles (Sonny) Liston, acquitted yesterday of a charge of fleeing arrest by turning off his car lights, hoped his next victory will be in the boxing ring with heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson.

Liston, who held the National Boxing Association ranking of No. 1 heavyweight contender until his July suspension by the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission, was cleared by Common Pleas Judge Joseph A. Gold, who heard the case without a jury.

The big boxer with massive hands, now being taught to read and write by a Denver, Colo., Catholic priest who befriended him a year ago, took the witness stand and denied the charge. He said he may have accidentally knocked off the head lights but the parking lights remained on as he drove at 40 miles-per-hour top speed.



**KEN HOSTERMAN**  
... has 48-23-2 record

the veteran coach said. "Schools in the Philadelphia area—Temple, Drexel and West Chester—are getting many of the outstanding players."

Hosterman gave other possible reasons for the decline. "High school soccer in the State College area is on the decline and I can not get as many outstanding men from this area as before," Hosterman said.

"Another important factor is that the college coaches in the well-developed Philadelphia soccer area have time to go around to the high school games, look over the prospects, and talk to the boys regarding college soccer," he said.

"Thus, many good boys end up on a tuition scholarship to a local school and live at home, in other words a 'free ride'. This is more than I can offer them," Hosterman said.

But lately the resourceful coach has sought talent in other territories, notably upstate New York and out of state areas. It looks as if his recruiting has paid off, with last year's undefeated frosh team as evidence. Only time and victories will prove the issue.

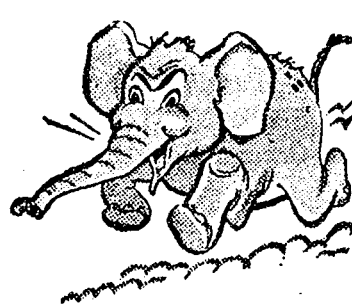
### Parker Banks On Luck

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers-Los Angeles Rams game will be decided by luck, Steeler Coach Buddy Parker predicted yesterday.

"You can say the team that comes up with the most luck will take it," Parker said.

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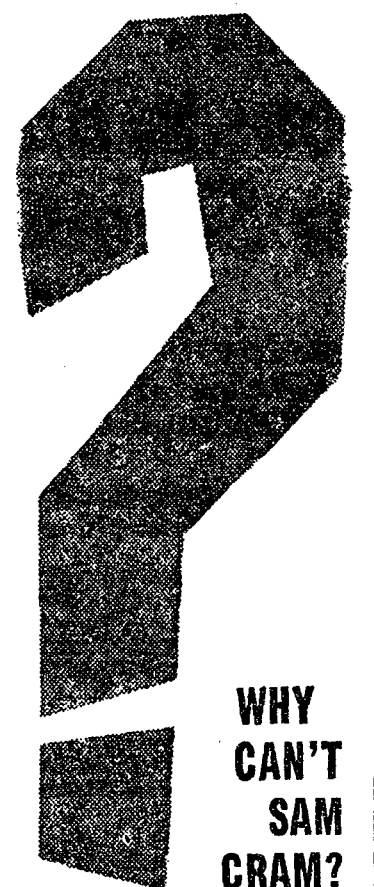

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