

Nittany Runners Sink Navy, 15-41; Northwestern Leads AP Football Ratings

By JOE GRATA

State's cross-country team scored a perfect winning margin of 15-41 on the University course Saturday to quell a powerful Navy contingent and record an undefeated dual-meet season.

By 1:30 p.m., the State distance runners made the 1962 dual-meet season history. The Lions, after winning efforts against Pitt, Cornell and Michigan State, also defeated a previously unbeaten Annapolis group to end the season with a 4-0 slate.

FIVE GOOD reasons for the record are Howie Deardorff, Colin Grant, Dick Lampman, Joe Nichols and Lionel Bassett. The entire quintet, tabbed by coach Lucas as the "lead echelon," tied for first place honors.

The top-running group jogged the five-mile course in 26:43.5 minutes before a gathering of estimated at upwards of 250. Coach Lucas called the group of fans "one of the best crowds I've ever seen at a cross-country dual-meet."

Official starter and clerk for the meet was Colonel Ellis B. Ritchie, professor of military science and head of the Army ROTC program at the University. President Eric A. Walker served as official timer.

More than 20 seconds behind the Nittanians' first group of runners followed a quartet of Navy cross-countrymen. The Middies' sophomore star Bob Sermier clipped the tape first for his team in 27:05 minutes.

SERMIER WAS backed up by Ernie Detrick (27:24), captain Joel Heine (27:30) and Forrest Horton (27:39). Lion senior Dick Tuft, running in a State uniform for the first time this season, finished 10th in 27:46 minutes.

The last time a State cross-



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... ties for first

country squad turned in an unbeaten dual-meet slate was 1960 when the Lions swept six opponents and paraded to an IC4A championship.

Last year, under former head coach Charles (Chic) Werner, the Nittanians recorded a 4-1 record. The only loss was to Michigan State (27-28), which proceeded to seize State's IC4A crown.

It'll be almost three weeks before coach Lucas and his group gets another crack at the IC4A crown. This year's meet is scheduled for Nov. 19 at New York's Van Cortland Park. The NCAA championships are set for East Lansing, Mich., on the following Monday.

SATURDAY'S WIN over Navy was the climax of an uphill schedule for the Nittanians, who are planning several "interesting things" to keep in shape over the

next three weeks.

"Probably one of the things that contributed to their (the Lion runners') win over Navy was the following," coach Lucas remarked yesterday. "They deserve a portion of credit for the victory."

The winning time of 26:43.5 minutes was far from the best time ever run on the University course but called by coach Lucas "good" considering the soft, wet condition of the ground.

By handing the Navy harriers a defeat, the Lion runners dealt a blow to Middie coach Jim Gehrdes, former All-America track star at the University. Gehrdes, a native of Altoona, is in his eleventh season at Navy.

Penn State—19 Navy—41
1. Tie between Bassett, Nichols, Lampman, Grant and Deardorff (PS), 26:43.5.
6. Sermier (N), 27:05; 7. Detrick (N), 27:24; 8. Heine (N), 27:30; 9. Horton (N), 27:39; 10. Tuft (PS), 27:46; 11. Howard (N), 27:48; 12. Imawiler (PS), 27:54; 13. Ricketts (N), 27:56; 14. Young (PS), 27:58; 15. Wegner (N), 28:08; 16. Tate (N), 28:09; 17. Johnston (PS), 28:10; 18. Thompson (N), 28:34; 19. Hackett (N), 29:02; 20. Shedy (PS), 30:19; 21. Gill (PS), 31:03.

Hosterman on Rad'io

Soccer coach Ken Hosterman and captain Jay Stormer will be interviewed on radio today at 7:45 p.m. The program, Campus Sports Parade, is heard weekly on WDFM and WMAJ.

By The Associated Press

Northwestern, a Big Ten powerhouse which has averaged better than 30 points a game in sweeping past five tough opponents, forged into a solid first place today in the national college football rankings.

The Wildcats from Evanston, Ill., who handed Notre Dame a crushing 35-6 defeat last Saturday, took a resounding lead over their chief rivals, Alabama and Southern California, in the weekly poll by The Associated Press.

Texas, No. 1 for the past two weeks, dropped to fifth after being held to a 14-14 tie by Rice.

Alabama, the defending national champion, clung to second place on the strength of a 35-6 triumph over Tulsa while Southern California, unbeaten pride of the Pacific Coast, moved up a notch to the No. 3 position after thumping Illinois 28-16. Once-tied Louisiana State was fourth and Texas fifth.

Rounding out the top ten were Mississippi, No. 6; Michigan State, No. 7; Arkansas, No. 8; Washington, No. 9; and Auburn, No. 10.

Auburn, with a 5-0 record, is the only newcomer in the list, which underwent a mild revision in order. The Plainsmen replaced Wisconsin, which dropped out after

suffering its first loss—a 14-7 defeat at the hands of Ohio State.

L.S.U. climbed from sixth to fourth on a 23-0 victory over Florida while Mississippi, 35-0 victor over Vanderbilt, jumped up a notch from seventh a week ago. L.S.U. and Ole Miss clash next Saturday night in Baton Rouge.

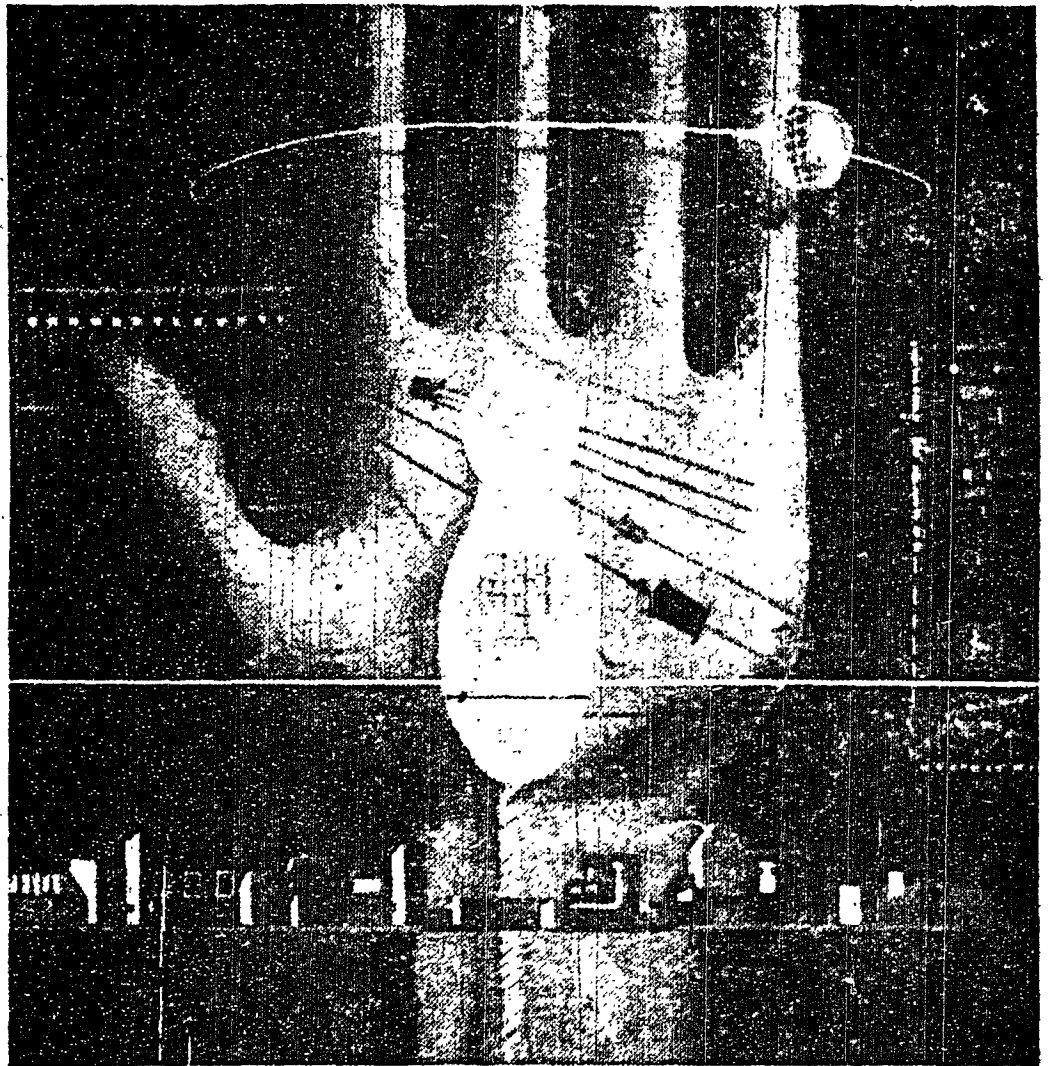
Michigan State rose three places from 10th because of its impressive 26-8 triumph over Indiana. Arkansas, which thumped Hardin-Simmons 49-7, gained one rung, leaping ahead of Washington, which was tied by Oregon 21-21. Auburn edged Clemson 17-14.

Another game involving top ten members this week sends Washington against Southern California at Los Angeles.

THE TOP TEN

1. Northwestern (34)	494
2. Alabama (15)	445
3. Southern Cal. (1)	351
4. Louisiana State	304
5. Texas	281
6. Mississippi (1)	270
8. Arkansas	126
9. Washington	54
10. Auburn	50

Others receiving votes: Wisconsin, Nebraska, Ohio State, Purdue, Penn State, Missouri, Duke, Oregon, Army, Dartmouth, Miami (Fla.), West Virginia, Georgia Tech.



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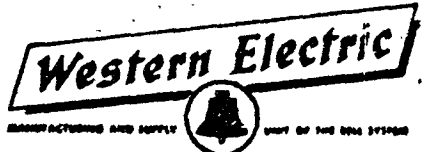
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