

Lions face Stanford in home grid opener

Cardinals may fly over, around Lions

By TOM McNICHOL, Assistant Sports Editor
Stanford has always been known as a haven for intellectuals while Penn State has been noted for its football program. These stereotypes have held up over the last three years with the Lions winning three straight over the Cardinals.

However, this year in an effort to change those stereotypes, it seems that Stanford head coach Jack Christiansen has gotten a hold of some smart football players. As a result Penn State will be hard pressed to make it four in a row.

"We're approaching this game with the attitude that we have a very realistic chance to defeat a team rated among the top 10 or 20 in the nation," Christiansen said recently.

This statement could easily be attributed to undue preseason euphoria on the part of the coach but in this instance Christiansen has the bodies to back him up.

Last year's young untested squad has turned into a veteran ballclub that returns 15 starters and 40 lettermen from a 6-4-1 team.

"Because of the talented people and the experience we have, I feel we're able to go after our early season games more aggressively this year than ever before," Christiansen said in obvious reference to Stanford's first two opponents — Penn State and Michigan. In laymen's terms that means the Cardinals will come out punching.

On offense Stanford has the potential to be very offensive. A talented group of receivers is headed up by flanker Tony Hill who may be All-America this year and will certainly go high in the pro draft. Hill is within reach of all the school receiving records now held by the San Francisco 49ers' Gene Washington.

It took a while but senior Mike Cordova finally beat out junior Guy Benjamin at quarterback. Cordova has passed for 512 yards and four touchdowns in two games against the Lions. In other words, he's not bashful about putting it up in the air.

Stanford also has the ingredients for an excellent running attack. The line of Mark Hill, Gordon King, Gary Anderson, Alex Karakozoff, and Albert TenBruggencate averages 252 pounds and is as quick as it is big.

In the backfield the Cardinals return their four top rushers from 1975. They are fullback Don Stevenson and all-purpose back Ron Inge with Phil Francis and John Finley waiting in the wings.

If it's beginning to shape up as one of those 45-42 jobs, hold on to your seat. It seems Stanford has a heck of a defense as well.

"The defensive line should be a real strong area for us," Christiansen said. "We have eight or nine very talented people."

Fortunately, only four players are allowed to be on the line at one time. They will be anchored by All-American end Duncan McCol and returners John Harris and Geoff Kiebertz at the tackles. Freshman Chuck Evans heads a slew of candidates for the other end spot.

The linebacking crew is headed by impressive soph Gordy Ceresino and senior Jeff Barton and junior Ray Cardinali at the outside spots.

"Ceresino has really been doing an outstanding job," Christiansen said. "He's going to be a super player for us."

In the defensive secondary the Cardinals return three starters in Rich Waters, Larry Reynolds, and Savann Thompson with junior Ralph Phillips heading the candidates for the fourth spot.

"We feel we're in a position now where we don't have to say 'wait til next year' or even 'wait til next week,'" Christiansen said in assessing his squad's chances for this year.

Tomorrow at 1:30 on the floor of Beaver Stadium the waiting ends.

Borg also advances to semifinals

Nastase serves way to victory

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. (AP) — Bjorn Borg survived a scare against defending champion Manuel Orantes and Ilie Nastase rode a booming service to victory over Dick Stockton yesterday in bright sunshine to reach the semifinals of the U.S. Open Tennis Championships.

Borg, the second-seeded 20-year-old Swedish sensation, eliminated Orantes, 4-6, 6-0, 6-2, 5-7, 6-4 in a grueling, pressure-filled 3-hour, 10-minute match. Nastase, the volatile Romanian, stopped Stockton, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3.

Borg and Nastase will meet in Saturday's semifinals. The other semifinal pairs topped Jimmy Connors and Argentina's Guillermo Vilas.

The women's semis will be played Friday with top-seeded Chris Evert going against Yugoslavia's Mima Jausovec and Evonne Gollagong meeting Dianne Fromholtz in an all-Australian match.

The women's finals are Saturday and the men's finals Sunday. The winners of each will receive \$30,000.

Borg, winner of Wimbledon, the WCT final and the U.S. Pro Championship, played aggressive tennis throughout the first three

sets. The lean Swede fired his lethal ground strokes at Orantes and followed them to the net. The match hinged to a large degree on how often Orantes could get his passing shots past the charging Borg.

The capacity crowd of 16,000 stood and cheered both players as the match ended. Borg, surrounded by photographers, was as emotionless as ever. Orantes slumped in a chair and buried his face in a towel.

It was a bitter disappointment for the courageous Orantes, who last year fought off five match points before subduing Vilas in a memorable semifinal, then stunned Connors in straight sets in the final.

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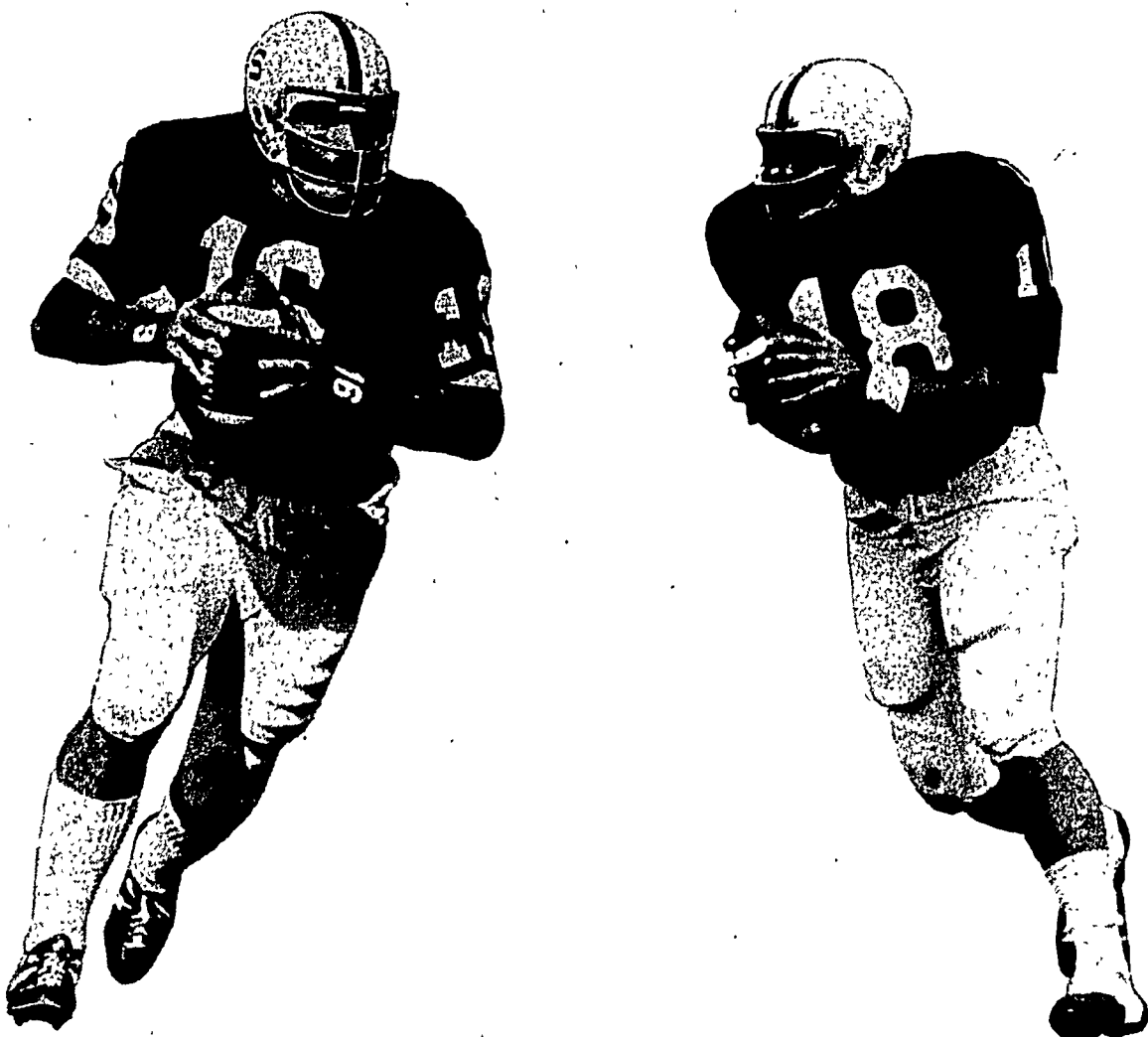
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Rarin' to throw Quarterback Mike Cordoba (left) directs the Stanford offense while John Andress calls the signals for Penn State.

New State offense varied but untested

By BOB BUDAY, Collegian Sports Writer
Two of Penn State's top fullbacks haven't played a minute of college football. The number two fullback is a reconverted tightend.

The team's starting defensive back is more used to carrying the ball than trying to intercept it. He played as a running back his first two years.

The Lions' main placekicker has a magical name but has yet to boot his first college field goal.

However, Coach Joe Paterno is relying on these and the rest of his slightly inexperienced players in tomorrow's opener with Stanford. If the team's potential for greatness can be turned into kinetic football, then the Lions will make it four straight over the Cardinals.

Paterno's offense will be directed by last year's starting quarterback, John Andress, a 6-2, 209-lb. senior doubling as the squad's punter. If the offense sputters, Paterno has access to rifle-arm Chuck Fusina and sophomore Doug Hostetler.

Due to 1975's anemic offense, Andress is expected to go to the air more frequently. His targets could prove to be impeccable; ex-freshman sensations Jimmy Cefalo, Tom Donovan, and Scott Fitzkee, and all-purpose back Rich Mauti can individually turn a game around. And tight end Micky Shuler isn't bad himself.

The running back situation is of a more questionable nature. Duane Taylor, the second leading rusher a year ago, is injured and out for the season. Would-be starting fullback Larry Suhey is out, too, and will miss several games. Which, you'd think, would want to make Paterno jump off Pinchot Hill.

But here come the freshmen. Tony Alguero will start at fullback with State College's third Suhey brother, Matt, as one of his replacements. Senior tight-end turned running back, Dave Stutts is also available.

At halfback, Steve Geise no longer has Taylor to contend with for the starting spot. The 6-1½, 202-lb. junior is backed by sophs Rich Milot and Kevin Thrower. Two more freshmen could see action if the game gets out of hand: Ed Guthrie and Mike Guman.

The offensive line has All-America prospect Brad Benson, Ron Argenta, Greg Kubas, and former defensive tackle George Reihner. Center Keith Dorney is the only non-senior of the group.

The defensive line is led by an athlete Paterno has said is "the best defensive tackle we've had here since Mike Reid." He is sophomore Tony Petrucchio and his linemates are ends Bill Banks and Ron Crosby. Converted linebacker Randy Sidler plays tackle alongside Petrucchio.

Penn State comes up with two more super linebackers in senior Kurt Allerman and junior Ron Hostetler, both looking for All-American status. Juniors Joe Diange and Tom DePaso complete the 4-4 Paterno defense.

The secondary has been patched up with the addition of running back Neil Hutton in the left corner spot. Sophomore Billy Crummy mans the right corner with Gary Petrucchio, a safety, as the standout of the three. They have quite a job for themselves in trying to stifle the celebrated Stanford passing game.

Lastly, freshman Matt Bahr has been placed in his brother's place kicking shoes. And these aren't the easiest to fill considering big brother Chris was probably the college's best last year. Also contending for the job are Rocco English, a senior, and freshmen Herb Menhardt and Tony Cappozzoli.

The potential is there. But not the experience. Since it might take some time for the potential to be fully unleashed, the score should be closer than 1975's Lion romp.

Phils down Cubs, 4-2, lead idle Pirates by five

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The slump-ridden Philadelphia Phillies, buoyed by a one-minute standing ovation on their return home from a disastrous road trip, beat the Chicago Cubs 4-2 last night with the help of a walk, an error and a passed ball in a four-run second inning.

The Phillies, losers of 11 of their previous 12 games, raised their lead over idle Pittsburgh in the National League East to five games behind Jim Lonborg's seventh-hit pitching.

In the past two weeks, the Phillies had seen their 15½ game lead of Aug. 24 reduced to 4½ games.

Lonborg earned his 15th victory against nine losses, allowing both Chicago runs in the sixth on a bases-loaded single by Larry Bittner.

The Phillies started their decisive second inning with a one-out single by Garry Maddox. Bob Boone walked and Lonborg dropped a sacrifice bunt. Dave Cash chopped a high bounce to second, scoring Maddox. Larry Bowa then singled to center. Boone scoring. When Joe Wallis threw past third for an error, Cash trotted

home. Bowa scored the fourth run on a passed ball after a walk to Mike Schmidt.

They got only one hit, an eighth inning single, after the third inning.

Both Pittsburgh and Philadelphia have 24 games left to play. Despite their victory Thursday night, ending a three-game losing streak, the Phillies are mired in a batting slump. They got just six hits, all singles, off Chicago starter Bill Bonham 8-11, and relievers Mike Garman and Joe Coleman.

Chicago's runs came on a pair of walks sandwiched around a single by Wallis. After a fly out, Bittner delivered his hit.

Lonborg, who had been having trouble in the first inning in recent starts, retired the Cubs in order to start the game.



Phils Cash in Dave Cash (right) rounds third after errant Cub throw as Coach Billy DeMars waves him home. Phils won, 4-2.

Carew slams Texas, 6-0

Pursuing A's fail to gain

OAKLAND (AP) — The Oakland A's used run-scoring singles by Gene Tenace and Don Baylor and the efforts of four pitchers yesterday to beat the Chicago White Sox 2-1 and keep the pressure on Kansas City in the American League West.

KANSAS CITY (AP) — George Brett laced a two-out single in the 10th inning to score Dave Nelson from second base, giving the Kansas City Royals a 6-5 victory over the California Angels last night.

Brett's hit, his fifth of the evening capped the third come-from-behind rally by the Royals in the game.

ARLINGTON, Tex. (AP) — Pinch-hitter Rod Carew smashed a seventh-inning grand-slam home run and the Minnesota Twins beat the Texas Rangers 6-0 last night behind the three-hit pitching

of Dave Goltz. Goltz, who was given an extra night's rest because he has been bothered by the flu gained his 12th victory against 13 losses.

NEW YORK (AP) — Ken Holtzman recorded his seventh successive career victory over Milwaukee with a seven-hitter and Thurman Munson hit his first Yankee Stadium home run since July 21 as the New York Yankees defeated the Brewers 4-2 last night.

Holtzman, now 10-1 against Milwaukee, was never in serious trouble after the Brewers scored their two runs in the first inning. The victory raised his season record to 13-8. Bill Travers went the distance for the Brewers and suffered his 13th defeat against 15 victories.

BOSTON (AP) — Veteran right hander Rick Wise flirted

with a perfect game for 6 1-3rd innings before settling for a two-hitter last night in pitching the Boston Red Sox to a 5-0 victory over the Detroit Tigers.

Wise, who will be 31 next Monday, retired the first 19 batters before Rookie Phil Mankowski drilled a single to center with one out in the seventh.

Ben Oglivie followed with a ground single through the middle but Wise settled down and improved his record to 12-10 with his fourth shutout of the season.

BALTIMORE (AP) — George Hendrick's leadoff home run in the seventh inning, the second Cleveland homer of the game, gave the Indians a 4-3 victory over the Baltimore Orioles last night.

Pat Dobson, with seventh-inning relief help from Dave LaRoche, who recorded his 17th save, beat the Orioles for

Major league standings

National League				American League				
East				East				
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB	
Phillies	85	53	.616	—	New York	85	52	.620
Pirates	80	58	.580	5	Baltimore	73	65	.529 12½
New York	72	66	.522 13	Cleveland	71	68	.511 15	
Chicago	63	77	.450 23	Boston	67	72	.482 19	
St. Louis	61	75	.449 23	Detroit	63	75	.457 22½	
Montreal	47	89	.346 37	Milwaukee	62	74	.456 22½	
West				West				
Cincinnati	89	51	.636	—	Kansas City	80	59	.576
Los Angeles	79	59	.572	9	Oakland	75	64	.540 5
Houston	70	72	.493 20	Minnesota	71	71	.500 10½	
San Diego	65	77	.458 25	Texas	64	75	.460 16	
San Francisco	63	78	.447 26½	California	63	77	.450 17½	
Atlanta	60	79	.432 29½	Chicago	59	80	.424 21	

U.C.L.A. shocking in upset of A.S.U.

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Quarterback Jeff Dankworth rushed for 155 yards and scored two touchdowns while halfback Theotis Brown scampered for 127 yards and two more scores to lead UCLA to a 28-10 upset of third-ranked Arizona State University in a nationally televised football game last night.

The UCLA Bruins, ranked 17th in the preseason national college football poll, stunned a crowd of 50,876 in the season opener for both schools.

The Bruins demonstrated an awesome ground attack as they rushed for nearly 500 yards while holding what was billed as a high scoring ASU offense to just 10 points.

Dankworth was cunning in his rushing, starting the Bruins on scoring drives of 80 yards, 80 yards and 79 yards.

The fourth UCLA touchdown of the night capped a 60 yard drive which was led by backup signal caller Steve Buckich.



Grins and Wins Ilie Nastase gained way to semis at Forest Hills.

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