

Big Ten roundup

# Powlus spectacular in debut; Freshman back leads Hoosiers

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CHICAGO — It may have been Northwestern's marquee home game, but the much-ballyhooped debut of Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus stole the spotlight in a Saturday night game in Soldier Field.

The sophomore play-caller connected on 18 of 24 passes for 291 yards and four touchdowns, leading the fourth-ranked Fighting Irish to a decisive 42-15 victory over the perennially downtrodden Wildcats.

Having played Notre Dame tough in last year's season opener, Northwestern was hoping a similar performance against the Irish this

season would propel them to a breakthrough year.

"Our expectations were a lot higher than this," Northwestern linebacker Hugh Williams said. "We thought we would win. Our goal was to put as many hits on Powlus as we could, but we couldn't get to him enough."

Things started out on a positive note for the Wildcats, who actually controlled play throughout the scoreless first quarter. Northwestern out-gained the Irish 102-47 in the quarter, but turnovers thwarted two solid scoring opportunities for the Wildcats.

That was all for the Wildcats, as Powlus took control of the game in the second quarter, throwing for three touchdowns in the final nine

minutes of the first half. The Irish never looked back after taking a 21-3 halftime lead.

While Powlus' on-field performance was nothing short of stellar, it was perhaps even more impressive that he was able to live down all the hype surrounding his oft-delayed debut as Notre Dame's latest Golden Boy.

"He played like the All-American we knew he was," Notre Dame split end Derrick Mayes said. "We knew he would, because that's what he's done in practice. He just had to show you people."

**Michigan 34, Boston College 26**

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Two Michigan Wolverines stirred memories of Desmond Howard; good ones for Michigan fans, bad ones for Boston College.

The first time Michigan played Boston College, Howard, a speedy wide receiver, scored four touchdowns to help the Wolverines to a victory. Now, Michigan needed similar performances.

The Wolverines got them in a 34-26 win Saturday. This time the big games came from fleet receiver Amani Toomer, and another burner, running back Tim Biakabutuka, who wears Howard's old No. 21.

Toomer caught seven passes for 179 yards, including touchdowns of 46 and 38 yards. Biakabutuka carried 12 times for 128 yards, including a 1-yard TD plunge.

The game-breaker was Toomer's open-field run for his first TD. It enabled the Wolverines, who had

fallen behind 12-0, to go into halftime with a 14-12 lead.

Michigan dominated the second half, building a 34-12 lead before BC scored two late touchdowns against the Wolverines' reserves.

"Talk about big plays," quarterback Todd Collins said. "Amani made a great play on the touchdown before halftime. That was huge for us. People thought we were going to (run the clock out) at halftime, but he caught a 15-yard pass and turned it into a 50-yard touchdown."

Collins completed 17 of 24 passes for 258 yards.

On the big play, Toomer caught the ball in front of Keith Kormanik at the Eagles 30. Toomer slipped Eric Shorter's tackle at the 10 and broke Daryl Porter's tackle at the 5 to finish the 46-yard scoring play that gave Michigan a 14-12 halftime lead.

"I think it was just the coverage the defense was playing," Toomer said. "They just left us open, and I've worked hard all summer and it paid off in this game."

Mark Hartsell, making his first start for BC, completed 28 of 43 passes for 338 yards and three TDs. On the first play of the game, on only his third collegiate pass attempt, Hartsell hooked up with Greg Grice on a 74-yard TD pass play.

**Indiana 28, Cincinnati 3**

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Alex Smith, the first freshman to start



Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus scrambles against Northwestern. The freshman phenom led Notre Dame to a convincing win.

at running back for Indiana in a season-opening game since 1945, ripped Cincinnati for 152 yards and two touchdowns, leading the Hoosiers to a 28-3 victory.

Smith's first touchdown was on a 1-yard dive in the first quarter. Quarterback John Paci added a 27-yard TD pass to Eddie Baety on the first series of the third quarter, and backup running back Brett Law scored on a 14-yard run in the fourth period.

**Iowa 52, Central Michigan 21**

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Sedrick Shaw broke loose for an 80-yard touchdown run and Kent Kahl punched in for three other scores as Iowa unveiled a rejuvenated running game in a 52-21 win over Central Michigan.

The Hawkeyes scored seven rushing touchdowns, two shy of the school record against Cincinnati in 1990.



Michigan tailback Ed Davis, 26, celebrates after scoring his team's first touchdown. Michigan rallied to beat Boston College on Saturday.



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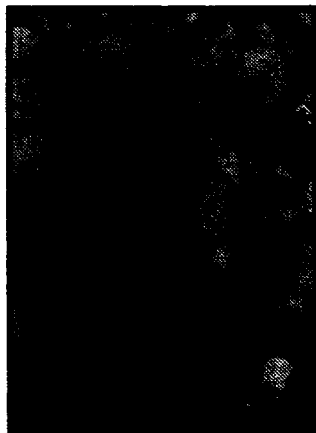
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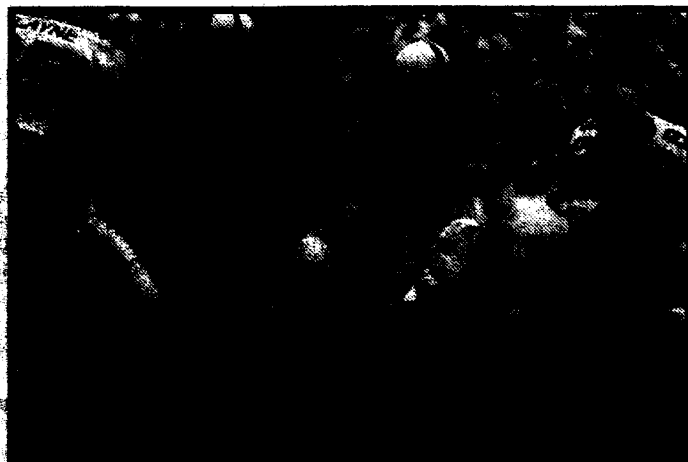
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Sept. 17	IOWA*	12:07 p.m.
Sept. 24	RUTGERS	12:07 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Temple	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 15	at Michigan*	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 29	OHIO STATE*	1:00 p.m.
	<i>(Homecoming)</i>	
Nov. 5	at Indiana*	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 12	at Illinois*	2:00 p.m.
Nov. 19	NORTHWESTERN*	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 26	MICHIGAN STATE*	1:00 p.m.

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