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Will Sparty do it again?

Thrills of State-Mich series

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Wolverines mounted a pair of desperate drives in an attempt to win, but one thrust was stopped at the MSC 18 and then, on the final play of the game, Thomas again assumed the hero's role as he intercepted a Wolverine pass to sew up the 14-7 upset victory.

Delirious Spartan fans among the crowd of 97,239 ran on the field and carried their team off the field on their shoulders.

The MSC students then

proceeded to tear down the steel goal posts, despite pleas to stop over the stadium public address system.

Back in East Lansing that evening, the goal posts were the central figure in the parade that followed the bonfire.

One of the players who earned high praise from Coach Munn for his two-way performance in the game was tackle Don Coleman, who is one of the two Spartan gridders in history to

have their numbers retired.

That victory in 1950 marked the beginning of a Spartan surge in Michigan-MSU rivalry.

The series began in 1898 and up to 1950, the Spartans had only six victories and three ties in the 42 games played. And four of those victories came in succession from 1934 through 1937.

And the Spartans not only lost, but often lost badly in those early games, like the 119-0

loss in 1902 and the 63-0 defeat in 1922.

But beginning with that 1950 upset, the Spartans have won 13 games, lost four and tied two going into Saturday's game at Spartan Stadium.

The 1953 game was played on Nov. 14, one of the few times that the game was played late in the season and the 14-6 MSC victory gave them their first chance to represent the Big Ten in the Rose Bowl.

Earl Morall, one of the most successful Spartan graduates in professional football, threw for the first touchdown in that game, while LeRoy Bolden, one of MSU's all-time running greats, was the leading rusher that day.

The Spartan-Wolverine rivalry is generally recognized as the nation's greatest intra-state rivalry and, perhaps, second to Army-Navy in all rivalries.

The game annually draws a capacity crowd in both stadiums

and has been a sellout for the past 22 years.

The spectators are less fanatic than a few years ago when "Moo U" used to be the most popular chant from the Michigan cheering section.

Spartan coaches today might wish for a little of that old-time enthusiasm from U-M fans.

Those "Moo U" cries would infuriate the Spartan players and they often played their best games of the season at Ann Arbor.

One of the most unusual single plays in the long series came in the 1965 game at Ann Arbor.

MSU had a 18-7 lead and had the ball with only seconds remaining on the clock.

Quarterback Steve Juday told everyone to just fall down.

He handed the ball off the Apisa, who ran 39 yards right through the Michigan team with only a couple of players blocking for him.

Press box is tops

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The press coverage of this game is reputed to be the largest of its kind in college history. And even more amazing, only the first "Super Bowl" in Los Angeles surpasses it in all-time press attendance (1000 press mediators).

Also ranking high on the list of importance is the fact that reporters have come far as West Germany and Hawaii in order to prepare specials for their respective sponsors.

An indispensable drawing card that merits consideration from almost all who frequent the Spartan press fixture is its unmatched cuisine. Providing visitors with a pre-game meal serves a dual purpose for Spartan officials. First and foremost, with the great difficulty of finding a place to eat in East Lansing on a Saturday morning, it supplies the visitor with a complete, convenient meal that frees the visitor from excessive worry of finding the Stadium and getting to it on time. Secondly, it is an excellent public relations gesture on the part of MSU. And once a year, a special "Turkey Day" is held prior to the game. The meal is, as you may have guessed, a turkey dinner—compliments of Howard C. Zindel, a professor in the Poultry Science Dept. "Turkey Day," this year, happens to be this week's game against the University of Michigan.

In addition, as asst. director to the press box, Nick Vista, was

quick to point out: fresh, red apples are found at all locations for all games in the press quarter. This delicacy is provided by Arthur E. Mitchell, a professor in the Horticulture Dept.

The press box itself consists of six levels: three of which have viewing access of the field. The first level houses cameramen and television coverage, along with the president's private box. Though President Adams prefers to be down in the stands with the students, the past presidents have had such distinguished guests as Arthur Godfrey, Lowell Thomas and Douglas Edwards.

The second level contains facilities for press crews: 30 Western Union positions, mimeograph crews, play by play specialists, statisticians and others of the like. Papers covering the game with Western Union contacts are generally situated at the north end. Though all of the seats share an equally magnificent view, the first row is reserved for the regular Spartan reporters. Incidentally, with the game against the Southern Methodist Mustangs, the press lodging was graced with the presence of Lynda Morstadt, a reporter from the Chicago Day and one of the few women ever to gain a press seat for a Spartan home game.

The third level allots space for radio booths and television play by play coverage. Spotters from each team are also found in this deck.

The first level below the stands is the press lounge. Pre-game meals and telephone headquarters are located here.

The second level below the stands serves as a dark room for photo processing. Six booths are provided for the processing: one for each of the Detroit papers; one for the State News; one for The State Journal; and one each for the UPI and the A.P.

The third level below the stands is the press ticket booth. It is here where press box entrance is gained. Tickets are held here for reporters assigned to the game. A hydrolic lift elevator provides transportation for the six level extravaganza.

After a rather inconspicuous start, the Spartan Stadium press box has rapidly developed into one of the most exquisite college press facilities in the nation.

Schembechler

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all week, green jerseys, in hopes they'll be accustomed to stopping and running over the men in Green and White in East Lansing come Saturday.

It was a move to build up the player's enthusiasm for the game, but with this game, it's automatically there. Like both coaches said, "When these two teams get together, you throw the record books and season records out."

Let's hope Spartan fans will be happy to open up the books after the game and accord a 1969 upset win.



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Schembechler-- tough man talk to

By JEFF ELLIOTT
State News Sports Editor

Everybody said University of Michigan Head Football coach Bo Schembechler was a tough man who could easily blow up in a game. Not trusting everyone's opinion, however, I trekked down to Ann Arbor Wednesday to find out for myself.

Bo was putting the team through a rugged workout when I got down there, so I paid a visit to the Michigan Daily, the campus paper. There I had the "pleasure" of meeting Joel Block, the sports editor of the campus paper. For those of you who don't recognize the name, it was Mr. Block who came out with the accusation two years ago that several Spartan football players were accepting free movie passes and cafeteria passes and indulging in a few other irregularities.

There was a lot of commotion stirred up and a Big Ten investigation followed, but the MSU Athletic Dept. and the players were cleared of any wrong-doings. Though nothing more developed with the matter, there still remains some bitter feelings toward the U-M paper.

I finally got my opportunity to talk with Schembechler after the practice session. I had just finished talking to Jim Mandich, Michigan's fine captain, and as I approached Schembechler, his rough but smiling face turned into a rather sour look. My first thought was because of the MSU jacket -- and I was right.

"Ain't got nothing to say," the first year Wolverine coach said before I had hardly introduced myself.

"We're ready to go physically and I expect it to be a good game."

With that, Schembechler started toward the dressing room, accompanied by three Daily sports writers. Seeing how that isn't much to make a story out of, I started after him.

"Come on coach, you can give me a little more info than that. How's Doughty's (sophomore sensation Glen Doughty) injury and what about Seymour (defensive end Phil Seymour, who has missed nearly the entire season with a shoulder injury)?"

"Doughty's ankle is a lot better now, and Seymour is fit to go, but I haven't decided if he'll start or not," Schembechler said.

I decided I would then try to get through to him with a plea of sympathy, reminding him how the Spartans have lost several players for the year and have only three or four running backs at full strength. But it had little affect with Bo.

"Oh, you guys aren't hurting that bad," Schem' said. "I saw Allen and Highsmith both in the Ohio State game and they sure didn't look like they were hurt to me."

"Duffy will come up with somebody. He always does."

"About all I can really say," the rookie coach said, "is that I expect an exciting game and an all-out effort from both teams. Our team's morale is high, especially following the win over Purdue. I can't really say a lot about the game, after all, you know I'm a rookie at this."

Schembechler may be a rookie, but he's going all out to win his first encounter against Duffy and the Spartans. He even went as far as to give the Wolverine freshman team who ran Spartan plays

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Glenn Doughty

Facts 'n figures

WHO: Michigan Wolverines (3-1) vs. MSU Spartans (2-2).

WHERE: Spartan Stadium, East Lansing.

WHEN: Oct. 18, 1969, with kickoff time set for 1:30 (EST).

WEATHER FORECAST: Partly cloudy with cool temperatures.

ATTENDANCE: 76,000 plus, a sellout for the 22nd consecutive year in a row.

COACHES: Glen (Bo) Schembechler (1st year) and Hugh "Duffy" Daugherty (16th year).

SERIES TO DATE: Michigan holds a 37-19-5 edge, but MSU has won seven of the last 10 games.

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By GARY WALKOWICZ
Executive Sports Editor

"A parade of students held up traffic along Grand River Avenue, while a huge bonfire blazed at the Abbot Road intersection before police moved in to break things up."

This story, dated Sept. 30, 1950, describes, perhaps, one of the wildest celebrations held after an athletic event at MSU and, appropriately enough, it

came after one of MSU's most exciting victories in their intra-state rivalry with Michigan.

MSU has had a lot of success in the latter part of the 61-year series with their biggest rival, but in 1950 the Spartans were in the 13th year of a victory dryspell against Michigan.

Prospects for ending the drought in 1950 weren't very bright either.

Michigan was considered the third or fourth best team in the

country early in this season, while MSU was thought to be still a year or two away from being a good team.

Michigan State College went into the game which was played in Ann Arbor, as a two-touchdown underdog, but the Spartans drew first blood.

Everett "Sonny" Grandelius, who was to set the Spartans' all-time single season rushing mark in that year, climaxed a first quarter drive by taking a six-yard pass from quarterback Al Dorow to give MSC a 7-0 lead.

Stunned, the Michigan team struck back and dominated play in the second quarter, but the Spartans stopped one Wolverine drive at the MSC six-yard line and another when Jesse Thomas intercepted a pass in the end zone as the Spartans took a 7-0 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Michigan finally scored in the third quarter to tie the score at 7-7, but the Biggie Munn-coached Spartans threw back several other Michigan drives.

The big break of the game came when Thomas returned a Michigan punt 41 yards to the U-M 19. A few plays later, Spartan Captain LeRoy Crane ran seven yards for the tie-breaking touchdown.

There were 10 minutes left in the game and the powerful

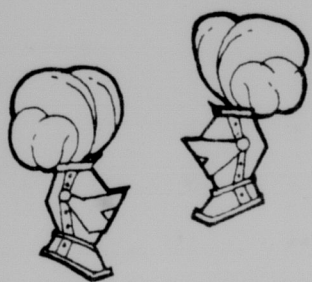
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Intense rivalry

Action in the 1953 Michigan-MSU game finds star halfback LeRoy Bolden (39) with the ball after receiving a handoff from quarterback Tom Yewcic (41). Providing blocks for Bolden are Larry Fowler (70), Evan Slonac (33) and Jim Neal (51).

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'S' harriers in for tough meet

By DON KOPRIVA
State News Sports Writer

Jim Gibbard's young cross country team will face its toughest test yet Saturday at Minneapolis when the Spartans take on undefeated Minnesota in what might be described as a grudge match.

MSU beat the Gophers, 27-29, last year when Steve Hoag, leading the race for Minnesota, took a wrong turn and was disqualified.

The Spartans tipped the Gophers, 70-79, in the Big Ten clash at Columbus when Hoag was unable to finish the race due to illness.

"They've got a motive for wanting to win Saturday," Spartan Coach Gibbard said. "You can be sure that it won't take much to psych them for this one."

"They'd have to be favored in the meet because it's on their home course," Gibbard added.

"We can win if everyone runs to their greatest capacity; it will require an all-out effort by everyone."

Gibbard emphasized that his team will have to run better than it did last Saturday in beating Miami, 24-37.

"I was disappointed," Gibbard said, "because I don't think everyone ran as well as they could have."

the top Spartan heading into the Minnesota meet is senior Ken Leonowicz. Second man is junior Chuck Starkey, who jumped from eighth runner against Indiana to the runner-up spot on the MSU squad against the Redskins.

Kim Hartman, a winner against Indiana in 24:52.5, who had an off day against Miami, will be expected to fare better, as will frosh Warren Krueger, spiked in a fall.

Dave Dieters and Ralph Zoppa should hold steady as Gibbard's third and fourth runners, while Pete Reiff, returning after a week's layoff because of an injury, will be expected to lend more punch to the MSU top five. Randy Kilpatrick, seventh man a week back, will be battling to hold that spot.

Others making the trip are soph Tom Silvia and freshman Mark Maxwell.

The Gophers have beaten Wisconsin, 15-46, Indiana, 20-38, and Ohio State, 15-49, while MSU has whipped Indiana, 21-38, and Miami.

The Spartans have won nine straight since the fall of 1968, and will be shooting for No. 10 against the Gophers.



Hey, I'm on your side

Four headless runners showed frosh Warren Krueger last Saturday that they mean it when they say they're going to trample somebody. Both Krueger and Miami of Ohio got trampled last Saturday, with Krueger suffering bruises and spike wounds and Miami suffering its first loss. MSU hopes to continue its trampling Saturday at Minnesota when it takes on the undefeated Gophers.

State News photo by Mike Beasley

Spartans vs M--big one

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net 195 yards and hit on 40 passes for 517 yards and two scores. Moorhead has rushed for a team-leading six touchdowns.

His top receiver is senior tight end Jim Mandich-last week's UPI lineman of the week with 10 receptions against Purdue. He has been a regular for three years and was voted All-Big Ten last season. Most observers feel is a top candidate for All-America this year and his 20 receptions this year should justify that claim.

Defensively, the Wolverines are the same as a year ago. Cecil Pryor, Pete Newell and Paul Seymour head an experienced front line with help from top linebackers Henry Hill, Ed Morre, Marty Huff and "wolf" man Tom Darden.

Michigan's strength, however, lies in their deep backs-Barry Pierson, Brian Healy and Tom Curtis. Curtis, an All-America safety, has intercepted 22 passes in his 3-year career.

Daugherty rates the trio as the finest set of defensive backs in the country.

"This is a very fine Michigan team, as I predicted it would be before the season started," Daugherty said. "It is the same team that went 8-2 last year, with the exception of Brown and Johnson. And they have been replaced by two outstanding players in Doughty and Moorhead."

When it comes to talking about MSU, Duffy just holds his breath. The past two weeks mistakes have stopped the Spartans before they could get started.

"We have to start playing our game," Duffy says. "So far we've had to play our opponents game. When we can run our basic plays, we average about four to five yards a play. But we are not a catch-up team."

Daugherty says he still has faith in his quarterback Bill Triplett, who has yet to reach Duffy's pre-season expectations. He has hit only 34 per cent of his passes thus far.

"I still have faith that Bill can get the job done for us," he says. "But if the situation arises, I wouldn't hesitate to go with Steve Piro or Dan Werner, our two sophomores."

MSU's lineup should stay about the same as last week's. Rich Saul will start again as a defensive end along with Wil Martin, if his ankle is sound. Brad McLee, a sophomore impressed Daugherty with his hitting at Columbus and will likely start at defensive back.

On offense, the backfield will be Triplett, halfbacks Do Highsmith and Eric Allen (if his leg has recovered) and fullback Kermit Smith. Highsmith and

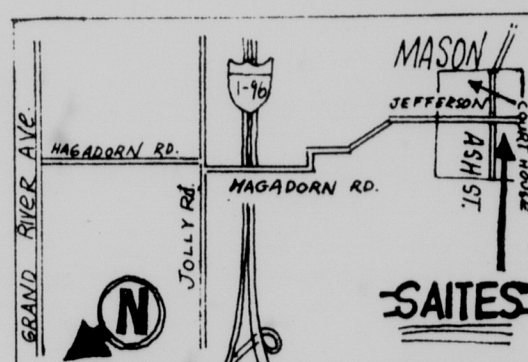
Smith were both impressive against Ohio State.

A sellout crowd of 77,000 plus should jam Spartan Stadium Athletic Director Biggie Munn has designated the game for MSU's official observance of college football's Centennial anniversary.

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Defense is key for 'S' booters

By PAM BOYCE
State News Sports Writer

Defense is the key word in today's game strategy, says Gene Kenney, coach of the MSU soccer team.

"Our defense has got to really come through and prove themselves in this game," Kenney emphasized when discussing the booters' seventh game this season.

"Akron is playing some of their better players on the forward line and our defense has to hold them," Kenney says. "But our forwards can't wait until the second half to start scoring either."

In most of their games this season, the Spartans have started

applying the powerful scoring punch during the second half, missing many scoring opportunities in the first.

Kenney says his players are looking the best they have so far this season, in anticipation of today's game.

"I've seen more enthusiasm in the past two practices than at any time during the last five weeks," he says. "I think everyone is enthused about the game." One of the reasons for the spirit, Kenney says, is because the players are looking for positions in the starting line-up, which has been changing with every game.

One of the newcomers to the line-up for the past two games is

freshman Tom Peterson, who has been starting at the outside left position.

"We've gotten a little more consistent play out of him than anyone else," Kenney explains. Peterson scored twice against Ball State in his initial appearance and booted in one against Toledo last weekend.

"He's going to be a real good ballplayer in the coming years," Kenney comments.

Injuries may slow a few players down today, but are not expected to hamper the team seriously. Freshman Lennox Robinson, who missed the last game due to a pulled thigh muscle, is not expected to play today. Forward Ray Korkiala

has been hampered by a pulled hamstring muscle, along with sophomore Sandy Moffat, suffering from a thigh injury.

Team captain Ernie Tuchscherer and Chicago

sophomore Rudy Mayer, who both sat out the Toledo game because of injuries, are reported to be at full strength now.

Game time is 3:30 at the Spartan soccer field.



Rolling right along

Ready to put his foot into the ball is Spartan Steve Twellman in a game earlier this year against Kent State. The booters are in for their toughest test of the year today when they seek their sixth straight win against the Akron Zips.

Starting Spartan Soccer Lineup

Coach Gene Kenney has announced the following as his probably starting line-up for today's soccer game:

GOALIE--Les Lucas: A 5 foot 10, 165-pound junior from Kingston, Jamaica, Lucas has allowed in one goal in the Spartans' six games. An economics major, he was a prep athlete in cricket, track and soccer in high school.

RIGHT FULLBACK--Steve Twellman: A business administration major, this 6 foot, 180-pound sophomore from St. Louis lettered in soccer, football and baseball in high school and was drafted by the Minnesota Twins.

LEFT FULLBACK--Denis Boles: His second year as a starter, the 5 foot 9, 170-pound St. Louis product majors in engineering.

RIGHT HALFBACK--Barry Tiemann or Rudy Mayer: Kenney is undecided which one will start, although both will see plenty of action. Mayer, a sophomore from Chicago, was an outstanding performer from last year's frosh team. A mechanical engineering major, he is from the same high school as Tuchscherer. Tiemann, a St. Louis senior who was out all last year recovering from a broken leg, won All-Midwest honors in his sophomore and junior years in this spot.

CENTER HALFBACK--Ken Hamann: The only Michigan native on the 1969 team, the Southfield senior plays for the Detroit Sports Club in the summer.

LEFT HALFBACK--Buzz Demling: A 5 foot 10, 175-pound junior from St. Louis, he was voted the outstanding defensive player in 1968 spring drills, when he was moved from offense to defense. Demling was All-State football player in high school and plans to attend medical school.

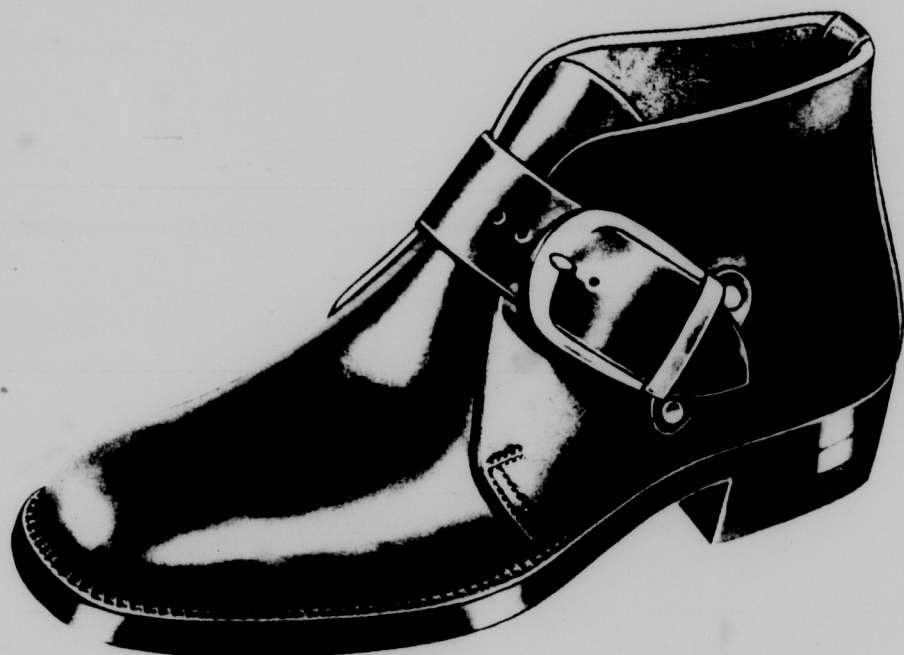
OUTSIDE RIGHT--Dave Trace: A 5 foot 8, 150-pound senior from Evanston, Ill., Trace inherited All-America Tony Keyes' spot this year. He scored nine goals and two assists last year.

INSIDE RIGHT--Ernie Tuchscherer: Team captain and leading scorer, Tuchscherer was All-America in his sophomore year,

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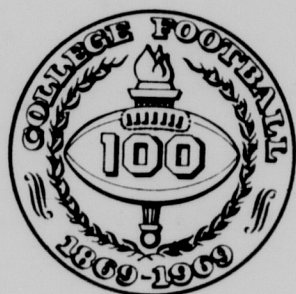
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Captains real team leaders

By JEFF ELLIOTT

Leave it to your captains to pick your team up and guide you when the going gets tough.

When the University of Michigan (U-M) invades Spartan Stadium Saturday to tangle with the Spartans, three great football players will be out in front of their respective squads, attempting to inspire their teammates on to victory.

For the Michigan Wolverines, it will be their fine senior end Jim Mandich. The 6 foot 3 inches, 220-pound Mandich is another in a long list of outstanding ends at Michigan. To date, the Wolves have had 11 All-Americans at the end

position and Mandich seems destined to make it an even dozen by the end of the season.

He has already grabbed 20 of quarterback Don Morehead's passes, good for 262 yards and two scores. He is now second on the all-time Michigan reception list, with 89 grabs and over 1,000 yards.

Mandich suffered a hip pointer injury in last Saturday's win over Purdue, but said he's ready for the Spartans and is looking forward to an exciting game.

"It's always a big game for both schools," the Solon, Ohio native said. "I know we'll certainly be ready."

Mandich could have quite an afternoon for himself against the

weak MSU secondary. However, he claims the Spartans deep unit isn't that bad.

"It may be when you compare it to the front four," Mandich said, "but generally speaking, they're a pretty solid bunch."

For the Spartan's co-leaders, Rich Saul and Frank Foreman, both are coming off fine games from last week, despite the humiliating defeat at the hands of Ohio State.

Foreman had his best collegiate day, yardage wise, last Saturday, totalling 135 yards on three receptions. Two of his grabs he turned into six points, one covering 76 yards and the other coming on a 36-yard completion from Bill Triplett.

The big senior's yardage total was the fifth highest in Spartan history for a single game.

It also marked the second straight year that Foreman has come up with the big day against the Buckeyes. In 1968 he hauled in seven Triplett aerials for 123 yards and a touchdown.

For Saul, the journey back into the starting lineup has been a long one. It was a year ago in the Ohio State contest that the Butler, Pa. native suffered torn ligaments in his leg and underwent surgery.

In a surprise move last week, Coach Duffy Daugherty inserted the 6 foot 3 inches, 220-pounder in at the defensive left end spot. It marked the first start of the year for Saul and was the first time he had played at the end position since his sophomore year with the Spartans.

You would never had known it, though, as Saul played brilliantly from his tackle on the first play of the game right through to the final Buckeye TD. He personally threw OSU quarterback Rex Kern for losses several times, including ripping the jersey right off Kern's back on one play.

Daugherty plans on keeping

Saul at end, especially seeing how the Spartans already have a host of talented linebackers.

You can watch and expect for these three ends to be making the big plays of the game Saturday. That's why they were picked as team leaders.



Jim Mandich

Soccer lineup

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hampered by injuries most of last year. A member of the U.S. Pan America and Olympic squads, he was voted the outstanding college forward as a sophomore.

CENTER FORWARD—Trevor Harris: Two-time All-America, the 5 foot 11, 175-pound senior hails from Jamaica. Last year's second leading scorer, with 15 goals and 14 assists. A business administration major, he was a soccer, cricket and tennis star in high school.

INSIDE LEFT—Alex Skotarek: A Chicago senior, he was the Spartans' fourth highest scorer last year, with six goals and nine assists.

OUTSIDE LEFT—Tom Peterson: The only freshman to be starting, the 5 foot 9, 150-pound product of Kirkwood, Mo., has scored three goals in his past two games.



Spartan leaders

Spartan Football Coach Duffy Daugherty is flanked by his two captains, Frank Foreman (84) and Rich Saul (88). The trio hopes to get MSU back on the winning trail against Michigan Saturday.

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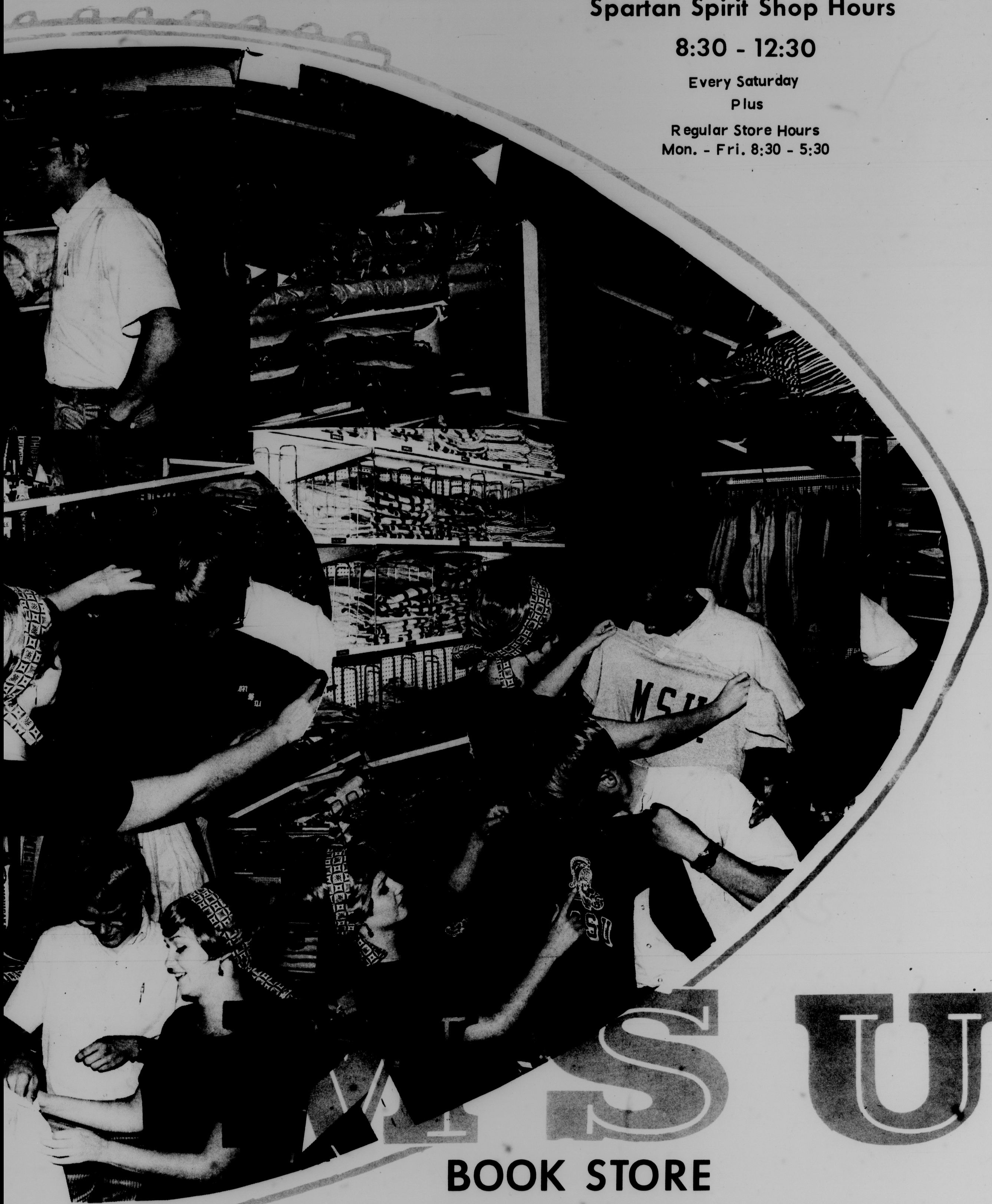
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Lacrosse begins first varsity year

By DAVE WEST
State News Sports Writer

The MSU Lacrosse team is working out three days a week this fall in an effort to field a strong team next spring.

The lacrosse team, in their first year as a varsity team, held a clinic two weeks ago and recruited about 60 new men.

"We are working on fundamentals this fall," MSU Coach Turf Kauffman said. "We already have half of what it takes to win, a lot of hard work, enthusiasm and hustle."

"I'm real satisfied with the result of the clinic, but we are still open for newcomers," Kauffman said.

Kauffman said that this year's Midwest Lacrosse Assn. should be a real tough one.

"I look for Dennison, Ohio State and Bowling Green to have real powerhouses," Kauffman said. "And Oberlin, Kenyan Wooster could be in there too."

"It is hard to predict where we'll place in there," Kauffman said. "After losing the league's two top scores, Larry Berger and Ron Winter, we'll have a lot of rebuilding to do."

The co-captains for the squad this year are attackmen Dan Denov and midfielders Rick Bays.

Kauffman is also looking for a lot of help from veteran midfielders Andy Homa, Tom Bowman and Pete Greer.

Sophomore Mike Moody may be moved up to a midfield position to fill in the scoring vacancy left by the graduations of Berger and Winter.

Defensively the Spartans have a lot of strength. Bruce Anderson, Chuck Kronk and Mike Turnbull are all back this year, along with one of the league's top goalies, Bill Herrmann.

"It is hard to tell where these new boys are going to help us

out," Kauffman said. "But with the dedication of the old members, and with the interest and determination the new ones are showing, I feel we will have a respectable team," Kauffman said.

"There are still a lot of men on this campus who could really help us out," Kauffman said.

"We are always looking for the good athlete who is quick and likes to hit," he added.

CHAMPIONSHIP ON LINE

'Stars' in for tough battle

By DAVE WEST
State News Sports Writer

The Lansing All-Stars will put their championship ambitions on the line Saturday night when they meet Grand Rapids in a road contest.

'S' ruggers meet Wolverines here

The football game this weekend will not be the only contest between Michigan and MSU that is of interest. The Spartan rugby club will meet Michigan at 4 p.m. Saturday on Old College Field.

The Spartans go into the contest with a 1-2 record, having lost to the Detroit Cobras, 8-3, in the season opener. The ruggers bounced back after their opening defeat to shut out Kent State, 14-0, but then dropped

By DAVE WEST
State News Sports Writer

Just to prove that none of the sports writers really knows for sure what's going on, I am the third writer to earn this dubious distinction in as many weeks.

Since logic appears to have betrayed me in my world series pick, I'm going to stick strictly to my crystal ball.

Michigan vs MSU -- This is without a doubt the biggest game of the season for both teams, and psychologically each should be prepared. Bo's 11 are riding 13th in the nation, but ratings don't count this week. The game will have a lot of hard hitting, and even with MSU's injuries they will come out on top. MSU, 35, U-M, 28.

Iowa vs Purdue -- Mike Phipps has been the story all season for the Boilermakers, and this

week will be no exception. Purdue dropped one last week to Michigan, but the home field advantage will make the difference. Iowa is a team which, in my eyes, is under-rated. They will make a strong bid to win, but they are fated to fail. Purdue 32, Iowa, 28.

Ohio State vs Minn. -- Minnesota is always a tough team to beat on their home field, but the No. 1 rated OSU is impossible to beat anywhere. King Kern does his thing. OSU 48, Minn., 12.

Illinois vs Indiana -- The Illini's' great crop of sophs has been the source of great disappointment most of the year, as have John Pont's Hoosiers. Harry Gonso and John Isenbarger will prove too much for Illinois to handle. Ind., 24, Ill., 6.

Wisconsin vs Northwestern -- This game is a (continued on page 13)

The All-Stars have a record of 9-1-1, and are only two games away from a divisional championship and the right to meet the Lakes division champs in a playoff here in Lansing.

Grand Rapids is one of the two big steps left in the All-Stars path. Last week Grand Rapids

lost a squeaker to Lackawanna, 7-0, in a tight defensive battle.

The big G.R. defense will be out to stop the league's top

one-two punch, Jim Garrett and Craig Teft.

"We are going to have to play these games one at a time," Coach Turf Kauffman said. "We are either going to get better or a lot worse," he added.

The final hurdle the All-Stars will have to pass will be against a squad from Dayton. Lansing beat them in a real cliff-hanger earlier in the season, 14-13.

Dayton has been the Midwest champs for the last two years in a row, and that loss to Lansing was the first game they have dropped on their home field in six years.

"We are going to have to play each game like it is the championship game, and the game with Dayton should turn into a real grudge battle," Kauffman said.

"Our big advantage in that game is that it will be played on our home field over at Lansing Sexton," Kauffman said.

With the second place Pontiac Firebirds close behind the All-Stars, with an 8-2-1 record, Lansing has to play winning ball. And if things do not change in the Lakes division, Lackawanna will come out on top and meet Lansing for the Midwest championship here Nov. 8.



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'S' ATHLETIC BUSINESS MANAGER

John Laetz--Mr. Responsibility

By DON KOPRIVA
State News Sports Writer

Chartering planes, checking accounts, ordering supplies, arranging hotel and motel accommodations and breathing a deep sigh of relief at the end of football season are all part of the myriad items making up the world of John Laetz.

John Laetz-Who's he??

For a start, he's the athletic business manager, and without his bartering, bargaining, cajoling and persuading behind the scenes, Spartan fans might never see their favorites in to exotic places like South Bend or Iowa City--or even Ann Arbor. bargaining, cajoling and persuading behind the scenes, Spartan fans might never see their favorites in to exotic places like South Bend or Iowa City--or even Ann Arbor.

Laetz, business manager for Spartan athletics since 1960, has encountered many problems in his years here. Perhaps one of the toughest was last spring when a decision had to be made on artificial turf for the MSU Stadium.

Laetz had phone calls pouring in virtually every day from artificial turf companies.

Part of his job, along with football Coach Duffy Daugherty was to evaluate the various kinds of "grass" to determine which one was wanted.

A decision was made that Tartan Truf would be the brand, and Laetz then had to go before the MSU Board of Trustees to outline the costs and other factors involved if the turf was approved.

But the turf incident was not a usual one for John Laetz.

"I have to arrange hotel and motel space for the football team's away games," Laetz said. "This has to be done around the first of the year.

"With football, we have various means of transportation involved. For most trips we'll charter a plane, but for something closer like Ann Arbor, we'll take a bus."



John Laetz

When the Spartans played Notre Dame a few weeks back, a special two car train from the Grand Trunk railroad was chartered to carry the Spartans, the coaches, managers, athletic department personnel, members of the board of trustees and others to South Bend.

"With so many people going, a train was the practical thing to have," Laetz said. "No airline would--or could--fly us to South Bend. It's too close and we'd be back down before we even got settled in our seats.

"Also, with so many extra people going because of the great interest in the game, one plane couldn't have done it anyway."

Laetz got his degree from Michigan State College in 1942 with a business administration-advertising major. He then went directly into the Navy Air Corps, where he saw service in the Pacific theater until the war's end.

After leaving the service, Laetz worked for a short time as a commercial artist before joining the business staff as asst. ticket manager in 1949.

Laetz then had varied responsibilities with business matters and the ticket office until taking over in July 1960.

Since then, the responsibilities have increased as the number of Spartan teams has grown, but the acquisition by the University of two propeller driven planes has helped ease the traveling situation somewhat.

But no matter if the Spartans are flying commercial, or on MSU's planes, or busing it, or sailing. No matter if they're staying in a big hotel, a motel in a small town, a pup tent or whatever.

the coaches take care of the teams, and make them go, but they all know that without John Laetz masterminding the thousand and one details that continually pop up on every trip schedule, they'd be in trouble.

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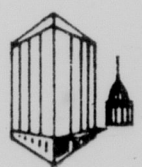
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Down on the field, Tommy Love has just connected on a perfectly executed halfback pass to Frank Foreman for a touchdown-putting the game against the Washington Huskies on ice. The entire MSU Stadium erupts. Well, "almost" the entire Stadium erupts.

There is a sliver of seats situated between the three yard lines on the Stadium's west side that rarely ever excites any emotion. While back slapping, hand shaking and other forms of merrymaking are administered by the MSU throng populating the stands, those "spectators" in the "press box" rarely find time for congratulations or consolations. For those fortunate enough to present a "press pass" upon entrance into a specific game: they can only find their rewards after they have completed their chore of reporting in detail the results of the match. These people do not watch the game merely for personal satisfaction: they view it as "eyes" for often up to 500,000 people. These "unique" spectators, known as "reporters," can not afford to miss even a moment of their assigned game. They must have the Stadium's most choice seats. Thus, a need for a "press box" is outlined.

The press box: a mythological football haven in almost suspended animation above the lower, west stands. This seemingly is the only sector in the entire Stadium where

typewriter key "claps" outnumber those administered by hand. This is the only location in Spartan Stadium where typewriters are in a greater commodity than game programs. This is the press box.

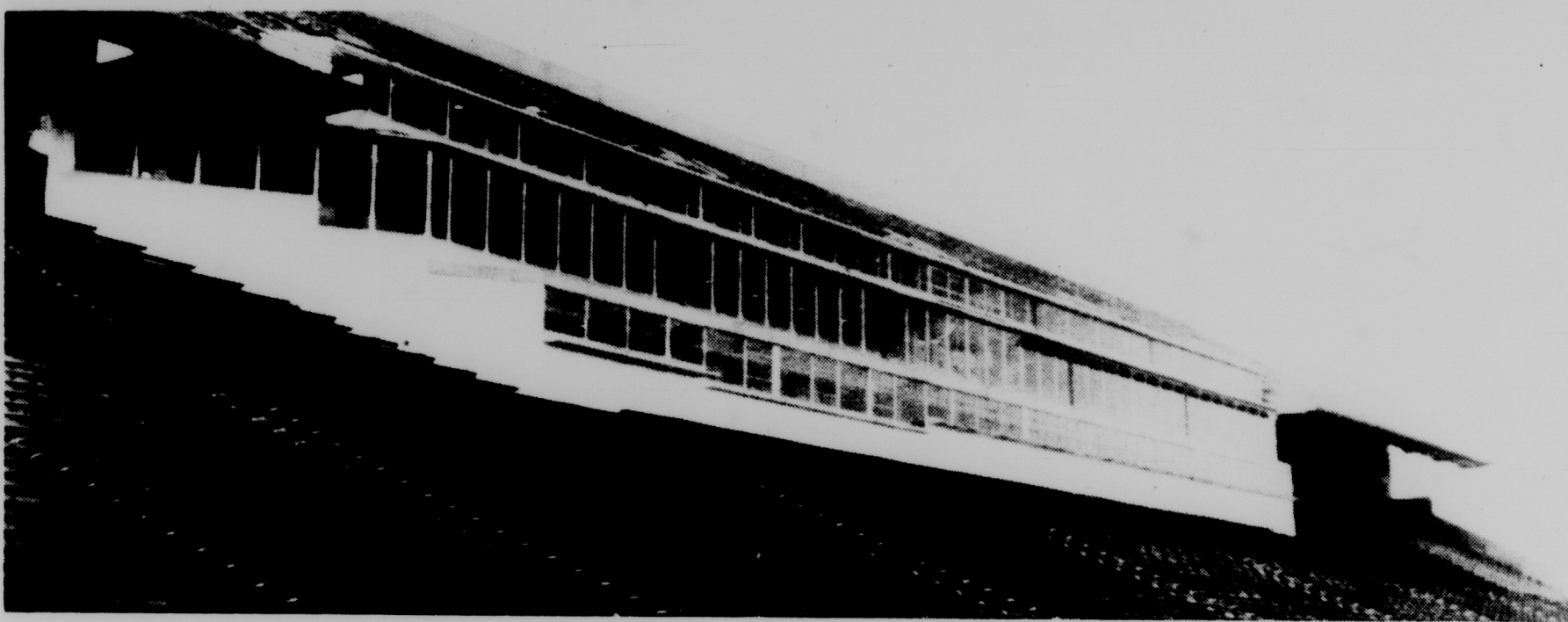
The press box in Spartan Stadium, one of the largest, most luxurious press accommodation in the entire world of sports, presents its visitors with a warm and relaxed

atmosphere for writing, reporting or, for just a sport, viewing the game.

Once coined as "a neat replica of the Taj Mahal" by renowned New York sports columnist Red Smith, the press lodging in the Stadium affords the guest a flawless view of the field, as well as both benches. It prides itself in having a private public address system programmed exclusively for use by press box residents

only. This voids embarrassing situations of having the roar of the crowd drown out credit given to a player for a fine play. The Spartan press box is highly esteemed in its possession of a unique communications system, complete with a private Stadium switchboard and operator. This set-up provides for easy communication between private booths, photo areas, dressing rooms and even the sidelines.

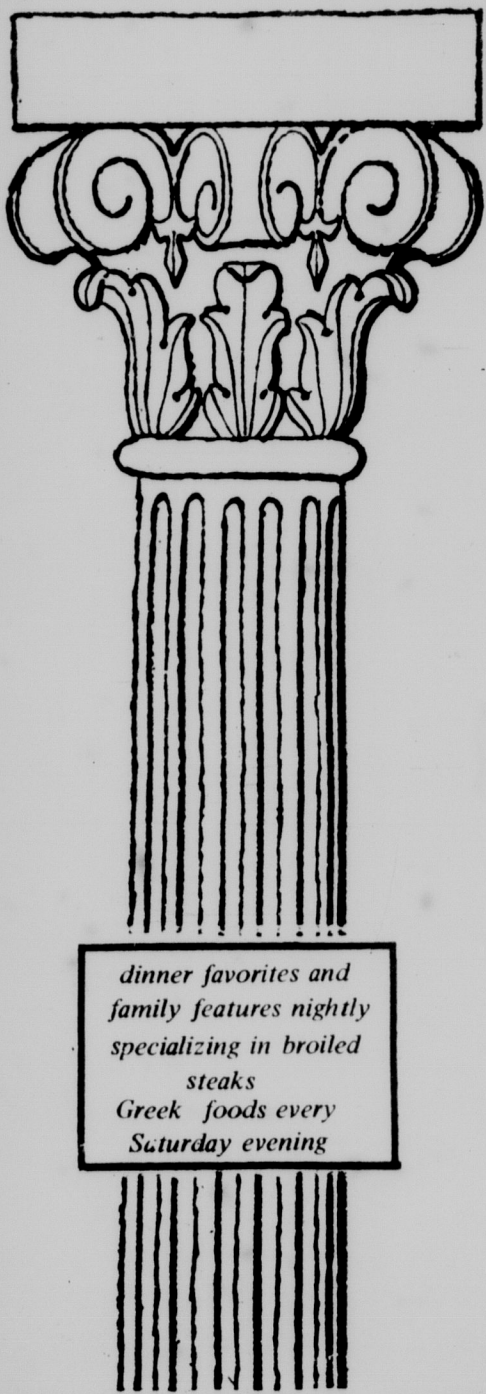
Like the time former great NBC announcer Bill Stern was pitching apples down to Boy Scouts tending the aisles (often having his tosses elude the hands of the Scouts and splattering all over the seats). Or the time a photographer from a national magazine smuggled a luscious blong past press box guards and authorities onto the roof to aid him in his photographing of the game. Though sadly missed, the



Press palace

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Spartan Stadium's present all weather enclosure has only been in existence since 1957, however. It was preceded in time by a relatively small, "box-shaped" press lodging. Built in 1948, the quarter had to be torn down in 1957 when Spartan Stadium expanded to its present size. The current upper deck forced its removal. But the former press box housed many amusing experiences as its director, Fred Stabley, will tell you.

old press box is amply supplanted by the new one.

The distribution of the press passes for a game usually extends into the 400 people bracket. Two spots are generally reserved for the major dailies around the country seeking admittance into a game. The remainder of the seats are divided up so as to cover the need of extended coverage.

The most glorious moment in the existence of the current press box would have to have been that legendary 1966 "Poll Bowl" standoff between the Spartans and the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame. The Stadium's press accommodations were limited to an awesome 500 people-though some 750 mass media representatives were in attendance covering the game. The remaining 250 reporters had to be situated in various locations around the Stadium.

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Leonowicz sets harrier pace

By DON KOPRIVA
State News Sports Writer

Being the only senior on the cross country team can be an enviable position, or just the opposite, depending on how one looks at it.

For Hazel Park senior Ken Leonowicz, it's perhaps a little bit of each. As the only senior and captain of the squad, he is naturally looked up to by the younger team members, especially those frosh who now have varsity eligibility.

Maybe that's enviable. But being the only senior on what

appears to be a pretty good squad has one big disadvantage as well. He won't be around to enjoy the glory of future years.

For Leonowicz, his varsity career began pretty much on the bottom, as he finished a dismal 32nd in the Big Ten championships as Evanston and his team finished an even more dismal eighth.

"That bothered me more than anything else," Leonowicz said on that rainy day in Evanston two years ago.

"I know I could have done better," he said, knowing that a

little higher finish in that race just might have kept MSU from sinking to eighth. But it didn't matter, because that was MSU's worst year ever.

But it was not repeated last year, as MSU won the Big Ten title and Leonowicz took fifth in the league meet.

Success for him continued into New York, where Leonowicz led his team to a 12th place finish nationally with a 16th place effort, good for All-America honors.

"As for myself, I had a little hay fever this summer and I fell behind on my running schedule," Leonowicz said. "I'm still a little behind where I am normally. I think, I hope, I'll be progressing as the season goes on."

"As a team, we're far superior to last year," he said. "We've got a lot of young kids out there willing to work hard."

"They seem pretty well fired up, maybe because they're all true distance runners, and they'll

be good for a few years, now."

MSU meets Minnesota Saturday in a meet which has overtones of a possible Big Ten showdown, with MSU, 2-0, and the Gophers undefeated in three meets.

"I really don't know that much about them," he said, "except that they've got a lot of kids doing a great job. Really, they seem a lot like us."

"As for the Big Ten, I don't think we can really say whether or not we'll win it. It's a long time to go until November, and a lot of things can happen between now and then."

"Even if Minnesota should beat us, or we beat them," Leonowicz said, "I think the Big Ten could still go either way. And you can never tell what teams like Illinois and Indiana are going to do."

Minnesota, the site of Saturday's meet, is "blessed" with a tough course, as are Big Ten course Indiana and the

IC4A and national championship courses in New York City.

But MSU's layout over five miles of Forest Akers land is known as a "toughie" by opposing teams, and Leonowicz thinks this is good preparation for the Spartans.

"It's pretty rough on our course in the back miles in the rough, the path through there is narrow and with that hill coming at you three times when you come out of there, you've got to get psyched up for all of it."

"It's different from last year, in that it's tougher to keep rhythm with the ruts and turns in the course. It's tough to pick up again."

"Last year it was easier to maintain a constant speed," he added.

Maintaining a constant speed may be one chore for Leonowicz, but maintaining a winning streak for MSU, which has now reached nine, is a bigger chore Saturday.



Ken Leonowicz

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toss up from any way you look at it. A real Rosencrantz and Guildenstern. Since both teams are playing for the No. 1 position in the Big 10, I tossed a coin and Wisconsin won. Northwestern, 21, Wisconsin, 17.

USC vs Notre Dame -- We experienced the fury of Ara Parseghian's Irish two weeks ago, and now it is John McKay's turn. But sophomore quarterback Jimmy Jones and tailback Clarence Davis (OJ's replacement) should be enough to tame the Irish. If that isn't enough, they always have tackle Tody Smith, brother of Bubba. USC 28, Notre Dame, 18.

Ruggers

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plenty of depth. This could be the deciding factor of the game.

Last winter Michigan's team went to England, and gained a lot of valuable experience which they are putting to use this fall.

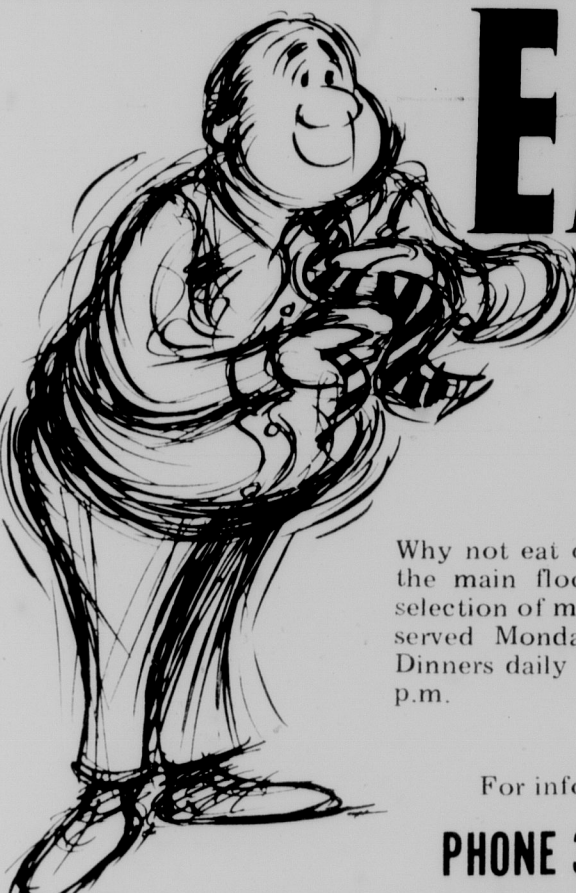
The MSU ruggers are a club team, and they want to welcome any and all men who want to contribute their talents to this Spartan sport.

'S' U-M battle in water polo

MSU will host its annual Water Polo Tournament Saturday in the indoor pool of the Men's I.M. Bldg. Four teams are competing and the games are scheduled to last all day, from 9 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

The top game will be, of course, MSU vs Michigan. The teams will battle it out at 4 p.m., and although no one is expected to leave Spartan Stadium it is hoped that many will take advantage of the "no admission" charge and come after the football game.

Oakland and Bowling Green are the other teams in the tournament.




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'S' spouses play game, too

By PAM BOYCE
State News Sports Writer

As a Spartan football player hobbles off the field following a bone-crushing tackle, more than 70,000 fans anxiously await the outcome.

But for nine particular fans sitting in choice 50-yardline seats, a special anxiety develops. The hobbling player may be one of their husbands.

"I thought I'd have to take tranquilizers," says 21-year-old Eileen Saul, wife of the Spartans' co-captain Rich Saul, in describing her reaction to watching Rich play. "Everybody else is just as worried, though."

Carolyn Kulesza, wife of starting tight-end Bruce, describes worrying as the "hardest part" of being married.

"In the Notre Dame game, he hurt his shoulder, and I was so scared I wanted to go down to

the field."

Donna Parmentier, wife of fullback Gary, had reason to get upset during the Notre Dame. Her husband of three months broke his leg, just one year after he broke his other leg.

"I thought he'd do a really good job," she says. "He had to learn a lot of plays all over when he changed from offense to defense, and he really worked hard. He had a lot of bad luck."

Obviously, being married to a football player is not as glamorous as some might think. Greeting a husband after a losing game is not quite the same as after a great win.

"Rich has the same basic reaction after every game," Eileen Saul explains. "His first reaction is that he wants to explain what he did wrong and what other people will think he did wrong." Eileen, who has been married four months, is a senior speech therapy major at MSU.

JoAnne Beard, wife of junior center Tom Beard, says it's not really that bad when the team loses.

"He usually takes it in his stride and is mostly disappointed," she explains. "He's never hard to get along with, though."

When it comes to worrying about injuries, JoAnne has an automatic way on knowing if everything is all right.

"He'll walk around on the sidelines to let me know he's OK," she says.

Ken Little is another story, however.

"He's very temperamental," says 20-year-old Cathy Little, a junior home economics major who wants to go into retailing.

"After a football game, even if they win, if he doesn't play good he'll be depressed," she says. "About 11 p.m., he'll explode."

Gloria Phillips, wife of defensive halfback Harold, says there's quite a difference in her husband's reactions after a win,

as compared to following a loss.

"He's more lively, easier to talk to," she explains. "When they lose, he's quiet, and you've got to watch what you say. When they lose, he brings it home with him, but doesn't say much."

"I keep quiet," she adds.

Saundria Highsmith, who comes from a family of football players, says her husband, the team's leading rusher, discusses the game with her.

"We just talk about the high and low points," she says. "He hates to lose, though, because he plays real hard." Saundria, who met her husband while working in Wonders cafeteria, explains the Don doesn't let her worry about him when he's out on the field.

"I used to try to worry, but he doesn't let me. Just when I think he's hurt, he bounces right back."

Donna Saul, married for 3 years to offensive guard Ron, says her husband doesn't take

his aggravations out on her.

"When they win, he's happy," she says. "He kind of depends on me, though, for that little extra boost when they lose."

Wendy Barnum, married over a year to junior linebacker Tom, says that although her husband doesn't take anything out on her, "he just doesn't like to talk about it." She has a unique way of knowing whether her husband is doing a good job or not.

"The way I can tell is to look to see what his reactions are. If his hands are down at his sides, I know something's wrong."

Wendy is a junior English major here.

Most of the wives admit that until they met their future husbands, they knew very little about football.

"I had a vague idea about football," JoAnne Beard says. "I know now when he's supposed to pick up a block. He's real good about explaining it, too."

Carolyn Kulesza, a sophomore elementary education major from Muskegon, says that Bruce depends upon her at times to tell him how he looks during a game.

"He asks me if I could see anything wrong. I've learned about the game through listening to him."

Eileen Saul says that she has been learning about the game ever since she started dating Rich in their high school.

"Gradually I learn more and more," she says, then admits it wasn't until last year that she understood what a first down was.

While five of the wives are presently attending classes—Eileen Saul, JoAnne Beard, Wendy Barnum, Carolyn Kulesza and Cathy Little, others are either working or caring for miniature football players or cheerleaders. The Highsmiths have a 1-year-old daughter, Janel Renee, while the Ron Sauls have a 2-year-old daughter, Amy. The Harold Phillips have the only boy out of the married players—David Kenneth. Carolyn Kulesza, in addition to majoring in elementary education, has her hands full with a little girl, Brenda.

Cathy Little, who plans on being a buyer when she graduates, keeps busy by sewing in her spare spare time. Two couples, the Rich Sauls and the Barnums, spend spare time during the summer golfing. Several of the wives reported that they kept in shape by running around the MSU track near Spartan Stadium.

How do the wives feel about being married to football players? They aren't really that impressed.

"I've known him for so long that it's just being married to Rich, not the captain of the football team," Eileen Saul explains.

Cathy Little, who met her husband at a Welcome Week mixer, says that she was more impressed with Ken's job this summer than his football career at MSU. Ken, a television and radio major, worked as a newscaster for Channel 6, WJIM, this summer and was on the 6 p.m. news every evening.

"That was really more exciting," Cathy says, in comparing it to football.

For two and a half hours this Saturday, however, Cathy Little may just change her mind.



Wives of the Spartans

Pictured above are the wives of the nine married Spartan football players. They are from left, Mrs. Gloria Phillips, Mrs. Saundria Highsmith, Mrs. JoAnne Beard, Mrs. Carolyn Kulesza, Mrs. Wendy Barnum, Mrs. Donna Parmentier, Mrs. Eileen Saul (Rich's wife), Mrs. Cathy Little and Mrs. Donna Saul (Ron's wife).



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Spartans vs 'M'--the big one

By MIKE MANLEY
State News Sports Writer

Historically, the annual MSU-Michigan fall classic has been noted by observers and participants as the most rugged intra-state gridiron confrontation in the country.

The meeting of the two schools can be compared favorably with the Paris peace talks. There is little love lost between the two sides.

This Saturday will be the 61st renewal of this titanic struggle and the 22nd consecutive sellout. Kickoff time will be 3:30 p.m. at Spartan Stadium.

Both teams know only too well that this is the biggest game on their respective schedules.

"The Michigan game is always the big one for us," MSU Coach Duffy Daugherty said. "We're a better team than we've shown to date. I can't think of a better time to start playing than this week against Michigan."

"A win here would be a tremendous lift to the players, coaches, the student body and our alumni."

Michigan's new head football Coach Bo Schembechler is a newcomer to the contest but he is already well versed on the proper outlook given to the Spartan-Wolverine meeting.

"You can throw everything

out the window," he insists. "Records mean nothing in this traditional game. This is our biggest one of the season."

A win over the Spartans on Saturday would give the Wolverines a 2-0 conference record with victories over Purdue and MSU--two of their biggest stumbling blocks en route to the Rose Bowl.

MSU, on the other hand, could

been able to put everything together and stand a rather shaky 2-2 overall.

Michigan holds a 37-19-5 record in the long series. Under Daugherty, the Spartans have won nine and tied two out of 15 games against U-M.

Last year the Spartans lost a heartbreaker at Ann Arbor.

Leading 14-13 in the final quarter, MSU saw the Wolverines

this season, has moved in to breach the gap left by Johnson.

Doughty has carried the ball 81 times for 442 yards (5.5 per carry) and has scored 3 touchdowns. Doughty had an early week leg injury but is

expected to be in the starting backfield on Saturday.

Don Moorhead, a scrambling junior quarterback who is a dangerous runner and passer, replaces Brown. He has run for a

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Big Ten Standings

| TEAM | W | L | PCT. | | |
|--------------|---|---|-------|----|----|
| Michigan | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | 31 | 20 |
| Ohio State | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | 54 | 21 |
| Indiana | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | 17 | 7 |
| Wisconsin | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | 23 | 17 |
| Northwestern | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | 10 | 6 |
| Iowa | 0 | 1 | .000 | 17 | 23 |
| Purdue | 0 | 1 | .000 | 20 | 31 |
| Illinois | 0 | 1 | .000 | 6 | 10 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 1 | .000 | 7 | 17 |
| MSU | 0 | 1 | .000 | 21 | 54 |

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Michigan at MSU.

Minnesota at Ohio State.

Iowa at Purdue

Wisconsin at Northwestern.

Illinois at Indiana.

start their long awaited climb to respectability with a victory. The Spartans have not as yet

pull of a 3-yard touchdown on a broken-play pass from Dennis Brown to Jim Mandich. Following that score, the Spartans drove down field only to have U-M safety Tom Curtis intercept a Bill Triplett pass to set up the final score.

The Wolverines have not changed much from last year's squad that went 8-2. Schembechler has come up with two outstanding replacements for All-America halfback Ron Johnson and quarterback Brown.

Glenn Doughty, a sophomore who never played halfback until



Craw claws for yards

Michigan fullback Garvie Craw plunges for short yardage in a recent Wolverine game. Craw knows how to find the goal-line. He's been U-M's second leading scorer this season, with five touchdowns.

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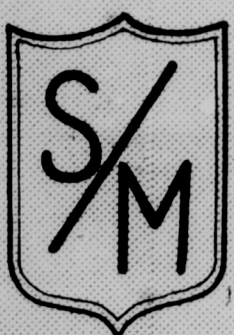
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