‘People have these dreams they fasten onto things . . .’

-- F. SCOTT FITZGERALD
'S' sore spot: 
pass defense

By JOE MITCH
State News Sports Editor

Like Houston and Southern California, Michigan State's football coaches know what to expect from the University of Wisconsin Saturday at Spartan Stadium.

"They've got a wide-open type of offense," said the Spartans' Duffy Daugherty. "They haven't got their ground attack going yet, so we think the air will be filled with footballs Saturday."

The Spartans know that Houston and Southern California had powerful running attacks and were definite long pass threats.

The only trouble was that it didn't little good for MSU to know what to expect from either team. Houston and Southern California both came away from East Lansing with victories.

The coaches are hoping the story will be different against Wisconsin. Much of this week's practice has been devoted to defending against the Badger's pass pattern.

"We're improving," said the Spartans' defensive backfield coach Vince Carroll. "Last week's game against Southern California was a great improvement over the Houston game."

"But we still didn't play great ball on pass defense," Carroll continued. "For if we did, we would have won."

Wisconsin comes to town with not much more than a passing attack. Badger Coach attack. Badger Coach Coatta, a Dearborn native, has styled his offensive play after Florida State where he was an assistant coach for six years.

Florida State was mainly a passing team, especially in 1964, when it compiled an 8-1-1 record and Gator Bowl victory over Oklahoma.

Coatta is a former quarterback. He led the Wisconsin teams from 1949 through 1951 and in 1950 set a Big Ten record for passing accuracy. He hit for 64% with 52 completions out of 81 attempts.

"I feel if we are going to be effective offensively, we have to utilize the pro-style backfield and split-out offense," Coatta said. "We're not going to overpower many people so we're going to spread them."

"We have the personnel who lend themselves to this offensive set."

If there is any time the Spartans would not like to meet a passing team, it is now. Pass defense has been one of the sore spots on the team.

In two games MSU's defenders have given up three touchdowns via passing. Together, Houston and Southern California have gained 405 yards through the air, for an average of 202.5 yards per game.

The Spartans have been able to intercept only one pass of the 29 thrown by Houston and Southern California. Twenty have been completed, for an average gain of 20.2 yards.

MSU has been forced to a make-shift defensive backfield, with the recent injuries to Drake Garrett and Jesse Phillips, who is lost for the season.

Two sophomores, Jack Pitts and Steve Garvey, were rushed into service and their lack of experience has been a stumbling block to the Spartans.

The only veterans in the backfield are Paul Lawson and Bob Super.

"It's true we have a lot of inexperience back there," Carroll said, "but these boys are going to get better each game."

"Garvey did a creditable job with last week's game and Lawson is making steady improvement. Super did an excellent job for us and Pitts is coming along, but he will have room for improvement."

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Tony Keyes, leading goal scorer on the soccer team last year, hopes to get his first goal of the year this weekend as the booters face Denver and the Air Force Academy.

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**BOTH UNBEATEN**

**Booter clean slate risked at Denver**

By NORM SAARI

State News Sports Writer

Someone is going to have a winning streak stopped tonight at Denver when the MSU soccer team meets the University of Denver.

Both teams have long unbeaten strings at stake. The Spartans are 3-0 this season and were 10-0-2 last year, but Denver can boast of a longer string. They have compiled 27 consecutive unbeaten contests over the past 2 1/2 years.

They are also 3-0 this season. The Denver game is only the first of a soccer weekend for the Spartans, as coach Gene Kenney’s booters meet the Air Force Academy for a game in Colorado Springs Sunday afternoon.

The Academy is 2-2 this year, losing to national power St. Louis University, 4-1, last weekend.

"Neither game is going to be as easy one," Kenney said. "A big factor at Denver is the fact that we are playing on another narrow field. Also, the thin atmosphere will certainly be to our disadvantage, since Denver has had time to condition its lungs to it."

The MSU offense was slowed down considerably on the narrow field used in the game at Pittsburgh last Saturday and Kenney says the Denver field is even narrower.

The Spartans’ home field is 75 yards wide, but Denver Stadium has a playing area 60 yards wide.

To somewhat compensate for the narrow field, Kenney will put his Jamaican speedsters, Trevor Harris and Tony Keyes, on the outside forward wings. Harris has scored nine goals this year, leading goal scorer last year with 21, has yet to score a goal.

In another line-up change, Kenney will start sophomore Alex Skotarek at inside left. Skotarek has been seen action in all three games this season and scored one goal against Calvin College. His older brother, Ed, is also on the soccer team.

Teamming with Skotarek at the other inside spot will be Ernie Tuchrander, Guy Busch will again play center forward. Defenderly, Kenney is sticking with the same combination that has allowed opponents only one goal this season.

Peter Hess, Barry Tiemann and Barry Jacobson will be at halfback and Tom Belloli and Terry Sanders at fullback.

Joe Baun will be in the goal. The Denver game will also mark the first time an MSU soccer team has played at night on the surface under the lights.

The Spartans have never met Denver in the past and are 9-0-1 at the Academy in a soccer game before.
Grid crowds grow to half-million mark

NEW YORK (UPI) – College football, which zoomed past the 25 million mark in attendance for the first time last year, expects to keep zooming.

Last year's half-million increase may be matched.

Part of the expected increase comes from expanded seating capacities in many areas but a lot of football people are convinced the boom is the result of the product.

"The fans of America are seeing a much better brand of college football since we went back to the planter," said Coach George Blackburn of Virginia.

"We're all geared for plateau football now and the game has to be better with specialists playing it."

Along this line comes word from Penn State's Joe Paterno, who has taken a second look at the new punt rule which he opposed originally.

"I view the rule with mixed emotions," said Paterno. "It's tough on the coaches who have to cope with it but from what I've seen so far I think the game will be more interesting for the spectator."

"That's what the rules committee was after. The rule still makes for exciting punt returns."

Maybe it'll be a great thing for the game after all.

For one reason or another, ticket managers around the college map are wearing happy smiles and don't seem to mind the extra work of increased sales, work of increased miles.

Southern Methodist and Texas A&M pulled 33,000 for their opener last week in a stadium that is still undergoing expansion. Final construction by the end of 1967 will make Kyle Field at College Station, Tex., a 52,000-seat arena.

Two years ago, North Carolina State couldn't sell out its six games.

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Halftime hunger

Fans gather for some hot dogs and coffee at the stadium concession stand.

Wieners a winner with hungry fans

By TOM BROWN

An amateur weatherman and crowd psychologist, John J. Kennedy proves Linus' point—dog tastes best when there is a ball game in front of it.

Kennedy, manager of MSU Concessions, balances the weather against the size of the crowd in determining what people will eat and drink on Saturday afternoons. Past records are consulted, but the element of chance always remains.

The largest crowds are Kennedy's smallest problems.

"They tell me to start worrying because they expect a capacity crowd," he says. "That is the least of our problems. People don't want to move around in a crowd like that."

"When they are squeezed in tight, they don't want to leave their seat; they are afraid of losing it."

"In our business, the ideal crowd is 50-55,000."

A small crowd won't ask for the pause that refreshes if the score is close.

"They just don't want to miss anything," Kennedy says.

"Whether is the biggest factor, he goes on, "sometimes we call the weather bureau on Thursday, but they usually don't know any more than anyone else."

"One hot Saturday a couple of years ago, we sold every soft drink that our supplier had in the Lansing area."

"But then you never really know," Kennedy says.

The concession countdown starts at 7:15, when they start the coffee brewing. A cold November date would find the big urns lit two hours earlier.

The majority of Kennedy's 180 workers arrive by 7 a.m. When they leave the stadium six hours later, depending on the weather, they will have sold as many as 1,500 gallons of coffee or 45,000 soft drinks.

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(continued from page 4) 22,000-seat stadium for the North Carolina game. But last week, when the two met for the first time in State's 4,000-seat Carter Stadium it became the earliest sellout in the history of the rivalry. Stadium brought the actual total to 42,300.
A sampling:

Utah season tickets are going at a record pace, Oregon's new stadium is ready with 41,078 seats. Arizona set a record of 37,000 for last week's opener against Wyoming. Army reports a boom on the heels of an 8-3 season for the emerging cadets last year. Indiana may top its home opener record of 42,295 (against Ohio State in 1963) in this week's game with Kentucky. And there appears to be no falling off in the demand to see such big-name teams as Notre Dame, Alabama, MSU or Ohio State, the perennial home-game leaders.

It's obvious the college rule-makers are aware of pro football's vast popularity and are trying to come up with gimmicks to prevent the press from taking it all.

Plush press palace
Sports writers and rival scouts watch last week's action from MSU's renowned press box.

Stadium press box almost a 'Taj Mahal'

By DAN DAHLSTROM
Sports columnist Red Smith once called the Spartan Stadium press box "a most copies of the Taj Mahal."
It's 94 yards long, with six levels of operation of which only the upper three look out into the stadium, and has accommodated as many as 754 members of the press for a single game. The ground level contains the press ticket booth where working passes are picked up.
The second level is used for the dark room and wire photo machine. Each of the six three-room suites on this level has more than ample space for photo processing and wire transmission. Spartan Stadium sent out the first picture from a sport site over the national Associated Press wire photo network. The press lounge on the third level seats about 150 people for pre-game hotchpoor served cafeteria style. The telephone headquarters and television workroom are also located on this level.
The fourth level is the photo deck and overlooks the football field. It has positions for about 100 television, movie, newswire, and still-wriet type cameramen. Television announcers work from this area and there is an official guest area for 40 people too.
The working press occupy the fifth deck which is probably the most familiar in fans. Three rows of seats for writers, reporters, and scouts countless of about 200. In addition there are positions for 30 wired Western Union positions, two

snack bars, restrooms and the operational headquarters.
The latter section has a telephone switch board and operator which is believed to be the only one of its kind in the world. From here, communication among radio booths, photo areas, press deck, dressing rooms, sidewalks, press entrance, and anywhere outside the stadium can be made quickly.
Also in the operational headquarters are statistics, play-by-play specialists, duplicating machine and workers, and a press box public address system separated from the one used on the field.
All these services mean, for instance, that when an injury occurs on the field, communication with the sidelines reveals the extent of the injury to the working press literally within seconds.
The quality of service for last Saturday's game was so fast that workers knew before the next play that, for example, Bob Super suffered a slight neck strain on the previous play or that the call for pass interference on the potential touchdown pass to Al Foremer was called an "spurs Maurice Hayes."
Running play-by-play statistics and even post-game quotes are given to everyone.
The sixth and top level is the radio deck with 14 booths. Three of these are bilateral radio booths with the other reserved for field public addressers, official game photographers, and team coaches.
According to Fred Statley, Sports Information Director, the largest number of workers ever in the press box were the 745 who witnessed the 10-0 tie of last season against Notre Dame. This included about 35 journalists in the press deck. The average number is about 400.

More sports available to eager females
Several team sports having intercollegiate competition are open to women this term including gymnastics, field hockey, basketball, swimming, and synchronized swimming.
In gymnastics, four tentative meets have been scheduled. They include a quad meet at Columbus, Ohio, meets with Southern Illinois and the Big Ten, both at Carbondale, and the United States nationals in California.
The swim team will open in Ann Arbor against Michigan on October 14. Then three home meets are scheduled against Ontario, Central Michigan, and Oakland University. Then the team will finish with meets at Kent State and Adrian, with the intercollegiate at Wayne State being the final contest.

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QB Ryan to test 'S' secondary

BY GAYEL WESCH
Staff News Sports Writer

A far as the Spartans are concerned, Wisconsin is unbeatable. The Badgers, with an 8-2 record coming into the 10th contest at Spartan Stadium Monday, would hardly make any play, but they represent the first obstacle in the Spartan quest for an unprecedented third straight undefeated Big Ten championship. MSU has put together a 14-game winning streak in the conference and won two straight Big Ten Championships.

Ten times in the history of the conference a school has won two in a row, but the third attempt has always failed. Furthermore, the Spartans will be looking for their first victory of the season after two straight losses. Wisconsin is in the same boat, dropping their opener to Washington 17-0 and then losing to Arizona State 42-16 last Saturday.

The Badger offense hasn't been outstanding, but it certainly has been "passable." Nearly the entire attack so far has been formed around the passing of John Ryan to Beaver Tom McCauley, split ends Mel Redick and Bill Yanik, wide receiver Bill Fritz.

Ryan shared the quarterback duties with senior John Fooyajian last year but took over last week and played the entire game. Ryan has completed 25 in 44 attempts for 294 yards. McCauley has been the major receiver, with 14 catches for 211 yards. A 6-3, 239-pound junior, McCauley has a two season total of 86 receptions for 900 yards, and is threatening to break the pass reception and yardage marks established by All-American Pat Richter in 1960-62.

Fritz has totaled 14 receptions for 269 yards in his career, with six receptions for 44 yards this season.

Flanker Tom McCauley

has netted 257 yards for an average of 18.5 yards per game, or 14 yards per play.

The Spartan defensive backs can take heart in the fact that although the Badger receivers have better than adequate speed, none possess the spiriting speed they had to contend with from Don Reams of Michigan and Jim Lomax of Eastern Michigan.

Wisconsin's running attack has been practically non-existent in the first two games. Wisconsin has netted only 70 rushing yards in the first two games, for an average of one yard per play.

Halfback John Smith, a 5-11, 195 pounder leads the Badgers with 59 yards in 21 carries, an average of 2.8 yards per carry.

The Wisconsin defense has allowed 699 yards in the first two games, 601 on the ground and

and was credited with seven unassisted and seven assisted tackles last week. In the first two games he has made 16 unassisted and 15 assisted tackles.

Spartan defensive halfbacks Jack Potts and Steve Garvey and junior Paul Lawson will try to stifle the Badger attack.

Duke Garrett is still slowed by a tender muscle in his right ankle and a pulled muscle in his right thigh, and is not expected to see much action.

Defensive end Rich Saul was released from the hospital Thursday and team doctors in Dr. James S. Furlong reported that the ankle swelling had abated somewhat.

Saul could bear only partial weight on the right ankle Thursday but expected to run at full strength Friday according to Furlong. He is still a questionable starter. Jim Daly is the probable replacement for Saul.

Defensive guard Mike Young appears to be over a throat infection, as well as a knee injury he suffered in the Southern California game and is expected to be ready to start against Wisconsin.

The Spartan offensive unit is in good shape for the game, and the line-up is expected to be the same one that started the first two games.

But LaMarz Thomas and Reggie Campbell are expected to see more action against the Badgers than they have in previous games. MSU has won the last three games against Wisconsin and leads the series 17-14-1.

Daily Daugherty coached teams have gone 0-2 against Wisconsin.

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LG 81 Don Murphy
C 53 Ric Haile
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RT 78 John Mears
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Duffy rationalizes grid woes

What’s happening to the once-indestructible Spartans?

In an interview with staffer Leo Zoina, Duffy tries to explain some of the problems which have beset the Spartans, and what steps he intends to take to correct them in quest of an unprecedented third Big Ten title.

Q—What about the rumor that Rowe cannot distinguish jersey numbers for downfield?

A—Jimmy can see fine downfield. We just had his eyes reattached and tested and his vision is to the point where he’s a freshman and sophomore. He didn’t appear to have any difficulties then, so there is no reason he should have any now.

Q—Do you ever plan to use Jack Pitts, the ambidextrous sophomore, as an offensive weapon?

A—Well, he can’t do much passing playing on the defensive platoon, can he. I might use him in a third down putting situation, though, but he passes better right-handed than he does left-handed.

Q—How do you manage to maintain a sense of humor after two straight defeats?

A—You like to win every game, but you’re not going to do it. I was not in a very humorous vein after the Houston game. We felt we had stopped ourselves a lot of the time, and I was very pleased with the Spartans after the Southern Cal game, because of the great defense we showed.

A side from being disappointed at the score, and I think this is true of fans who watched the game, I felt both teams had played hard and it was an exciting game and this is football at its finest. When you’ve given your best and it’s not good enough, what else are you going to do.

Q—After two games, the offense has yet to mount any consistent scoring drives. What seems to be the problem?

A—Well, a lot of the credit should go to the two fine defensive teams we played. Houston and Southern Cal. I noticed were rated two and one and three in polls. You’ll have to admit we have been playing against some classy teams.

The tendency with many people is to try to divorce offense from defense. The two are inseparable.

When your defensive team is giving the offense good field position then the offense has a much better chance of going in to score.

The last few years we had such great defensive personnel that time and again they would take the ball away from opponents deep in their territory and our offense would have a chance to finally put together a drive and score.

Our defensive team this year was not only depleted by graduation but we’ve had a rash of injuries and we’ve never had in years. Consequently, the defense is inexperienced. But it’s getting better. It’s a young group and should improve.

On the other hand we are not satisfied with the offensive inconsistency.

We’ve looked good in spots but we have yet to show the consistency you must have in order to go deep and overcome some inexperience of our offense. The offense should pick up a bigger load this year because they are more experienced than the defense.

Q—Bob Apisa appears to run without the speed and authority he possessed as a sophomore. What’s the matter?

A—Well, I think Bob will hit his stride soon. There is often this tendency among young men after a knee operation. I don’t mean he feels his way. After he has a couple of games under his belt and the confidence back that he had before he was injured, he’ll run stronger. There is a certain period of time that is necessary for a runner to make his strides. I have full confidence that Bob will return to his top form.

Q—Does this mean that you intend to start rebuilding for next season, already?

A—Oh no, we’re building for this year. We’re not out of the championship race yet, we have yet to lose a conference game.

Q—You reportedly called the Spartans, Saturday, a better football team than they were against Houston. Is this mean you are satisfied with their progress?

A—A coach is never satisfied with the progress of his team. If he ever gets to that point when he is, it will reflect in the team and they’ll stop improving. There are only two ways to go as a team. Either you get better or you go down hill. You don’t stay at one plateau very long.

And, though I felt we made a quantum leap forward against Southern Cal, we played with greater intensity and we played with more enthusiasm. When you do this it has to be worthwhile.

Q—Jimmy Rowe seemed to have trouble Saturday at spotting his receivers.

A—A lot of it could be attributed to the tremendous size and height of Southern Cal’s backs. They are tall and fast.

And, that comes from the.Infirmary and that makes it very difficult for any receiver when they are between the passer and the receiver. In fact, the only pass he intercepted was batted by a linebacker and another Tweet grabbed it.

You’ll notice our opponent last year found it difficult throwing over taller linemen.

Spartan statistics explain grid losses

Statistics can never be counted on to tell the whole story of a football game. Isn’t that right Ars Parshegian.

But the statistics from the first two games provide some interesting insights into the enigma the Spartans face this season.

Parshegian is still wondering how his Notre Dame team managed to lose to Purdue despite running up more than 500 yards.

Duffy Daugherty, on the other hand, has most of the reasons for the two defeats right on the spot sheet. He emphasized that one move to try and remedy the situation is pointed out there.

An injury riddled Spartan defense who led to contend with two of the nation’s best offenses. We are pretty sorely disappointed with the enemy completing 29 of 49 for 405 yards.

The average gain for completion is 20.5 yards. Three of the opponents’ eight touchdowns have come by passing.

Against the run the Spartans have given up a set of 355 yards or 3.8 yards per play with eight touchdowns. Twenty of 33 first downs were allowed on the ground.

The first two opponents have netted 760 yards on 121 plays for an average of 5.2 yards per play.

Offensively, the statistics aren’t exactly what Spartan fans would have predicted before the season began.

Bob Apisa has gained only 20 yards per carry. Jimmy Raye has only 31 yards in 30 carries.

Raye actually gained 82 yards, but lost 9 in runs and two receptions. He completed 1 for 14, 1 for 14 attempted passes for 109, 219 yards, and one touchdown.

David Lee leads the Spartans in rushing with 105 yards in 30 carries.

Sophomore LaMarr Thomas claims 16 yards in 10 carries with the best average per carry, 1.6.

Daugherty points to the much improved defense to statistic and hinted that Thomas may be carrying the ball more in the future. Thomas eight points on one touchdown and 115 for two points and 4 for three points.

The Spartans have averaged 21.5 yards per game offensively, four yards per play.

One area where the Spartans badly dominate the first two opponents is in the number of penalties and yards assessed.

Spartan has been penalized 12 times for 78 yards, six penalties for 73 yards to the opposition.
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Hoard of super-stars cause grid upsets, says 'Bear'

NEW YORK (UPI) — Alabama's "Bear" Bryant offers a reasonable explanation for the topsy-turvy start of the college football season.

"There are so many fine football players around today that if you play poorly on any given Saturday, you're going to get beat," says the Big Four.

Unlike Notre Dame, which lost to Purdue, Alabama survived its first two games with a tie and a victory but it's still uphill all the way if the Crimson Tide is to pull back into contention for No. 1.

But like Notre Dame, Alabama has been trying to live by the pass alone and that's just not good enough with great playing talent spreading into so many areas across the nation.

Even pro teams can't get along on just the pass," Bryant said the other day. "We must move the ball up the middle if we're going to beat really good teams. We have been running at the corners and trying to live with the pass."

Notre Dame died with the pass against Purdue as Terry Hanratty threw 63 times and lost four of them to interceptions. Alabama is the only team in the nation that has put up 10 points but escaped with a 37-37 tie against Florida State and a 23-13 victory over Southern Mississippi.

Establishing a running game is rugged when teams at almost every level come up with monster blocking schemes to move like 175-pounders of a couple of decades ago.

Further, recruiting is a fine art from the Ivy League to the SEC. There is material galore in the happy hunting grounds of the high school game with getting a share isn't always easy.

"Duffy Daugherty got a couple of boys away from me," said Nebraska's Bob Devaney on a trip into the big town in summer. "Duffy doesn't have to shout to you to beat you. He charms 'em to Michigan State."

Duffy presumably was not his usual charming self during the season or so after he lured last year's greatest group. The Spartans are showing a bit of a talent gap at the moment.

Just sending a personal appeal often is as effective as shifty new converts. A large number of high school football types (who can stay eligible) actually pick a college for its educational possibilities as well as its reputation for sending its stars on to pro football.

The excellence of high school football material right now resulted from several events.

Top coaching is one. The college coaches have been turning out fine coaches for years and those that don't find a spot higher up — or prefer teaching young'uns — flock into the high schools.

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Q—Who do you miss the most from last year's group of super-stars, Jerry? A—George Webster, probably the greatest defensive player ever at M&L, and because we had so many problems with injuries, we could really use him now, but that's wishful thinking. He's not coming back so we'll have to find someone that can try to replace him.

Q—Is Teddy Smith lost for the season and, if so, will he be on another year of eligibility?

A—He's already lost about 12 pounds. A decision will be made later this week.

Q—How is team morale? A—It's morale is real high. They want to have a good team, they want to win, and, of course, it bothers them to lose, but we don't have any problems with our enthusiasm and hustle.

Q—What can Spartan fans expect from the Badgers Saturday afternoon?

A—Wisconsin is more of a passing team. They've gained a lot of yardage through the air and use a wide-open attack with flankers. They will throw the ball a lot against us Saturday, I'm sure.

Q—Is the chance to compete in the Rose Bowl a team incentive, since Purdue and Illinois can't go?

A—We'd like to go, but our first objective is to win the conference title. Right now, I don't know if we will or not, but it is that I see a lot more important.

Q—Who is the team to beat in the Big Ten?

A—They are all the team to beat, if you can best them. Purdue, on the bowl they won over Notre Dame and two straight wins would have to be the favorites.
Feurig must mend if gridders bend

- By STEVE LOKKER

The post-season efforts of coach Fran Dittrich and his assistants, Jim Christ, will come to a head at 10:30 tomorrow morning as the Spartan cross country team opens the regular season against Indiana at the Forest Akers Golf Course. In 17 years of Big Ten competition, the Spartans have taken the title six times, finished runners-up six times, and taken the championship in 1949-50, 1956-1960, and 1962-1963. It finished first in the NCAA meet eight times while taking second three times. The last time the title was in the state's hands was 1955. MSU has met Indiana three times in regular season competition. All three, 1961-62-63, State has come out the victor. Last year the Spartans outdistanced the Hoosiers, 30-29.

The 1967 season will be one of rebuilding for Dittrich's Squad. Only five holdovers from last year return and none have received more than one month's experience. "This year's success will depend on how fast our sophomores develop. We have four strong runners, but the next three positions will be the key to our success or failure," says Dittrich.

Feurig must mend if gridders bend

It's a long way from a fighter bomber, but Dr. James S. Feurig, director of Ohio Health Center, stands as a figure of health and bandages for all Spartan athletes.

Feurig is the official physician for all MSU athletic teams and is now entering his thirteenth year of service to the Spartans.

During World War II, Feurig served as a flight surgeon in the then Army Air Corps. He still remembers his time on the wing as a "great experience.

He travels with the football team to all games. Other commitments prevent him from traveling with other squads.

In an effort to make at least one trip with the other teams in the proximity of Lansing," he says, "Last year I traveled to a hockey game at Ann Arbor and to the Big Ten track championship at Iowa."

Feurig is present at most home events, such as the Michigan State Relay in February. In football, all teams take the doctors with them, but in other sports, the host school is required to have a physician for both home and visitors.

At Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Feurig was well prepared for all kinds of injuries. "Spartan athletes do their best to bunch him with a variety."

"The most common injury in football," reports the doctor, "is a sprain. I see almost the whole football team at one time or another, with major and minor injuries. Sprains, with some fractures and ligament tears, seem to predominate."

While sprains are common in football, basketball seems to concentrate on strains. A strain is a stretching or tearing of the muscle, while a sprain is the same but with ligaments," Feurig states.

"Basketball players get many strains in the back area in addition to a few nasal fractures caused by pressure under the boards," he said.

The doctor also said, "We find that freshman basketball players experience more strains than the varsity. The reason is because they run the two mile distance in 19-30, and three miles in 15-30 and in one of the most experienced sophomores on the team. He ran three seasons of track and cross-country while attending Lane Tech High School in Chicago."

And they're off

Spartan harriers are off at the sound of the gun at Forest Akers. Captain Dean Rosenberg leads the squad against Indiana tomorrow.

The four juniors are Roger Merchand; Captain Dean Rosenberg; Pat Wilson; and Dale Stankey. Rosenberg seems to have the best shot at number one man based on his performance in the time trials held earlier this week.

The best sophomores are Bill Bradish, Ron Leonowicz, Mike Murphy and Gary Hilsner. Rosenberg is from North Muskegon. He finished 26th in the Big Ten meet last year and ran his best time, 20 minutes and 16 seconds.

Merchants, from Garlock, Ont., will be one of the top runners on the team. He was good for 31st in the Big Ten meet last year and ran the four mile in 19.57. Considered a "strong runner," Stankey will be among the top four runners on the team this year. He finished in 21:44 against Minnesota.

Wilson, one of the smallest runners, finished 43rd in the Big Ten meet last year while running 21:12 for four miles. He finished seventh against Indiana.

Brown could be one of the top sophomores in the conference. As a freshman, he ran the two mile distance in 19:30, and three miles in 15:30 and in one of the most experienced sophomores on the team. He ran three seasons of track and cross-country while attending Lane Tech High School in Chicago."

Leonowicz is counted on to be one of the top seven men on the team. He was runner-up in the high school state meet for four straight years.

Harrier fash beat Chips

The MSU freshman cross country men scored a 21-41 win over Central Michigan at Riverwood Golf Club in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.


The Spartans' Norm Capels, Dick Hohebe, John Mock and Chuck Starkey grabbed sixth through ninth to insure victory. Blackford led at the mile in 4:59, followed by Hartman, Shepherd and Starkey.

Hartman and Aslin led at the two in 10:40, while Central's Shepherd joined them at three miles and led in 16:23.

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