

# St. Louis: soccer climax

THE GAME OF THE YEAR. That's what soccer fans are calling tomorrow's clash at 1:30 between the St. Louis Billikens and the Michigan State Spartans. The St. Louis coach, Bob Guelker, has conservatively estimated that the crowd on hand to watch the game will be 4-5,000.

"We've been building for the big game since the start of the season. I think our passwork and overall teamwork has improved and now we're finally jelling," Guelker said. Read the full story on page 2.



Coach Gene Kenny:

"We've played well enough our last couple times to win. If we play our game and don't get riled, we should win. There is no St. Louis jinx . . ."



Defenseman Tom Belloli:

"We're gonna get 'em. We've been waiting for this game too long to blow it now. The wall will stop them and our forwards will score on them."



Captain Terry Bidiak:

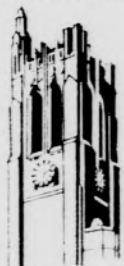
"If the boys keep their heads and don't get cocky I don't see any reason why we shouldn't win this game. This is definitely the game the boys have had their minds on all season."



Leading scorer Guy Busch:

"Man, I can hardly sleep. I want to beat them so bad . . . the whole team is up for this game. They don't have us psyched out. We're ready for them."

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## STATE NEWS

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### 'MYTH' SPEAKS OUT

# Charles Smith talks about Bubba

By NORM SAARI  
State News Sports Writer

STATE NEWS: How has the "kill Bubba kill" chant affected you while playing?

SMITH: It's inspiration. It started last year about the fifth game. It's more noticeable in the big games, Michigan and Purdue this year and the Notre Dame game last year.

STATE NEWS: What effect will the merger of the two professional leagues have on seniors this year, now that they will have a common draft?

SMITH: It's definitely going to cut down the big bonus. The problem for the players is there will be no negotiating. You have nothing to say about where you want to play.

STATE NEWS: In one of the Chicago papers last weekend, a story was run about how you were playing this year as a "myth." How do you feel about the story?

SMITH: It was something the author wrote on his own. He never asked me about any of it. I know some of it was lies. He said the center from Ohio State lifted me into the air and threw me in the mud. It's unreal.

STATE NEWS: Has the pressure on the players increased with each victory, since Big Ten winners have been averaging a fifth place finish the next year?

SMITH: There is a lot of pressure on us now, especially for the next two games. Neither team has a real good record but they're still capable of knocking us off.

STATE NEWS: Through your three-year varsity career, can you single out any "best" games?

SMITH: I would say the Penn State and Michigan game this year. When I'm playing end, there

is not much coming there. In the middle, two or three men are usually between the ball carrier and me.

STATE NEWS: Which position would you rather play?

SMITH: I like end because that's where I started. The middle isn't bad, but now there are more men in there blocking. Things are a lot rougher in the middle.

STATE NEWS: Since Big Ten policies do not per-

mit a team going to the Rose Bowl two years in succession, has there been less incentive on the squad this year than in previous years?

SMITH: No, the big incentive this year is that everybody wants to wear the diamond ring you get for winning the national championship. The Associated Press gives the rings to the team rated number one in their poll. Last year we won a lot of polls at the end of the year but not that one. We have an expression, "Don't blow the diamonds."

STATE NEWS: How about pressure now for the Notre Dame game?

SMITH: That's what makes it hard for us to get up for these next two games. The student body and outsiders keep drilling us that the big game is November 19.

STATE NEWS: How do you get "psyched up" for a big Saturday game?

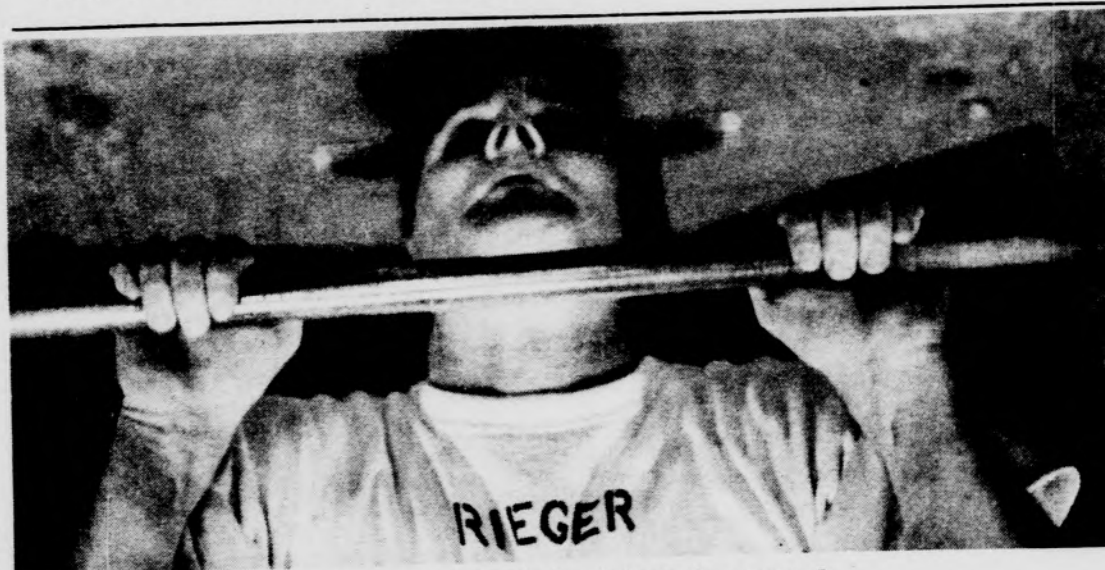
SMITH: When you practice hard from Monday through Friday, you don't want it all going down the drain. A lot of it is pride. That is what the matter of getting "psyched-up" is all about.

STATE NEWS: What do you do in the off-season to keep in shape for spring and fall practice?

SMITH: All of us play basketball during the winter. We have an intramural team and sometimes play against the freshman basketball team. During the summer, Duffy sends a program out weekly to us, telling us what we are supposed to be doing. It's a step program, so you're in good shape when it's time to come back.



BUBBA SMITH chats with State News reporter Norm Saari in Wonders Hall where Smith resides. Bubba strikes an interesting pose without his football gear as he "tackles" some of Saari's tough questions.



Who is it? What's he doing? See page 5.

## FLY TO ST. LOUIS

# Booters ready for THE game

By DENNIS CHASE  
Associate Sports Editor

This is it. The season, the pride, the very soul of each of Gene Kenney's soccer players will be laid on the line when the Spartans take on the St. Louis Billikens tomorrow at St. Louis.

The tension started the moment the season began and will reach the apex when the players march on the field.

The boys can laugh about it, say it isn't there, but you can feel it. They are tighter than a spring on a "Serta Perfect sleeper." They are more wound up than the watch on your wrist.

And victory seems as close to them as this newspaper is to your nose.

MSU's record is 8-0. They have scored 58 goals and allowed two. St. Louis is 5-2-1. They recently beat Miami 9-0, and MacMurry 6-0.

St. Louis' coach, Bob Guelker, says that his team has been building up for this game since the start of the season.

Kenney says that his team has played well enough to win the last few times they met St. Louis, that there is no "jinx," and that "if we play our game we should win."

They players feel the same way. Guy Busch, who is tied for the team scoring lead with 18 goals, says he has had trouble sleeping.

Goalie Kevin O'Connell says that he is tired of taking the "razz" from his former teammates in St. Louis. He says St. Louis is scared. "They know who's got the better team."

"Ever since I signed my tender I've been waiting for this game," said Tom Kreft. "Oh, I want to beat them so bad."

Kreft had his finest game against Ohio University, scoring two goals and assisting on another. Kenney says that Kreft has improved "100 per cent" over last year. He has eight goals.

Gary McBrady who has been playing outside right for two years, is a native of St. Louis along with Busch and Kreft. His unique style of footwork has given the opposition fits all year. He has seven goals and eight assists.

Tom Belloli forms the bulk of the defensive wall. His 6-2, 188 pound frame has stopped many a soccer player before he ever gets set for a shot. A bullish type of player, Belloli hasn't played a bad game yet and is one of the reasons why goalie O'Connell has had an average of eight shots on him per game.

Belloli is also from St. Louis.

After last week's game with Ohio, Kenney praised the work of Barry Tieman who had one of his best games also. He is the best pursuer on the club.

"I think we can best 'em," he says, when asked about his home town, St. Louis.

Bert Jacobsen, Nick Wirs, and Peter Hens did their job in holding up the defensive wall. Jacobsen, hurt last year and part of this year, has held up well. Wirs, a transfer student, wasn't even on the roster at the start of the season. Hens has been a standout for two years, a solid ballplayer who plays the same hard game time and again.

Rick Nelke with McBrady form a St. Louis combo that has done more digging in the corners this season than the groundskeeper.

The consensus is this is a good solid club specializing in speed, good passing, and a hard-hitting defense.

Since 1959 the Spartans have played the Billikens 10 times, winning one, tying one and losing eight.

Today at 11 a.m. the booters will pack up their gear, and their egos, board an airplane for St. Louis and see if they can't make this season worthwhile.

There is a sign in the lockerroom which reads: "We'll Kill Em." This is it.



## Bring on St. Louis

Coach Gene Kenney and his soccer men take time out from drills to pose for a team picture. They have an 8-0 record which, along with their pride, they will lay on the line when they travel to St. Louis for the "game of the year."

## Ruggers wait on weather

By NORM SAARI  
State News Sports Writer

Weather permitting, the MSU Rugby Club will travel to Canada this Sunday for a game with the Windsor, Ont. club.

Unlike football, rugby is a sport that relies on fairly stable weather, since they wear no equipment and light uniforms. Also, the game amounts to 80 minutes of running and the condition of the playing field is important.

At Windsor, the Spartans will be facing a team they defeated here three weeks ago, 8-6. Rick Allen scored the only touchdown or "try" of the year for MSU in that game.

For the year, MSU is 1-1-1. They lost their opening game to the University of Michigan, 3-0, defeated Windsor the following week, and tied the U-M 3-3 last week in the Steeby Trophy game. Since the game was played here, MSU got to keep the trophy for another year.

Rugby coach Neville Doherty feels the team is starting to play now as a unit. Many of the starters have had no previous experience on MSU's club, and the offensive system is new to them. Unlike football, a player can not advance the ball with a forward pass.

Also, many of the players are grad students and affiliated with the University and are replaced from season to season. Among the grad students are Ian Donald, Mike Auer, Jim Moriarty, Curt Conrad, and Bob Myers. Andy McEnte and Ron Bacon are also affiliated with the university.

The ruggers play a fall season in the Southwest Ontario and Michigan league, and a spring schedule with Big Ten teams and other midwestern clubs.

Doherty stated that anyone interested in playing rugby should contact him at 353-7897 or report to practice, held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday behind the soccer field at 4:30.



STATE RUGBY COACH Neville Doherty watches the action in the 3-3 tie against Michigan last weekend. On the right, Ron Bacon breaks out of a scrum and heads downfield after a loose ball. The MSU club has hopes of improving their 1-1-1 record this Sunday at Windsor.



## One-two punch

Guy Busch and Tony Keyes have been the big guns for the Spartan soccer team. They are tied for team goals scored lead with 18 each, and have accounted for 36 of the team's 58 goals this season.

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# Will success spoil Iowa?

By ED BRILL  
State News Sports Writer

Can 12 inches of snow and a gentle 20-degree northern breeze cool off the hot Iowa Hawkeyes? Will success spoil Eddie Podolak?

Can Dick Kenney hold out an entire game in the winter wonderland without putting on his right shoe?

An expected crowd of 70,000 fans will be seeing the answers to all these questions and more, as the Iowa Hawkeyes meet the Michigan State Spartans at 1:30 Saturday in Spartan Stadium.

Iowa is riding the crest of a one-game winning streak, its first Big Ten victory after 17 straight defeats. The Hawkeyes last week edged Indiana, 20-19. They stand 1-4 in the conference and 2-5 overall.

Michigan State has won all seven of its games this season, and leads the Big Ten with a 5-0 mark. But injuries figure to hamper the Spartans this Saturday almost as much as the snow and the Iowa defenders.

Fullback Bob Apisa, leading ground gainer and scorer for MSU this season, will definitely not be starting for the Spartans. Apisa is recovering from an injury to his right knee, suffered last week against Northwestern.

Sophomore Reggie Cavender will take the place of the 220-pound Hawaiian, who has picked up 444 yards this season and scored 54 points.

MSU Coach Duffy Daugherty says that "We're not counting on using Apisa in the game." It is still not known whether the junior All-America will be suited up Saturday.

Also out for Michigan State is center Keith Redd, who has handled snapping the ball back for kicks. Detroit junior Ron Ranieri will take over Redd's chores.

Iowa, despite its troubles this year, is a team capable of knocking off anyone. "They are a vastly improved ball club," Daugherty says of the Hawkeyes. "And they are a team that we certainly can't take lightly."

Ed Podolak, one of the best sophomore quarterbacks to appear anywhere in the country this fall, is the big gun in the Hawkeye attack.

Pololak leads the team in rushing with 307 yards in 86 tries, in passing with 607 yards netted in 42 completions of 124 attempts and in scoring with 20 points.

Fullback Silas McKinnie and Halfback Tony Williams add to the offensive punch of the Hawkeyes. On defense Iowa has two fine

linebackers, Dave Morehead and Dan Hilsabeck. Hilsabeck is leading the Big Ten in tackles.

MSU will be relying on halfback Clint Jones to pick up the slack in its running attack, Saturday. Jones has gained 406 yards this year, and had one of his best days last season against the Hawkeyes, scoring four touchdowns in a 35-0 victory.

Spartan quarterback Jimmy Raye is leading the team in total offense with a passing and running combination of 983 yards. End Gene Washington, with 353 yards gained and four touchdowns scored, and halfback Dwight Lee, with 235 yards gained, are both big threats for MSU.

Defensively, MSU figures to give the Hawkeyes some trouble. Through seven games, the Spartans have permitted just 283 total yards over land, for an average per game of 40.4.

Starting for Michigan State on offense will be ends Washington and Al Brenner, tackles Joe Prz-

ybycki and Jerry West, guards Tony Conti and Dave Techlin and center Larry Smith.

In the backfield MSU will have Raye at quarterback, Jones at right halfback, Lee at left half and Cavender starting in the fullback slot.

Defensively, Bubba Smith and Phil Hoag will be at the ends, ty-

Charles Bailey and Nick Jordan at tackles and Pat Gallinagh and Jeff Richardson at guards.

Charlie Thornhill starts at linebacker, with Co-Captain George Webster in the rover position. Jim Summers and Sterling Armstrong will start at halfbacks with Jesse Phillips at Safety.

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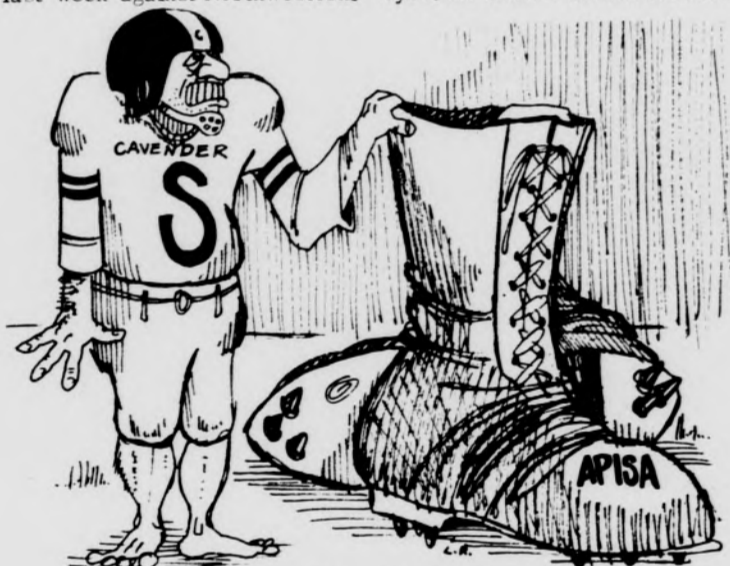
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**Snowbowl?**

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**Deadline**

Today at 5 p.m. is the deadline for intramural football pass-kick contest. Anyone interested in participating in the program should see the I.M. supervisor in front of the I.M. building. The deadline to sign-up for the intramural archery and handball doubles tournaments is 5 p.m. today. The tournament begins Monday, Nov. 7 and the handball tournament starts Tuesday, Nov. 8. Anyone interested should sign-up in the Men's I.M. building.

**SIDELINES**

**Grid playoff? Why not?**



By LARRY WERNER  
State News Sports Editor

Duffy Daugherty, the football world's Irish storyteller--of all people--is trying to destroy a myth.

(No, not Bubba Myth.) Daugherty is trying to take the "myth" out of the national football championship. He wants an NCAA football playoff to replace the "Mythical" National Championship.

And why shouldn't the Pennsylvania leprechaun get his wish? The answer lies in tradition. Rose Bowl tradition. Sugar Bowl tradition. Snow Bowl tradition. This Bowl tradition. That Bowl tradition.

Bowl games have become traditional in American football, and it just isn't easy to buck tradition. Daugherty sees the bowl committees as the greatest obstacle to the realization of his dream. The committees just aren't about to give up their bowl games--or the money that goes along with them.

Faculty representatives--including MSU's John Fuzak--aren't exactly ecstatic about Duffy's brainstorm, but they will be easier to convert than the committees.

Somehow the committees and any other opponents must be convinced that bowl games are anomalies. Bowl games are not providing the top games the nation has to offer.

Last year's Rose Bowl was an example of the type of game which the "greatest bowl of them all" provides. The 1966 Rose Bowl was a mismatch.

The Spartans were the better of the two teams by 30 points, and this is exactly why they lost to UCLA. This wasn't a great football game. It was a farce.

A team gets fired up over a "big" game. But there is little incentive for an outstanding team to play a so-so squad.

The Rose Bowl will be a farce again this year. A great UCLA team will play Purdue, the Big Ten's second best. This time, the Bruins are far superior to the Boilermakers.

Perhaps this would be the year for the MSU-UCLA contest. Last year should have found the Spartans playing Alabama, Arkansas or Nebraska.

As it was, MSU lost the Associated Press "Mythical" National championship because of a game with the team Duffy's Spartans had beaten in the opening game of the season.

As a result of a Big Ten Rose Bowl rule and Notre Dame's dislike of bowl games, the top two teams in the nation will not even be seen when the armchair quarterback's eyes, bloodshot from the night before, focus on the boob tube to view the "great" post-season battles, Jan. 1.

There will be no mismatches if football joins so many other sports in having an NCAA playoff. The "dream games" will become reality.

Championship teams representing the Big Ten, Big Eight, Southwest, Southeast, Pacific Coast, Atlantic Coast and a few independents would provide ample representation for championship play.

Notre Dame could not possibly hang onto its refusal to participate in post season play, for this would forever eliminate the proud Irish from a chance for the national crown.

Daugherty's proposal was originally presented in the Oct. 26 issue of the State News. It was later displayed in other papers and on the AP and UPI wires.

The fact that the story has been snowballing instead of being shrugged off indicates considerable interest. It is no wonder that sports fans would like to see games between Michigan State and Alabama, Georgia Tech and Nebraska or games between other of the top teams in the country, who don't meet during the season.

As Daugherty suggested, the games could be played in the traditional bowl game stadiums. Another point: Daugherty made concerns the extension of the football season.

Rather than string the campaign out until the first of the year, the champion could be determined three weeks after the season ends, if eight teams were involved on a single-elimination basis.

Finally, an NCAA football playoff should put an end to speculation and arguments regarding which of the top teams is really the best.

Since MSU's football team romped over Penn State, 42-8, earlier this year, Penn State Coach Joe Paterno has had great respect for the Spartans.

When Paterno was asked, by a reporter, what he thought of LSD, the Nittany Lion coach replied: "I don't know much about them, but MSU could beat them by three touchdowns."

Who knows? Only an NCAA football playoff can answer this question for sure.

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# 'Weight'a sec,' lifters

By GAYEL WESCH  
State News Sports Writer

The men on campus who are handling the weightiest issues probably aren't the student government leaders but a group of guys who get together in the weightlifting room of the Men's Intramural Building, the MSU Weightlifting Club.

The club, now in its 18th year on the MSU campus, boasts 100

members but is looking for more. It started in what club President Dave Smith called a "cubby hole" in Jenison Fieldhouse, but moved to the two spacious rooms it now occupies in the IM Building.

Anyone interested in weightlifting can join at any time. Dues are \$5 per year or \$2 per term, most of which goes for the purchase of equipment.

Benefits for members include use of the weight room during special hours reserved for club members and a chance to try out for the weightlifting team or participate in various contests.

Officers for the club are President Dave Smith, vice-chairman Chris Flos, treasurer Bernie Sermak, secretary Len Espinosa, and master at arms, John Reiger.

Once a student has joined the club, workouts are strictly up to him. "Some guys work out three times a week while others work for an hour a day," Smith said. "It is strictly an individual thing."

Even though the club doesn't impose work schedules on members, it has had fine results in recent years, and turned out some outstanding individual lifters.

The MSU club took second in the National Collegiate Weightlifting Championships in 1961, 1962, 1963, 1965 and 1966. They took first place in 1964.

There have been a number of members who were state or national champions. The most recent are Joe Puleo and Larry Mervis.

Puleo is currently Pan American and National Champion in his

weight class, and Mervis won the title of Mr. Michigan in 1965.

Even though the club fields a weightlifting "team," secretary Len Espinosa said that weightlifting is not a sport as such. "Weightlifting is an art," Espinosa said, "the object of which is a kind of sculpture in the flesh."



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By ROBERTA YAFIE  
State News Sports Writer

Roses are red  
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After two decades  
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With the first snowfall of the year settling in during the first week of November, it's only fitting and proper to start thinking of the first of the year and winter on the West Coast.

Second-best will have to suffice in the '67 Rose Bowl as far as the Big Ten representative is concerned, for Michigan State doesn't seem too willing to give up the title spot.

Purdue has been walking in the Spartans' shadow for the past two weeks, ever since the Boilermakers lost to MSU and broke the league-leading tie they'd held with the Spartans for four weeks.

Since the contract between the Pacific Eight and the Big Ten began, way back then in '47, Purdue has never made the trip. The Boilermakers' only stint as conference champ was farther back yet--1929--when they compiled a 5-0 league record and an 8-0 all games mark.

The closest challenger to upset Purdue's rose-cart is Minnesota. The Gophers, however, aren't quite as golden as one might be led to believe.

Compared to Purdue, 3-1 in the Big Ten and 5-2 overall, Minnesota has records of 2-1-1 and 3-3-1. The Gophers went to the Rose Bowl in '62, beating UCLA, 21-3.

Running down the line, Michigan and Illinois are paired in fourth place with 2-2 conference

records. The Wolves are 4-3 on the year, while the Illini stand 2-5. There aren't too many possibilities here.

The rest of the conference is lower-division. Wisconsin sports a 1-2-1 Big Ten record, 2-4-1 in all games. Tied with the Badgers in sixth place are Indiana and Northwestern. The Wildcats are also 2-4-1, while Indiana is 1-5-1 for the season.

Ohio State, 2-4 in all games, is 1-3 in Big Ten play, resting in ninth spot.

Iowa signed a permanent lease for the conference cellar, but not before it surprised everyone with a sneaky 20-19 win over Indiana last weekend. The Hawks now boast a 1-4 league mark, coupled with a 2-5 all games record.

The weekend's activity is minus the usual make-it-or-break-it excitement. The conference bookends, Michigan State and Iowa, play at Spartan Stadium.

Purdue meets Wisconsin at Madison for Badger Homecoming festivities. Minnesota will be at Northwestern for "N" Men's Day."

Illinois and Michigan battle it out at Ann Arbor for sole ownership of fourth place. A Gopher loss, however, could move either team into third or fourth, dropping Minnesota to fifth.

Ohio State, perhaps the major disappointment in the conference this year, welcomes Indiana to Columbus. Following losses to Illinois and MSU, the Buckeyes eked out a win over Wisconsin, only to have Minnesota run circles around them last week.

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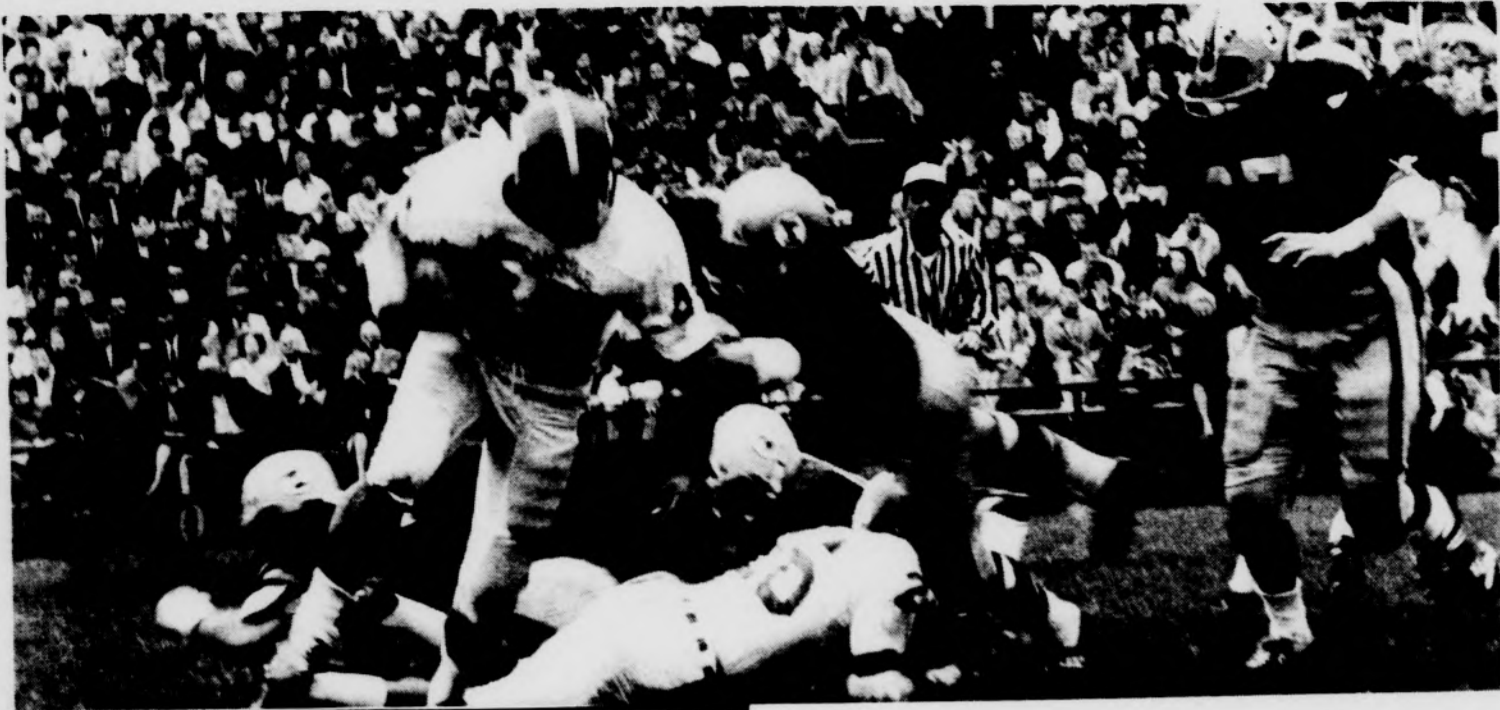
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# Apisa, Podolak, and Iowa

The Iowa - Michigan State series has featured leading sophomores for past two seasons. In picture A, fullback Bob Apisa is shown crashing through the Iowa line last year on a short yardage play. The Spartans beat the Hawkeyes last year, 35-0.

Apisa re-injured his right knee in the Northwestern game and will not be in the starting line-up this Saturday.

Regis Cavendar, another sophomore, will be starting in his place.

In picture B, it's Iowa's sophomore quarterback Ed Podolak. Podolak led the Hawkeyes to their first Big Ten win of the year last Saturday, defeating Indiana 20-19.

Podolak is considered one of the best sophomore quarterbacks in the Big Ten. He is the leading rusher on the Iowa team with 374 net yards and leads in team scoring with 20 points.

▲ Podolak  
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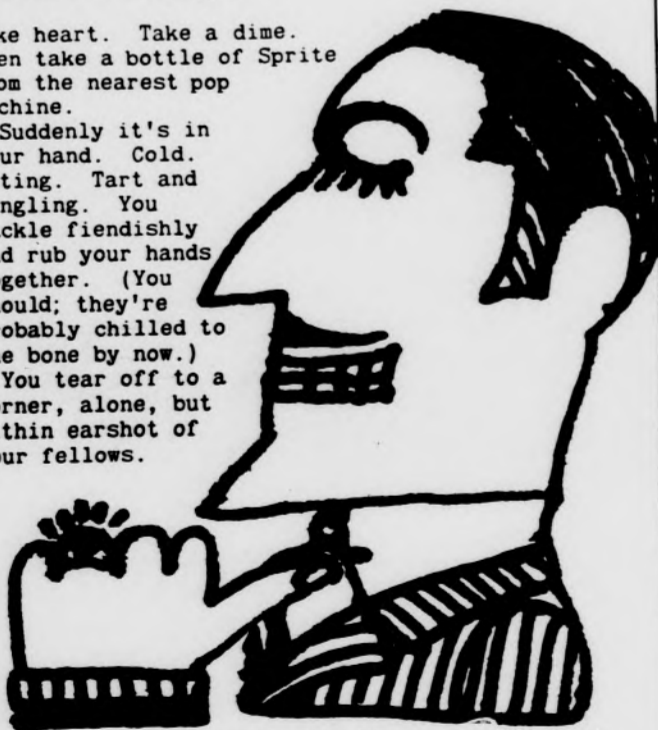
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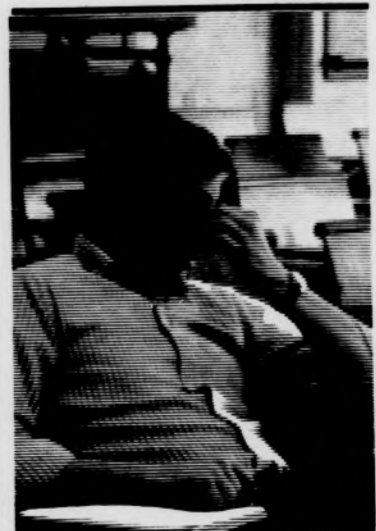
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## MEET IN DOUBT

# Harriers snowed in

By GAYEL WESCH  
State News Sports Writer

Will there be a cross country meet between MSU and Iowa Saturday? Maybe. The eight inches of snow that hit Forest Akers Wednesday and Thursday make it uncertain whether the meet will be run, but plans are being carried out anyway.

Snow has not caused cancellation of many meets in the past, and since this is the last dual meet before the three championship meets for the Spartans, hopes are high that the meet can be held.

If the meet is held MSU will be shooting for its fifth dual meet victory against one loss.

Under the weather conditions, captain Dick Sharkey will be hard pressed to maintain his current string of grabbing individual honors and setting a record in each meet this season. George Balthrop and Eric Zemper, senior dual

letterwinners will also be shooting for individual honors in this their last dual meet as Spartans, as will senior Claudell James.

Also running for MSU will be junior Art Link, and sophomores Roger Merchant, Dean Rosenberg, Dale Stanley, and Pat Wilson.

Although little is known about the Hawkeyes, they should be a formidable opponent for the Spartan runners. Iowa beat Illinois 16-45 in their opening dual meet of the season and were forced to cancel a scheduled meet with Minnesota. They have had two other dual meets this season.

The Hawkeyes have four returning lettermen from a team that was fifth in the conference last year to MSU's second.

Leading the Hawkeye returnees is Ted Brubacher, a senior who was 14th in the conference last season.

The meet will be held at 10 a.m. at Forest Akers, if conditions permit.



CROSS COUNTRY Coach Fran Dittrich makes his point as he surveys his team practicing. His team is 4-1. They take on Iowa here this weekend.



DICK SHARKEY has grabbed individual honors and set a record in each meet this season. If the snowstorm ends, he'll see if he can do it again against Iowa tomorrow.

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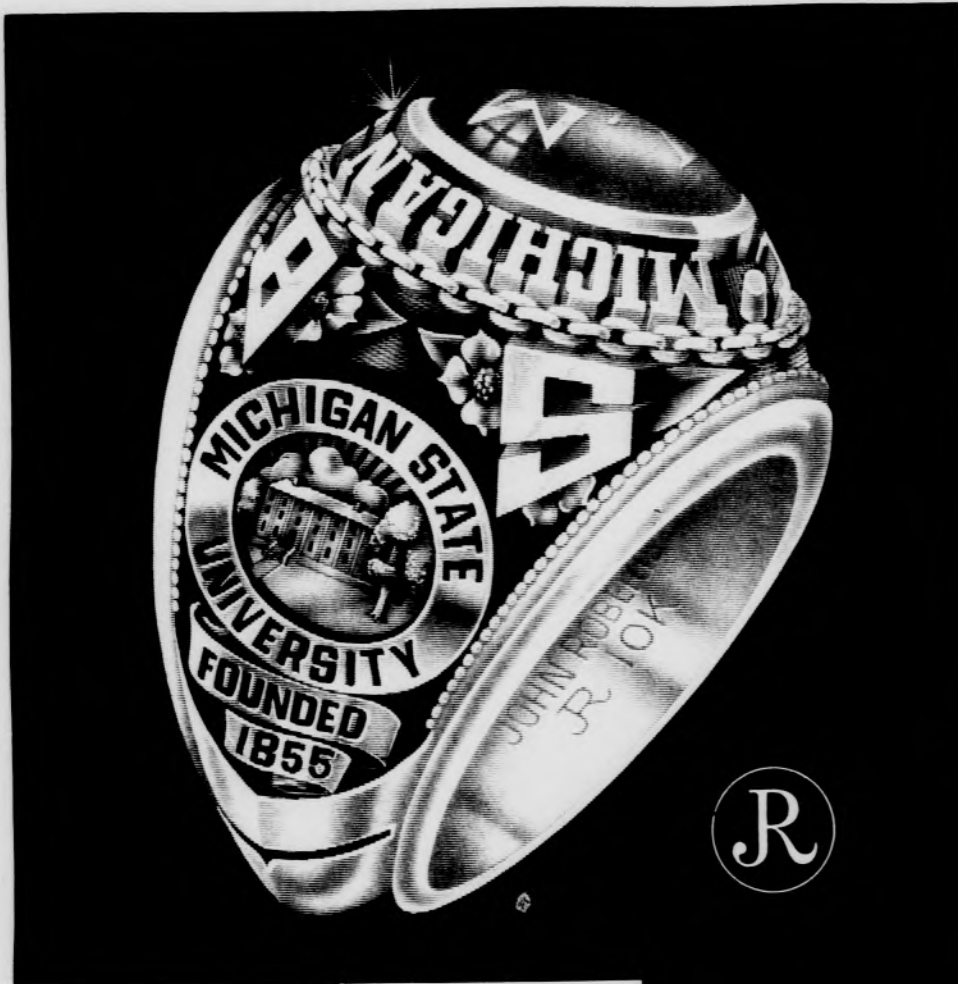
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