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News-Journal Sports Editor

Pigskin Season On Wane

IT SEEMS ONLY YESTERDAY we watched the first kickoff of the football campaign. . . . Now this form of autumn madness has about run its course on the scholastic level. . . . Some teams have already started to pack away the "moleskins" and most of the others will turn to basketball after two more weeks. . . . Mansfield Senior High and a few of the other major schools still have three foes in the future. . . . The Tygers, who have not won a game away from Arlin Field in two seasons, have equalled their 1957 victory output of four wins. . . . Two of the last three contests are out of town — Canton McKinley and Springfield. . . . Only Lakewood, Nov. 7, remains to be played at home. . . . All three are toughies and the Tygers will have to regain their early-season defensive toughness to finish on the black side of the ledger. . . . For instance Springfield tromped Dayton Stivers, 82-0, Friday. . . . The toughest opposition for the world champion New York Yankees during the 1959 baseball campaign? . . . Well World Series hero Bob Turley, the 21-game winner, says the Cleveland Indians will cause the most trouble. . . . He cites youthful hurlers Gary Bell, Jim Grant and Hal Woodeschick for his prediction. . . . Turley believes Herb Score will have a trouble-free year but the Tribe needs a couple more hitters to go with Rocky Colavito and Vic Power . . . Former Chicago Cubs Pitcher Guy Bush, who once pleaded for fans' four leaf clovers to snap a losing streak and sat up in a Pullman because he didn't know how to work the bed, says "too many college boys" are in the majors. . . . "They just don't have any color,'" he says. "They play like they're wearing gray flannel suits instead of gray flannel uniforms." . . . Bush believes the players' lack of enthusiasm is spreading to the fans. . . . "Everybody's trying to make it a little 'nicer" game. It may be a bit nicer socially, at that—but only to a college kid."

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Best In The Buckeye State

THE BEST OHIO has to offer. . . . That's the goal of football schedule makers at Mansfield Senior High School . . . Just a few campaigns ago the Tygers could boast of playing the toughest schedule in the confines of the Buckeye state . . . And officials want to reach that pinnacle again . . . Joining the slate in 1959 will be defending state champion Cleveland Benedictine, Cincinnati Purcell and Newark . . . Purcell, always one of Ohio's better clubs, will play here Oct. 2 . . . Purcell was signed for only one season but negotiations are in progress to extend the pact . . . Other 1959 home games will be with Cleveland East, Benedictine, Akron South, Sandusky and Canton McKinley. . . . Road games include Massillon Washington, Lakewood and Newark. . . . A tenth date must be filled. . . . Warren Harding drops off for 1959 but returns in 1960 to open a four-year contract for the closing date . . . Lorain also comes into the picture in 1960. . . . Of these schools, Massillon, Newark, Warren, Purcell, McKinley and Benedictine are among the top 20 in Buckeye scholastic polls . . . Thirteen assistant coaches have left the plains of West Point and the mantle of Coach Red Blaik to become head coaches at other colleges. . . . However, only one of the 13 has matched wits with the old master . . Dick Voris, line coach the past three seasons, moved to Virginia this year and Army gave the Cavaliers and Voris a 35-6 lesson . . . New York Yankee Manager Casey Stengel says Pitcher Don Larsen could play another position for the world champions, perhaps first base. . . . "He can run and hit and throw," says Casey. . . . Some eastern boxing scribes say Rocky Marciano, former heavyweight boxing champion, will return to the ring.

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Along The Memory Trail

ONCE THE WORLD'S greatest miler, Glenn Cunningham thrilled the sports world with his "big kick" on the track though once his doctors told him he might never walk again As a boy of eight, Glenn was burned severely in a school fire. Physicians despaired for his life for a time and later for his legs but Glenn fought back and by the time he reached the University of Kansas he was on his way to fame. Glenn made the 1932 Olympic team, though he failed to win the 1,500 meters. At one time he held the mile record at 4 06.8. For years he was invincible, particularly on indoor board tracks.

Whatever happened to Glenn Cunningham?

He lives on an 840-acre ranch near Cedar Point, Kans., with his large family including three sons and three daughters. He raises shetland ponies and spends part of the fall and winter on temperance lecture tours.

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The Story Teller's Corner

BACK IN THE DAYS when Bill Terry was managing the New York Giants, a youngster asked for a tryout. Asked Memphis Bill, "How's your hitting?"

"Hundred percent," said the lad.

"How's your fielding?"

"Hundred percent."

"And your throwing?"

"Ninety-nine percent." Terry wondered whether this was a show of modesty and asked what happened to the one point

"You . . . you see," came the embarrassed reply. "I learned all of my baseball from a correspondence school course and I left out a comma in the final exam on throwing."

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POME

We dreamed of a winner,
At autumn's approach.
We now are preparing,
To fire the coach.

Bluffton Jolts Ashlanders, 57 To 0

Beaver 11 Wins Third MOL Title

By HOWARD HONAKER

ASHLAND — The Bluffton College Beavers won their third straight Mid-Ohio League football title by blasting Ashland, 57-0, at Redwood Stadium Saturday afternoon.

The Beavers spoiled Ashland's Homecoming Celebration by racking up their fifth consecutive MOL victory before 2,500. Bluffton's over-all record is 5-1. Ashland (1-5) has won one and lost four in the circuit.

Bluffton wasted little time in clinching the contest. Early in the first quarter, the Beavers took an Ashland punt on their own 16 and, on the first play from scrimmage, speedy Elbert Dubenion, who scored four times, circled the Eagles' right end for 84 yards and the touchdown.

DUBENION AGAIN

The Beavers scored again a few minutes later when Carleton Steiner recovered on Ashland fumble on his own 31. One play later, Dubenion raced off-tackle 69-yards for the TD.

Bluffton put the game out of Ashland's reach in the second stanza with a 19-point uprising. The six-pointers were tallied by Chet Foraker on a 24-yard pass from Jim Berry, Dubenion on a 30-yard aerial from Joe Urich, and Foraker again on a 15-yard pass from Berry.

The Eagles mustered one serious scoring threat. Midway through the third quarter, Ralph Lepre recovered a Bluffton fumble on the Beavers' 25. In four plays, the Eagles moved to the Bluffton one but then Harry Wilcoxen fumbled and the Beavers recovered to end the drive.

HUGE YARDAGE

Bluffton completely dominated the statistics. The Beavers picked up 458-yards rushing and 160 through the air for a total net gain of 618 yards.

Ashland will host the potent Edinboro, Pa State Teachers under the Redwood Stadium lights next Saturday.

ASHLAND

ENDS — Fitzgerald, T. Brown, Rosson, Davis; TACKLES — Wissler, McKenzie; Lewis; GUARDS — B. Brown, Peepers, Knurek, Stoneman; CENTERS — Campbell, Thrasher; BACKS — Lepre, Wilcoxen, Ramspott, Hostetler, Ambrose, Barney, Ferguson, Rodgers, Whims.

BLUFFTON

ENDS — Buffenbarger, Foraker, Mast, Beiter; TACKLES — Weiler, Lotz; Brown; GUARDS — Campbell, Brady, Shoup, Sipe; CENTERS — Snyder, Steiner; BACKS — Urich, Dubenion, Logan, Wehr, Dalbyshire, Lutz, Berry.

SCORING

Ashland	0	0	0	0	—0
Bluffton	12	19	7	19	—57

Bluffton

Touchdowns — Dubenion (84 yard run, 69 yard run, 43 yard run, 30 yard pass from Berry), Foraker 2 (15 yard passes from Berry, 24 yard pass from Berry), Berry (one yard run), Dick Shore (one yard run).

Extra Points — Berry 3 (placements).

STATISTICS

By GEORGE RUCKER

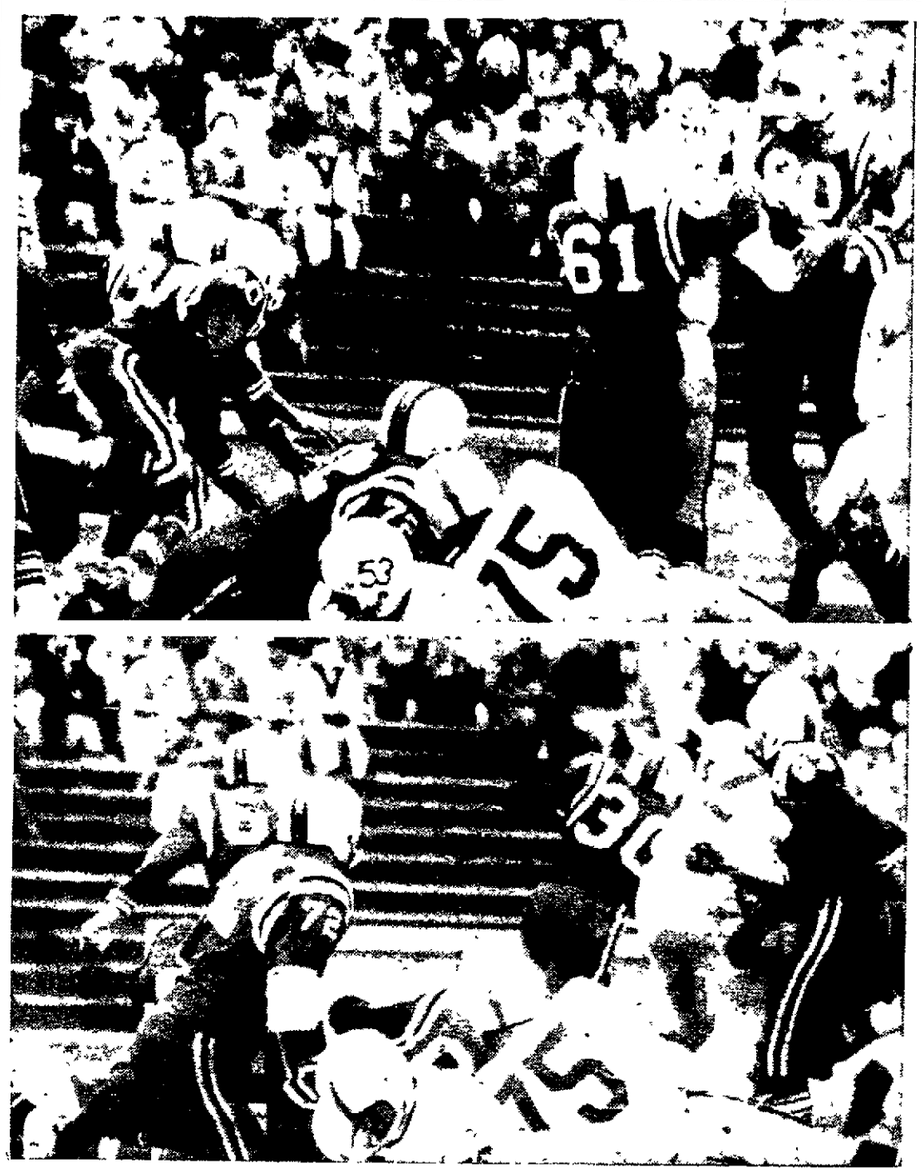
	Ash	Bluff
First Downs	9	21
Rushing	8	6
Passing	1	6
Penalties	0	2
Yards rushing	1[illegible]	458
Yards lost rushing	14	160
Yards gained passing	17	17
Passes attempted	12	12
Passes completed	1	2
Passes intercepted	2	1
Number of punts	6	1
Punting average	35	34
Number of kick returns	1	1
Kick return yards	24	8
Number of kick returns	[illegible]	1
Kickoff return yards	126	1[illegible]
Number of fumbles	[illegible]	3
Own fumbles recovered	0	0
Number of penalties	11	5
Penalty yardage	111	50

Substitute Halfback Runs 48 Yards For TD

BOSTON (UPI) — Reserve halfback Vin Hogan skirted through on a 48-yard third period scamper to give Boston College a 6-2 upset victory over the University of Miami

Hogan, a 180-pound junior from Springfield, Mass., who had been troubled by a leg injury most of the season, gave no sign of the ailment on his scoring dash before 11,000.

Boston Col	0	0	0	6	—6
Miami	0	2	0	0	—2



BENEFICIAL BOBBLE! — Until late in the game, this freak play seemed to be the margin of victory the University of Cincinnati needed to win over the University of Oklahoma State. The Cowboys had the ball on UC's three-yard line when Quarterback Dick Soergel (12) (top photo) fumbled the center only to have Bob Del Rosa (30) snatch the ball in the air and gallop 97 yards for a Bearcat TD. Lower photo shows Del Rosa on his way. Oklahoma State won, 19-14. (Unifax Photos).

Mostardo Provides Kent Win

BOWLING GREEN (UPI) —Quarterback Dick Mostardo passed 76 yards to Halfback Dick Mihalus and then hit on a conversion aerial to give Kent State an upset 8-7 Mid-America Conference victory over previously unbeaten Bowling Green here Saturday.

Mostardo connected on only two passes in nine attempts but the one completion was good enough for the payoff.

Kent State now has a 3-1 record in league play and previously third-ranked Bowling Green 2-1. Both teams have 5-1 seasonal records.

GOOD THROWING

Kent recovered a Bowling Green fumble on the 11 and on the second play from scrimmage, Mostardo threw to Mihalus who took it on the 40 and raced all the way.

Mostardo's extra points pass to Halfback Lou Perry proved the margin of victory as the Falcons were stymied in several drives and missed two field goals

GB scored first when Halfback Harold Furcon skirted end from the seven. Chuck Perry kicked the point to give BG 7-0 lead.

Kent picked up a total of 220 yards and nine first downs as it spoiled the bid by BG Coach Doyt Perry for his 100th victory before a homecoming crowd of 10,800.

The Falcons gained 255 yards and had 19 first downs.

Kent State	0	8	0	0	8
Bowling Green	0	7	0	0	7

Kent — Mihalus 76 (pass run) (Mostardo), Mostardo (pass to Mihalus), BG — Furcon 7 (pass from Perry) (Perry kick).

Fumbles Help Air Force In Utah Toughie

DENVER (UPI) — The Air Force Academy pounced on two fumbles and turned them into rapid - fire touchdowns Saturday to squeeze by Utah, 16-14, and remain undefeated after a fumble-filled game.

Except for a field goal, which provided the victory margin for the Air Force, all the scoring was done in an explosive fourth period which kept a crowd of 11,647 on its feet.

The Air Force, bright newcomer to college football's so-called big time, could not score in the first half except for a 15-yard field goal by Halfback George Pupich.

Return To Action

NEW YORK (UPI) —The New York Giants announced two top linemen will return to action against the Pittsburgh Steelers today, Jack Stroud, offensive guard, and Roosevelt Grier, defensive end and tackle.

Utiss Provides Plymouth's Win

PLYMOUTH — Duane Utiss, a 195-pound, 6-1 senior fullback, "was the whole show" for Plymouth High as it romped to a 20-0 win over Townsend-Wakeman in a North Central Conference road tiff yesterday.

Utiss scored three TD's, each of them on a five yard dash through the middle, and bulled through the left side of the line for a two point conversion to personally account for his team's points.

Plymouth (2-5) has won two of six NCC tilts, while Wakeman (1-6) has dropped all six conference games.

Commenting on his protege following the game, Coach Lew Petit said, "Utiss played a terrific football game. He showed how good a runner he was, averaging seven yards a try, booming up and down the field.

"He's been sick in bed a lot this season, but when he's lugging that pigskin, you'd never realize it. He carried three and four guys on his back time and time again yesterday.

Plymouth hosts Berlin Heights, NCC leader, in a Dads' Night game Friday.

PLYMOUTH

ENDS—Barber, Reid, Akers, Hammon, Robertson; TACKLES—McGinnis, Wise, Sermain, Palmer, Echasten; GUARDS—Hughes, Swartz, Myers, J. Baker, Simmons, Fetters; CENTERS—Sloan, De Witt; BACKS—Grine, Carter, Utiss, Christian, Patterson, D. Baker, Lewis.

SCORING

Plymouth	0	0	8	12	—20
Townsend Wakeman	0	0	0	0	—0

Plymouth

Touchdowns—Utiss 3 (all five yard runs).

Extra points—Utiss 2 (runs).

W. Virginia Uses Kick For Victory

RICHMOND, Va. (UPI) — West Virginia, showing a beefy but fast-charging line and a slippery quarterback in Dick Longfellow, used an old-fashioned extra point kick by Tackle Dick Guesman Saturday to edge Virginia Tech 21-20 for its 26th straight Southern Conference win.

The Mountaineers came back from a two-touchdown deficit in the annual Tobacco Festival contest to stun Tech's hopes for its first conference crown before 22,000 fans.

A third-period West Virginia drive covering 60 yards in 12 bruising plays, climaxed by Mel Reight's five-yard end run, tied the game 20-20 and Guesman came through with a dead-center placement.

Guesman's boot overshadowed a brilliant display by Tech quarterback Billy Holsclaw, the nation's second leading ground gainer.

Holsclaw piled up 154 yards, passed for one touchdown and the Gobblers' only successful conversion and broke through the West Virginia line on a 14-yard stab for another.

Virginia Tech	8	12	0	0	—20
West Virginia	0	14	7	0	—21

Penn Staters Bow, 14 To 7

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (UPI) — Chuck Zimmerman's passing sparked Syracuse to a 14-6 victory over Penn State Saturday before 27,000 fans as the Nittany Lions wasted one scoring opportunity after another.

Zimmerman passed 13 yards to Tom Stephens for one score and set up the other with two 35-yard tosses in a rain-swept game. It was Syracuse's first victory in 10 attempts at Beaver Field.

Penn State failed to score until the final period when the Lions took advantage of a fumbled punt and went 34 yards for the marker, mostly on the running of Dave Kasperian.

Mansfield Tygers Win District CC

LIMA — An underclassman-loaded Mansfield Senior High School upset favored Marion Harding yesterday to win the Northwestern Ohio district cross country meet.

With three sophomores, a junior and a senior scoring, Mansfield led the 13-school field over the Lost Creek Country Club course with 51 points. Marion, victor the past two years, was second with 57 and Defiance totaled 86.

All three schools qualified for the state meet in Columbus next Saturday. Ashland finished ninth.

Mansfield Madison was represented by only one youngster — Dave Long — came home midway in the field of 93 runners.

Undefeated in dual meets this season, Marion had beaten Mansfield twice. However, yesterday the Presidents did not have the balance to catch the Tygers, who returned to the district throne after an absence of three years.

HUCKABA FIRST

Bill Huckaba and Otis Scott of Marion ran one-two in the big field with the former covering the two miles in 10:42.

Tygers grabbed four of the first 12 places as Sophomores Larry Keinath and Dave Appleman came in third and fourth. Senior Dick Uhde was sixth, Junior Dick Cook, 12th and Sophomore Chuck Pierce, 26th.

Marion did not place another runner in the top dozen.

Gary Drushel finished 13th for Ashland with Angel Tanner, 44. Dennis O'Neil, 47; Dave McFadden, 71 and Bill Glasser, 77.

TEAM SCORING

Mansfield 51, Marion Harding 57, Defiance 86, McGuffey 148, Lima Bath 185, Sandusky 182, Clyde 390, Mt. Vernon 225, Ashland 250, Fremont Ross 292, Bowling Green 304, Attica 374, and Lima Shawnee 389.

Senior Hi Cubs Win By 14-8

The Mansfield Senior High Reserves pounded out their first grid win of the season at Arlin Field yesterday, downing Lorain, 14-8.

The Cubs, (1-5) scored on runs of four and two yards by Bill Connors and John Marsh after driving 65 and 50 yards. Mansfield broke the ice in the second period on Connors' smash and Marsh hit the end zone in the third quarter.

ONE IN FINAL

Lorain tallied its lone TD in the final chapter on a one-yard sneak by Quarterback Bill Tippie.

The Cubs also had a touchdown called back when Art Rainey faked up the middle to Connors and pitched out to Simmy Pate who streaked 65 yards for the six - pointer. However one of the officials became bewildered and blew the ball dead when Connors faked into the line.

Mansfield plays Ashland next Saturday at Arlin Field.

MANSFIELD

ENDS — Schlabach, Behr; TACKLES — Bartas, Lutz; GUARDS — Conrad, Stierle; CENTER — Nestrick; BACKS — Rainey, Marsh, Pate, Connors.

LORAIN

ENDS — Tasseopen, Cook; TACKLES — Fenton, Beaver; GUARDS — Bessenger, Jasing; CENTER — Brown; BACKS — Tippie, Jilson, Bartos, Wolford.

SCORING

Mansfield	0	6	8	0	—14
Lorain	0	0	0	8	—8

Mansfield

Touchdowns — Connors (four yard run), Marsh (two yard run).

Extra Points — Pate 2 (runs).

Lorain

Touchdown — Tippie (one yard sneak).

Extra Points — Cook 2 (passes).

QB Sparks Kansas To Upset Win

LAWRENCE, Kan (UPI) — Bill Crank scored once, stopped three touchdown drives with intercepted passes and got the split-T option play rolling for the first time this season Saturday as lowly Kansas startled Tulane with a 14-9 upset.

A hard - charging Kansas line kept the Green Wave off balance and Tulane Quarterback Richie Petitbon, who led Tulane to an upset over Navy last week, was ineffective.

The Kansans, getting their second win of the season against four losses, intercepted four passes, all in the last half, to nullify Tulane's desperate passing attack.

Kansas drove 44 yards on 10 plays to score late in the first period with Halfback Bob Marshall carrying across from the two - yard line on the option play, the bread and butter of Jack Mitchell's offense which had failed to work so far this year The big play in the drive was a 27-yard pass to Marshall from Larry McKown.

Tulane made a bid, but was held on the Kansas one. A short Jayhawk punt gave Tulane another break and Percy Colon scored from the 28, to cut the lead to 7-6

Another drive stalled on the Kansas 15, but Howard Kisner booted a field goal to put the Green Wave ahead 9-6, setting the stage for Crank's option-play TD.

Kansas	7	7	0	0	—14
Tulane	0	9	0	0	—9

Mississippi Squeaks By Winless Foe

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) —Sixth - ranked Mississippi, with a 16-pound per man advantage in the line, squeaked past a raging, winless Arkansas football team 14-12 Saturday on two first half touchdowns.

The Rebels were soundly outplayed in the second half, and, but for a two-point conversion pass that failed, would have been stung by a tie.

Ole Miss Quarterback Bobby Franklin scored both touchdowns, in the first period from seven yards out and in the second quarter from the four. But it was Robert Khayat's flawless conversion kicks that ran Mississippi's string of victories this year to six.

Jim Mooty was a one-man show, scoring both Arkansas touchdowns and racking up 120 yards in 14 carries.

The wild Razorbacks, with five defeats going into the game Saturday, came close to their traditional role in this upset series.

Mississippi	7	7	0	0	—14
Arkansas	0	6	0	6	—12

Boosters Meet

PLYMOUTH — Plymouth's Booster Club will meet in the high school at 8 p. m. Monday with new bleachers for the school's gym being the main topic of discussion. All members are urged to attend.

Final Grid Session Set

Clarence Shafer, Mt. Vernon, Harry Smith, Ashland, and Bob Morrison, Bucyrus, will discuss "Football Problems" at the final grid meeting of the North Central Ohio Officials Association tomorrow at the Mansfield City Building at 7 30 p. m

The meeting concludes a series of seven lectures concerning football rules and their interpretations.

Six meetings concerning the rule changes in basketball are scheduled to begin Nov. 10.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

Toronto 1, Detroit 0
(Sun. Oct. 5) Montreal 2, New York 6; Chicago 2

COLLEGE SOCCER

Oct. 5 St. Louis 1, Kenyon 1

Democracy On Gridiron

Hayes Sides With Officials

COLUMBUS (AP) — Ohio State Coach Woody Hayes, who has been blasting Big Ten officiating the last two weeks, found himself on the other side of the fence after Saturday's 7-7 tie with Wisconsin

In the third period, after the Badgers had taken a 7-0 lead on a 64-yard punt return, Ohio had marched from its own 34 to the Badger six

On third down, Quarterback Frank Kremblas floated back for a pass and was dumped on the 17 by Wisconsin's Bob Zeman. The officials ruled, however, that Wisconsin was guilty of holding Halfback Jim Herbstreit and gave the ball to the Bucks on about the 1-inch line. Bob White plunged in for Ohio's score to tie it up

That brought a post-game objection from coach Milt Bruhn of Wisconsin, who asked.

How can you have a defensive holding penalty when a fellow is about to get his pass away? That was the call that beat us. . .absolutely.

"Hayes shook hands with the official after the game— the one who called the penalty. He shook hands with the official before he did with me.

I am curious to know if the Ohio kicker reported to the officials after that penalty play

"I thought it was a very fine game between two great teams. It was hard and clean We did not tighten up. There is no such thing as a jinx White has as much power as anyone we have met. He's a pretty good football player. Herbstreit is a good little man This is my best Wisconsin team."

Wisconsin was penalized only 10 yards and Ohio 5 in the entire game.

Hayes, in a post-game statement, said:

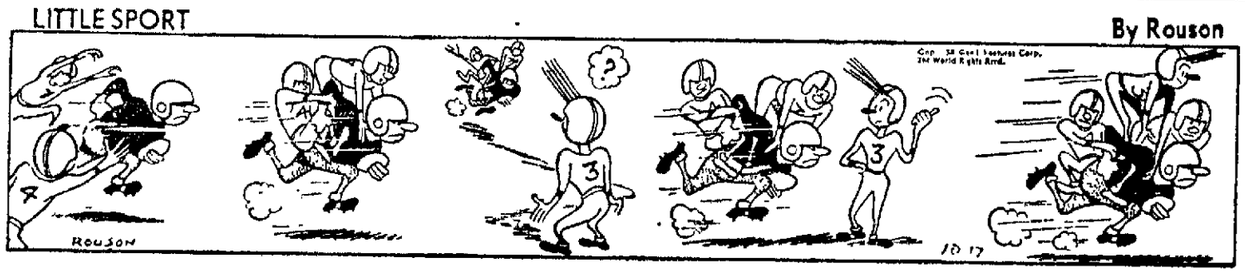
"It was a great football game, and well officiated. I have contacted many coaches in the last few days, and all of them are well off to have the kind of men who work games in the Big Ten. Our game in the conference is too good to let anything creep in to spoil it. I mean the roughness I have been talking about."

Told that Bruhn did not agree with the penalty call which led to Ohio's touchdown, Hayes remarked:

"Well, that's democracy."

LITTLE SPORT

By Rouson



Return To Action

NEW YORK (UPI) —The New York Giants announced two top linemen will return to action against the Pittsburgh Steelers today, Jack Stroud, offensive guard, and Roosevelt Grier, defensive end and tackle.

Double Fight Bill

NEW YORK (UPI) — St. Nicholas Arena will feature two 10 - round main eventers Monday night. Otis Woodard of New York will meet Paddy Young of New York in one, while Johnny Gorman of New York will take on Peter Schmidt, former German welterweight, in the other.

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