

Flu Still Plagues Michigan; Northwestern Tackles Hurt

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Flu continued to plague the University of Michigan football squad with at least 11 players suffering from bad colds or the flu.

Four players were sidelined Tuesday because of the virus and seven others worked out in a short drill. Out were quarterback Stan Noskin, halfbacks Brad Myers and Bob Placek and tackle Jared Bushong. John Herrstein, sidelined with a leg injury, was replaced at fullback by third stringer Jim Byers.

Northwestern, seeking its first victory at Michigan Saturday, may have to go without tackles. Coach Ara Parseghian said five of the team's tackles are hurt or sick, including regulars Andy Cvercko and Gene Gassage. The ranks at fullback also were thin with starter Ed Quinn banged up and second stringer Jim Thompson also hurt.

Michigan State's Spartans, the nation's top team, got no chance to rest on their laurels with a rugged two-hour drill session Tuesday and more of the same slated today. Coach Duffy Daugherty said he will start tapering off Thursday to prevent injuries.

Ohio State's football team went through a "spirited" offensive and defensive session with sophomore fullback Bob White working out at center in an effort to plug a weakness at that position. A threat that Dick Lebeau would quit the team due to his demotion to fourth string fullback evaporated when he turned out for drills.

Purdue's Boilermakers got some good news when fullback Jim Redinger was released from the hospital and began rounding into shape for Saturday's effort against Michigan State. The Boilermakers drilled on defense against Spartan

plays run by the freshman squad. Iowa Coach Forest Evashevski, complaining the Hawkeyes are behind in conditioning, put the first two Iowa teams through a lengthy drill in mud and drizzle. The Hawks concentrated on their running game during a "dummy" scrimmage.

Flu also harassed Wisconsin's Badgers with two players sidelined with the disease. However, two other players who had contracted the ailment returned to action. Missing practice were right tackle Jim Heinicke and right guard Jerry Staleup.

Minnesota concentrated on their offensive game during a hard two-hour practice session. Defensive teams wore blocking aprons in the heavy contact drill. The varsity also went through some of its plays against the freshmen.

Illinois Coach Ray Eliot, fired by his squad's showing so far, promoted Vern Grothe and Doug Wallace to starting halfback assignments. Eliot said, "we just hope to survive Minnesota this weekend so we can show up for the Michigan State game the following Saturday."

Indiana sought to bolster its scoring punch with a heavy workout on offense. Acting Coach Bob Hicks also emphasized blocking in preparation for Saturday's tilt with Ohio State.

Notre Dame gridders had a day of rest and Athletic Director Ed (Moose) Krause took advantage of the lull to spike rumors that the 1958 Army-Irish game might be moved from South Bend to New York. "Notre Dame always enjoys the opportunity to play in New York," Krause said, "but the 1958 date with Army will be in South Bend as originally announced."

Spartan's Walt Kowalczyk Named UP Back Of Week

EAST LANSING, Mich. (UP)—Michigan State's "Sprinting Blacksmith," Walt Kowalczyk, was named Midwest Back of the Week by United Press today for his contribution to the 35-6 victory over Michigan which moved the Spartans into the top spot in the nation.

Kowalczyk netted 113 yards and one touchdown in 17 carries to lead the Michigan State attack against its cross-state rival. Both Kowalczyk and his coaches agreed, "It was the best game I ever played," and his coaches were especially pleased because it dispelled all doubts about the soundness of an ankle which hampered the speedy 199-pounder last season.

"He didn't show a sign of favoring his ankle," said Coach Duffy Daugherty. "The figures speak for themselves in the offensive column, but don't forget his fine defensive work and his blocking. He is a threat every time he gets his hands on the ball but his blocking and tackling is good enough to keep him on anybody's team."

So far this year, Kowalczyk has netted 199 yards in 38 carries for an average of better than 5 yards per try. His running average was hurt in Michigan State's battle with California because the Golden Bears set up their defense to stop Kowalczyk's thrusts at the expense of freeing other backs. But he caught a 20-yard pass in that game to make up for the comparatively small yardage of 42 yards in 15 tries.

The ground he gained against Michigan almost equaled his season's record for last year. Nursing his injured ankle last season, he gained only 128 yards in 42 carries and scored twice.

But the Michigan game was not the best in statistics for the powerful speedster.

As a sophomore, he gained 172 yards in 10 carries against Wisconsin in 1955.

Both he and his coaches agree, however, that was not as much of a feat as his 113 yards against Michigan.

"Michigan was much stiffer competition this year than Wisconsin was in 1955," he said. "I think that was the best I ever played. Michigan gave up ground grudgingly."

Czech Gals Trip U.S. Court Team

RIO DE JANEIRO (UP)—Although beaten in its final elimination round game, the United States qualified with six other nations today for the championship flight of the Women's World Basketball Tournament.

The Americans, after posting two runaway victories in the opening round games, dropped a 53-50 decision to Czechoslovakia Tuesday night. Katherine Washington scored 14 points and Joanne Crawford has 13 for the Yanks, who trailed 23-20 at halftime.

Paraguay, Russia, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Chile also qualified for the championship flight. Brazil, as the host nation, drew at bye in the eliminations.

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