



**CAUGHT IN THE ACT** — Democrat photographer Dave MacLean catches Mike Weber of Concordia making an illegal face-mask tackle of Decatur fullback Sam Blythe in the above photo. Blythe was out of bounds just inches short of a first down on the play, giving Concordia the ball deep in its own territory. MacLean's camera saw what the officials didn't, as there was no penalty called on the play. — (Photo by MacLean)

### 50-Yard Line Flashes

By Bob Shraluka

Hazelwood, Hazelwood, Hazelwood! And the sweetest victory of the season.

Bluffton and Auburn are old rivals. It's nice to beat Portland, a Garrett, a New Haven, or any of the others on the schedule. But when you beat Concordia — it's the sweetest taste of victory you can get. Of the nine teams on the schedule, this corner would rather see a win over Concordia than over any of the other eight.

It gives the old towl-chewer another week to complain of injuries, bad breaks, etc.

Hazelwood was the name of the game last night, as no other one player has been more solely responsible for a victory this season than "Big Daddy" Hazelwood was last night.

He was great all the way last night, but when he smashed over two (that is right, two) blockers to let that punt bounce off his chest, he was at his greatest. You really can't blame the two kids who tried to block him out on that kick, because it is very unlikely they had ever seen a human locomotive before that play.

This was certainly not one of Decatur's better games, but who cares when you win. The Jackets had several breaks and numerous scoring chances, but they blew the nail until the one set up by the big fellow.

Although the offence was sputtering for the first time in a long while, the defense, led by Hazelwood and Manny Ybarra, was simply great. Known as a good offensive club, the Cadets were held to only 107 yards rushing last night, and a mere 47 in the second half.

The Cadets chalked up only six first downs and just eight yards on four passes, as that rugged Decatur defense rang up its third shutout of the season. Actually, Concordia never made a serious threat to score.

Manny Ybarra, who with Hazelwood gives Decatur its own "Mutt and Jeff," also deserves a lot of credit for the showing of the defense. The smallest guy on the field, Jake entered the fray in the second period and sparked the club immediately and through out the rest of the game, as he was constantly in the Concordia backfield. As one observer remarked, "I was beginning to think he was a Concordia halfback."

Jerry Egly also did an outstanding job, as he covered the field like a blanket. Twice he caused fumbles that Decatur recovered with bone-shaking tackles.

And of course, one of the big plays of the night was made by big Johnny Eichenauer who stopped that fourth down run cold as the Cadets were trying to get back in the ball game.

Sambo Blythe did a fine job filling in for Buster Melchi, and the big sophomore gained 55 yards rushing in 14 carries, second only to Max Elliott's 66 yards in 12 carries. Max, bothered by leg injuries, was run less often last night to save the legs, due to the fine job done by Blythe.

And thanks goes out from this corner to the entire team and the coaches — thanks for running a 4-4-1 prediction. The Jackets have now won five, the most since 1956-57, but here's hoping they don't quite now.

There is one left, and a big one it is. Angola is one of the better teams in the conference and last night beat Kendallville in the Comets' home territory.

These Jackets have a chance to do something that has been done only twice since the 1943 unbeaten season, and that is win six ball games.

It will take a great effort, another great team effort. It would be great to end a great season on a winning note. It can be done — let's go, go Yellow Jackets!

— (Photo by MacLean)

### Wildcats Hold Secret Drills For Spartans

By United Press International

Northwestern held a secret workout Wednesday aimed at stopping the attack of Michigan State in their Big Ten clash Saturday.

However at East Lansing the Michigan State Spartans indicated they'd have something new in store for the Wildcats. The Spartans experimented with razzle-dazzle plays as having quarterback Steve Judy hand off to a halfback, get the ball handed back, then throw a pass.

MSU also tried some plays

from the shotgun formation. Minnesota and Michigan both ran through hard drills in preparation for their Little Brown Jug battle this week. The Gophers worked on blocking and ways of stopping the passes of Michigan quarterback Bob Zollner.

Timberlake, who was promoted to the MU first string after a standout performance against Purdue last week, ran the Wolverine attack in Wednesday's practice.

Wisconsin reported that safetyman Ron Frain, who injured his shoulder Oct. 12, may play in the vital Ohio State game Saturday.

OSU, undefeated but tied in the conference, held another secret workout Wednesday.

Coach Woody Hayes said the defense looked good, but was having difficulty getting the right man at the right halfback position.

At Indiana, Coach Phil Dickens said his Hoosiers were in about the worst physical shape ever. Dickens said so many players missed practice because of injuries it was difficult to form playing units.

Purdue worked on blocking assignments and offensive tactics with Ron Digravio calling the signals. Backs John Kuznewski, Gordon Teter, Gene Donaldson and Dick Dauch performed most of the running chores.

Illinois completed its drills at Champaign for Friday night's game, but coach Pete Elliott said there'd be a workout in California Friday.

Notre Dame brushed up on offensive and defensive patterns in ending their workouts before leaving for Stanford today.

— (Photo by MacLean)

**Pro Basketball**

**Wednesday's Results**

Baltimore 115, New York 106.

San Francisco 99, St. Louis 95.

Los Angeles 124, Detroit 116.

— (Photo by MacLean)

**Berra Officially Named By Yankees**

NEW YORK (UPI) — Yogi Berra, who rose from the sandlots of St. Louis to become one of the greatest catchers in baseball history, was named officially today as the new manager of the New York Yankees and immediately announced his retirement as a player.

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