

PURDUE SPORTS DOPE

Purdue's "Ideal" Football Player Average Figured.

Judging from the averages of the 75 gridiron aspirants who are expected to make up the Boilermaker squad this fall, Purdue's "Ideal" football player will be a typical midwesterner, weigh slightly over 185 pounds, stand about 5 feet, 11 1/2 inches tall, and have just passed his majority.

All but 13 members of the tentative squad that Coach Mal Elward must prepare for the rigorous eight game varsity schedule, as well as a six-game reserve card hail from Indiana or one of four neighboring states. Outside of Indiana, Illinois contributes the largest gridiron delegation with 15 members.

As far as scholastic tastes are concerned, virtually every school in the university is represented, including engineering, science, agriculture, physical education, forestry, and pharmacy. The group has an average age of approximately 21 years and 3 months, with 42 seniors and juniors listed on the roster as compared with 33 sophomores.

In weight, the squad ranges from Italo Rossi, promising 225 pound sophomore tackle from Peoria, Ill., to midget Bob Vyverberg, 155 pound senior minor letterman from Lafayette. Vyverberg who is 5 foot, 8 inches and Mike Byelene, junior member of the "Three Bees," who scales the same height, are the shortest men on the squad, while Jack Krause, 6 foot, 3 inch, senior letterman from Hammond, towers slightly over the rest of the Boilermaker aspirants.

Seventeen different Indiana counties are represented on the roster with Tippecanoe, St. Joseph Lake and Marion all contributing four or more candidates. The university's home county, Tippecanoe, tops the list with six candidates.

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