

Jennings' 64 Yard Run Leads Michigan to 9-2 Victory

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Ann Arbor, Mich., Oct. 20.—The University of Michigan football team, on whose escutcheon the banner, "A punt, a pass, and a prayer," has long flown, adopted a homelier and more direct slogan today, and it worked out fine and dandy, so well that the boys may keep it permanently, at least for this season. The new theme was "Get them points," and get them they did this afternoon to set down Georgia Tech by the peculiar score of 9 to 2.

Getting points is a novel experience in the 1934 career of the Wolverine eleven, for they had scored nary a one in two previous games, today being their first victory of the season.

It was Ferris Jennings, an Ann Arbor boy who weighs only 140 pounds and who is just making his first try for a big time quarter back's job, who caused the 25,000 Michigan people who sat through a chilly rain to see the Wolverines in their new rôle of underdogs, to cheer.

Ah! a Touchdown!

Jennings, a sophomore who made a local high school reputation as a punt handler, snared a Tech punt in the third quarter on his own 36 yard line and proceeded right smartly therefrom for something which Michigan partisans were beginning to wonder about—a touchdown. Then he teed up the ball on Guard Willard Hildebrand's successful execution of a place kick for the extra point.

Shortly after this happy incident, a squad of Michigan linemen, who were in such numbers that they couldn't be identified, dropped Bill McKay, Georgia back, behind his own goal line for a safety. Bill Borgmann, Wolverine guard, was credited with the two points. Hardly two minutes had elapsed before Tech, which had also been held scoreless in its last two games, decided to get some points. This was accomplished by blocking a punt from the foot of John Regeczki, with Oliver Thomson of the southerners recovering it.

Sweet Romps 60 Yards.

The Wolverine clientele was sent away in an extremely satisfied state on the last play of the game, when Cedric Sweet, Michigan full back, dashed 60 yards to the Tech 17 yard line before two earnest Dixie boys brought him down.

Those who had seen Michigan in its first two games perked up considerably after today's performance, although they are now convinced that the team's mission this year will be to annoy such as Illinois, Minnesota and Ohio State, rather than setting the customary fires under those organiza-

tions. Regeczki's foot regained some of its old time genius this afternoon although on an average the Tech punters outdistanced him, 36 yards to 40.

The Wolverines made six first downs against Georgia Tech's seven. Michigan gained 159 yards from scrimmage, while fumbles sent Tech away with a deficit of 16 yards from scrimmage. The Southerners were guilty of seven fumbles, and the Wolverines two. Michigan completed two out of eight passes, and Georgia Tech the same number out of 17 tries.

Ward Watches Game.

Neither Willis Ward nor Franklin Lett, Michigan's two colored ends, was in uniform when Michigan came out on the field. Student organizations had waged a two weeks' campaign to have Michigan play Ward, fastest man on the squad, against the southerners, but athletic officials refused to comment on the situation one way or the other.

Coach Bill Alexander of Georgia Tech announced before the game that he would not play Hoot Gibson, his regular right end, sending in Burtz Boulware in his place. Ward and Lett witnessed the game from the broadcasting booths in the press box.

Outside of a 20 yard sprint around end by Martin of Georgia Tech on the second play of the game and a 30 yard run by Aug following Regeczki's fake punt in the second quarter the teams made little headway in the first half.

Midway in the second period Hays of the southerners fumbled on his 11 yard line and Savage recovered. After two line plays and a lateral had gained only three yards, Aug missed a place kick from the 20 yard line. The effort was straight, but too low to scale the cross bar.

Later Regeczki, working with Aug and Jennings, produced two first downs to the Georgia Tech 29 yard line, a pass, Regeczki to Savage producing the second one. The threat hit a snag when Regeczki's pass was intercepted.

The third quarter wasn't six minutes the first Michigan touchdown of the season. Dean booted one to Jennings, who caught it on his own 36 yard line and with good blocking got in the clear along the left side lines for a 64 yard run. Jennings held the ball on Hildebrand's successful place kick for the extra point.

Michigan caused another change on the score board at the end of the third quarter by getting a safety. Patanelli had thrown Martin, for a 10 yard loss and on the next play, a holding penalty set Tech back to its own 11 yard line. A bevy of Wolverine tacklers dropped McKay as he attempted to kick from back of his goal line and the Wolverines led 9 to 0.

Following this, Tech put the ball in play with a free kick, the ball going out of bounds on the Wolverine 31 yard stripe. A holding penalty set Michigan back to its 16 yard line, whence Regeczki attempted to punt, only to have it blocked. The ball rolled back of the goal line for a safety and two points for Georgia Tech.

Tech's Best Attack.

After Regeczki had punted out of bounds on Tech's 45 yard line, the Georgians returned with their best onslaught of the day. Martin got nine yards around left end, Perkerson made it first down on the Wolverine 35 yard mark, and Martin, on a reverse, dashed to the 18 yard line. Martin then fumbled, but recovered for a 10 yard loss. Perkerson got five, but on the next play Patanelli dropped Martin, who was trying to pass, for a 20 yard loss.

After Tech had kicked out of bounds on the Michigan 23 yard line, Sweet broke through his right tackle for a 60 yard dash to the Tech 17 yard line. He was barely overhauled by two pursuing Tech tacklers, who caught him just when it seemed he was in the clear.