

The Baron Coach



DON HOFF

Coach: Donald J. Hoff
Age: 31
Alma Mater: Minnesota Hills
Record: None
In Coaching: Five Years
He Says: "I aim to do everything I can to build a football team at Rhoadsfield Hills. I like the challenge."



COLT CO-CAPTAINS Bill Swinson (left) and Ray Podulka, a halfback and center respectively, are two of the leading prospects of the 1955 squad.

TROY 1955 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	1954 RESULTS	Opp
Sept. 16	Detroit Lutheran	Away	8:00 pm	0	14
Sept. 23	Avondale	Away	8:00 pm	7	26
Sept. 30	Romeo	Home	1:30 pm	6	25
Oct. 7	Roseville	Home	1:30 pm	0	14
Oct. 14	Fitzgerald	Home	1:30 pm	0	12
Oct. 21	Clawson	Away	8:00 pm	0	26
Oct. 28	Lake Orion	Away	8:00 pm	0	24
Nov. 4	Madison	Home	1:00 pm	6	12
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Oakland "B" League games.

Troy Outlook Changes With Switch to T

Switching from the single wing to the split T is the big change in the Troy football fortunes for 1955.

Coach Bob Nyquist said he thought this year would be the time to change to the "T" because of the fact that there were only four seniors on the team, thereby giving the younger players an opportunity to experience the system.



HARD RUNNING fullback for the Troy Colts is Dick Kelly, a 180-pound junior.

In passing up field, the Colt looked forward to line strength with better depth and experience.

These losses were shared early when it was feared that five players, including two of the best, had probably gotten back and a quarterback, Steve East.

The team's two biggest linemen, Dave Meeker and Steve Rightman, are both 200-pound tackles, now expected to get the starting nod.

Quarterback Tom Miller, a good passer and team's top punter was to be the key in the Colt's switch to the T.

Meeker and Miller will now be playing to expand to Clawson high school as a result of a change in school district boundaries.

Rightman became ineligible scholastically. Another tackle just was Roy Foster, who is working on a scholarship with the Wayne University team.

In view of these losses and injuries, Nyquist may call on some players to play different positions in offensive and defensive roles.

Quarterback prospect Wayne Egley has been honored with MVP and all-league awards. Ray Podulka has been doing the signal calling of passing plays.

Podulka, who was rated as a top ball snapper in the single wing, has a good passing arm for the T and is expected to do a good job calling the play.

Two biggest players on the team are sophomore Myles Varanon and junior Dick Kelly, both 180-pounders.

From here the weights drop to 155 pounds and lower.

Kelly has been picked for fullback duties, but may show play at end where he was last year in effort to preserve available line strength.

Varanon is top candidate for the fullback's job. Junior Sam Ayton, at 175, with good speed and ball-carrying ability will take over the other end post with Dave Jones, another end prospect.

With Podulka moving into the backfield junior center Blanchard, at a 165 pounder, is slated for the center spot.

A player who may move from the ground into the backfield and line center is Al Menden, at 165 pound junior.

The fullback roster has 4 first and 100 and 100 weight candidates.

Co-captain Bill Swinson, a 170-pound center, has collected one of the halfback posts and will also see the backing duties.

The Colts will open the season Friday night against Detroit in their annual away from home.

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The Colt Coach



BOB NYQUIST

Coach: Robert Nyquist
Age: 30
Alma Mater: Wayne
Head Coach: 3 years
Colt Record: 4 Wins, 19 Losses, 1 Tie

He Says: "We are lacking depth and speed, and we are depending on the sophomores for help."