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‘South’ Team Looks Best in U.P. Tilt

Negaunee-The pressure is on the North team in the third annual all-star football game, to be played under the lights here Saturday night.

There is a definite feeling in the South camp that this is South’s year and there is much, even in the early phases of the all-star training period, to bear this out.

First, Coach Faust Ferzacca, handling the South, has a team which in physical appearance enjoys an appreciable advantage over the North. Second, he is benefiting from the unusual situation of having a complete line unit from one of the strongest teams in the peninsula last year in his lineup, with eight Menominee men in the lineup. Third, it is obvious from the records, that any representative South team of 1947 was a touchdown or two better than any equally representative outfit from the North section. Fourth, the North squad is suffering this year from the needs for replacements due to inability of original choices to accept all-star berths.

Coach Ferzacca can well point out “how true!” because he went through the same disadvantages last year when his team took a beating in the second renewal of the series. This year all these factors have swung to his advantage, a fact all players and observers know, which leads to the pre-game conclusion “it’s a South year.”