

STODICAL STATUS

IN THE FIRST COLLEGE FOOTBALL BOWL GAME EVER

HISTORICAL STATUE.

Originally titled the "Tournament East-West Football Game," and now known at the Rose Bowl Game, Michigan defeated Stanford in dominating fashion, 49-0, on January 1, 1902. The Wolverines' win completed an undefeated season and earned Michigan its first-ever national championship.

Played at Tournament Park in Pasadena, near what is now world-renowned Caltech, an estimated 8,500 fans saw Fielding H. Yost's first "Point-a-Minute" team overwhelmed the opponent, resulting in a Stanford concession with eight minutes remaining in the game. The Michigan win completed one of the most impressive seasons in college football history as Michigan outscored its opponents 550-0 en route to a 11-0 record.

Given the lopsided outcome of the game, the Tournament of Roses Association thought that an annual football game might not be appealing to spectators. As such, the following year football was replaced by chariot racing and it would be another 16 years before the Tournament of Roses would feature a post-parade football game.

For Michigan, the 1902 game was the catalyst of an unprecedented five-year run of success from 1901-05 in which Yost's Wolverine teams played 56 consecutive games without a loss, won four national championships, captured four conference titles and outscored their opponents 2,821 to 42. The 1902 game represented Michigan's lone "Rose Bowl" appearance until 1948 when the Wolverines returned to Pasadena and won another national title.

"A conviction that nowhere is there a better university, in any way, than this Michigan of ours." ~ Fielding H. Yost







THE ROSE BOWL STADIUM, AMERICA'S STADIUM, HAS AUTHORED COUNTLESS ICONIC AND INSPIRATIONAL MOMENTS, MANY OF WHICH HINGE ON THE MEMORIES OF THE ROSE BOWL GAME, THE 'GRANDDADDY OF THEM ALL'

IT ALL STARTED WITH A MICHIGAN VICTORY ON JANUARY 1, 1902.



The 1902 East-West statue will be featured on the west side of the Rose Plaza, in front of the main entry gate to the Rose Bowl Stadium and the iconic marquee sign in Pasadena, California.

To be situated across from the Keith Jackson statue, another Rose Bowl Game icon, it will be placed in public view for the educational and inspirational enjoyment of all visitors, fans and Wolverines.

It will be the fourth and final statue in the series of statues outside of America's Stadium, joining statues honoring Jackie Robinson and the 1999 Team USA Women's World Cup Champions.





Left: Jackie Robinson, dedicated Nov. 2017 Middle: 1999 Team USA World Cup Champions, dedicated July 2019 Right: Broadcaster Keith Jackson, coming Dec. 2019



THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF PARTICULAR ICONS AND MOMENTS THAT HAVE DEFINED THE ICONIC TIMELINE OF THIS NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK DESERVE TO BE CELEBRATED AND PORTRAYED FOR EDUCATIONAL AND INSPIRATIONAL PURPOSES.