

Between the Lions with The Sports Editor

IF—

"State will beat Syracuse this Saturday by two touchdowns!"

That is the answer one Penn State man who has written us makes to the assertion that spirit is dead, that the student body has given up hope for a winning football team.

The Penn State student body has not lost faith in the ability of its team or its coaches. Tomorrow, together with 2,000 alumni, it will sit in New Beaver Field awaiting the inevitable comeback of a roaring Nittany Lion with more hope than it has ever held before.

For, last week the showing Penn State's eleven made against its powerful foe, the strength, both on offense and defense, it revealed, sounded, we believe, the note of a new era—or rather, the rebirth of an old one. Against Syracuse, already demoralized by unexpected weaknesses, there is every reason to hope for the first major victory on New Beaver Field since the famous French-Deidrich dash for a touchdown defeated Lafayette on another Alumni Day in 1929.

There will be barriers to the comeback tomorrow—plenty of them. Five injured varsity regulars will be on the bench. The team will be outweighed, man for man, by at least twenty pounds. But it will overcome these barriers if it shows the passing attack it displayed against Harvard, if the line holds as it did against the Crimson, if the team, as a whole, realizes it can play better football than Penn State teams have played in the last three years, and finally if it goes on the field feeling that it has behind it the sincere support of every graduate and undergraduate.

If these things hold true, "Victory" will take on a real meaning tomorrow night!

Our Opponents

Colgate-N. Y. U.

After their impressive victory over what is considered a strong Lafayette team, we're inclined to favor Colgate over most of the opposition in the East, especially when the "opposition" is N. Y. U., a team which has looked none too impressive so far. The Red Raiders should win by two touchdowns.

Sewanee-T. P. I.

Frank confession is good for the soul, so we admit here and now that we don't know much about Sewanee's Tennessee opponents tomorrow. The Tigers came through last week, however, so here's another wavering vote for the University eleven.

Temple-Denver

The Owls have about established themselves as one of the strong elevens of the East, when they're "on." Denver may offer stronger opposition than is generally expected, but the Cherry and White eleven will probably send its supporters home happy again.

Lebanon Valley-Juniata

Unless Lebanon Valley is still suffering from its battering at Fordham's hands last week, Juniata should not offer much opposition.

Waynesburg-Grove City

Under Bill Amos, former W. & J. mentor, the Grovers have a team that is better than usual. However, we're still betting on Rab Currie & Co.

Harvard-Dartmouth

We can't conceive of that powerful line and speedy backfield the Crimson boasts bowing to the aggregation that Penn defeated. Harvard, unless we miss our guess, will surprise the experts by the decisiveness of its victory.

This and That

Remember that Alumni rally before the Colgate game two years ago? . . . Bill Hartman is trying to stage another one like it tonight . . . But it won't be like it unless you and you and you go up there . . . How about it? —S. H. B.

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LIONS WILL OPPOSE STRONG SYRACUSE ELEVEN

GRIDMEN PREPARED FOR HARD CONTEST

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to warrant holding him on the bench if at all possible.

Johnny Grimshaw, another early season casualty who is back in shape, and Buck McKee, husky sophomore candidate, stand out as the next best bets to start, but "Rosie" seems the logical candidate at the present time. Jesse Brewster will man the other wing post.

Berry Returns To Lineup

Parker Berry and Dick Woolbert will be in there as tackles for the kickoff. Berry, a letter-winner last year, will replace Cole while Woolbert has recovered from the face injuries received at Cambridge to hold his position at right tackle.

The guards will be "Marty" Hesch and Lou Kreizman with "Zev" Zawacki stationed at center to give the middle of the line the same trio that started against Harvard. "Andy" Anderson and Veto Rich should see action as replacements for Zawacki and Allen and Johnson rank as the guard reserves.

That passing combination of Collins and Lohr should trouble the Hill school tomorrow for "Spike" and "Bill" are scheduled to form half of the Lion backfield. Tommy Harper or Harry Sigel will get the assignment for the other backfield post and Leo Skemp or Jim Boring will do duty at fullback.

Will Use 5 Sophomores

Syracuse will outweigh the Nittany line by twenty pounds while the Lion backs will average eighteen pounds lighter than the Orange-ball-carriers. The visitors will present a line averaging 195-pounds, and a backfield with an average weight of 181-pounds.

Five sophomores are included in the lineup scheduled to start for Bill Orange. Sanford, end, Yavra, tackle, Wamsack, center, DiNunzio, quarterback, and Lou Stark, fullback, are the Syracuse players who are experiencing their first year of varsity football.

Syracuse possesses an excellent passing attack as well as a smooth running offense, according to Marty McAndrews, former Lion center, who has scouted the Orange in its last two games. Stark features the passing attack as well as furnishing driving power on line plays from fullback.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT BEGINS

Groups desiring to enter the intramural horseshoe contest must post a fee of twenty-five cents at the School of Physical Education office in Recreation Hall by tonight.

Nittany Lineman



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Lion--Orange Scores

	Penn State	Syracuse
1922	0	0
1923	0	10
1924	6	10
1925	0	7
1926	0	10
1927	9	6
1928	6	6
1929	6	4
1930	0	0
1931	0	7
Total	27	60
Games Won	2	5
Tie Games		3

Low Scores, Close Games Featured In Past 10 Orange-Lion GridTilts

A series of ten football games in which neither team has ever scored more than ten points nor the two teams more than fifteen points together in a single game is the unique low-scoring record hung up by Penn State and Syracuse University football gamblers since the start of their series in 1922.

Syracuse is the leader in the ten-game series with five victories against two for the Nittany Lion elevens. Three games resulted in tie games. Three games were tied. Syracuse scored with sixty to twenty-seven for Penn State. The New Yorkers equalled the high scoring mark for a single game on three occasions when they registered ten points to defeat the Lions.

Field goals have played a prominent part in past Penn State-Syracuse games, with no less than six registered by the two teams since 1923. MacBride, Orange fullback, won the 1923 game single-handedly with a touchdown, field goal and point after touchdown to give Syracuse a 10-to-0 lead at the end of the

game, and in the following year added another field goal to clinch a 10-to-6 triumph.

Jules Prevost, Lion guard, was responsible for two field goals in that 1924 contest, accounting for all six points credited Penn State, while "Vic" Hanson, present Orange coach, scored a touchdown in the victory. The game was the first defeat of the season for Coach Hugo Bezdek's Lions that year.

Johnny Roepke was the hero of the first Blue and White triumph over Syracuse, kicking a field goal from the twenty-one-yard line to climax a last quarter attack that defeated the Orange, 9-to-6. Cooke, Syracuse quarterback, added another field goal to the list in the 1926 contest to help the Orange register a 10-to-0 victory.

Tomorrow's contest will mark the fourth occasion that Syracuse has appeared before Alumni homecoming day crowds here. The Orange captured the 1924 and 1926 Alumni day contests by 10-to-6 and 10-to-0 scores, while the third game was the 1928 6-to-6 deadlock.

Jeffrey Blames Bus Ride For Soccer Team's Defeat

Poor Condition of Players Caused by Improper Traveling Facilities, Coach Says

Failure of the Athletic authorities to supply the soccer team with proper facilities and conditions for travel on its long trip to Cambridge was the reason given by Coach Bill Jeffrey and members of the team, for its unexpected defeat at the hands of the Crimson booters Saturday.

"My boys played the poorest game I've ever seen a Penn State soccer team play in their contest with Harvard Saturday," said Coach Jeffrey. "The reason for this I lay entirely to the poor condition of the players because of the long hours they were forced to ride in a bus in such cramped positions," he added.

"After leaving State College at 9 o'clock Thursday night and riding until 2 o'clock in the morning, we were only allowed five hours sleep," said one of the soccermen. "Then starting at 7 o'clock in the morning we rode all day Friday arriving in Cambridge at about 9 o'clock, just in time to go to sleep, all tired, and cramped."

Without a workout Saturday the Lion booters took on Harvard, a team considered far inferior to the Penn State team, and "just didn't look like my boys." In the words of Frank

Evans, left halfback performer, "We went after the ball, but our legs could not get us there the way they always do."

It was a rejuvenated Lion soccer eleven that faced Springfield on Monday, though. Arriving at Springfield Saturday night the booters were thoroughly massaged and put into shape by the Springfield players.

In direct contrast to Coach Jeffrey's comment on the Harvard game showing was the fine tribute paid to the Penn State eleven by Coach John Brock of the Springfield team. After the close of the Springfield game Coach Brock declared, "Penn State gave the finest exhibition of college soccer that I've ever witnessed, even though we beat them. It was anybody's game."

"If you want the boys to do the institution justice, give them a chance to do it," pleaded Coach Jeffrey. "I think a defeat once in a while is good for the team provided they have offered their best when they are beaten, but sitting on the bench Saturday, watching the boys lose because they were unable to offer what I know they have—that hurt me."

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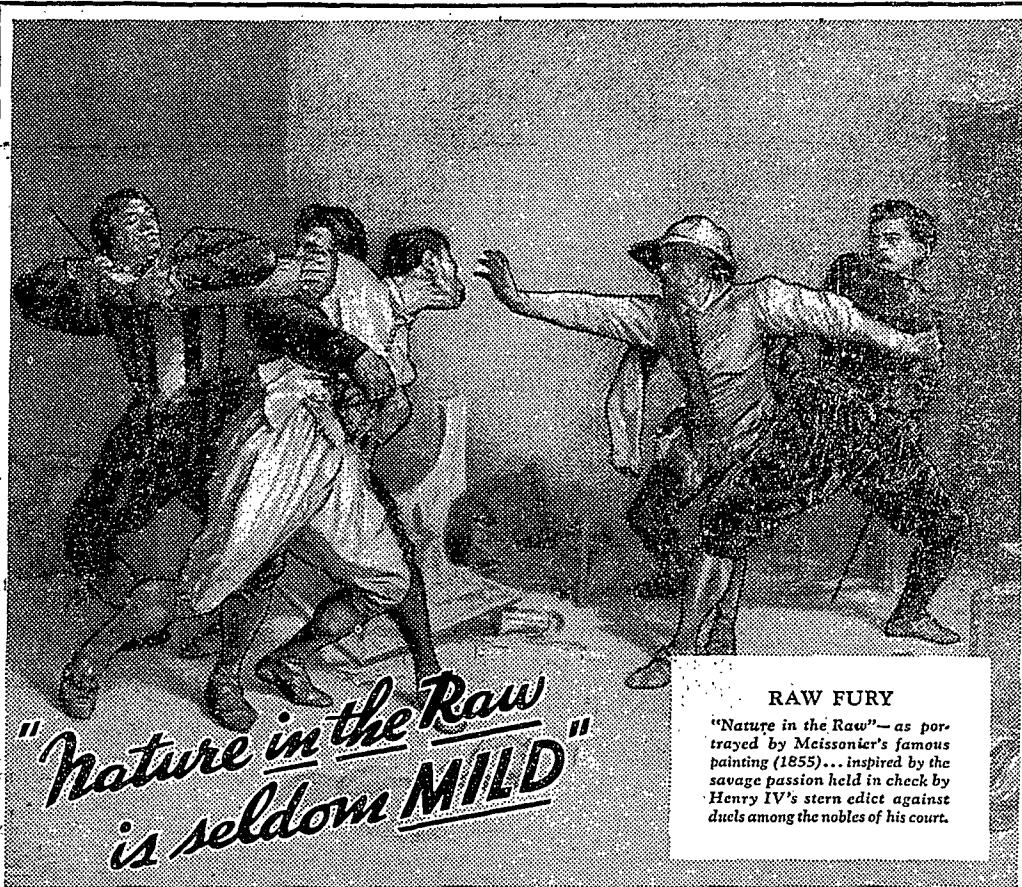
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