

**Between
the Lions
with
The Sports Editor**

Now is the time for all good sports fans to come to the realization that a new year and possibly a "New Deal" is awaiting Penn State's twelve varsity sport teams. NRA has one meaning for everyone, but without much doubt every loyal Penn State fan is hoping that it can be paraphrased into "Nittany Lion Roars Again" during the coming sports seasons.

There's a good chance that it may. Nearly every team representing the Nittany Lion will be fortified with experienced veterans, and whether you realized it or not, last year's freshman class produced some very, very promising athletes. Add to those two "breaks," the fact that the spirit of the current crop of Lion athletes is at the highest peak in the history of the present student body, and you have the foundation for successful teams.

Bob Higgins' varsity football squad quite naturally draws the major attraction at the present time. It's too early to form any judgment of the probable strength of the 1933 Lion gridgers, but a survey of the returning veterans and sophomore newcomers reveals that there's plenty of ground for optimism in re the season's prospects. While the loss of Zawacki is a serious blow, the prospect of a team which includes veterans of one or more seasons' campaigns at the guard and tackle posts, at least one end, and experienced backs is brighter than that of either of the 1932 or 1931 seasons.

Much is expected of sophomore candidates, graduated from Nels Walke's better-than-usual freshman team of last year, and a successful season may depend upon their ability to fit into the vacancies left by graduation last June. It's no easy schedule that the Lions face this year, and they'll enter a good many of their games ill-favored by the dopsters, but we're of the opinion that someone is in for a surprise—and we don't expect to be in the surprised class.

From the summer sport trails . . . Double captain Tommy Slusser did considerable amateur boxing in the Pittsburgh district . . . Lloyd Beyer and Freddie Brand were good enough for the national amateur golf fests this week . . . Bill Nacios, ace of the

Gridiron Training Season Opens

**BOB HIGGINS SEEKS
CENTER MATERIAL**

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and Dick Sigel, all juniors, and Tommy Harper, veteran of two campaigns, are all making a fight for regular positions.

Despite the presence of this promising array of tested talent, Coach Higgins is not putting very much stress on a first team. In practice sessions thus far, every man on the squad has worked out with a "first team" combination.

While no definite move has been made which would indicate any recognizable first-string selections, the Lion mentor generally gives his personal attention to one certain eleven as they work out in a brisk signal drill near the end of the practice.

Webber worked out at center, with Bedoski and Kreizman flanking him at the guard positions. Cole and Woolbert, regular tackles last season, were back in their niche, while Captain Slusser worked out at left end and Rosenberg and McKea alternated on the right wing.

Maurer, freshman quarterback last season, and his team-mate Knapp were in the backfield. Morrison held down a halfback berth, while Leo Skemp was stationed at full for the drill.

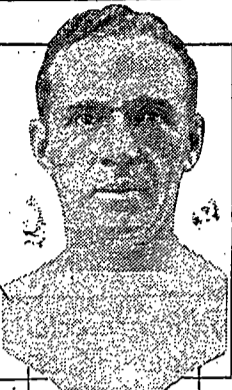
Squad Morale Rises
But the keynote of the 1933 Lion squad does not concern any individual player. It's the obvious return of the old will-to-win spirit that has almost sunk to a legendary state during the recent toothless stage of the Nittany Lion.

"It all started in that Syracuse game last year," Higgins explained, referring to the 12-to-6 victory that the Orange eked out on New Beaver field when the game stopped with a snarling Lion thwarted on the threshold of a tying, or possibly, deciding score. "That one game was the beginning of a new confidence among the players," he said.

It doesn't require an expert observer to see evidences of the new spirit. Dogged determination pervades scrimmages and even signal drills click with bursts of speed and zest. The tenor of the work-outs presage a new Lion football era.

When Jesse Brewster, Marty Hesch, Bill Lohr, and Captain "Spike" Collins were graduated last June, the Lion gridmen lost five of the mainstays of the 1932 team, but if the squad keeps in its present mental state the handicap will be less hard to bridge.

Grooms Gridmen



COACH BOB HIGGINS

**A. A. TICKET BOOKS
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**Athletic Fees To Remain Same For
Year—Will Issue New Books
At Start of Semester**

Ticket books will be issued to all students this year for admittance to College athletic contests, replacing the season card which has been in use for the past three years. Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics, has announced.

The athletic fee will remain the same and will be included in the registration, but a new book will be issued each semester. The first semester book will contain coupons for the fifteen contests at which admission is charged, while the second will include tickets for twenty-five intercollegiate meets.

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**SOCCERMEN BEGIN
SEASON'S PRACTICE**

**Coach Bill Jeffrey To Instruct
Booters in Preparation
For Fall Schedule**

By A. CONRAD HAIGES '33
Staking out moves that will be used in continuation of the aggressive forces always displayed in the past by the Nittany Lion booters, Coach Bill Jeffrey started the program yesterday which will lead on to scrimmage immediately.

With an available squad of approximately forty booters on hand, the soccer mentor is instructing the men in fundamentals of scrimmage, goal kicking, and rope skipping as preparation for the hard fall schedule which lies before them. Net practice in heading the ball will also be run through.

8 Letter Men Return
To help defend the Nittany soccer record, eight lettermen are expected to return. The arrivals will include Shorty Edwards, captain, Lindquist, Dick Sigel, Bob Graham, Fletcher, Finzel, Casterline, and Dutch Wolfe who will be practically assured of posts in the opening encounter.

In addition nearly a dozen other men who have previously had experience with the Lions will join the ranks. The leading men, according to the coach, include Swede Hansen, Krems, Ambler, Altomus, Brady, Bosbury, "Tommy" Wood, Roybell, Joe Bielicki, John Binns, Corbett, and Hoy.

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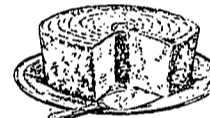
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