

Between the Lions with The Sports Editor

It amused us to run across this bit of humor in a Philadelphia paper a few weeks ago:

"Have you ever thought that these so-called 'breather games' in football games often get the winner out of breath? It is said that the last period of the Penn State-Columbia game was cut to six minutes to keep the Little Blue team from getting blisters on their feet."

"Incidentally Bert Bell has a significant comment on the Penn State team. 'That is one game Penn will not lose,' Bell said. 'State always has about six men running in the other team's interference.'"

All of which hands us our biggest chuckle of the season. Penn will need its second wind to even match the battle that our Nittany Lions are going to put up. As for Bert Bell he would do much better to get a pro football team in Philadelphia that would amount to something instead of that droopy bunch of Eagles he has entered in the National Professional Football League.

In every game the Nittany Lions have won from the Penn team in the past there has come to the fore an outstanding Penn State player who has stolen the whole show. The present array of Blue and White players would do well to be inspired by the record of Coach Bob Higgins who played the best game of his career against Penn in 1919. Taking over the punting job for the first time in a college game, Higgins averaged forty-five yards on his kicks, good enough for an experienced punter, besides playing his end position with such a finesse that he was picked as All-American for that season.

It was Light-Horse Harry Wilson who starred in the Penn games of 1922 and 1923. Especially in the 1923 game was he spectacular, running roughshod over the whole Penn team and scoring three touchdowns. Nineteen twenty-seven saw Johnny Roepke doing the kicking, passing, and running for the Nittany Lions, defeating the Red and Blue eleven, almost single-handed.

In the last Philadelphia game in 1929 Cooper French was the Penn State hero. Late in the game he intercepted a Penn pass and ran for seventy-eight yards for one touchdown of the game, and earlier had snared another Red and Blue pass, and tore away for thirty-five yards to within striking distance of the Penn goal line, from where the Nittany Lions quickly pushed over another touchdown.

Coach Harvey Harman is worrying about the game Saturday, and well he might. He has promised a wholesale change in the Penn line-up to put more pep into the team. When a season has advanced thus far, a coach is usually satisfied and seldom makes any substitutions in his starting team, unless because of injuries. But at least five changes are planned, and the one which we see as a definite aid to the chances of the Nittany Lions is the benching of Don Kellet, outstanding Penn back who has had a let-down in the past few games.

We look for Saturday's game to be a repetition of the past, in that Penn State will win, and that one particular Nittany Lion will run the Penn team ragged. Not that the whole Blue and White team will not be fighting together to win. In spite of the fact that the Penn eleven is favored to come out on top, Captain Tommy Slusser and the rest of those clawing Nittany Lions are inspired and determined to be ahead when the whistle blows. The old grad talking to a Philadelphia columnist explains our feelings on the game:

"Just another word before you go. We play Penn State Saturday. The record of the State team isn't too impressive, but the 40-to-6 victory over Johns Hopkins indicates that they are reaching top form. They've lost to Columbia and Syracuse, but I've never seen a Penn State team on Franklin Field that didn't fight like hell. They'll give us plenty of trouble."

-J. M. S.

HARRIERS ENTER I.C.-4A.; BOOTERS TO FACE ILLINI HERE Lions To Drive for Fifth Place in New York Meet

Rishell, Harvey, Vandermark, Light, Hoffman, Book, Alexander Named as Runners For Meet on Monday

By PHILIP W. FAIR '35

With but little hope of placing better than fifth or sixth, the varsity cross-country squad will leave for New York City at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning to participate in the IC-4A meet to be held at Van Cortlandt park on Monday. An untried yearling harrier team will accompany them.

Varsity runners for the annual meet are: Captain Rishell, George Harvey, Vandermark, Light, Book, Hoffman, and Joe Alexander, while the freshman squad will be composed of Downey, Tate, Patterson, Crum, Trimble, and Hutcheson. Staitler, of Mont Alto, who placed fifth at Syracuse, will be left behind because of poor training facilities at the Forestry School.

Harvey Is Lion Hope

Rishell, whose running has been disappointing thus far this season, has always made a good showing at Van Cortlandt. Last year he placed seventh, so that with an additional year's training and experience, he can be expected to finish among the first fifteen on Monday.

With George Harvey rests most of the Lion hopes. He appeared to have little difficulty in beating Captain Bateman, Syracuse, in the dual meet two weeks ago. Bateman, who finished eighteenth last year in the intercollegiate, while Harvey took forty-seventh, is considered by Coach Tom Keane of Syracuse, to have improved over last year. On this paper basis, George should be well up in front when the runners begin to finish.

Downey, suffering from a cold, may not be able to leave with the team tomorrow morning. Counted upon to finish among the first eight men in the plebe race, his loss would undoubtedly seriously affect the freshman harriers' standing. He led the freshmen to victory at Syracuse.

Manhattan Picked To Win

Manhattan, who won the race last year with seventy-one points, is a heavy favorite to repeat. With Frank Crowley, McKenna, Acerno, and Ray, all low men last year, on the squad, the New York institution should have little difficulty.

Outstanding runners of the nation entered in the meet are: Bonthron, Princeton; Gene Venzke, Penn, who holds the indoor 2-mile record; and Ottey, of Michigan; Nordell, of N. Y. U.; and Turley, of Yale, are strong favorites to cross the line among the first ten.

Comparative Scores Favor Penn

Although the Quakers can boast of only two victories this season, Coach Harvey Harman has an eleven which is far from being a set-up. The game Saturday will be a test of whether the Penn State-on-Franklin-field tradition is stronger or weaker than Penn on the rebound after a drubbing from Ohio State.

To go in for comparative scores is admitted to be more or less futile, but the defenders will have the edge in this matter. Navy defeated Penn, 13-to-0, Columbia downed the Middies, 14-to-7, and the Lions lost to King Leo, 33-to-0, which gives the Quakers a one-touchdown advantage. Sixty minutes on a Saturday afternoon, however, will wreck many a finely-drawn calculation.

Injuries Weaken Lions

Seasonal toll—especially in the last two games—has been heavy for the Lions. Dick Woolbert, 200-pound veteran tackle, was put out of commission for the remainder of the season in the Syracuse game and Tony Bedoski took a grueling physical beating. Remy Woolridge, hurt against Johns Hopkins, may or may not be in condition for the Lions' swan song of 1933.

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SQUADS CHOSEN FOR LION-PENN TILT SATURDAY

Table with columns for Penn State and Pennsylvania players and positions. Includes names like Slusser, Cole, Bedoski, J. O'Hara, Berry, Weber, McKee, F. O'Hara, Sigel, Morrison, Cooper.

Average weight: Penn—176; Penn State—172. Average height: Penn—5 ft. 11 in.; Penn State—5 ft. 11 in. Average age: Penn—21; Penn State—21.

Lion Soccermen To Defend Perfect Record

By A. CONRAD HAIGES '35

Backed by a season of perfect scoring, the Nittany Lion soccermen will oppose a strong Illini eleven on New Beaver field at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning in the first inter-sectional tilt between a Mid-Western and an Eastern Intercollegiate association team.

With a two-weeks' lay-off from intercollegiate competition, the Jeffrey men will enter the meet in the pink of condition with the line-up at its fullest strength. Daily scrimmage has put the Blue and White team into fine shape for the toughest game scheduled thus far.

Have Lost 1 Encounter

SOCCER LINE-UPS

Table with columns for Penn State and Illinois players and positions. Includes names like Hill, Sigel, Graham, Hansen, Fletcher, Long, Ambler, Finsel, Corbett, Rishell, Edwards.

last Saturday, however, resulted in a 3-to-1 upset, so the improvement will give Penn State something to worry about. The invaders' all-time record is 25 wins, five ties, and four defeats.

Regarded as the strongest team in the mid-western intercollegiate group, the opponents will arrive here tomorrow morning, after having traveled 750 miles from Urbana, Ill. As the visiting squad is only an associate member of the eastern group, this encounter will not be considered as a championship match for the eastern trophy.

According to advanced reports from the University, the Urbanans will supply Captain "Shorty" Edwards and his teammates with a stiff battle. They boast of having tallied 117 goals to twenty-four registered against them.

PLEBES TO MEET MONT ALTO HERE

Freshman Football Club to End Season Saturday Against Forestry School

By JOHN A. BRUTZMAN '35

The Nittany Lion Cubs will close their four-game schedule on New Beaver field at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, when they meet the freshman team from the Mont Alto Branch School.

After their 12-to-0 defeat at the hands of the Bucknell freshmen last Saturday, the young Lions will be out to end their season with a decisive victory. Undiscouraged by the Bison defeat, Coach Nels Wulke believes that breaks of the game alone robbed the Lion Cubs of a tie or possible victory, inasmuch as outside of the two scoring plays, the Bison yearling never grazed inside the Lion 40-yard line.

Foresters Show Power

The game is not going to be a set-up for the Lions, however, as the young Foresters showed plenty of power when they defeated the Dickinson freshmen 6-to-0, two weeks ago. They also defeated Carson Long Military School 18-to-6. According to press reports, they outplayed the Red and Gray consistently, and Dickinson never had a chance to score.

However, the Lion Cubs' record is one of the best in recent years. It includes a 38-to-7 victory over the Villanova plebes, and a 13-to-7 win over the Gettysburg first-year team. With a well-balanced squad, the Cubs should experience little difficulty in winning the game.

Table with columns for Penn State and Mont Alto players and positions. Includes names like Smith, Barth, Salisbury, Murray, Battaglin, Schuyler, Sunday, Gitton, Robbins, Rhoads, Cornick.

MITMEN PREPARE FOR SCRANTON BENEFIT MATCH

Eight Penn State mitmen will leave tonight for Scranton, there to meet some of the toughest opposition the coal regions can produce in the Community Chest matches to be held in the Town hall there Friday night.

The eight men scheduled to go are: Zeleznock, at 125; Watkins, 135; McAndrews, 125-130; Kovaleski, 150; Turnbull, 155; Reese, 118; and Kessler, 160. Regular collegiate ring rules will prevail during all the benefit matches, which are limited in scope to competition among men living within a fifty-mile radius of Scranton.

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