

Nittany Gridmen Engage in Heavy Practice Drills

Lee Sunday Injured, Unable to Play This Season

Fine Spirit of Players Makes Outlook Bright

By PHIL HEISLER

With one week of preliminary training under its belt, the Penn State football team engaged in its first real practice game Saturday, showing form that substantiates the general opinion that the Nittany Lion team is on the road up to regain lost laurels of past seasons.

Lee Sunday, an end who saw varsity service last year, suffered a broken knee bone which will probably keep him out of the line-up for the remainder of the season. Several other candidates, including Whitey Rhoda, Park Eshbach, and Lute Barth, were unable to play due to slight injuries, but will be back in condition by October 5, when the Lions open their season here against Lebanon Valley.

With fifty-three candidates out for the team, there has been little stress laid on a "first team." Coach Bob Higgins has divided the squad into rather evenly matched teams, the Blues and Whites, for pre-season scrimmage, and plans to have all practice games within the team and between the varsity and the freshmen rather than against another college as in the previous season.

Line-up Not Definite

With practically the same line-up back as last year, and plenty of reserve strength for every line position, that body will probably form the backbone of the Lion defense. The backfield is less fortunate with only one regular, Tommy Silvano. However, there are plenty of candidates to carry the ball and it is hinted that there may be some mild surprises in the starting line-up.

Saturday's practice revealed encouraging progress in the development in the team as a coordinated football machine, but also revealed a few discrepancies. Coach Higgins is still looking for a punter to fill the gap left by the graduation of Mike-Louis. The backfield men are all being drilled in kicking by Coach Everhardus. Cooper, one of the leading aspirants for a backfield post, shows power in punts but still lacks consistency.

Brain versus Brawn

The only major change in the football rules this season will tend to increase passes, bringing the game out into the open, and making it more spectacular than ever. This change is a supplementary note under the "dead ball" rule.

The new interpretation makes it illegal for a player whose progress has been stopped to pass, break loose and run, or kick until the whistle has been blown. The natural tendency will be to increase lateral passes.

At a meeting of the Eastern Intercollegiate Association recently, interpretations of the rules were discussed with the only result of letting the effectiveness of the rule up to the discretion of the officials of the game. The biggest argument against the slow whistle was that it would tend to increase the roughness of the game and may lead to an increase in injuries to the ball carriers.

In view of the new rule, Coach Higgins has been devoting considerable time to plays involving lateral passes and plans to have every backfield man a potential passer.

Penn State Blue Band To Organize Thursday

Reorganization of the Penn State Blue Band will take place at a meeting of all old band members and aspirants for positions in the symphonic organization Thursday night at 7 o'clock in the band room in Old Main, according to an announcement by

Fall Sports Schedules

Saturday, October 5		
Lebanon Valley	Football	Home
Mercersburg Academy	Fr. Football	Away
Saturday, October 12		
Western Maryland	Football	Home
Gettysburg	Soccer	Home
Lehigh	Cross Country	Home
Saturday, October 19 (Alumni Day)		
Lehigh	Football	Home
Scranton-Keystone Jr. College	Fr. Football	Away
Temple	Soccer	Home
Yale	Cross Country	Away
Saturday, October 26		
Pittsburgh	Football	Away
Wyoming Seminary	Fr. Football	Home
Lafayette	Soccer	Home
Pittsburgh	Cross Country	Away
Pittsburgh Freshmen	Fr. Cross Country	Away
Wednesday, October 30		
Army	Soccer	Away
Saturday, November 2		
Syracuse	Football	Away
Pittsburgh Freshmen	Fr. Football	Home
Syracuse	Soccer	Home
Syracuse	Cross Country	Away
Syracuse Freshmen	Fr. Cross Country	Away
Saturday, November 9 (Houseparty)		
Villanova	Football	Home
Bucknell Freshmen	Fr. Football	Away
Springfield	Soccer	Home
Saturday, November 16		
Pennsylvania	Football	Away
Navy Plebes	Fr. Football	Away
Navy	Soccer	Away
Monday, November 18		
I. C. A. A. A.	Cross Country	Away
I. C. A. A. A.	Fr. Cross Country	Away
Saturday, November 23		
Bucknell	Football	Away

Soccermen Lose Only 3 Regulars

McEwan's Leg Injury, Scarcity Of Fullback Material, Chief Worries of Jeffrey

Losing only three regulars by graduation, Soccer Coach Bill Jeffrey has prospects for a team that might even surpass last year's squad, undefeated though tied. The vacancies left by Captain Jack Fletcher, center halfback, and Bob Graham, full-back, will be the hardest to fill, although Joe Bielicki, this year's captain, will probably be converted from a forward to a center half. At present the fullback post is open, with half a dozen candidates conceding equal chances.

Coach Jeffrey is signing the call for practice to be held daily on the field by the golf course, and by Wednesday all the players should be out. The team will begin practice with the local high school, which boasts a strong team.

Other than how to fill the left fullback post, the mentor's chief worry has to do with the condition of Bill McEwan's leg, which was operated on during the summer. An old injury, it didn't keep "Mac" from playing a superb game at center forward last year, and should it heal properly, all safe predictions even better things for this wily forward.

Other veterans returning include All-American goalie Ray Bell, full-back Johnny Binns, halfbacks Ed Long and Bill Sutliff, and forwards George Corbett, Connie Welsh, and Frank Osterlund. Should Bielicki go back to center half, Miehoff of last year's plebe team will probably fill the inside job.—W. B. F.

Librarian Gets Post

Willard P. Lewis, College librarian, was elected secretary-treasurer of the College and reference section of the American Library association at a meeting in Denver, Colo., recently.

Forrest W. Hunsicker '36, president of the organization. Members of last year's R. O. T. C. bands as well as old members of the Blue Band are requested to attend the meeting. Bandmaster Wilfred O. Thompson met prospective members of the Freshman R. O. T. C. band last evening when preliminary tryouts were held.

Graduates Appointed

All of the graduates from the department of agricultural education this year have been appointed to teaching positions, according to Dr. Clarence S. Anderson, of the department of rural education. Thirteen of the graduates will teach in eleven counties throughout the state, while two have gone to schools in Oklahoma.

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Between The Lions

Prediction Department

The Lion football team should win at least four of their encounters this fall, possibly more. The rest of the games will not reflect unfavorably on the athletic prestige of State, no matter what the outcome.

But what about the dearth of substitute backfield men and a corps of punters, the appalling schedule that permits of few breathers, and the injuries that have beset the squad so far?

True, all too true. But what was said in the first paragraph still goes. There is something in the wind these days that inspires confidence in the Lions, some indefinable feeling that all is well with Penn State athletics, and that a special Providence that looks out for institutions deserving of athletic glory, will be on the job. The old slander that State teams

knew but four plays and used but two of them will be forever silenced. Deception, speed, and a wide-open game that calls for a nifty bag of tricks will be utilized, following the modern trend toward laterals as a standard part of every team's repertoire.

A correspondent tips us off that Chester has a new pro football club, with a roster that sounds like a Penn State alumni club. George "Spike" Collins, '32 captain, is playing coach; Dave Long is assistant coach and plays; Lou Kreizman and Marty Hesch are in the line; and Merrill Morrison, last year's captain, is in the backfield.—W. B. F.

Phi Delta Theta Wins Bezdek Athletic Cup

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of the boxing trophy, which added another 125 points to this group's total. The putting tournament was the only other competition which was won

by the fraternity, the remainder of their points being gathered from varsity competition and managing. Third place in the final counting was assumed by Beta Theta Pi with a total of 698 points, followed by Phi Kappa Sigma with 579, and Sigma Nu with 570½. Remaining groups in the first ten are: sixth place, Theta Kappa Phi, 487 points; seventh place, Chi Upsilon, 478 points; eighth place, Alpha Chi Sigma Rho, 421 points; and, tenth place, Delta Sigma Phi, 415 points. Delta Upsilon, the only other group scoring in the 400 category, had a total of 404 points.

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