

Varsity to Tangle With Yearlings Tomorrow

Soccer Lineup Remains Undecided

With 5 Lettermen, 4 Veterans on Hand, Coach Bill Jeffrey Has 2 Weeks To Select Starting Team for Opener

By JERRY WEINSTEIN

Although the soccer season is but two weeks away, Coach Bill Jeffrey has not yet decided upon his opening lineup. With only five lettermen and four veterans on hand, Jeffrey is confronted with a problem that seemingly doesn't bother him in the least.

Four out of five of the forward line of last year's undefeated team will make that department adequately capable. The halfbacks will be inexperienced for the most part, but the fullback posts will be well taken care of. The goalie spot will be filled by a newcomer.

McEwan to Lead Wings

One of the outstanding college forwards in the country will pace the Nittany forwards when Bill McEwan, who captains the team, takes his outside left post. McEwan was one of two collegiate soccer players to reach the final Olympic tryouts last June. The other college boy was Bill's younger brother, Dave. This year there was a McEwan on the United States team, but that was Bill's older brother, Johnny.

Along with McEwan on the forward line there will be Sol Miehoff, who scored a sensation as a sophomore last year. Carl Wacker is another star who showed well as a sophomore with Miehoff. Frank Osterlund, not reported as yet, rounds out four of the five lettermen.

Halfbacks Inexperienced

Only one of the possible three leading halfbacks has had any experience to speak of. Eddie Mandel, a junior who played in some games last year, is the only half with any training. Two sophomores are leading the pack for the other available halfback positions, namely Walt Painter and Mac Magrill. Spiker is also pushing for a starting assignment.

Phil Barnes, although slightly incapacitated with a leg injury, will make the fifth letterman to start the season for Jeffrey. Dave Waddell, a veteran, joins Barnes in forming the two fullback posts. Borda and James are newcomers who are vying for fullback positions with the veterans.

Goal Still Open

When Hank Schweitzer, a sophomore, reported to Jeffrey this week, another problem confronted the Nittany mentor. Schweitzer, who has had soccer experience, simply adds one more player to the list of equally capable goal tenders. Dick Haag and Solly Cohn are the other netmen who make the three-cornered fight an open affair.

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Offensive Lacked Punch In Wednesday Scrimmage; Schrieber Breaks Wrist

Guard Ranks Still Further Depleted by Loss Of Sacco, Battaglia; Harrison Reels Off Pretty Run in Practice

By CHARLES M. WHEELER, JR.

There will be an unholy mixture of colors on New Beaver field tomorrow when the Lion varsity aspirants meet the yearling gridders in a practice game. On one side will be blue and white jerseys and on the other green.

The upperclassmen tried their offensive against these green boys on Wednesday and found that they didn't have much of a one. It wasn't until he first frosh line got out of action that the varsity began to go any place. Optimism has been the keynote of the squad so far, but unless more progressive work offensively is done, a few hopeful souls here and there are going to be dampened.

The loss of Charley Schrieber, sophomore guard who fractured his wrist Monday and will be gone all season, was a severe one. Especially so when it is considered that Battaglia and Sacco have gone home and have not returned as yet. This leaves the squad with three fine defensive guards — Economos, Toretti, and Barth—but no offensive ones.

Guard blocking on the offense was a special weakness on Wednesday. Peel, a willing sophomore tackle is being groomed to play the position. Economos at present is laid up with a sprained ankle.

But more encouraging is the return of Denise and Waugaman to uniform and the ability of Enders to work out now.

Harrison Goes Well

Looking good Wednesday was Harry Harrison who got his first opportunity to start with a select group in front of him. He ripped off a beautiful snaky run for about 25 yards right through the secondary defense and a touchdown. How he got through four men without the semblance of interference is beyond this writer.

Bud Kyle also turned in a sixty yard run down the right sideline for a score. Against the frosh reserves the boys gained more consistently. The number 2 backs, notably Donato, Lang, and Enders, when he returns, are going to have a job of blocking, cut out for them if Lion backs are to go places this year.

Encouraging was the work that Bob Higgins is giving the ends and wing backs on taking out the opposing tackle. That is the kind of stuff that makes a winning football team. Lion rosters should be on hand tomorrow to see what the team looks like and at the same time view the freshmen.

Grid Lines

Manager Joe Griffith has issued a call for more candidates for manager. He insists that those who will report now will have as much a chance as those who have already reported. . . Lou Barth engaged in his first scrimmage since the recurrence of his knee injury. He also has a chipped elbow. . . Hard-running Johnny Patrick is on the sidelines with a case of ankles. . . John Economos' sprained ankle is well on the way to mending. . .

Red O'Hara has been running the ball more this year. . . and did you ever notice how tensed he is when he calls signals. . . he pumps his arm with every number. . . What they say in the huddle on the field is a mystery to some but it is really nothing very mysterious. . . right formation, 6 play on 3. . . that's all, unless. . . wait 'til I get that so and so. . .

Ask Marty McAndrews sometime what he thinks about Hooks Mylin, the Bucknell coach. . . Some of the boys are beauts at going through those prance-developing boxes. . . they are supposed to make the boys elusive. . . Doc Davis, Lou Bell, Ike Gilbert, and Joe Rubin are among the

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Between The Lions

It is probably unavoidable that the outstanding team on the Penn State campus receives such little support from the student body. Circumstances are such that year after year, the same conditions prevail.

By its very record, the Penn State soccer team can be called most impressive of the fourteen varsity sports outfits. Winning eighty games while losing only twelve in a twenty-five-year span clearly indicates the feat that has been performed by Lion booters over a quarter-century. Yet, few people witness the soccer encounters despite performance.

Football, of course, holds the fall sports spotlight throughout the country. It is the greatest intercollegiate sport and is rapidly gaining prestige in professional circles. Soccer in this country never has and never will receive the attention football gets and football deserves.

Here at Penn State, a Saturday afternoon finds thousands on New Beaver field to witness football games. A few hours before that, the soccer team probably won a stirring victory before less than a hundred observers.

Soccer games are scheduled during the lunch hour. This in itself keeps people away. They are held before and not during football games in order to let the booters witness the gridiron battle as well as to round out the sports program of the day.

Something should be done at once to change the present set-up. No doubt, the performance of the soccer team, brilliant as it is at the present time, could be considerably buoyed up by student support.

Just what could be done is up to the athletic authorities. It might be possible to have the game played on a Friday afternoon at a reasonable hour. The games could be scheduled earlier on a Saturday in order not to conflict with the lunch hours. Soccer games might even be scheduled as a preliminary attraction to the football game.

Whatever comes, it would be a nice gesture on the part of the Penn State student body to give wholehearted support to that impressive soccer outfit, starting with the first game. The fact that students inconvenienced themselves just to see the team play would indicate the esteem that should be felt for the soccer eleven.

—J. W.

Marty McAndrews

(This is the third of a series of biographical sketches on Penn State coaches.)

Marty McAndrews. . . the redoubtable Marty. . . first of the McAndrews chain. . . who will ever forget his athletic career at Penn State? . . . Not one of Leo's greatest leather pushers, but certainly one of the games and most colorful ringmen who ever stepped through the ropes in Recreation Hall. . . the memory of Marty's Irish countenance, smiling but pugnacious, is a recollection Penn State ring fans will never forget. He had a trick of starting from the middle of the ring and backing towards the ropes and bouncing out again. . . It seldom worked but how the fans loved it. . . Marty was captain of the boxing team in his senior year. . . 1930. . . and in the finals of the intercollegiate at Philadelphia, he defeated a Navy light-heavyweight to cap the championship for himself and the team title for his mates. . .

On the football field Marty was another Bill Rhoda. . . high spirited, constant chatter, always moving. . . And he was no mean center in the last days of athletic scholarships. . . Winner of the "outstanding athlete" award, 1929-'30. . . Returned to the campus for graduate work and received his master's degree in physical education. . . Has had a varied and interesting coaching career. . . line coach at Dickinson, Lebanon Valley, . . . instructor in boxing at the Pennsylvania State Police training school, Hershey. . . Finally landed with Hooks Mylin at Bucknell. . . where a State graduate was looked upon with mild suspicion. . . They laughed at his hard football language ("For Heaven's Sake, Hit That Line Hard"). . . But Marty soon captivated the Bison football squad and the Bucknell student body. . . they hated to see him go. . . but he's back now where he belongs. . .

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Nittany Lion X-Country Team Warms Up for 4-Meet Season

By WOODY BIERLY

Penn State's cross-country teams are slowly preparing for the 1936 season. The boys are running further each night, getting into shape, getting rid of those stiff muscles, and getting ready for their four-meet season.

Several more have reported for the varsity team, raising the number

to more than thirty. The freshman squad, also, has been getting larger, and if the boys keep intact, they should cause plenty of worry for their opponents. A number of good names are listed on their roster, many of them holding high school records.

No time trials have been conducted as yet. The harriers won't compete against each other for places on the team until after the boys are limbered up and over the soreness. Coach Werner is taking no chances on having the harriers sustain any injuries. Only a few of the freshmen have covered the five-mile course so far.

Among the varsity members who have turned out are Howard Downey, captain of the 1936 team, Charles Clark, Pete Olexy, and Don Daugherty, all lettermen of the team last fall. Olexy took first place in the dual meets with Lehigh, Yale, and Pitt last year, and at the Syracuse meet tied with Downey, Book, and Trimble for first honors.

Sophomores who were numeral winners last fall and who have come out for berths this season are Burt Aikman, Herb Hazard, Leonard Henderson, Bill Grist, and Bill Joachim.

Henderson was captain of the freshman harriers last year. He took first place in the dual meets with Pitt and Cornell and placing third, was the first State man to cross the line in the Syracuse race.

The record that Hazard has made for himself is also worth noting. Not having run in a competitive meet before coming here, he took sixth place in the intercollegiate in Van Cortland Park in New York City last November. He was but 25 seconds be-

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New Basketball Coach Calls for Candidates

While most athletic officials are thinking of football and soccer at this time of the year, Coach John D. Lawther is getting basketball started here in a big way.

The new Lion court mentor has called for a meeting of all varsity candidates for Monday in the Varsity hall basement at 4:30 o'clock.

Practice will start on Tuesday. Freshman aspirants will use the gymnasium at 4:30 o'clock while the varsity players will have their practice session at 7 o'clock.

Pitt Appears Tough

The stuff about those new light blue jerseys is just that. . . there are new ones but they are the same hue of blue. . . Remember that Pitt freshman punter last year, Chickerno? Well, his kicks won the game they were so good. . . and this year he is just the third best punter on the squad. . . Incidentally, another sophomore, Lezowski, is giving the All-American possibility, Dalle-Tezze, a tough run for his money on the same squad. . . Cornell publicity was crying a while back about losing so many football men through scholastic difficulties, and now they come out and say that the Indians haven't lost any. . .



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