

«« Between The Lions »»

By BOB GRUBE

Saturday was a day of upsets. Pitt's Panthers, hailed as outstanding contenders for the national championship after knocking off Ohio State a week ago, bowed to Duquesne's rugged defensive outfit, 7-0 and thus surrendered to an all-eastern foe for the first time since 1923.

"There were other surprises, such as Lehigh's 7-6 conquest of Penn State," one week-end football review said. But to all followers of the Nittany Lion who witnessed the sad exhibition of football in Taylor Stadium at Bethlehem on Saturday the game was not regarded as a surprise. The surprising thing about the whole fiasco was that the Engineers didn't score at least two or three more touchdowns.

To Lehigh, Saturday's game was a triumphant victory—the fulfillment of a 19-year dream. In the minds of the Lehigh grid-men and their followers, they had upset the dope. We do not like to minimize the Lehigh victory. It was well deserved. But the fact remains that Lehigh was playing a team that was as poorly organized as any of those during even the darkest years of the Bezedek reign.

Coach Bob Higgins thought he had sent a team on the field. Instead, there were eleven men out there, each with his own idea about how the game was to be played and each one determined to play it that way.

Dissension in the ranks was the basic cause of Penn State's ignominious failure on Saturday. That there may be an underlying cause for this dissension, we suspect, but just now the blame falls upon those

players who laid down on the job when things looked bad. It did not take a microscopic eye to see where the trouble lay. It came from those who should be the last to lose faith—the seniors on the team—those grid stalwarts who are holding down positions purely on the merits of past performances.

And what caused the dissension? The presence of sophomores who really want to play football, who are prevented from the playing the game as a team by the petty bickering of a few veterans. Those veterans seem to think they are destined to pull the team out of the hole it has been wallowing in for the past two weeks. The result is that their horseplay has broken the team into two factions. The only remedy is to eliminate the one factor if future victories are hoped for.

Chief among the offenders was Tommy Silvano, the Dunmore flash who once went to Notre Dame. After failing to gain yardage on line bucks time after time, this veteran of many campaigns decided it was up to him to captain the team and started upbraiding other players for their shortcomings. He was assisted in this valuable self-appointed duty by Schuyler, O'Hara and Barth.

Where was Chuck Cherundolo all this time. Chuck, you know, is captain of the team, besides trying to fill three or four other positions. Just as Chuck was everywhere in the Villanova game, so he was following up on the shortcomings of his team-mates in Saturday's game. This sort of playing leaves little time for field generalship and before Chuck knew what was happening he had a young revolution on his hands. Huddles were turned into glorified ball sessions in which nearly everyone had his say.

There is no doubt that followers of the team are fed up with the disgusting conditions that prevail. One of the few remaining chances for victory this season seems to be next Saturday's game with Cornell. We have a hunch things will be different. Again, the Lion, its head hung by two defeats, seems in a position to come back. Wait until the season has reached the half-way mark, at least, before passing judgment on the coach, his system, or the players, their potentialities.

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Booters Impressive in Win Over Gettysburg

Playing Skill on Wet Field Shown in 8 to 0 Triumph

By JERRY WEINSTEIN

Penn State's soccer team demonstrated the fact that it is capable of playing a fast-passing game on a rain-soaked field, as well as on a dry turf, when it scored a one-sided 8 to 0 victory over Gettysburg Saturday for its second triumph.

Playing on a field submerged by eighteen hours of driving rain, every unit—forward, halfback, and defensive players—indicated that the Nittany Lion sports fans will again have a soccer team worthy of equal ranking with the undefeated teams of the last three years.

While the shutout score suggests that little opposition was provided by Gettysburg, the actual facts show that the Bullets were no set-ups. Soccer has always been the main sport at Gettysburg and a conference championship and several major victories were chalked up by the same players that were here Saturday.

Only in two quarters—the second and third—did Coach Bill Jeffrey's team turn on the needed steam for such a bleak day. The first period was slow, possibly because the booters had to get accustomed to the soggy field. The ball was kicked back and forth with neither team showing any punch, and only one Lion goal was recorded. Passing was sloppy in the initial period. And in the last quarter, a terrific downpour prevented both teams from doing anything.

McEwan Again Leads / Captain Bill McEwan again paced the scoring department for the Nittany booters when he chalked up five goals to keep far ahead of his 1934 record for scoring. His nine for two games indicate that he may be well on the way toward establishing a new collegiate mark. Sol Miehoff accounted for the other three Penn State points.

How They Scored / Late in the first quarter, Frank Osterlund dribbled through and passed to McEwan, who scored on a shot that crossed the Gettysburg goalie and slammed into the corner of the net. In the second quarter, Miehoff counted on a power shot after McEwan passed. Goal number 3 went to the Lion leader, when Carl Wacker did a perfect job of getting the ball into position. Miehoff then passed to McEwan who scored as the

half ended. In the third period, Miehoff contributed a rare feat when he headed the ball over the Gettysburg goalie's head after a rough scrimmage near the net. McEwan then tallied when he came out of a mix-up of several Bullet defense men. Eddie Mandel brought the ball up within striking distance and passed to Miehoff for goal number 7. The fourth period was slow, with McEwan repeating the novelty of a headed goal.

As announced, Jo Hobart opened the ball game by kicking off... before the game, a photographer took several shots, showing the players grouped around the goal... and she posed with the two captains, McEwan and Worley... but cheered silently for forward Gillespie of Gettysburg during the game... her sport shoes were out of place... but the Penn State uniform wasn't...

Mont Alto topped the Lion freshman booters, 3 to 0... mostly because the cubs were rather disorganized... although they have some promising players... for instance, co-captains Bob Schuler and John Wardluff... and Bob Olmstead... and goalie Ken Royer...

Other yearlings who played were Gensler, Borden, Mahan... and Alter, Schaeffer, Canby... and Nerkey, Sperring, and Rathenberger... The Mont Alto foresters are coached by former Penn State track and

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INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

By FRANCIS SZYMCAK

Sigma Alpha Epsilon defeated the Unit 6 football team under the lights Thursday night. The game was close throughout, but an old-fashioned sleeper after a time out in the last quarter gave the winners their winning score, 6-0-0. Bill Fetter caught the pass over the goal line without being hurried.

Tau Sigma Phi dropped the second game of the evening when they lost to Sigma Phi Alpha by five first downs to two. The S. P. A.'s showed better teamwork than their opponents.

Eliminations among the 32 qualifiers in the putting tourney started Thursday, but only the upper quarter of the drawings saw action as rain prevented play Friday and Saturday. Mahaffey and Miller, Kappa Sig's, turned in the best qualifying scores, each carding a 36 for the 18 holes.

The eight teams entered in the cross-country competition will run the course of one and seven-eighths miles. The meet will be held this Thursday. The winner will be decided by the low aggregate score of the first three finishers.

Greatly hindered by the torrential

Harriers Trample Lehigh With 15-40 Perfect Score

By WOODY BIERLY

Coming in as one, seven Nittany harriers finished in a tie for first place to run up a 15-40 perfect score against the Lehigh Engineers in the meet at Saucon Valley Country Club at 9 o'clock Saturday morning. Their time for covering the 5 1/4 mile easy, but wet and sloppy course was 29:02 as compared with 29:49, the time of Hildebrandt, the first Lehigh runner to finish. Captain Downey, Olexy, Clark, Hazard, Henderson, Pierce, and Aikman joined hands as they crossed the wire, giving State her decisive victory in the first meet of the season, but mention should be made of Lehigh's star freshman, Elmer, who really paced them all. His time of 28 minutes, however, meant nothing on the record, since he wasn't entered in the competition. Wear, accompanying the team as a possible substitute for Hazard who has recently recovered from an attack of grippe, ran as a non-entrant also, and followed Hildebrandt with a time of 29:55.

downpour and the slippery route, the hill-and-dalers of neither team were able to do justice to their times. Captain Broughad was forced to withdraw from the competition when he suddenly stricken with illness. Lehigh men, placing from 10th to 14th respectively were Sigley, 30:14; Hurst, 30:59 (he led the Engineers' trials with a 29:02 time last week); Tompkins, 31:46; Parsons, 32:10; and

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