

BETWEEN THE LIONS

The Soose-Kociubinsky banishment which knocked Penn State sports fans for a loop last week is fully discussed in the editorial columns of the Collegian, so there is no point in going further into the matter. There is just one thing to be remembered, however:

The action was not unfair. True, it's bad for the boxing team, but it's great for the Penn State sports picture.

The Lion gridders are going through their last few practice sessions before leaving for Cornell Friday.

Just what happens in that Cornell game should have much to do with

the success or failure of the Higgins eleven for the rest of the season.

A victory for Penn State over Cornell should buoy the boys high up. Defeat might have a psychological disadvantage.

Andy Kerr says that Penn State ranks with the six leading college football teams in the east. A sports columnist warns teams to watch the Nittany Lion. We hope both are right. Injuries still keep most of the first team out of practice sessions. Just who will play Saturday is hard to tell. The line reserves make things look a bit brighter because of the way they played against Lock Haven Saturday.

Bill Ford, former Penn State baseball player, has returned to college for his regular fall semester.

A property of the Boston Bees, Ford goes to class the first semester and then leaves for Florida and training camp in February.

Ford played here two years ago as a pitcher, using his 225 pounds to great advantage as far as speed was concerned. He had a bit of trouble with control.

Bill McKecknie, known to be one of the smartest managers in major

Megrail Considered For McEwan's Post

By ROY B. NICHOLS

It looks as though Frank Megrail may fill that hole left by all-American Bill McEwan at the center-forward position on Coach Bill Jeffrey's 1937 team. Jeffrey had Megrail playing the pivot post in scrimmage Saturday, and his performance warranted such expectations.

Scoring two out of four attempts in a varsity-reserve scrimmage, Megrail's well-placed shots brought back pleasant memories of Bill McEwan's tally kicks. Another goal by Walt Painter, center halfback, made the final score 3-0 in favor of the varsity.

Freshmen opened practice by tying a State College high school team, 1-1. The game was played Thursday afternoon. Freshman soccer candidates are still urged to report to the soccer practice field on the golf course any afternoon at 4 o'clock.

league baseball, changed Bill to an outfielder in training camp last winter.

Ford then was sent to Zanesville, O., member of the Middle Atlantic Class C league, where he played all season. He finished with a .270 batting average after spending half the season pitching, the other part in the outfield.

Economos Definitely Out Of Opener, DeMarino May Play

By HERB CAHAN

Co-capt. Johnny Economos is definitely out of the Cornell game this Saturday. And there is the possibility, unless his knee responds to treatment better than it has, that he will be lost to the team for the rest of the season.

This leaves a hole in the line that will be hard for Coach Higgins to fill, since Economos was a standout at his guard post, a bulwark both on offense and defense. Coach Higgins has been trying a number of men at this spot, and it looks as though either Joe Peel or Charlie Thompson will get the call against the Ithacans.

More news on the injuries situation: Danny DeMarino, veteran tackle who has been ailing with a strained back, seems to be rounding into shape, and although Higgins doesn't expect to start him against Cornell, Danny will probably see action in part of the game.

Other members of the squad are suffering from bad bruises, wrenched knees, and colds. They should all be in shape for the season opener, although they were not used in Saturday's practice scrimmage with Lock Haven State Teachers College.

Head linesman was the injured DeMarino; other linesmen and whistletoters were Alex Barantovich, varsity end who has a bruised shoulder; Carl Waugaman, another veteran end out with a wrenched knee; and Grover Washabaugh, a promising sophomore end candidate who has been bothered by inflamed knee tendons.

Dean Hanley, varsity tackle out with a sore foot, and Tony Giannantonio, junior halfback who has a bad cold, were not up at New Beaver Field.

Johnny Patrick, flashy back, was in uniform, but Coach Higgins did not use him since he is pretty badly bruised. And of course Carl Stravinski, sophomore tackle, who will be out for about four weeks with a broken ankle, was not used.

But, even with all these first-stringers incapacitated, the team did well against the big Black Legion from Lock Haven. Naturally, flaws were to be found—the purpose of the whole affair being to uncover any mistakes and attempt to correct them this week.

State lined up with Sid Alter and Joe Adessa at the ends; Bill Ellwood and Ted Nemeth, tackles; Tor Toretti and Joe Peel, guards; Dud Enders, center; and Harry Harrison, Co-capt. Sammy Donato, Lloyd Ickes, and Joe Metro, in the backfield.

This aggregation, augmented throughout the game by the whole squad, held the Teachers to one first down, the main flaw in the Lion defense being that they didn't cover the field very well. Lock Haven only tried a couple passes, completing both of them. The team is notably weak in this department, and must improve considerably this week—Cornell has big, experienced ends!

After playing a good end game, and Coach Higgins was "delighted to see him block a Lock Haven punt. There is nothing more demoralizing for a team than to have a kick blocked and recovered by the opposition," he explained. Adessa, at the other end, was quite a disappointment; he was not so aggressive, and was continually being swept out of play by the opposing interference.

On the offensive, the team was particularly successful in working wide reverses for long gains, and big holes were opened by the line for many successful center and off tackle thrusts.

Harry Harrison got off on a few wild runs as only Harry can. . . . Windy Wear proved that he is the best passer. . . . Steve Rollins' kicking and running was reassuring to Coach Higgins. . . . Donato played all but a few minutes of the game, did not carry the ball once, but Lock Haven knew he was there every time they tried to get the ball-carrier.

McAndrews Pins Frosh Hopes On Blocking

Working on the theory that "ten good blockers can make any guy with the ball appear to be an all-American," Coach Marty McAndrews sent his freshman football charges through a week of practice sessions which were devoted almost entirely to tackling the dummy and blocking. McAndrews has not held any scrimmages as yet.

While the backfield candidates, under the tutelage of Phil "Mooney"

Mooney, star State halfback in '30 and '31, have been drilling in passing the pigskin, the linemen have been learning the fundamentals of blocking from Marty and Albert Hooks, former tackle from John Carroll U. Boxing coach Leo Houck will act as trainer for the frosh gridders. . . . Of the 100 or so candidates who reported at Marty's first meeting, only 60 remain. . . . of these, two are without football harness. . . .

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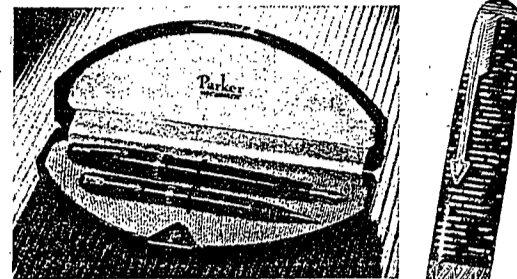
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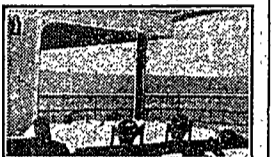
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