

# Miehoff Back—Ready For Temple, Georgetown Games

## Grippe Had "Little Man" Down; Leading League With 48 Points In Three Games

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Since the opening of the first semester, a tiny blue figure has been constantly holding the Lion victory flag to added glory.

For three months—from September to November—Penn State's Little Boy Blue captained his soccer mates to victory after victory, preserving Bill Jeffrey's long string of unbeaten tennis to gain a slice of the Eastern title.

There was no rest for Little Boy Blue, however. Dismissing his collegiate soccer paraphernalia forever, he donned his basketball togs once more and proceeded to spark a relentless Lion attack to eight straight triumphs and the Eastern intercollegiate conference pinnacle.

Then early last week, after three and a half years of constant plugging on the soccer field, Little Boy Blue was shipped to the infirmary. Officially the case was listed as "grippe."

But tonight he'll be back in harness again, aiming to resume his remarkable sharpshooting when the Lion eagles stake their lead against Temple at Philadelphia Friday and against Georgetown at Washington Saturday.

Rarely if ever has the Conference seen such an amazing one-man scoring machine as Penn State's Sol Miehoff has proved to be. In three league games, Miehoff has hustled 38 field goals and 12 fouls for a total of 48 points, or an average of 16 points per game and a net average of more than 42 per cent of the entire team total.

If he can maintain his terrific pace—which seems almost an impossibility—Miehoff would crack all existing Conference records and more. Meanwhile, don't count him out beforehand. Sol relishes impossibilities.

Following Miehoff in Conference scoring are Big Charley Prosser with 23 points; Max Corbin, 17; Bill Stopper, 11; Co-captain Joe Prosko, 8; Jack Reichenbach, 6; and Sonny Hoffman and Herb Peterson, 1 each. Miehoff also paces non-Conference scoring with 64 points in six games, followed by Prosser with 60.

After a surprising loss in the season opener, the Lions have rebounded with 320 points in the last eight tu-

# Mercersburg Sinks Frosh Swimmers By 41-25 Score

Swimming their only meet of the year in Glenland Pool last Saturday, the freshman swimming team went down to defeat before a powerhouse Mercersburg academy team, last year's national champions in the prep school class, by a 41-25 score.

State was generally outclassed all around by the Mercersburg splashes, although the matches did show up one outstanding Lion swimmer who is likely to swim his way to big things in the next three years, Bill Kirkpatrick. Bill came in first in the fifty and second in the 100-yard free style. In the grind of the meet, the 220-yard free style, the Lion cub made a pathetic showing, following their two prep school adversaries by almost two lengths of the pool at the finish.

**Disqualification on Relay**  
The opening event of the meet, the 200-yard relay was swum in record-breaking time by Mercersburg, but the score went to State on a disqualification, one of the Mercersburg swimmers starting before the man before him touched the wall.

The 50-yard dash was carried off by Kirkpatrick in 25.2 seconds. He was followed by Dick Kelly of Mercersburg and Lion Dick Rubner. The 100-yard breast stroke, a close race, was won by Mercersburg with Ken Hill (1:17.5) first and Roy Cousins third. Second was Bill Kelley of Penn State.

In the 220-yard heart-breaker two Mercersburg men, John Gillis and Bill Hooper, ran away with the event, Gillis finishing in 2:26. In the 100-yard back stroke the same thing happened with Doug Smith and Vernon Reiss leading Dave Welsh. Time for this was 1:06. The 100-yard free style was won by Mercersburger Howie Johnson in 54.1. Kirkpatrick and Tom Robinson followed him.

Future promise was shown by State diver, Bob Hildebrand who won second his hands suffered while participating in the rope climb event.

The Olympic champion has been rolling over the mats for ten years now, beginning his career at 13 while in junior high school. Wolfe is now a senior pre-medical student at Western Reserve university, and one of the best liked fellows on the Cleveland school's campus.

# Navy Gym Team Troupes State

A powerful group of gymnasts from the U. S. Naval academy completely overwhelmed the Lion gym squad, 45 1/2 to 8 1/2, in Annapolis last Saturday to halt a winning streak of two straight for the Nittany musclemen.

Tallying eight of State's total points by placing first on the parallel bars and second in tumbling, Ray Runkle ranked as high scorer for the meet. Al Klugman tied for third on the horse to record the remaining one-half mark.

The brilliant Navy outfit swept all places on the horizontal bar, rings, and in the rope climb, one event in which Penn State hoped to register points. Negotiating the 20-foot rope climbing event in 4.2 seconds, deCamp of Navy provided the outstanding performance for the meet.

**Summaries:**  
Horizontal bar—Won by Reinhart, Navy; Bryan, Navy, second; Raymer, Navy, third.  
Rope climb—Won by de Camp, Navy; Ellison, Navy, second; Sawyer, Navy, third.  
Horse—Won by Shaver, Navy; Ellison, Navy, second; Klugman, Penn State, and Hardy, Navy, tied for third.

Parallel bars—Won by Runkle, Penn State; Walker, Navy, second; Varnum, Navy, third.  
Rings—Won by Worthington, Navy; Butler, Navy, second; Walker, Navy, third.  
Tumbling—Won by Richardson, Navy; Runkle, Penn State, second; Loman, Navy, third.

In the diving, first and third places went to Don Munding and Bill Whitesell of Mercersburg. The 150 relay was swum by a Mercersburg four in 1:27.1 to complete the meet. These were Mark Fallanshee, Gillis, Johnson, and Dave Tyler.

Undefeated last year, the Mercersburg team was the national championship prep school team. They have lost only six meets in the last 14 years.

# Frosh Matmen Lose By 18-14 Score To Mercersburg

A fall in the unlimited bout proved the margin of victory for Mercersburg Academy's wrestlers in Recreation hall Saturday as State's frosh grapplers won three bouts by referee's decisions, while the prep school boys won two of their victories by falls. The score was 18-14.

Arnie Feuerlicht, Lion freshman, stayed in command throughout his 118-pound to win the referee's nod over Dick Klopp. Craig Vail, of Mercersburg, won valuable points as he threw Leo Horvath twice—in 1:56 of the first three-minute period, and again in 56 seconds of the final period.

Mercersburg continued to pile up points as Dick Greene won a referee's decision over Frank Geason. Bob Browning, 145-pounder of the visitors, was very impressive as he threw Larry Tate with a double armlock in 2:42.

Curt Eves, moved up to the 155-pound class because of an injury to Joe Scalzo, winner in the recent interclass bouts, threw Mercersburg's Hanson with a body press and hammerlock in 2:42.

State forged ahead with victories in the next two bouts. Husky Bill Bachman, brother of Don of the varsity team, was on top of Henry Kreider during most of the 165-pound bout. Scoring several near-falls, he easily won the decision. In the 175-pound class Joe Valla, frosh griddler, won a decision over Nick Shields to place the Cubs in the lead, 14-13.

In the deciding unlimited bout, Wade Mori, another football man, showed superior strength, but Joe Jameson's experience and clever tactics proved too much for Mori, and he was thrown with a bar and chancery in 2:29.

# BETWEEN THE LIONS

This last year in intercollegiate boxing has seen many changes in the conduct of the fights, notably, barring of amateurs from competition, adopting a heavier glove, and at the same time eliminating hand bandages. Since then, has come Al Tapman's idea for more social contact between the fighters of both teams so that a spirit of true sportsmanship can be built between competitors.

Another change which would prove beneficial to the sport would be the raising of the 115 pound limit to 118 pounds so that the smaller boxers would not have to "train down" to an almost impossible weight.

Statistics gathered by several agencies have shown that the average college student of today is heavier and taller than even those of 15 years ago when the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association was formed. It is an unfair demand to make upon the lighter boys to go on a "bread and water" diet in order to make this weight.

Penn State students know of at least two cases where such action was necessary. Former Captain Russ Criswell was always fighting the increases in weight which came about by normal diet during the season. Last week, Alex Sopehak was unable to fight because he, too, could not or would not make weight even on a limited amount of food.

The United States Naval Academy has taken cognizance of this matter and refuses to allow their lighter boys to go below 118 pounds, which seems the most sensible thing to do.

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