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Bob Wilson

One of my secret agents who works so close to Ridge Riley that he is Ridge Riley stopped me yesterday on my way to a tea given in honor of Doggy Alexander at Frances Atherton Hall and handed me a neatly-folded, official-looking slip of yellow paper.

But before I disclose the contents of this all-important piece of yellow paper, I'd better tell you who Ridge Riley is. A very small patch on the seat of the College Administration, Ridge is Penn State's official minister of athletic propaganda.

Well, anyhow, as I was saying, Ridge handed me this carefully-crafted sheet of yellow paper and said, “Here, maybe you can use this in your column.” Eager to know just what it was all about, I hastily unfolded the page and read this:

Bucknell-Penn State Football 1939

Editor's note: The following is an excerpt from an editorial printed in the University of Lewisburg (now Bucknell) game played in 1931.

The first football match which has been played for some time on our campus came off near the close of last term, between the University team and the boys from State College. The University team was defeated; but was a willing to accept defeat with the lesson.

The State College team were well uniformed and equipped, whereas our boys, although having considerable practice, were not up to all their dodges. It was apparent in this game that our team was a match for, if not superior to their antagonists, in all but practice and knowledge of their arts. These can be acquired. Having met them once, and having gained by practice, they may reasonably expect victory in the coming game.

We do not despair of winning back our laurels, and new ones in addition. The contest certainly exerted a beneficial influence upon our zeal for athletic sports. We are very much gratified to observe the growing interest manifested in these sports during the present year. Improvements seem to be the order of the day, in fact, in all departments; a new endowment fund for the University, a new Board of Trustees; a new paper, a new Athletic Association, together with the awakening interest in long-neglected sports; who shall say that we are not making progress at the U. of L.?

Since the organization of the Athletic Association, our football team has procured new, strong, and beautiful uniforms and are employing all available time in practice, and will yield no future game without a struggle.

I finished reading and was on the verge of laughter, my favorite perch, when Ridge interrupted with “It's funny all right, but not as funny as you think. Read it again.”

I scanned the article again and noticed that it was written about 57 years ago. The game was played 58 years ago, and yet things haven't changed too much since that time. Penn State is still a “well-uniformed and disciplined” team; Bucknell is still a “match for, if not superior to their antagonists”—the Nittany Lions; the Bisons who play here tomorrow will “not despair of winning back their laurels” nor will they “yield without a struggle” as the editorial suggests.

Moral: If the shoe fits, lace it up!

Football

Continued From Page 1 they are not of the starting eleven. Sophomore backs Len Krouse, Pepper Petrella, and Bill Smaltz are sure to see action at some time during the afternoon, as is Steve Rollins. Len Frketch, 275 pound tackle, will get his chance as the occasion arises.

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Manhattan Won IC4-A Championship Last Year

Bill Smith, Len Henderson, Frank Maul, Alex Bourgeois, George Olson, Hermann Goffberg, Herb Nipson—four veterans and three sophomores—that's the Lion X-country team that will meet Manhattan's battle seven between the halves of the Penn State-Bucknell football game tomorrow.

Coach Chick Werner selected the team after a time trial on Wednesday in which Bill Smith led the pack over the finish line followed by Henderson, Maul, and company in the order named above.

The Manhattan squad that locks with the Wernermen tomorrow is one of the strongest ever to invade the Nittany Mountains.

Here's how Manhattan placed over Penn State in the IC4-A vendetta last year:

Smith Penn State, first, Moravia, Manhattan, fifth, Maul, Penn State, 12th, Sheehan, Manhattan, 15th, Furey, Manhattan, 16th, Vance, Manhattan, 18th, Henderson, Penn State, 25th, Nipson, Penn State, 47th in the freshman IC4-A tilt.

Gunning for their second victory of the season, Penn State's soccer Lions will meet Lehigh's Engineers on New Beaver Field at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

The Jeffrey men, fresh after an impressive 4-1 victory over Gettysburg, likely will encounter stiff opposition from the reportedly strong Lehigh outfit. Although not one of the best teams in this section, Lehigh boasts a veteran scoring forward wall.

Engineers Present Test

Lead by co-captains Walter Russell and Edward Phillips at half-back posts, the Engineers present the first test for Jeffrey's 1939 contingent. The outcome of this contest may prove whether the Lions are set to continue the tedious task of upholding that envious victory streak.

Some University of Louisville buildings originally housed a juvenile reform school.

Sahib Smalhiw Picks

Penn State over Bucknell, Cornell over Syracuse, Carnegie Tech over Temple, Pitt over West Virginia, Maryland over W. Maryland, Michigan over Michigan State, Notre Dame over Georgia Tech, Duke over Colgate, U. C. L. A. over Washington, Oregon over Stanford.

The Sahib adds that all the games will be close with the exception of the State-Bucknell tilt which will be 33-0 in State's favor.

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