

### Booilers Open Season

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play either outside right or Gus Bigott's old position, center forward, and Anibal "Gringo" Galindo, the transfer from Panama, who will probably handle the inside left position.

Galindo, brought up in a country where soccer is the national sport, is one of the most skillful ball handlers the Lion team has had. He has mastered the finesse that Coach Jeffrey emphasizes instead of a "power" player.

Extra bleachers have been set up for the large crowd that is expected, and present indications are that the supply of seats will be far less than those necessary to accommodate the fans.

### Lawther Has Enviably Record As Cage Coach; 202 Games Won, 57 Lost

John Lawther became varsity basketball coach at Penn State in 1937 and started to work with the characteristic thoroughness that he had displayed at Westminster while head basketball coach there.

Lawther started from scratch with the Lion courtmen, benching most of the lettermen from the year before, including the co-captains.

During the previous season Penn State had entered the fast Eastern Conference and had lost every league game. Lawther in his first year succeeded in winning 6 out of 10 league games and finished in third place.

In 13 seasons at Westminster and Penn State, Lawther has compiled one of the outstanding coaching records in the country. He won 202 and lost only 57 games for a winning percentage of .780.

### Mat Captain Gleason Is Most Unpredictable

Frank Gleason, captain of Charlie Speidel's wrestling squad, can be called the unpredictable of Penn State wrestling. A better than average wrestler, Frank was pinned five times in his sophomore year, but not because his opponents were better.

The Nittany captain would look like a million dollars on the mat, keeping a time advantage over his opponent, but because he had an irresistible desire to try new holds when he had the advantage, he would find his opponent clamping on one of his own.

Gleason's exploring nature, however, gave him confidence, and he won an unexpected championship in the 1938 Eastern Intercollegiate. Last year he had an undefeated season, losing only to Laggan of Penn in the Eastern Intercollegiate finals.

### Thiel Seeks Replacements For Graduated Stickmen

Although fall lacrosse practice has been underway for only a week, Coach Nick Thiel is putting his varsity candidates through half-field scrimmage in an effort to find replacements for the 14 senior stickmen who graduated from last year's squad.

About 35 candidates, almost evenly divided between varsity and freshmen, have reported to date. Thiel has his intention to practice until "snow flies."

He announced that additional candidates may report any afternoon at 4 o'clock.

### Between The Lions

WITH DICK PETERS

#### Lines On The Lions

Everything indicates a great turnout this afternoon for Penn State's first scheduled 1940-41 athletic contest, when the Lion soccer team begins its eighth undefeated season—and you may take that as a prediction. Though a little at loss to fill the places left by Big Bob Schuler and Dutch Lange in his 1939 outfit, Coach Bill Jeffrey has the amazing ability of turning up with just the right man to fill his vacancies each fall. So, here's to the eighth, with the ninth coming up!!!

Not many coaches of any sport face the problems of Nick Thiel, varsity lacrosse mentor. Nick lost twenty men from his varsity squad, fourteen by graduation and six for other reasons. Thus when Nick starts his season next spring, he'll have an almost all-sophomore team, built around only three experienced men — Captain Dattlebaum, Jim Riddell, and Jim Ritter, brother of last year's co-captain and all-American "Big Jidge" Ritter. Expected to help out considerably are second-year men Allen, Rudloff, Pettigout, and Thorpe.

Starting off last week with an average of .800 in prognosticating gridiron battles, this writer runs into a little quicksand in naming victors for today's games, but here they are—believe them or not: West Virginia to trample Westminster.

Syracuse to topple Clarkson. NYU to warm up with P.M.C. Virginia to down Lehigh. Boston College in a close win over Tulane. Michigan with a slight edge on California. Washington to outscore Minnesota. Duke to roughshod it over V.M.I. Southern Methodist to take UCLA. And on a hunch, Pitt to upset Ohio State.

### Jordan Hall Occupants To Have New Lounge

Work began yesterday on Jordan Hall's new lounge which will be ready for use early next week. Plans for the enlargement of the old quarters were made six months ago by Harold W. Loman, director of dormitories, upon the realization that the old lounge was inadequate for the needs of the hall's occupants.

The new lounge, double the size of the old one, will be entered by two arched doorways and will contain newly-upholstered furniture, a piano, and a combination radio-record player.

### Worst Accidents Caused By Men, Says Neyhart

Do women drivers have as large an accident rate as men?

"Yes," says Amos E. Neyhart of the Safety Education Bureau. But, he points out that most of the accidents caused by women are mere "fender scratches and insignificant bumper dents."

"Men," he says, "have the larger number of fatal wrecks." The main reason for the good female record, Neyhart states, is that women do not drive much late at night and are not subject to inclement weather as much as men are.

### Chicago To Hear Neyhart

Amos E. Neyhart, head of the Safety Education Bureau, will address the National Safety Congress at Chicago, from October 7 to 11. In addition, he will lecture at Sharon, Johnstown, and New Castle.

### Penn State Boasts Of Two Real All-Americans In Gajecki And Vargo

Here's some startling news for followers of Penn State's football fortunes. The Nittany Lions, after 17 lean years, can once again boast of an All-American in their lineup. In fact, two of Coach Bob Higgins proteges can lay claim to that honor.

There's only one little hitch in the whole set up. We know that our two boys are real All-Americans, the coaches and the team know it, the townspeople know it. Now all we have to do is to convince some of the metropolitan sports experts of that well known fact and State will have the first national star since the days of Higgins, Killinger, Waite, and Ben-denk.

"Give him a few breaks, and he will be a sensation." That is what Higgins has to say about Tom Vargo, big, tough, sinewy senior end. Because of his natural reticence, the erstwhile Johnstown luminary has been neglected by the football writers, but his equal for all-around consistent playing day in and day out would be hard to find. He does his job so efficiently he makes it look easy.

A blocked punt at an opportune moment and several sensational catches of passes when the score is close, that is all Vargo has to do to scale the heights of football fame.

As for Captain Leon "Gates" Gajecki, his praises have been sung ever since that memorable afternoon two years ago when he stopped nearly every Penn threat singlehanded. His perfect pivot play, vicious tackling and backing up placed him on the All-Pennsylvania eleven last season. All who have seen him in action for the past two years claim he's the equal if not the better of Chuck Cherundolo the Lions' great center of 1936 and now with the Philadelphia Eagles.

1940 looks like a big year for Penn State. It may be the year for Vargo and Gajecki.

For the first time in half a dozen years two linemen, John Plewak and Morris Bessel, are co-captains of Bucknell's football team. Ordinarily one lineman and one back are chosen. The last linemen to lead the Bisons to battle were Butch Boiston and Ralph Furiell, back in 1934.

### Varsity To Tackle Frosh

Penn State's varsity football team will scrimmage against the freshman eleven at 2:30 this afternoon on New Beaver Field.

### '44 Gridders Concentrate On Offensive Tactics

"They're coming along okay but there's still a long way to go in a short time," Marty McAndrews said yesterday of his '44 gridders after a practice session devoted almost entirely to learning plays and offensive drill.

The frosh were given a let-up after two nights of work against the varsity but tomorrow afternoon they will again tackle their big brothers, probably in a scrimmage game.

The extent to which Willis Campbell, big tackle, was injured has not yet been determined. He suffered a bruised shoulder Thursday.

Next week part of the freshman squad will continue the tussles with the varsity, while the rest of the yearlings will scrimmage "Danny's Demons," the junior varsity squad coached by Danny De-Marino.

### Goffberg And Snyder Suffer Leg Injuries

The injury jinx, feared and cursed by all coaches, finally rapped on the door of Coach Chick Werner, when Chet Snyder and Herm Goffberg, varsity cross-country runners, reported leg injuries yesterday.

Goffberg sprained his ankle in his tour around the course and will be out of action for a few days. An undetermined pain in his leg has forced Snyder to ease up in his long distance workouts.

However, Coach Chick Werner is exceptionally pleased with the advanced condition of the remainder of his squad. Rounding into shape faster than usual, the harriers are running the five mile course in better time than Werner had expected.

### Ace Sportscasters Rates Penn State Third In East

Jimmy Evans, ace sportscaster, predicted on his 15-minute radio program that the Nittany Lions would have the third strongest team in the East this year, and the sixth strongest in the nation.

On the basis of gridiron might in the East, Evans rated the top five teams in this order: Cornell, Boston College, PENN STATE, Fordham and Princeton.

In the nation, his chart went like this: Texas A. & M., Ohio State, Notre Dame, Cornell, Washington, PENN STATE, Southern California, Tulane, Minnesota, Tennessee, Duke, Boston College, Fordham, etc.

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