

Vikings Started Game of Soccer

When Bill Jeffrey's lads take the field against Bucknell here Saturday, they will be engaging in a game that is one of the oldest and one of the most popular team games in the world.

Ancient legend has it that the Vikings were the original soccer players when, after a hard day's battle, they would neatly slice off the head of one of their Danish prisoners and play a game in which they used the grisly object for a ball which they passed back and forth using their feet. This was history's first soccer game.

From that day many years ago, the sport grew in popularity until nearly every youngster and grown-up in Europe played the game. Oliver Cromwell and many other leading statesmen of England were adept in the art of handling a ball with their feet.

The descendants of these very people still learn soccer as soon as they walk, and so far the average athlete in America has never approached in soccer ability these experts whose ancestors invented

Kraynack, Frosh Center, Hurt In Scrimmage; Wallace Back In Uniform

"Old Man Injury" again hit the yearling gridgers last night when Joe Kraynack, first-string center, received a possible fracture of the jaw when he was kicked making a shoe-string tackle of John Day as the frosh scrimmaged the varsity second team yesterday.

Other injuries, however, were almost non-existent as Curly Mann and Bob Walters were back in uniform. Mann had his neck hurt in the Bucknell game Saturday and Walters, who had been slated to start at an end post against the Bisons, had been out since last Thursday with a sprained shoulder.

the game. For instance, six years ago our own Bill Jeffrey took one of the nation's best soccer teams, the crack Penn State eleven of 1934, to the British Isles and toured the country playing teams from colleges down to those made up of young Scottish schoolboys. Yes, even the youngsters outmaneuvered and outplayed the highly touted Lion team. And to put it mildly, as "Genial" Bill Jeffrey does, "We came out second best."

In his book on the subject, Jeffrey claims that soccer is a game for anyone between the ages of 10 to 50. Confidentially, though, now that Bill is passing the 50 mark, he plans to revise the book this year and make it read "10 to 55."

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Higgins Stresses Pass Defense As Lions Prepare For Lehigh

Coach Bob Higgins evidently expects aerial bombs to fall with alarming frequency this Saturday when State clashes with Lehigh at Bethlehem as he sent his charges through a stiff session of pass defense yesterday against Engineer plays brought back by scout Al Michaels.

It was the inability of the Lion backs to stop West Virginia's passing attack that got them into hot water Saturday and with Lehigh and Temple all set to fill the air with forwards the next two games, Hig is leaving nothing unturned to plug that weakness.

Four players were on the sidelines yesterday as the second team

scrimmaged with the freshmen at the close of the practice. Craig White and Ralph Ventresco are still suffering from their shoulder and knee injuries, respectively, while Bill Smaltz, who saw action for a while in the Mountaineer tilt, is nursing a sprained ankle. Wade Mori turned up with a blood clot on his shin but he is expected back in uniform in a day or so.

Special to The Daily Collegian BETHLEHEM, Oct. 15.—Blocking and pass perfection continued to be the principal diet handed out by Coach Glen W. Harneson as the Engineers prepared for their toughest opponent, Penn State, to be met Saturday afternoon in Taylor Stadium.

Set back by their first three foes by decisive scores, the Lehigh eleven is in the best of physical condition and the spirit of the team remains high. Although the Engineers have lost three straight games to Penn State in as many years, they are recalling that in 1918 and 1936 the Brown and White aggregations scored upsets by registering 7-6 victories although the Lions were big favorites.

Between The Lions

WITH DICK PETERS

Lines on the Lions

You've got to take off your derby to Willy (The Wabbit) Smith, captain of the Lion cross-country team for his showing Saturday. Though he turned the Nittany course in 27:04 to win ahead of the best man Michigan State possessed, the flying little State captain was forced to see his team lose by a wide margin. But that's the way it goes in cross-country.

If you remember, the Lion gridgers were to have been at a loss Saturday without the passing arm of Big Bill Smaltz. True, the burly first stringer was missed at times, but in the tossing department his substitute, Sparky Brown, didn't do so badly. Sparky threw three aeriels during the afternoon, completing two of them, while Smaltz, when he was in, made good only two of five throws. It was obvious however that Big Bill was decidedly hampered by his heavily taped ankle.

This coming Saturday will give Penn Staters another chance to turn out en masse to watch Bill Jeffrey's soccer kings boot the tar out of Bucknell as there will be no varsity football game scheduled on New Beaver Field to draw fans to the west side of the stands. Let's hope there'll be a few extra bleachers erected, so that the crowd won't have to stand during the game.

It'll be over two weeks before the next home football game. That gives College officials lots of time to get the loud speaking system working better. Plenty of people have been asking why all the substitutions aren't announced during the games, why the amplyfier hasn't more volume, and why no statistics at halftime.

If you must still be convinced that Penn State has one of the best grid machines in the East, just ask Bill Kern and the West Virginia lads, who after the game Saturday vowed to the high heavens that the Lions are more powerful than Fordham's erstwhile Rams. They'll also tell you that Pepper Petrella can run the mole-skins off Mr. Eshmont and Mr. Filipowicz of said Rams.

Being hit by a couple of upsets, this writer scraped through with six correct predictions, slipped on three, and had one tie, to bring his season average to .756.

Sigma Chi Beats Phi Delta In Intramural Swimming

Sigma Chi's splashers bested Phi Delta Theta swimmers in an intramural meet yesterday, 30-20.

In intramural football, Phi Kappa Tau defeated KDR by two first downs to one in the first round on Monday night. Swan and Walton, PKT passing combination, were responsible for victory in the game's last minutes. Alpha Phi Delta downed Alpha Zeta in the third round, three first downs to one, Monday.

Leyden Beats Rowbotham In All-College Golf Match

In the semi-final round of the All-College golf tournament, played yesterday, Don Leyden defeated George Rowbotham 2 and 1.

Leyden will meet Scotty Maxwell for the championship on Saturday afternoon.

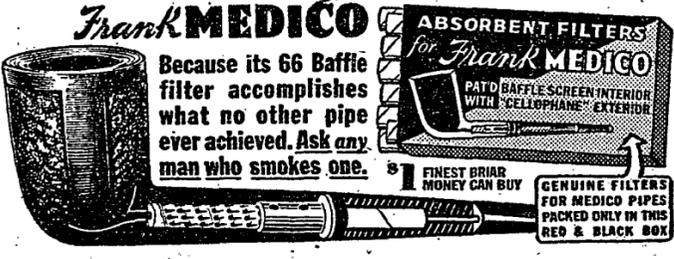
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