

Patrick Awarded Maxwell Trophy For Outstanding Grid Work In Temple Tilt Saturday

Between The Lions

WITH DICK PETERS

Johnny-On-The-Spot

Three years ago Penn State grid fans had difficulty keeping their score sheets straight. It seems there were two Lion players who bore the same name, Johnny Patrick. Both Johnnies were backs. Both tipped the scales at near 185 and stood about the same distance above the grass of New Beaver Field.

Perhaps a few State fans breathed a sigh of relief when the first Johnny graduated, because now they could keep them straight. There was only one in the lineup.

So maybe that's why Johnny Patrick, Jr. was lost in the hustle and bustle of the past two years though he played every game. Maybe the reason he was lost was because he was a blocking back. Blocking backs have that idiosyncrasy.

Today, however, the second Johnny is recognized as the player of the week in the Philadelphia district, taking over the spot held last week by Frank Reagan of Penn.

Curiously enough, Johnny gained his honor by virtue of his splendid signal-calling in the Temple game, something which few football fans ever think of unless the play-caller chooses the wrong one.

You might say that when a player is honored for calling signals correctly, and for his blocking ability, he must have been outstanding. We certainly agree with the lads who honored our Johnny.

At The Movies

CATHAUM: "Tugboat Annie Sails Again"
STATE: "A Little Bit of Heaven"
NITTANY: "They Drive By Night"

Backfield Grid Star Will Receive Award On Monday

Johnny Patrick, unsung hero and guiding force of the undefeated Penn State football team has been awarded the Maxwell Memorial Club trophy for his brilliant performance in the Lions' victory over Temple, Bert Bell, president of the club, announced yesterday.

The award, presented to the player-of-the-week, is based on the selection of Philadelphia football coaches and sports writers. Patrick will leave for Philadelphia on Monday along with Coach Bob Higgins to receive the trophy at a banquet at the Warwick Hotel. Frank Reagan, Penn's high scoring halfback was the last recipient of the award.

In winning one of the highest honors bestowed upon a Lion gridder in recent years, the hard blocking senior quarterback is finally gaining recognition for his outstanding playing on State teams of the past three years. Patrick's brilliant football career was climaxed by his outstanding performance in the Owl tilt at Philadelphia sport writers accorded full praise to Johnny's almost flawless signal calling and murderous blocking.

A substitute to Sammy Donato in his sophomore year, Patrick came into his own in the '39 Bucknell game and besides starting every battle since, has performed iron man duty in each one. He never carries the ball himself but paves the way for Petrella, Peters, and other backs.

He has crashed into the scoring column several times, however, with his accurate placement kicking. It was his 25-yard field goal and extra point conversion that gave the Lions the necessary margin for a 17-13 win over West Virginia. His successful field goals in the Penn and Pitt games last year will be remembered by Lion fans.

In addition to gridiron achievements, Patrick is also a varsity letter winner on the boxing team.

Jayvee Gridders Leave Today For Navy Game

Coach Danny DeMarino and 23 junior varsity gridders leave for Annapolis this morning for tomorrow's grid battle with the Navy jayvees.

The J. V. Midshipmen should provide a tough battle as the Nittany forces will be facing the same squad that downed the Pitt junior varsity by a 7-6 score recently.

Probable starters for the Nittany Lions are Dave Schrom and Paul Mall at the end positions, Jack Hall and Peter Kronas at tackle, Bob Perugini and Don Yoho as guards, Lou Palazzi at center, and Galen Bailey, John Deidrich, Len Gramley, and Sam Kopach in the backfield.

Seven reserve linemen and five reserve backs will also make the trip. They are Aubrey Nonemaker, Walt Sottung, Walt Knudson, Joe Valla, Charles Hamilton, John Tessieri, and Charles Raysor, linemen, and backfield men Bill Schaugency, Bill Shutt, John Stauffer, Tom Tate, and Sam Gaels.

Jordan Hall, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Win IM Independent, Fraternity Football Titles

Jordan Hall won its second consecutive Intramural Football Championship in the Independent League and Sigma Alpha Epsilon became the new champion of the Fraternity League in games played against Irvin Hall and Alpha Chi Sigma, respectively, last night.

Handicapped by a muddy field which slowed their running plays, Jordan Hall turned to the air to defeat Irvin Hall, 6-0.

SAE eked out a victory over Alpha Chi Sig by three first downs to one.

Jordan Hall's tally came late in the second period after Roman Omolecki's pass to Cohen brought them into scoring territory. A play later, Omolecki again passed to Cohen who lateraled the ball to Pete Kronis for the goal. The attempt for the extra point failed.

The SAE-Alpha Chi Sig game quickly developed into a passing duel between SAE Johnny Barr and Alpha Chi Sig's Dick Vollmer. Barr's passes to Freddy Baldwin and Stover accounted for most of SAE's gains.

Lions Expect Aerial Attack When Gamecocks Appear Here Saturday

For the second successive Saturday the undefeated Lion gridder will find their pass defense put to a hard test. Literally showered with forward passes by Temple's Al Tomasic, the State eleven expects another aerial bombardment when it faces South Carolina here on Saturday.

Against such two strong aggregations as Clemson and Duquesne, the Gamecocks scored five touchdowns. Still in search of their first victory of the season, the Southerners will shoot the works to upset the Lions' win streak.

Coach Bob Higgins drilled his backs on pass defense for the third successive day yesterday.

State's lineup for Saturday's fracas will remain intact. Tom Vargo and Lloyd Parsons at end, Frank Platt and Carl Stravinski at tackle, Wade Mori and Mike Garbinski at guard, and Captain Leon Gajewski at center will start in the line.

From all indications, the veteran backfield of Johnny Patrick, Chuck Peters, Craig White and Bill Smaltz will be on the field at the opening kickoff.

Jaspers Offer Harriers Stiffest Dual Competition

Pointing toward their biggest dual cross-country race of the season with Manhattan, last year's IC4-A championship team, the Nittany Lion harriers ran a stiff five-mile pace-making grind yesterday.

With the bad news that Alex Bourgerie, second best Lion harrier, might be out of action this year because his pulled tendon has failed to respond to treatment, Coach Chick Werner finds that he has a few unexpected possibilities in Vern Kotz and Bill Burkhart.

This harrier pair has suddenly swung into top-notch form in the past week's workouts, and they show good promise in filling the shoes of Herm Goffberg and Max Peters, injured varsity men who resumed harrier practice this week.

Captain Bill Smith will seek his third straight season's triumph when he races the Jaspers across the Van Cortland Park course where he gained fame as the 1938 IC4-A champ.

Vargo Elected President Of Phys Ed Fraternity

Tom Vargo varsity end on the football eleven, has been elected president of Phi Epsilon Kappa, professional physical education fraternity.

Other officers, all enrolled in the College's School of Physical Education and Athletics, are Craig White, vice-president; Lawrence Tate, treasurer; and Donald Yoho, historian.

The University of South Carolina passing combination of Al Grygo, halfback, to Alex Urban, end, is probably the most dangerous in the Palmetto state this fall. Against Duquesne this aerial minded pair struck twice for 12 points.

Dimidio To Replace McFarland For Freshmen

Dan Dimidio will replace Charlie McFarland at the wingback spot for the game with the Cornell frosh here Saturday, Coach Marty McAndrews said last night.

The battle will find the Lion yearlings badly weakened by injuries. Guard John Jafrus is out with a severely cut face and Bob Wallace is still in the infirmary and will yield the right end position to Bucky Walters.

The Cornell cubs will be at full strength for the contest. In a game two weeks ago they lost, 7-6, to Colgate, a team which fought to a 7-7 tie with the Lion freshmen.

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