

Nittany Booters Still 'Invincible'

Going almost unnoticed right under Penn State sports fans' noses, is probably the most phenomenal collegiate athletic team in the country.

Since November 5, 1932, when they bowed to Syracuse, 2-1, Bill Jeffrey's booters have, like Old Man River, kept on rolling, mowing down opponent after opponent, until at present they boast an astounding streak of 61 consecutive games without a single defeat and are in quest of their ninth straight undefeated season.

During that eight-year span Penn State soccer squads have booted a total of 255 goals against a mere 31 for their opponents, and their perennially impregnable defenses have held opponents scoreless in all but 19 of the games.

Although the Blue and White have won most of their games by comfortable margins, on numerous occasions hair-raising rallies have been necessary to keep the remarkable winning streak intact.

In 1936, a miraculous 35-yard kick in the last 10 seconds saved them from bowing to Syracuse, 4-3. Trailing undefeated and unscored-upon Temple, 2-0, in the concluding game of last season, they staged a gallant second-half comeback to win, 3-2.

They have been extended to the limit in other games, too, to win, but win they did.

How do they do it? The answer probably lies in the inscription on the scroll presented to Jeffrey two years ago by his friends:

"To William Jeffrey—Varsity soccer coach at the Pennsylvania State College, Sportsman, Friend—We, in testimony of our appreciation of your splendid contribution to College athletics, your service to Penn State, your wise and inspirational leadership which has produced winning teams without taking the fun out of the sport, hereby affix our signatures this fourth day of March A. D. 1939."

Indiana university recently opened its \$1,000,000 hall of music.



Bill Smaltz



Capt. Len Krouse

This Is Their Year—Fullback Bill Smaltz will be pitching his bulls-eye passes again this year into Captain Len Krouse's arms. Both are veterans in the art of making a passing combination click. Their abilities saved the day for Penn State in the Bucknell and Syracuse games last year and scored the Lions' only touchdown against Pitt.

Smaltz-To-Krouse Combination Carries Lion Aerial Fortunes

Upon the broad shoulders of Bill Smaltz and in the hands of Captain Len Krouse will rest the success of the Nittany Lions' aerial fortunes in football this season.

Last year sports writers ranked the Smaltz-to-Krouse passing combination second best in the nation. Even in practice the combination now clicks with startling accuracy. Rarely does Krouse outrun his pass and rarely does Smaltz fail to judge Krouse's speed and his own throw correctly. It looks so easy!

Particularly against Syracuse last year, the combination's accuracy saved Penn State from a sure defeat. The final score was tied at 13-13 and Smaltz and Krouse could be thanked for the Lion score. Smaltz threw a bulls-eye 27-yard pass to Krouse who tied the count at 6-6.

When the strong Syracuse team

came back and scored seven more points, the Lions elected to have Smaltz try another pass. This time Bill laid a 48-yard pass into Krouse's arms. Krouse ran the remaining five yards, the extra point was converted, and Syracuse tied for a great moral victory.

But it wasn't Smaltz and Krouse alone who produced touchdown passes. Both had fine blocking. That's why Coach Bob Higgins is now worrying about finding a leak-proof line. Last year Smaltz was unhurried in his throw and Krouse's blockers swept a clean path to goal several times.

All season long Smaltz and Krouse had proper timing to produce a major aerial threat for opponents last year. This year the combination will connect even more often, if pre-season accuracy means anything.

Leo Houck Had Good Record, Tough Breaks In Professional Ring

"The good doctor" as Boxing Coach Leo Houck is known to the students, took part in approximately 200 professional fights from flyweight to heavyweight before coming to Penn State in 1923.

He won over three-fourths of these bouts, was never knocked out, and was knocked off his feet only three times. Houck gained the European middleweight title in 1912, and later won the same championship in Canada. He also won the Cuban light heavyweight crown.

He was never officially recognized as middleweight champion of the world because he was never able to get matches with the titleholders at the right times. For instance Houck defeated George Chip five times, but when Chip became champ by knocking out Frank Kiaus, Chip would not fight Houck again.

Since coming to Penn State, Houck's teams have won the Eastern Intercollegiate boxing title seven times. Thirty-nine individual eastern champions have been developed by him and four National Collegiate title-holders.

Cacovic Almost Missed Playing Lion Football

Big Joe Cacovic looked in vain for Coach Marty McAndrews, for Joe wanted to play freshman football for Penn State. And Marty wanted Joe to play for the Nittany Lion varsity some day because he was All-State center from Steelton last year.

But no one was around when Joe turned up at Beaver Field about two weeks ago so he went back to Harrisburg. After McAndrews learned that Cacovic disappeared, he lost 20 years of his life but he got in touch with Cacovic immediately.

Now Joe is back inside McAndrews fold and the coach predicts a banner year for the star center.

X-Country Team Hit By Injury

Old Man Injury returned to the Penn State cross-country team in all his glory yesterday afternoon.

Off-setting the good news of the return of Vern Kotz and Norm Gordon to the varsity ranks, came the news that Gordon arrived with an injury that may prove serious.

The senior harrier has a bump on his right instep, and its all a mystery. He doesn't know what is nor what caused it; it's swollen and it hurts when he runs.

Gordon is going to have the local doctors look at his foot. He believes it to be a swollen tendon, probably caused by tight laces.

The varsity continued its light workouts yesterday afternoon. The addition of Kotz and Gordon made the total number of varsity candidates an unlucky thirteen.

Herm Goffberg and Captain Alex Bourgerie led the harriers in the five-mile jaunt around the course.

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