

Tailback Position Depleted With Davis' Induction

Wolosky, Colone To Miss Bucknell Fray

Now comes the news that Bud Davis, shifty little tailback who was being looked to for much needed reserve in the depleted tailback position, left school yesterday to await his induction into the Army next week.

Davis becomes number 20 of the Lions to enter the armed forces, after it was learned yesterday that Fred Kreuter, sophomore guard, and Meryl Mundwiler, junior tackle, were also inducted last week. Kreuter had returned to school, but Mundwiler did not come back for the Fall semester.

To make matters worse, the sprained ankle suffered by Joe Colone in the Duquesne fray was reported by Dr. Griess, team physician, to be worse than at first supposed. It is doubtful that Colone will be ready for the Bucknell game October 3.

Last night Higgins put his charges through a stiff one hour scrimmage session, highlight of which was the defensive play of Johnny Jaffurs and "Big Mike" Kerns. Jaffurs continually broke up plays, and Kerns was also in every play.

Johnny Wolosky, sophomore reserve center, out of practice last week with a twisted knee, returned to practice and scrimmage last night and rehurt his tricky knee. A preliminary examination by Dr. Griess indicated that Wolosky will be out for at least two or three weeks. His presence in either the Bucknell or Lehigh game is doubtful.

In an effort to bolster his tailback position, Higgins and backfield coach Al Michaels had Bob Weitzel, reserve fullback, working out in the running position. In the few plays that Weitzel appeared as a halfback during the scrimmage, he ripped off gains of 10 and 15 yards.

Were Weitzel to become a tailback, it would mean that Coach Higgins would have both the hard plunging of Banbury and the passing of Weitzel in the game at the same time. Bill McFarland would probably then be the reserve at the fullback position.

IM Entries Due Saturday

Deadline for intramural football and swimming entries has been set for Saturday at noon, according to an announcement by Eugene C. Bischoff, director of intramural athletics. To enter a team in both of these sports, physical fitness cards must be submitted for each individual player.

Opponents' Outlook Uncertain As Lions'

By FRED CLEVER

Without going out on a reprobatorial limb by making predictions on the forthcoming Nittany Lion football season, we would, however, like to pass on some excerpts of what is being said about the eight teams that the Blue and White will encounter this Fall.

BUCKNELL—(at home, October 3)—Although he has a squad of 43 men, including 15 eligible freshmen, on hand, Coach Al Humphreys has but one veteran backfield man to rely on. Chet Podd, senior who has played fullback and quarterback, will be switched to the tailback position. Of his entire squad only 4 are seniors, six are juniors, and untried freshmen and sophomores number 15 and 18 respectively. Eight of the upperclassmen are returning regulars, but only three were first string members in 1941. Humphreys, commenting on his backfield position, stated last week that the situation is "critical."

In other words the Bucknell squad is a question mark, and, although they held Penn to a tie in a practice game last Saturday, little is known of their power.

LEHIGH—(at Bethlehem, October 10)—At this time little is known of the Lehigh potentialities. They have lost only moderately from the draft, but graduation stole about 14 of their 1941 team.

CORNELL—(Ithaca, N. Y., October 17)—Carl Snavely is building his team around three returning regulars, Cushings, center; Geib, guard; and Captain Stefer, halfback. Enough members of the 1941 second team are back to make a complete first team of lettermen. No less than 12 of the strong 1941 frosh team are on hand for the coming season. Captain Stefer will be the big gun of the attack. Last season he averaged almost 4 yards per try, and is rated a very good triple threat. He is a very good passer and a better-than-average punter. Snavely should have reliable performers at least two deep in every position.

COLGATE—(at home, October 24)—Andy Kerr has lost every regular except fullback Micka from his supposed-to-be-great but not-so-hot 1941 team. The Red Raiders have only 15 squad members back from last year, and only a few of them have seen service. Micka is a potential All-American. Kerr's outlook is brightened by the presence of an array of stars from his 1941 freshman team. All in all Colgate rates a question mark because of the majority of untried players.

WEST VIRGINIA—(at Morgantown, W. Va., October 31)—"West Virginia is overdue," seems to be the consensus of sportcasters. Bill Kerns and staff won't commit

themselves. News coming from the camp is almost nil, which may mean that Kerns has something that he doesn't want out. It is known that he has a large squad—approximately 60 candidates—and in Ike Martin a potential All-American triple threat back. Francis Wallace, Statepost sports writer, picks them a "contender" in the East. Kerns will have players two deep at every position—probably capable ones.

SYRACUSE—(at home, November 7)—Coach Ossie Solem and his publicity man, Arnold Burdick, make no bones about their outlook for the season. "If old man injury smiles on the Orangemen," they say, "we will have one of the leading teams in the East this year." Amen. Solem claims that he is "slightly worried" about center and tackle strength, but claims he is sure that things will straighten out. Solem has letter winners two deep in every position but right end, and that place is fortified by 1941 frosh stars.

PENN—(at Philadelphia, November 14)—70 men reported to Coach Munger a few weeks ago. Among the multitude, Munger has 19 returning lettermen, 15 freshman numeral winners. Munger claims his job is finding "where to play whom." Experts pick Penn the team to beat in the East. If one can believe Philadelphia newspapers, Penn will be tops, Captain Kuczynski will be All-American at end, and nobody else has a chance. Penn will confine their play this year to Ivy League opponents with a service team game thrown in for good measure.

PITT—(at home, November 21; at Pittsburgh, November 28)—Bowser wrings his hands and says, "no material." Pittsburgh sports writers ignore them in favor of Duquesne and Tech, but Eddie Beachler, Pittsburgh Press football expert, who was on campus Saturday, says, "Don't underrate Pitt, they have eight lettermen and some good sophomores. They should win a majority of their games."

Lion Coats On Sale

Senior Lion Coats will go on sale today at all downtown men's and women's shops, Louis J. Palazzi '43, chairman, announced last night. They are priced at \$1.50 apiece. Palazzi urges all who want coats to buy them immediately as there are only 200 available, due to shortage of material.

V-Mail Brings Request 12,000 Miles For Two-Bit Songbook

A request for a two-bit hand-book of college songs arrived in State College yesterday after a 12,000 mile trip via the Army and Navy Department's newly inaugurated V-Mail services.

The request came from First Lt. E. E. "Dusty" Rhodes '38, one of Penn State's best known ex-cheerleaders, now serving with the 35th Fighter Squadron in Australia. Photographed on micro-film at Army headquarters in the "continent down under," Rhodes' letter was reprinted on postcard-size paper upon its arrival in the United States.

The former cheerleader wrote to C. W. Taylor, another former cheerleader, asking for a 25c pocket-size album of College tunes like the one he "used to glance through but never buy," any or all Penn State songs, and anything that is news or was news in Penn State within the last year.

The V-Mail letter ended with a promise from the ex-Penn Stater still loyal to his College—"I'll give the lads from Nippon an extra good pasting just for you."

Sharpless Elected

Palmer C. Sharpless '44, was elected acting PSCA president recently to replace Jean Hershberger '43, absent from the College for student teaching, the CA office announced yesterday.

Serving as acting vice-president is Joan Paulhamus '43, who was elected to fill the vacancy created when Sharpless moved to head the organization.

4 Matches Will Decide Women's Tennis Champ

Four tennis matches will be played off before Friday to determine the women's All-College champion, F. Doris Stevenson '44, WRA publicity chairman, announced yesterday.

Playing in double-elimination tournaments, eight coeds will play in two matches for the annual WRA feature.

Coeds paired for the first matches are Betty Pike and Louise Apprich; Mildred Cookerly and Dolores Beck; Martha Haverstick and Carolyn Crooker; and Nancy Hodgson and Shirley Mills.

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