

Lions meet red raiders in homecoming game

Between The Lions

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War brings some funny things. Take Mrs. Roosevelt for example. She is sailing around the South Pacific writing a war column. The wife of the banker down the street is spot welding for Lockheed and Vega, and Congressman Jimmy Van Zandt recently quit the House for fleet duty as a lieutenant commander.

Stinko Tech trained an entire backfield for three years, and then their deadly rival, Ashcan U., got the quartet en masse via one of the Armed Force's wartime programs. High school teachers are being drafted, and janitors are moving to the faculty. Corporation presidents are trying to sneak in a little overtime as a machinist without a union card. And up at Penn State we have an undertaker coaching swimming.

It all started when various physical fitness programs were started for the servicemen, Glennland Pool was jammed to capacity, and civilian swimmers were banned from the water. Every available instructor was called in from athletic retirement, and brought to the front to show soldiers the difference between a scissor's kick and a flutter kick, and to demonstrate to the Marines and Blue-jackets the correct way to jump overboard when enemy fire is as thick as pea soup used to be.

So when the operator rang two shorts and a long down in Manheim, Pa., Johnny Keech nailed his last coffin shut, shoved a cork in his bottle of formaldehyde, and asked the townspeople not to die until he returned from his duty as a swimming coach up at Penn State.

About eight years ago when Johnny went to Penn State, he helped Coach Bob Galbraith mold the first Lion swimming team, and in addition held down varsity positions in several events. In those days, the tankers didn't compete in any regular intercollegiate races since the aqua sport was then in its embryonic form in many colleges, but the squad traveled throughout this section as a team, meeting YMCA swimmers in several wildcat races.

Keech made the freshman football team in his initial year in Mount Nittany, but a broken shoulder during a scrimmage benched him for the remainder of his college career. In addition to football, he also won letters in freshman baseball and basketball.

According to legend, Keech is the only living man in State College who watched Leo Houck beat the Red Lion, Pa. baseball club over two decades ago.

Both men are from down in Lancaster county, and it was there that Keech was attending a Sunday School picnic one afternoon.

The home team was behind 11-1 when Houck came to bat in the ninth with the bases loaded. The young boxer smashed out a four-bagger to bring the score to 11-5, and before long the team had batted around the lineup until it was Houck's turn at the plate again.

This time the bases were again loaded, so Leo obliged with a triple, and the game was over.

By the way, any customer of this department who would like some bargains in mahogany beds should call John Keech. He is also a furniture salesman.

Boxer is lion griddler

Jim Mariades, Penn State's No. 1 replacement at guard, knows how to use his dukes. The former Pitt footballer, now a Marine Corps trainee at the Nittany Lion institution, was senior A. A. U. heavy-weight champion in the Pittsburgh district this year.

Big part of nittany lion line



TOUGH LIONS who will be riveted in two line positions tomorrow afternoon when Bob Higgins sends his once-defeated team into action against Colgate will be towering Marine Private Bill Smyth and veteran Johnny Jaffurs, former varsity man returned to college to await call to officers' candidate school. Before making the Penn State team as a Marine trainee in the V-12 program, Smyth played for Notre Dame and the University of Cincinnati.

Jeffrey changes lineup for bucknell soccer tilt

Not contented with the 2-2 deadlock with Cornell in last week's season opener, soccer coach Bill Jeffrey will shuffle his lineup for tomorrow's tussle with Bucknell on New Beaver Fall.

Hoping to show the Homecoming crowd the start of a new winning streak, the veteran mentor will start Jim Irwin at center forward in place of Frank Klase. Earl Stauffer and Wayne Bechdal will trade outside assignments, while All-American Jose Lombana and Bill Shellenberger hold down inside right and inside left positions respectively.

Sammy Schure will move over from his left halfback spot to fill in for Johnny Wrynn who sprained his leg in the opener, and Jim Atherton will shift to left halfback. Dick Schmadel will patrol the right halfback vacancy left by Atherton.

Mark Frederick and Ted Reichwein will be in at the fullback posts at the opening whistle, and Tubby Crawford will take care of the net assignment.

The squad has shown steady improvement during the week with the traditional Nittany passing attack beginning to click. The scoring punch now seems to be concentrated on the left side of the line with Stauffer shifting to the outside left position beside Shellenberger. Stauffer booted home the first tally against Cornell near the end of the first half in Saturday's tilt while Shellenberger kicked the goal that gave the Jeffrey men a tie with the upstate squad.

Jose Lombana and Sam Schure, the two lettermen returning from last year's once-beaten team, have shown up well in practice workouts, and Goalie Tubby Crawford has earned the praise of Coach Jeffrey who claims he will become one of the better net-minders in the business before the close of the season.

Other booters who will see action Saturday are Bob Clauser, Red Cramer, and Andy Gaber. Following the Bucknell match, the Penn State team travels to Hamilton, N. Y., to meet the Colgate Red Raiders.

Trio of alma maters

Like Bill Smyth, big end, Tackle Bill Kyle played football at two other colleges before joining the Penn State squad as a Marine Corps trainee. Kyle formerly played at Notre Dame and Pitt. Smyth's pre-war alma maters were Notre Dame and the University of Cincinnati.

Hapanowicz, powers on bench with tarheel injuries

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Senior jose lombana is all-american player for lion booters

Jose Vincente Lombana believes in the Good Neighbor policy but finds it hard sometimes to practice what he preaches.

Senior Lombana, who is better known as "Jake" on the Penn State campus, earned all-American recognition in soccer last fall and represents one of the few experienced players available to Coach Bill Jeffrey as the 1943 season approaches.

But more important to the South American youth than wins and losses is his personal determination to uphold Coach Jeffrey's reputation for turning out winning teams.

Lombana, who went to France and Belgium for his early schooling, is particularly anxious to win the Temple game this year.

"Temple will be a tough game," he promised, "because that was the one team that beat us last year, and we're going out of our way to make that one tough."

The Colombia, South America, youth, who is studying mining engineering at Penn State, also looks for hard sledding against Army and Navy. Although injured in last week's Cornell game, he will start tomorrow against Bucknell.

Passer still remains

Only Bobby Williams, ace passer, remains of the Penn State quartet that collaborated in last year's stirring 13-10 victory over the Colgate grid team. Others instrumental in winning that encounter—Joe Colone, Bucky Walters, and Cliff St. Clair—are now carrying the ball for Uncle Sam.

Lions get piaz champ

Lee Weehling, six-foot-five backstroke champ from Norris-town High School, will be one of the swimmers on this year's Nittany Lion squad.

Ross, Red Moore, Ed Czekaj and Bill Smyth on the line and Aldo Cenci, Bobby Williams, Jack Castignola, and "Sparky" Brown in the backfield.

The Tar Heel tilt also left its mark on the reserve strength with Cass Sisler and Harold Mouch listed as doubtful to see action tomorrow.

Colgate brings to town a team which Coach Andy Kerr describes as "creditable" but the lineup indicates that Kerr's description is somewhat conservative. Although not reveling in the abundance of material which the Lions ran into last week, Kerr has nine gridders from last year's Colgate squad to use as a nucleus.

Kerr has a wealth of good backs but the individual sparkplug is Mike Micka, 185-pound two-year varsity fullback who has returned to continue as a key ball-handler and line backer-up in Colgate's double-wing formation. Other fullbacks are Eddie Schneider, 190-pounder from Manhattan College; 200-pound Elvin Nordmark, ineligible last year; and Don Coates, Micka's slightly-used understudy last season. To ease the congestion, Kerr may use Schneider at left half and either Nordmark or Coates at quarterback.

Ranking right halfback is Jules Yakapovich, a two-year varsity star, with Dick Owen and Albert Moro as reserve material. A 17-year-old freshman, Frank Muelheuser, former New Jersey All-Scholastic, is also at right half.

The Colgate line is less impressive but it is bolstered by veterans Clem Furey, end, and George Thomas, 180-pound guard. Ed Chovanes, 187-pound guard from the Maryland varsity, and an ex-Maryland freshman center, J. T. Boyle, are capable performers. Leading tackles are Joe Dilts and Ed Stacco while Olav Kollevoll, 202-pound center replacement last season, has moved up to a starting slot.

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Galbraith calls for swimming candidates
Tryouts for the 1943 edition of the Nittany Lion swimming team will be held in Glennland Pool starting at 4 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon and continuing each day until Thursday, according to Coach Bob Galbraith.

Assisting the Lion mentor this season will be Johnny Keech, swimming instructor for the armed forces stationed at the College. Keech was one of the organizers of the Penn State squad when it was first formed eight years ago.