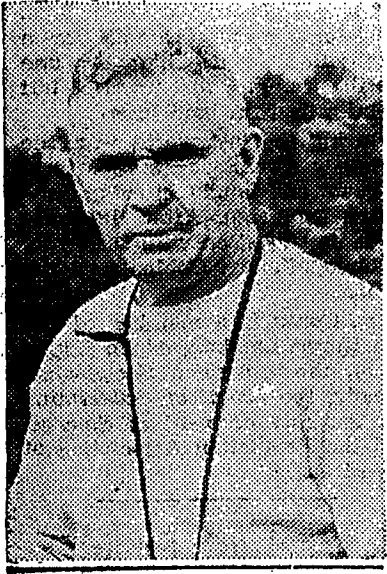


Age Doesn't Hinder Coaches



COACH BOB HIGGINS

Rutherford, Jeffrey, Houck, Higgins Top 50

Life really begins at 50—and the activity of four Penn State coaches will prove it.

Golf coach Bob Rutherford Sr. at 63 years of age tops the list of athletic directors over 50 who are still leading Lion teams to victory. Rutherford has coached the golfers for 22 years, chalking up 107 wins out of 151 matches.

"Doc"

Leo "Doc" Houck—56 on his last birthday—has taught more than 2000 trainees and civilians to defend themselves in the ring since the war's outbreak. Houck has coached the boxing team for 23 years, and his fighters have won the championship of the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association seven times.

Between 1907-23, before coming to State, Houck put on the gloves for 22 professional games and triumphed in three-fourths of the bouts. Times knocked out? none.

Doc earned the European middleweight title in 1912 and the same championship in Canada. He walked off with the Cuban light heavyweight title some years later.

The "Hig"

Last Saturday Bob Higgins, 51-year-old football mentor, watched his team sink its sixth foe this—his 15th—season with the Lion gridders.

Until West Virginia nosed out State this year, the Lions had not been beaten at home since Lafayette trounced them in 1938. Under the capable leadership of the "Hig," the Lions were smothered only seven times in the past five seasons, with three defeats coming in 1943.

The coach's greatest thrill came five years ago when the Lions vanquished Pitt, after having lost since 1919. The "Hig" is undoubtedly hoping for another thrill Saturday.

Higgins is looking forward to the post-war era when approximately 50 of his star players will be coming back to State.

Machinist

Fifty-one-year-old Bill Jeffrey not only trains the soccer team, but teaches military trainees to handle drills and other equipment in the electrical machine shops.

The soccer team has been managed 17 years by Jeffrey, finishing 12 seasons undefeated. Syracuse in 1932 and Army and Navy this season handed Jeffrey his only defeats on home territory. Thirty of Jeffrey's players have ranked All-American.

Ironically enough, Jeffrey was injured while playing soccer in Scotland, so came to America to escape the game. In 1925 he was asked to coach the Altoona Shops Eleven, and has been playing the game ever since.

Which only goes to prove, you can't keep four good men down, even after they've reached the ripe old age of 50.

Druids Elect Winter

Druids elected Charles Winter president at their organization meeting recently.

Other officers of the men's sophomore honorary are Harold Frey, vice-president, and Ivan Kline, secretary-treasurer.

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COACH BILL JEFFREY

IFC Postpones League Openers

Because of the delay in obtaining physical examinations, Interfraternity basketball games will begin Tuesday instead of the past week as originally scheduled, Bob Gridley, chairman, said yesterday.

The teams will meet each other in the scheduled order but one week later and the tournament will continue until January 17.

Four new squads have entered the league. They are Sigma Chi, Lambda Chi Alpha, Delta Tau Delta, and Phi Epsilon Pi who will replace Delta Sigma Phi, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi, and Chi Phi in the lineup.

All players must have their physical examinations before the first game. Team rosters and entry fees should be in the hands of Gridley before the first game scheduled for the respective teams.

The schedule for next week is as follows:

Tuesday—8:30 p.m., Alpha Chi Sigma vs. Lambda Chi Alpha and Delta Chi vs. Sigma Chi; 9:30 p.m., Beta Sigma Rho vs. Phi Sigma Kappa and Phi Sigma Delta vs. Phi Delta Theta.

Thursday—8:30 p.m., Pi Kappa Phi vs. Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Phi Epsilon vs. Phi Kappa Sigma; 9:30 p.m., Theta Chi vs. Phi Epsilon Pi and Triangle vs. Sigma Phi Alpha.

Higgins' Eleven Tangles With Strong Pitt Team

Nittany Lions will close the current football season when they encounter a strong Pitt eleven at Pittsburgh at 2 p. m. Saturday. This will be the 44th tussle between the two teams since 1893.

While on the losing end in four of their last five meetings with the Lions, Pitt still tops State over the years with 24 victories to 17. Only two games, those in 1920 and 1921, ended in deadlocks.

Denied victory for 20 years, the Nittany squad broke the spell with a 10-0 win in 1939. The following year the Panthers came back to smash an undefeated season for the Lions, only to bow to Coach Bob Higgins' eleven in the three succeeding contests.

Johnny Chuckran, speedy back, who suffered a hip injury in the Temple game two weeks ago, will probably receive the starting nod. Elwood Petchel, Easton frosh, will share the left halfback duties.

Fullback Floyd Lang, who was injured in his 65-yard touchdown gallop in the Maryland game, may not start Saturday. Harry Muckle will share the tailback honors with him. Dino Taccalozzi and Larry Cooney will again start as quarterback and right halfback.

Starting in the line will be Bob Hicks and Don Miltenberger at the ends, Howard Caskey and Negley Norton as tackles, John Simon and Jim Matthews in the guard positions, and Bronco Kosanovich at center.

The Panthers will probably field an all freshman backfield with John Lozar at fullback, Paul Rickards at quarterback, and George Freese and Louise Yakopiec in the halfback positions. Wingbacks Don Matthews and Bernie Sniscak will also see action.

At the line positions will be Ed Zimmovan and Bob Hawkins as ends, Al Phillips and Mike Rousos as tackles, and Ralph Coleman and George Rainni as guards. Either Ralph Hammond or Braner will start at center.

FIRST PLAYER BACK

First and only prewar gridder to return to Penn State during the 1944 season was Nick Ranieri, reserve back. He was tendered a medical discharge after two years in the Army Air Corps.

Andy Pipa, Penn State's freshman "find," quarterbacked the Kulpmont High school football team last fall.

Bks. 26,36 Tie In Soccer

Barracks 26 with six wins, two ties, and two losses moved up to share first place with Barracks 36 in the V-12 intramural soccer league.

Barracks 36 which has six wins, two ties, and one loss has exactly the same number of points as 26 under the system of scoring which is used.

Actual play was limited this week with Barracks 24 forfeiting to 20, and 37 to 13 Thursday, while Barracks 24 forfeited to 26 Friday.

Wednesday's scores are: Barracks 26 defeated 37, 1-0, while Barracks 9 and 20 and 36 and 24 fought to a 0-0 tie.

Thursday's games found Barracks 26 winning over 9, 3-1. Barracks 20 won by forfeit over 24 as did 13 over 37.

Friday's results are: Barracks 13 and 9 tied at 1-1. The game between Barracks 36 and 20 ended 0-0. Barracks 24 forfeited to 26.

In Tuesday's games Barracks 13 defeated 24 1-0 while 37 bowed to 9 at the same score. Barracks 36 won over 26, 2-0.

Thursday is the only day of play which remains. Barracks 26 will play 13, 9 will go out against 36 and 20 will meet 37.

STANDINGS

| | Win | Tie | Loss |
|-------------|-----|-----|------|
| Barracks 36 | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| Barracks 26 | 6 | 2 | 2 |
| Barracks 20 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| Barracks 13 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| Barracks 9 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Barracks 37 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Barracks 24 | 0 | 3 | 7 |

All independent basketball teams wishing to gain entrance into the newly formed Penn State Club intramural basketball league should have a representative contact Art Bohard. Phone 2215.

Leo Houck, one-time pro boxer and now head coach of boxing at Penn State, is 56 years old.

Nittany Gridders Trounce Maryland

Scoring in every period, Nittany Lion gridders chalked up their sixth victory of the season when they defeated the University of Maryland, 34-19, at New Beaver Field Saturday.

As in the West Virginia game, Coach Bob Higgins' freshmen got off to a brilliant start when Tubby Lang broke into the clear on a fake reverse and galloped 65 yards to score. Harry Muckle kicked the extra point.

Elwood Petchel scored the second tally when he plunged over the goal line after Bob Hicks had lugged a 44-yard pass from the Easton back to the two-yard-line. Petchel repeated from the one-yard-marker after a 36-yard drive.

The last two Lion scores were the result of Petchel's passes to Johnny Stoken after a 62-yard march and to Hicks after Muckle's 56-yard sprint had set up the score.

Maryland scored early in the second period when Charley Ryan went over from the three after Norm Gaetz blocked Petchel's punt, recovering on the four-yard-stripe. Ryan went around left end for a 36-yard touchdown in the third period and Frank Doory booted the goal. Bill Greer passed 13 yards to Duane Bates in the end zone for the last score.

Outplaying the Terps statistically, the Lions had 13 first downs accredited them to Maryland's 4; they gained 282 yards rushing to 88; and they completed six-out of 10 passes to their opponents six out of 20 attempts.

Temple Booters Down Lions in Final Game

Coach Bill Jeffrey's soccer team ended the season with four defeats and three victories when they lost to Temple University, 4-1, Saturday. The Lion's only score was on a center kick by Herb Mendt.

Turning back Bucknell, Colgate, and Muhlenberg, the State soccer squad bowed to Navy, Army, Cornell, and the Owls.

Nick Martin, V-12er from Kentucky, replaced Joel Crouch as goalie while first semester freshman Jack Campbell held down the right fullback position in Saturday's fray. Frank Pepito, another newcomer, started as center forward.

The remainder of the lineup was as follows: Dave Binns, left fullback; A/S Jess Hartman, Center halfback; A/S Elwood Stetler, right halfback; Captain Ace Parker, V-12, left halfback; Herb Mendt, outside right; John Hamilton, inside right; A/S Bill MacHale, inside left; and Karl Erdman, outside left.

Substitutions were Mike Bechdel, Bill Folwell, Charles Appleman, and Dick Nicholas.

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