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No Summer Sports, Fleming Says; Twilight Football Practice Begins

College Discontinues Four Varsity Squads

There will be no sports program for the summer months, an-nounced Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics. Football and soccer, whose schedules call for games to be played dur-ing the summer semester, will open their seasons with home games on September 29 and October 6 respectively.

When asked what brought the change in policy from last sum-mer when there were contests in baseball, lacrosse, tennis, and track, Mr. Fleming listed the following causes:

Most of the schools the Lions usually schedule have cut out summer sports program leaving very few opponents.

Transportation difficulties have grown acute in the past months and it is difficult to get the necessary accommodations.

There are not enough candi-dates available to make summer sports successful, the dearth of servicemen being an important factor.

The student body showed very little interest in summer sports last year and attendance at the various contests was hardly more than a handful.

The athletes themselves are not desirous of participating in sports during the summer months.

Although intercollegiate con-tests will not be played until fall, students will be able to attend intra-squad football and soccer games.

Varsity Booters Replace Jeffreys

Soccer will be one of the two varsity sports active next fall, football being the other. Coach Bill Jeffrey will field his 20th straight team at the College after returning from an Army sports mission. In the meantime newly selected Captain Heib Mendt and letterman John Hamilton, Navy trainee, have taken over the coaching chores.

Jeffrey holds one of the most amazing records in intercolleg-iate circles, his teams having been defeated only 13 times in 19 years.

A schedule of seven games for 1945, all against long-time op-ponents, has been announced by Neil M. Fleming, graduate man-ager of athletics. Four of the seven games will be played on home Football Managers

Army, Navy, and Colgate will be played away from home. This year three Latin-Ameriitions on the

Trainer Hulme Witnesses Paris V-E Day Celebration

One of the unforgettable spec-tacles "Jack" witnessed was the celebration that followed the announcement of the German un-conditional sufrender in Paris. "It was simply terrific," re-marked Mr. Hulme. "The crowds far into the night. The Champs Elysees was filled from curb to curb with rejoicing mobs; traffic

was impossible. "Later that night the Arc de Triumph was illuminated for the first time since the outbreak of the war. The roar of the crowds when they saw this was over-whelming. That is one scene I shall never forget as long as I live."

Trainer Hulme went overseas in March with a specialist group in March with a specialist group attached to the Special Service Division of the European Theatre of Operations including Ossie So-lem, University of Syracuse foot-ball coach; Dr. J. H. Nicholas, Di-rector of Physical Education at Oberlin College; A. D. Dickinson, track mentor at Iowa State Teach-ore; and Arthur Huchins, the head ers; and Arthur Huchins, the head of the Southern Conference Foot-ball Officials. After landing in Scotland, Mr. Hulme went to London and from

there across the Channel to Par-

is. His job was to organize, train, institute, and introduce into the Army athletic program a new set-Army athletic program a new set-up in the prevention and care of athletic injuries. To carry out this mission, the veteran Penn State Trainer taught classes and lec-tured to groups of army officers and doctors at the University of Paris, who, in turn, would relay the information to the men in the vanks

ranks. Ejssides his regular work in Paris, Mr. Hulme went into combat areas to bring his vast storehouse of knowledge direct to the GI's. His travels took him to Bel-

GPs. His travels took him to Bel-gium, Holland, and Germany. Throughout his journey, Mr. Hulme met many Penn Staters, among them. Lt. Elmer Gross, captain of the 1942 basketball team, who was recovering from wounds received in France and Cantaia William Smith star per-Captain William Smith, star per-former for the 1942 cross-country team.

A former doughboy in the first World War, Trainer Hulme re-

Men students who are interest-ed in becoming second managers for the varsity football team should sign up in the Athletic for

"The trip to Europe was quite, visited some of his former battle-an experience but its great to be back again," said Trainer Jack Soissons, Chateau Thiery, and the Hulme.

Hulme came to the College in 1937 and has had over twentyfive years experience in the training and conditioning of athletes. He is at present trainer of all varsity sports.



COACH JOE BEDENK **Bedenk To Head Baseball Group**

Lion Baseball Coach Joe Bedenk was named chairman of the executive committee of the newly oranized American Association of College Baseball Coaches at a meeting held at the New York Athletic Club, June 29 and 30.

Bedenk and Coach Eppy Barnes of Colgate University were the initiates in a movement to revive interest in collegiate baseball and also to promote organization of sectional leagues or conferences as a postwar project. More than 40 coaches attended the first meeting at which time a national organiza-tion was effected.

Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers and George R. Trautman of the American Association at-tended the meeting representing organized baseball. Intercollegiate interests were represented by Asa S. Bushnell of the Eastern Central Office and by William A. Reid, Colgate University athletic direc-

75 Candidates Report; Many Lettermen Return

Summer football practice started Monday, with 75 candidates re-porting the first night. Head Coach Bob Higgins intends to continue the drills until August when practice will be suspended. For the first time in the history

of the gridders, practice is being held at twilight, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Resuming practice after Labor Day, the squad will go through more rigorous training and put on the finishing touches for the opening game of the season with Muhl-enburg at New Beaver Field on September 29.

The schedule for the 1945 season

- follows: Sept. 29—Muhlenberg Oct. 6—Colgate Oct. 13—at Navy
- Oct. 13—at Navy Oct. 20—at Bucknell Oct. 27—open date Nov. 3—Syracuse Nov. 10—Temple Nov. 17—at Michigan State Nov. 24—at Pitt
- Judging from the first few sessions, Coach Higgins intends to get down to work without delay. At present, the squad is drilling in shorts and concentrating on fun-damentals such as passing, punt-ing, basic plays, and other non-contart work contact work.

Starting his 16th season as head coach for the Nittany Lions, Hig-gins will be assisted by Joe Be-denk, line coach; Earle Edwards, end coach; and Al Michaels, back-field coach. Marty MacAndrews, former freshman coach, will help out with the line.

Prospects for the forthcoming season look brighter than they have been in recent years as 19 have been in recent years as 19 Dimmerling, guard; Bob Rutkow-men have returned who at one ski, guard; Don Miltenberger, end; time played for Penn State. These Bob Gernand, end.

Beta Sigs Cop Title In Softball

Beta Sigma Rho copped the All-College civilian softball champion-

ship by defeating Graham's, 6-2, in a game played on June 12. Capitalizing on walks by Gra-ham's Hurler "P. P." Scherer and by bunching their hits, the win-ners of the HECL searche pushed ners of the IFC League pushed across all their runs in an early inning.

Graham's, Independent League champs, were held hitless for the first five innings by Beta Sig Pitcher Merv Wilf. They broke into the hit column in the sixth and seventh frames, and with a few walks, pushed over their two

allies. Irv Stiefel, Dick Frontman, Murray Gubin, and Bob Weiss sparkled in the field for the winners while Al Rich, Ted Himka, and Fred Dombetto were out-standing for the defeated Graham's team.

Jack Seitchik captained the vic-torious Beta Sigs and Al Rich headed Graham's.

The 1945 season will mark Bob Higgins' 16th year as head coach of football at Penn State.

men are Dino Taccalozzi, quarterback; Elwood Petchel, diminutive tailback; Chuck Staple, a promis-ing tailback during the '43 season until sidelined by a knee injury; Ralph Ventresco, ex-serviceman who played fullback on the '40 and '41 teams; Larry Cooney, wing-back; Al Bellas, fullback; and Chuck Willing and Larry Spencer, V-12 wingbacks.

Also Bronco Kosanovics, center; Bob McKoy, center; Marino Mar-chi, tackle; Howard Caskey, tackle; John Simons, guard; Fred France, guard; Jim Mathews, guard; Carl

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