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In Football Spring Training

Higgins To Give 'T' a Chance

Bob Higgins took a long look at his football manpower today and wondered out loud whether it would operate more effectively front the single wing or the T-formation.

The veteran coach, looking forward to his 18th season at the Nittany Lion helm, already has announced his intention to give the "T" a whirl during Spring drills, even though he has been a single wing advocate since his first coaching job at West Virginia Wesleyan in 1920.

"It's too early to make any pre-dictions," Higgins said today, at the end of the first week's drills, "but it would be a mistake to as-sume that our team will adopt either formation t_0 the complete exclusion of the other."

WASHINGTON STATE

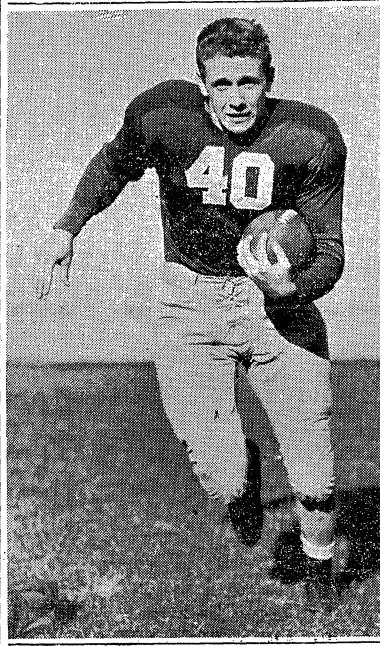
Much of what will happen between now and the season's opener against Washington State September 20, will depend on what Higgins learns about his < material during the current drills. Daily sessions are planned for the next six weeks, terminating with a practice game late in April.

Bolstered by the return of a halfdozen wartime stars, among then. Halfback Johnny Chuckran and Tackle Negley Norton, the Lion potential will be further strengthened next Fall when other freshmen "farmed out" to State Teachers Colleges during the past year are brought to the campus.

"Among wartime players not now on campus, but expected to re-enroll during the Summer months, are the Drzzenovich brothers, Joe and Charles, John Stoken, Larry Cooney, fleet-footed wingback; and John Simon. NEWCOMER LUTHER

Only newcomer without prior college football experience, even though he was a Penn State freshman before his induction into the armed services is Bill Luther, who was a sensation in high school as a runner, kicker and passer.

The Nittany Lions, usually handicapped by the lack of size-able running backs, will look to Chuckran and Luther for added Joe, Bobby Williams, Joe Colone, Bob Weitzel, Jeff Durkota, and Elwood Petchel, among the other



JOHNNY CHUCKRAN

Higgins will construct his new will serve the useful purpose of Captains, Tackle John Nolan, and End John Potsklan.

Still other tested hold-overs are Guards Leo Nobile, and Steve Suhey, and Ends Fred Bell and Sam Tamburo. "It will be difficult to judge

forward wall around the two Co- enabling us to get a line on our prospects, and still giving us time to experiment with the 'T',

The Lions have nine games booked next Fall, opening with an intersectional game against Washington State at Hershey, Pa. September 20, and followed by games with Bucknell, Syracuse, wailable ball-toters. On the line, where losses have a hands are on deck," Higgins Colgate, Fordham, Temple, West been comparatively heavy, Coach vounteered, "but Spring practice Virginia, Navy and Pitt.

NROTC Rifle Team To Meet Penn, Villanova

Led by Captain Dave Ludig, the Ludig. Marine Captain Edward NEOTC rifle team leaves today for Philadelphia where it will fire a Winners of 18 telegraphic shoulder to shoulder triangular match with the middles from Vil-

Winners of 18 telegraphic matches during the season the yesterday, lacrosse mentor Nick lancva and Penn for the Com-Thiel put his stick squad through stiff field drills in preparation for the District. District. The match will be held at the Philadelphia Navy Yard Marine Northwestern and Tufts. **Between The Lions**

By ARTHUR MILLER

As the Winter splurge of intramural sports draws near its close, the battle between the DU's and the Sigma Nu's for the position of top dog is growing in intensity.

The standings now show that the boys from Delta Upsilon have rolled up a total of 663 points by winning the championships in touch football and boxing while placing as runners-up for the crowns in swimming and wrestling.

Sigma Nu athletes on the other hand, have now accumulated 535 points. The on campus boys scored their first big batch of points in the first part of the winter season when they took the basketball championship.

Since then they have come fast to place next to the DU's in boxing and to turn the tables to take the wrestling title as the DU's found themselves runners-up.

All of which points to a nip-and-tuck battle between the two outfits right down to the wire.

BISCHOFF-SYKES, INC.

The intramucal masterminds up at Rec Hall—Gene Bischoff and Dutch Sykes—are plenty enthused over the record turn-out in the first year of inter-club competition since the war.

Å look at the figures will serve to convince even the most skepti-

cal that this year may well mark the Golden Era for intramural sports. In basketball, no less than 75 fraternity and independent teams turned out to play more than 250 games on the three Rec Hall courts. With ten men on a squad, about 750 men participated.

68 ORGANIZATIONS

Volleyball saw 68 organizations-again mostly fraternitics-enter teams in competition. Counting ten men per team, almost 700 men worked out under this sport.

In wrestling, the fraternities entered a total of 184 hopeful grapplers while approximately the same number came out for badminton. In handball singles 184 men came to know what batting a rubber ball around for an hour will do for your hands. All this adds up to around 1700 participants in the Winter intra-

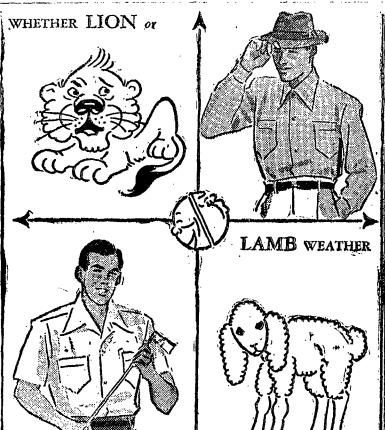
murals alone.

WELL DONE

Sykes estimates that the over-all total of participants in this year's intramural program will run well into the thousands. With another round of sports events being offered in the Spring-

golf, tennis, track, soccer, softball and maybe even horseshoe pitch-ing—this estimate appears to be within easy reach of fulfillment. No little part of this triumph is due to the efficient management and enthusiasm shown by Bischoff and Sykes in keeping the intra-mural program constantly before the students.

With specialization in varsity sports becoming more and more pronounced in recent years, an outlet for the real amateur is not only an aid to good health but almost a necessity.



Lacrosse Team In Stiff Dril

only a week sway.

pending on the weather.

the season's first game with Duke

The weatherman has been hindering the efforts to hold outdoor stick practice sessions since the 55-man squad started drills early "The scrimmage at Annapolis

with the Navy squad will give the men needed experience to smooth out the many rough spots," said Thiel.

With only five more possible days of practice before leaving on the Southern trip, Thiel is trying to select the 19 m.en that will travel as the starting squad.

Showing promise in the midfield are newcomers Gene Greabner and Jim Wolf, and reserve from last season, John McCleary. They are giving veterans John Finley, George Locotos, Rog Nestor, and Art Tenhula rough competition.

The starting defense trio presents a problem to Coach Thiel as all big men—John Hayes, Pete Johnson, Dean Kissell, Bronco Kosanovich, John Pfirman, and Irv Smith-are fighting it out for first team berths.

The six possible starters on the attack for the lacrossemen are Ernie Baer, Harry Fisher, Ken Kerwin, Art Lorenz, John Schobinger, and Augie Thomas.

maderphia wavy Thiel hopes e can have the full squad practice on the golf course field today and tomorrow, de-pending on the weather. ert Steed in addition to Captain and a loss to Tufts.

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