

Lions Prime for Penn Thriller, Leave Today in Top Condition

In top condition and determined to blast the University of Pennsylvania football team out of the national football picture, the Nittany gridders will leave State College this evening after a final pre-game warmup on New Beaver field.

With the announcement that the stellar Lion tackle, Negley Norton, is back in the lineup after a two-week healing period for his injured shoulder, the team will enter tomorrow's game at full strength.

Avoiding heavy duty blocking and tackling, Coach Bob Higgins ran his charges through strenuous practice sessions Tuesday and Wednesday nights and will taper off with a light signal drill in tonight's final practice.

PENN

In the enemy camp, Penn Coach George Munger, set to topping a Higgins-coached team for the first time gave his Quaker eleven a heavy practice schedule for the early part of the week. Emphasizing the Nittany single-wing offensive, Coach Munger also prepared his team for an aerial attack expected to come from Lion passer Elwood Petchel.

In the eleven years Munger has coached the Red and Blue, he has never had a poor season. His teams have won 60 games and lost 20.

Coach Higgins will try to keep Munger's record of never having beaten a Penn State team intact by sending against the Philadelphia foes a one-two punch in the person of Wally Triplett and Elwood Petchel.

Averaging 11.7 yards per carry, Triplett is the leading ground gainer on the Nittany eleven. In just 40 tries the fleet-footed Lamott wingback has rolled up

475 yards to lead the Lions in total offense.

PETCHEL

Petchel is the kingpin in the Nittany aerial attack with a record of 34 completions in 60 tosses for 414 yards. Only three of the "Flying Fragment's" passes have been intercepted, while eight of them went for touchdowns.

A sell-out crowd of more than 80,000 is expected to see the clash this Saturday. Although the Lions played in two bowl games previously to this contest billed as the "Coal Boal," the Franklin Field audience is expected to break all attendance records in Penn State history.

Last year's Cotton Bowl crowd, restricted to 47,000 because of the size of the stadium and the 1925 Rose Bowl audience of 55,000 are both well under the figure predicted for tomorrow's grid classic.

Ski Managers

Candidates for assistant managerships for skiing are asked to sign up at the Athletic office, 107 Old Main, as soon as possible.



BOB HICKS

IM Games Monday

Semi-final games in the intramural touch-football leagues will be played at New Beaver practice field Monday night, barring further inclement weather, the intramural office announced yesterday.

Phi Delta Theta and Phi Sigma Kappa open festivities at the field when they tangle at 7:45 p.m.

At 8:15 p.m., Dorm 24 and Penn Haven will replay the extra period of last week's scoreless deadlock. The winner of this game will remain on the field to meet the Hot Rocks immediately afterward.

Between The Lions



By Tom Morgan
SPORTS EDITOR

Concerning Reality

Nittany Lion Coach Bob Higgins faces facts squarely. A report that an opposing football team is loaded three-deep in potential starters is as real to him as a sore thumb.

"That's why he says, 'They say we're going to have to play better than we have in the past to win over Penn. But I think — and the boys on the team do too — that we can.'"

Gallop Better Gallop

Hum Fishburn, Blue Band director, came up with a classic quip at the Wednesday Quarterback Club meeting. With one of the country's biggest election upsets assured an hour earlier and a score of pollsters across the nation red-faced, Fishburn asked of Coach Higgins:

"And what is Gallop's prediction on the outcome of Penn-Penn State?"

Pads Are Key

Through these last five weeks of Lion football practices, we've learned that the layman can draw a fair indication of who's going to be able to play in the weekend game by observing who is wearing shoulder pads during Thursday sessions on New Beaver field.

For the first time since the opener with Bucknell, Penn State will be in something resembling top shape for tomorrow's tussle. Allah be praised!

On Griess' Team

Which brings us around to Doc Griess' team.

Among Nittany Lion gridders, a player is said to be a member of Doc Griess' team when he becomes injured and is sidelined. Too often this season this "team" of Dr. Alfred Griess, Nittany Lion physician, has grown until it made serious inroads on playing strength of the Higginsmen.

But, for the most part, no Lion has spent too much time on the shelf—except one.

He's Albert Peluso, injured Nittany Lion.

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Lambert Race

The Nittany Lions, winner of the Lambert Trophy last season, are currently holding down the runner-up position with Penn.

Both have a 980-point total as compared to the 987 points that Army's Black Knights have rolled up to lead the Eastern grip powers.

Dartmouth, boosted by its decisive victory over Yale, was next with 978 points while Pitt, the Lions' opponent two weeks hence, was fifth with 975 points.

Football Forecast

Through the courtesy of Joe Harris, nationally-known football predictor, we present his selections for this week's grid games.

In the country's top pairing of the week, Harris sees Penn State defeating Penn, 14-7.

Predictions follow, with probable winners listed at the left:

Cincinnati-Miami	20-13	Oregon-Washington	20-7
Arkansas-Rice	27-7	Penn State-Penn	14-7
Army-Stanford	20-0	Princeton-Harvard	14-7
Bucknell-Wash-Jeff.	20-0	Rutgers-Lafayette	20-7
California-UCLA	40-7	SMU-Texas A&M	34-7
Clemson-Furman	27-7	Temple-Syracuse	14-7
Cornell-Colgate	34-7	Texas-Baylor	20-7
Dartmouth-Columbia	27-14	Tulane-VMI	27-7
Georgia Tech-Tennessee	28-7	Vanderbilt-LUS	20-7
Holy Cross-Duquesne	20-7	Villanova-Kentucky	20-14
Illinois-Iowa	20-13	West Virginia-Ohio	27-7
Maryland-South Carolina	14-7	Nevada-Santa Clara	34-14
Michigan State-Marquette	40-7	Chi. Bears-L.A. Rams	28-7
Michigan-Navy	35-0	Chi. Cards-Detroit Lions	31-21
Minnesota-Purdue	20-7	Green Bay-Pitts. Steelers	17-7
Mississippi State-Auburn	27-7	Phila.Eagles-N.Y. Giants	28-7
Mississippi-Chattanooga	20-0	Redskins-Boston Yanks	35-14
Nebraska-Kansas State	27-7	Buffalo Bills-Brooklyn	24-14
North Carolina-W&M	35-7	Cleveland Browns-Baltimore	35-7
Northwestern-Wisconsin	27-13	N.Y. Yanks-L.A. Dons	21-14
Notre Dame-Indiana	34-7	San Francisco-Chi. Rockets	28-14
Ohio State-Pittsburgh	20-7		
Oregon State-Wash. State	14-7		

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