

All-Opponent Team

FIRST TEAM

E—Bill McPeak (Pitt)
 E—Warren Huey (Mich.S.)
 T—Laurie Niemi (Wash.S.)
 T—Pete Fusi (Mich.St.)
 G—Dolph Tokarczyk (Penn)
 G—Jim Fiacco (Syracuse)
 G—Warren Davis (Colgate)
 G—George Guerre (Mich.S.)
 G—Bernie Custis (Syracuse)
 G—Armand Allaire (Colgate)
 G—Jim Robinson (Pitt)

SECOND TEAM

E—Leo Skladany (Pitt)
 E—Bob Sponaugle (Penn)
 T—Nick Bolkovac (Pitt)
 T—Hal Vogler (Mich.S.)
 G—Ed Bagdon (Mich.S.)
 G—Don Mason (Mich.S.)
 C—Chuck Bednarik (Penn)
 B—Lynn Chandnois (Mich.S.)
 B—Ray Dooney (Penn)
 B—Carmen Falcone (Penn)
 B—Jerry Williams (Wash.S.)

HONORABLE MENTION

Ends—Louis Roberts (Penn), John Rogers (Temple), Ed Jbczak (Mich.S.) Tackle—Don Dettore (Penn). Guards—Bernie Barkouskie (Pitt), Bernie Lemonick (Penn). Center—Bob McCurry (Mich.S.). Backs—Louis Cecconi (Pitt), Walt Slovanski (Syracuse).

Lions, Colgate End All-Opponent-Gridiron Series

Colgate's 1949 football schedule released yesterday does not list Penn State as an opponent. Instead, the Raiders will tangle with Northwestern, thus marking the end of a nine-game series with the Nittany Lions.

The last year Penn State varsity did not battle Colgate on the gridiron was 1940.

Although next year's Lion slate has not been released entirely, Harold R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, has announced four games to date: Army, Boston College, Michigan State and Nebraska.

First Football Game

The first intercollegiate football game in which Penn State participated was played at Bucknell November 11, 1881. Penn State won, 10-0.

State a close second. For his scoring as well as defensive work, Nick Bolkovac of Pittsburg gained a second-team berth, and Hal Vogler rounded out the top four tacks on the Nittany all-opponent squads.

Noticeable by their absence were gridders from West Virginia and Bucknell, while Temple could scrape only one honorable mention from the grid selections. McPeak, Skladany and Pitt's guard, Bernie Barkouskie, who were named to the Nittany all-opponent second team last season, repeated on this year's Lion selections.

Michigan State's line polled the greatest number of votes with everyone except one end landing on either the first or second team. Voting was light this year since some of the Nittany gridders could not be contacted because of practice teaching duties.

Simon's Appearance Fortifies Lion Cagers

Penn State's basketball hopes received an unexpected boost last night with the appearance of Milt Simon, injured ace of last year's Lion varsity, who took part in his first practice scrimmage on the Rec Hall court yesterday.

Coach John Lawther put his charges through a grueling session in anticipation of a rough week in which they are scheduled to play three games in five days.



COACH JOHN LAWThER

Although he is slowed down to a shuffle, the sight of Simon gave the team a big lift. The top-heavy schedule lists contests against American U. and Georgetown, in Washington, D.C., next Tuesday and Wednesday, plus a Saturday tilt with Washington and Jefferson, which will open the Nittany Cager's home stand.

INVALUABLE

Described by Lawther as an invaluable moral-lifter, Simon is slated to see some sub activity because of Lawther's urgent need of capable reserves. The blond playmaker had not even attempted to run before last evening and is not expected to be in tip-top shape before January.

Lawther appeared optimistic of his team's chances after viewing last week's opening game at Pittsburgh. He warned future opponents, saying, "If we keep up the wonderful fighting spirit we exhibited last Saturday, we'll be a tough club to lick any night."

The Nittany mentor believes that the extent of the team's progress depends a lot on the improvement of Will Parkhill's and Carl Nordblom's play.

TOCCI, COSTA

Lawther also was emphatic in his praise of Joe Tocci and Marty Costa.

Athletic Fields

In 1924 there were four football fields, four baseball diamonds, 17 tennis courts, special fields for soccer, lacrosse and track, and 153 acres for recreational purposes.

Guatemala Trip Cancelled

The projected soccer trip to Guatemala by the Lion soccermen has been cancelled due to "unforeseen circumstances," announced Harold R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, yesterday.

Two weeks ago, A. J. Simpson, an alumnus of the College and ex-Lion lacrosse player, had extended a "feeler" to Bill Jeffrey, Lion soccer mentor, inviting him to bring his booters to the Pan American soccer tournament scheduled for Guatemala during the Christmas holidays.

Five exhibition games had been planned for the Penn State soccermen but in a letter to Jeffrey Simpson stated that the tournament had been cancelled and that no foreign teams would be invited to Guatemala for exhibition games.

"It would have been a nice trip for the boys," Jeffrey said, "we had a nice season and that would have topped off our year. It's too bad things turned out the way they did."

Between The Lions



By Tom Morgan
SPORTS EDITOR

Snow What!

There's at least one person in State College who is crying for snow, and lot's of it. He's Skiing Coach Sperm Fogg, whose Nittany ski team is presently left with no place to go. Reason: no snow.

From the Morgue

... Penn State football opposition finished the season with an aggregate record of 32 wins, 44 losses and 4 ties, for a percentage of .425. ... Last year's Daily Collegian sports editor, Ted Rubin, is taking graduate work at Western Reserve. ...

... Head Football Coach Bob Higgins and one of his star ends, Sam Tamburo, were speakers last week at the football banquet of New Kensington high, Sam's alma mater. ...

... Annual Nittany Lion Football Banquet is slated for next Tuesday. ...

... Next football season Pitt will play Penn. ... Michigan State's cross-country team this fall achieved the first barrier "grand slam" in the history of the sport by winning the ICA-A, NCAA and National Senior AAU meets.

27 Earn '48 Grid Letters

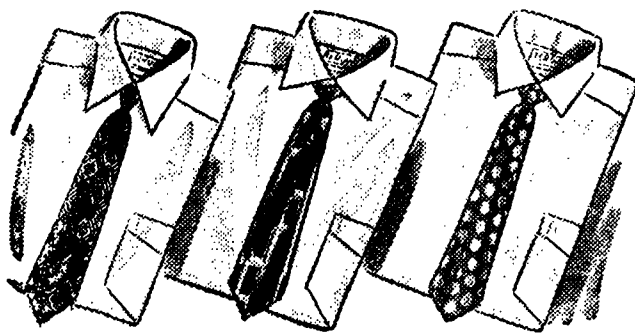
Twenty-six football players and a manager earned Penn State varsity monograms for their parts in the '48 gridiron campaign.

Released yesterday by the Men's Athletic Association, the list of football lettermen included 16 linemen and 10 backs.

Besides Head Manager Harold Saunders, those awarded letters include:

Ends—Sam Tamburo, Bob Hicks, Dennis Hoggard, John Smidansky; tackles—John Finley, Don Murray, Bob Ross, Negley Norton; guards—John Simon, Joe Drzenovich, Paul Kelly, Fred Felbaum, Tom Smith; centers—Chuck Beatty, Ray Hedderick.

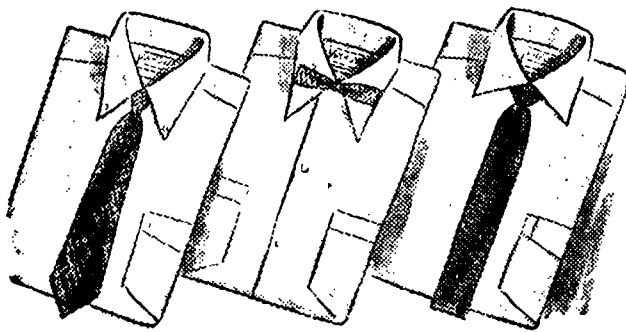
Tailbacks—Elwood Petchel, Bill Luther, Larry Joe; wingbacks—Wally Triplett, Larry Cooney, Bill Scherer, Bob Urion; quarterbacks—Chuck Drzenovich; fullbacks—Joe Colone, Francis Rogel; place-kicker—Carl Sturges.



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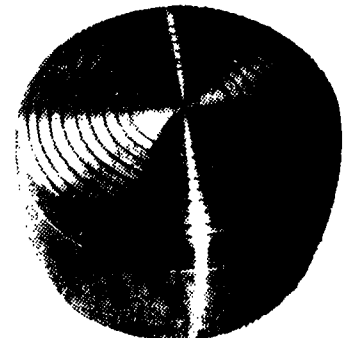


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