

The Lion's Tale

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Unnoticed

Penn State sports fans, intent on watching Joe Bedenk's ram-paging gridders swamp Boston College and Ed Songin Saturday, missed a chance to see what this reporter predicts will be one of the top soccer teams in the country.

While the football game was in progress, Coach Bill Jeffrey's booting forces were trampling Bucknell's Bisons under a 5-0 score. Not only did the Nittany booters outscore the visitors, but the Bucknellians failed to make a serious scoring bid all afternoon!

"Bagpipe Bill" has molded a potential championship outfit this year. His forward line of Ted "Utz" Lieb, Ron Coleman, Joe Lane, Harry Little and Clarence Buss should stack up against any forward line in the East, while All-Americans Ralph Hosterman and Dick Hannah team up with Willie Kraybill to form a smart row of halfbacks.

Dependable Charlie Margolf and Bill Yerkes, a newcomer, challenge opposing linemen from their fullback slots, while George Lawther, the net-guarder, has kept the Lion goal untouched in the first two games.

This weekend, the Jeffrey men journey to Syracuse, N.Y., to battle with the Orangemen, but they'll be back home again on Nov. 5. Since the footballers are away that weekend, you can have a chance to see them in action. Don't say we didn't warn you!

Here and There

Frank Taucher, fullback on the 1948 soccer squad, is playing center halfback for Horning in the Allegheny Valley Soccer League near Pittsburgh. Eddie Wilson, another former soccerite, has signed a contract with the Chicago White Sox. Wilson, a pitcher, will report to the Sox's Class C farm in Hot Springs, Ark., in the spring. The top twirler on the Nittanians' 1949 diamond nine, Cy Miller, ended his first season in professional baseball with a 4-and-9 record. However, Miller had the lowest earned-run average on the Muskegon, Mich., staff—a Class A farm club of the White Sox.

Tough Defense

Although Nebraska defeated Kansas State by a narrow 13-6 margin, the Cornhuskers of Nebraska held the Kansans so effectively that the Wildcats penetrated their 20-yard line only one time during the entire game.

Lion Drills Stress Defense for Huskers

Head Coach Joe Bedenk is changing the football practice script this week as the Nittany Lions smooth off the rough edges in preparation for Nebraska at Beaver Field Saturday.

The accent in scrimmage sessions Tuesday and yesterday, and in the lighter drills coming up during the week, is on stopping a rushing-conscious Husker eleven that can move and move far on the ground.

Gone, at least temporarily, are the desperate pass defense sessions in anticipation of an opponent who threatened to pin back the Lion's ears with long heaves. They haven't been eliminated, but the heaviest concentration is on stopping power and speed plays through and around the line.

ATTITUDE GOOD

Bedenk is pleased with the attitude of the hardworking Lions, who having found the winning key, are determined to keep the string moving. The players worked hard, on both offense and defense, in the two scrimmage sessions, and ran through several new plays.

Physically, as well as mentally, the squad is in good shape. Chuck Beatty, Bill Luther, and those others slightly hurt in the Boston College fray, have responded to treatment and will be ready to go against the Huskers.

Pete Gorinski has been scrimmaging this week and will be in uniform, ready to help Fran Rogel at fullback. Gorinski, slated to do State's kicking this season, has been sidelined for three weeks with a shoulder separation. He entered the BC game last week for one punt.

A bad ankle threatens to keep quarterback Chuck Drazenovich out of full-time duty again this week. After turning the ankle in the Army game, Chuck sat out the BC engagement and his absence marked the first time he has missed a game in four years of varsity football. During the winning campaigns of 1947 and 1948, he was the "Iron Man" of the squad, playing 60 minutes a half dozen times and averaging better than 50 minutes in 19 games.

Filling the blocking-back spot will be Charlie Murray who impressed the coach against both Army and BC. On his eagerness to play, and his hard work, Murray will probably see much duty through the rest of the schedule. Several other reserves, notably guard Fred Felbaum and tackle Ed Hoover, were impressive in last week's win and are slated for more play.

Independent Scorers

Leaders of independent touch football teams are requested to call Marv Krasnansky at The Daily Collegian office after 3 p.m. on the afternoons following their games. Information must be obtained concerning their team's games.

Gerry Ferguson, Nebraska halfback, has averaged 9.8 yards per try in the Cornhusker's first three games.

Booters Travel To Test Orange

Although Syracuse, the Lions' soccer opponent this Saturday, isn't acclaimed as one of the East's better booting units, Coach Bill Jeffrey still warns his boys that upsets always occur when a top-notch meets a weakling.

The Nittanians are highly touted in collegiate soccer circles this year. Many believe this is one of the best, if not the best, unit ever to represent the Blue and White. In their two outings the Nittanymen have topped West Chester, 6-0, and Bucknell, 5-0, and this Saturday at Orangetown they'll seek their third straight this season.

Jeffrey plans to take approximately 17 men to Syracuse tomorrow.

Troyan Paces Coal Crackers To Record-Breaking 34-0 Win

Putting on one of the greatest performances in the 19-year history of intramural touch football, Cy Troyan passed and ran the Coal Crackers to a record-smashing 34-0 victory over Dorm 1 under the lights of Beaver practice field Tuesday night.

Troyan, who last year paced the Coal Crackers to the independent championship, ran for one score, and passed for four TD's and as many extra points.

The slender junior began the scoring parade which was to wipe out the 33 point scoring mark set by Delta Upsilon last year when he intercepted a first period pass and raced thirty yards for the score.

Morris Manello scored the second touchdown, and Ed Kennedy raced 10-yards after taking Troyan's heave for the third six-pointer.

Dick Case and Tom Schuptar accounted for the other TD's, serving as terminals for Troyan's well-versed right arm. Mike Aneschek was on the receiving end of the record-bettering conversion.

In other games, Pi Kappa Alpha blanked Delta Tau Delta, 6-0, with Art Oberg scoring the winning touchdown on a 20-yard pass; interception; Kappa Sigma

edged Tau Kappa Epsilon, 1-0, in an overtime contest, and Dorm 14 jilted the Jets, 7-0.

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