

The Lion's Tale

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Football Fanfare

Two deep and dreary subjects have grabbed the post-season attention of collegiate football fans throughout the country. They are the probable replacement of several college coaches, and the always "hot" debate on the subsidation of ole Siwash's star right halfback.

One mentor has already thrown in the towel. Phil Sarboe, Washington State tutor, notified the Athletic council of his resignation last week. Sarboe was at the Cougar helm in two clashes with Coach Bob Higgins' Nittany Lions. In 1947 (the Cotton Bowl year), the States won, 27-6. The Nittanians fished out a 7-0 verdict from the Washington Staters in 1948.

Sarboe, in his resignation letter, stated, "I do not believe I can produce the results expected by fans, alumni and students under the continuation of the present athletic program."

Harvard Outburst

Only recently, Harvard's Athletic Director, William J. Bingham, gave the press the startling statement that Harvard was discontinuing football on a "big time" basis. This remark brought about an immediate uprising from many parts of the country. One of the biggest roars came from Philadelphia, where University of Pennsylvania authorities flatly denied Bingham's remark concerning Penn's so-called "state" scholarships for football players.

NCAA Steps In

Now the National Collegiate Athletic Association has stepped into the picture by announcing that seven colleges are on the limb for disobeying NCAA requirements for putting athletes through school.

Three Southern schools have already admitted that they are exceeding the NCAA limit in helping their favored sons. The University of Virginia, Virginia Military Institute (VMI) and Virginia Polytechnic Institute (Virginia Tech) claim that they are three of the institutions the NCAA is referring to.

A Virginia Tech official made the classical remark of the year. He said that his team had won only one of nine games this fall despite surpassing the NCAA subsidation rules. He wondered just how far the bigger schools with outstanding teams had gone in aiding their gate attractions.

Wrestlers Face Two New Teams

Penn State's 1950 wrestling team will face two new opponents, according to the schedule released by Harold Gilbert, Graduate Manager of Athletics.

Coach Charlie Speidel's matmen will open their season January 7 with Virginia, a new name on the Nittanians' slate. Little is known as the Virginians' team strength, but the Cavaliers are recent additions to the EIWA.

Pittsburgh, the Lions' football nemesis, is the other new team that will meet the Speidelmen. The Panthers are backing a collegiate wrestling combo for the first time, but have already secured a former Oklahoma A&M muscleman as coach.

Five home meets, with Virginia, Cornell, Pitt, Syracuse and Princeton, feature the schedule. Army, Lehigh and Navy will play host to the Nittany matmen, while the intercollegiate are booked for Princeton, N.J.

The schedule:

Jan.		
7	Virginia	Home
14	Cornell	Home
21	Lehigh	Bethlehem
28	Pittsburgh	Home
Feb.		
11	Syracuse	Home
18	Army	West Point, N.Y.
25	Navy	Annapolis, Md.
Mar.		
4	Princeton	Home
10-11	EIWA's	Princeton, N.J.
25-25	NCAA's	Cedar Falls, Ia.

AIM Picture

Members of AIM Council have been asked to call at Student Union to identify themselves on the council group picture taken for LaVie, at their earliest convenience.

Hedderick Fights-off Injury, Proves Miracles Still Happen

By GEORGE VADASZ

The lights of the College infirmary were burning late on the third Sunday of October this fall, when team Physician Doc Greiss bent over Center Ray Hedderick and proclaimed: "This is a very bad knee sprain. It'll be a miracle if Ray will be ready in time for the Pitt game."

But apparently miracles still happen. Although his injury, suffered at East Lansing when Michigan State topped the Lions, 24-0, was considered severe enough at the time to bench the 210-pound ball-snapper for the remainder of the year, Ray fought back valiantly and three weeks later—at Pittsburgh—played a bang-up game.

Tabbed by his high school coach, Millcreek's Gus Anderson, as one of the most outstanding high school athletes ever to perform for him, Ray galloped up and down the high school grid greensward from a halfback position.

In both his junior and senior years, Millcreek tied for the Class A, Erie County, football crown. His senior season, in 1945, he was the highest scoring back in the Erie area.

BASKETBALL

Trading his football togs, in the winter, for a basketball uniform, he performed equally well on the hardwood. For two years, Millcreek, led by Ray in the scoring department, captured the Class A hunting only to be beaten in the District 10 cage finals.

But Hedderick didn't confine his talents to football and basketball alone, he was also considered one of the school's better diamond finds.

After graduation in 1946, he enrolled at Penn State and was sent for his freshman year to California State Teachers College.

Unable to hit his high school pace, he was a reserve wingback on Coach Earle Bruce's eleven which romped to nine straight victories.

HIGGINS LACKS CENTERS

Coming to the main campus for his sophomore season he again competed for a wingback slot, but Coach Bob Higgins, then short on able centers, saw Hedderick snap a pigskin during warm-up sessions and immediately converted him into a center.

To give him the much-needed experience Ray played with the jayvees for one year but moving up at a comet-like pace during the middle of the '48 season, he began pushing Chuck Beatty for a starting assignment. In '49 he was the starting center until injured at Michigan State.



SPE Triumphs --

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SPE cagers threw in three points while holding their opponents scoreless, and wrapped up the game, 26-23. Bill Howell paced the victors with eight points.

In other League D games, football end John Smidansky took scoring honors for the evening with 14 points as he led Sigma Nu to a 28-18 trouncing of Theta Xi and Alpha Gamma Rho nosed out Alpha Chi Rho, 25-23, with Ralph Watts' 13 points showing the way.

Delta Upsilon, led by football co-captain Bob Hicks' seven points,

edged Alpha Sigma Phi, 16-14, in a rough League E ball game. Other League E results showed Delta Tau Delta keeping its slate clean by downing Pi Kappa Alpha, 14-6, and Sigma Chi, also undefeated, defeat Phi Kappa Tau, 13-10.

In League F, soccer player Ted Lieb's ten points were more than enough as Phi Kappa Sigma walloped Delta Theta Sigma, 29-4; Beta Theta Pi took "number two" by shellacking Omega Psi Phi, 29-4, with Don Roush's six points being high, and Bob Pee's 11 markers helped Tau Kappa Epsilon sink Chi Phi, 24-11, for its second consecutive victory.

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NEXT TO CATHAUM THEATRE

'50 Harriers To Select Captain For Each Meet

Penn State's cross country team threw precedent to the four winds at its annual banquet Wednesday night when it discarded the practice of electing a permanent captain for next year.

Instead coach Chick Werner will name a captain before each meet, and thus giving each man on the team a chance to lead the harriers at least once. The move was made, Werner said, because of the balance of the team and the equal ability of the runners. The team was captained during the past season by Bob Parsons, who along with the rest of the first eight starters on the team, will be back next season.

Nine members of the squad were awarded letters. They are Bob Parsons, Don Ashenfelter, Bill Ashenfelter, Bob Freebairn, Bill Gordon, John McCall, Al Porto, Jack St. Clair and Ted Horner. Horner's award was a special one made by Coach Werner in view of his service and efforts in behalf of the team.

Werner also announced at the banquet, held in the State College Hotel, a tentative schedule for the 1950 season. The card lists as probable opponents Manhattan, Michigan State, Cornell

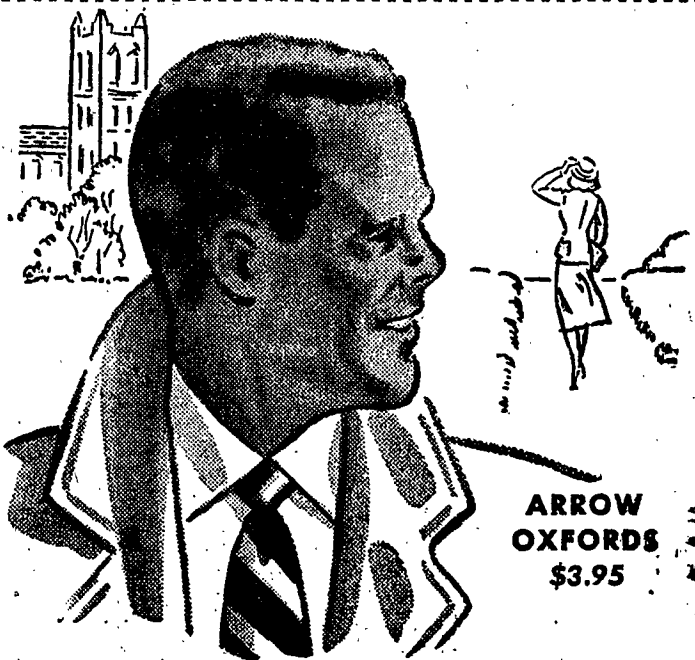
and New York University. The Lion Harriers will also travel to the IC4-A and the NCAA meets, and possibly to the National AAU meet, the latter depending on the team's showing during the season. In addition, attempts are being made to schedule another dual meet with either Army, Navy or Pitt.

Tom O'Toole was named head manager for next year. He will replace Bob Brown, who graduates in June. O'Toole was a first assistant manager during the past season.

The banquet brought to a close a very successful season for the Nittany runners. They captured three dual meets against one loss and finished fourth and fifth respectively in the IC4-A and the NCAA meets.

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