

'On The Ball'



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A recent statement in the Penn State Alumni News by Ridge Riley, alumni secretary at the College, concerning the roughhouse tactics of the Army football team has unintentionally aroused a howl of indignation from a New York Herald-Tribune sports reporter.

Labeling as "irresponsible" Riley's comments on the "obvious vicious football taught at West Point," the reporter, Jesse Abramson, stated that when the refs submitted their reports to E.C. A.C. Commissioner Asa Bushnell, the Cadet's 134 penalty yards were dismissed as not being exceptionally rough. (That is, not exceptionally rough for the U.S. Military Academy.)

Riley, who left for the Syracuse-Penn State grid encounter shortly before noon yesterday, was not available for comment on the article which appeared in yesterday's edition of the Tribune.

While the opinion of the popular alumni secretary could not be called exactly unbiased, it is thought—in this corner, at least—that what he said hit the issue squarely. Certainly all was not sweetness and light between the two teams last Saturday.

As one member of the squad expressed it, "it was sure hell under those pileups!"

The main gripe of the Tribune scribe centered about the following statements made by Riley after the game: "Our boys never quit and they were in there at the finish still trying. This took courage against the kind of vicious football the West Pointers are apparently taught . . . we don't see any reason why it isn't cricket to write about something so completely obvious to all observers of Army football . . . Army's roughing penalties speak for themselves . . . played outside the fringe, football can get pretty obnoxious and, frankly, we can't see why teams must continue to absorb stuff like that and then ignore the incidents out of respect or awe or something just because it's the United States Military Academy."

Usually biased in favor of teams in the Gotham area—and maybe trying to drum up a fracas

Booters Open At Home Against W. Maryland

Orange Frosh Top Lion Gridders 14-0

SYRACUSE, Oct. 13 — Penn State's frosh footballers were handed their second defeat of the season this afternoon, when they took a sound 14-0 drubbing from the Syracuse freshmen.

Their offensive stemmed by the muddy field and Syracuse's hard-charging line, the Lion cubs were unable to penetrate enemy territory all afternoon.

Quarterback Bruce Yancey scored the Tangerine's first touchdown midway through the second quarter, when he scampered across from the two-yard on a bootleg play. A blocked punt set up the play on State's 35-yard line.

The second tally came in the final quarter when Bob Lieberman smashed off tackle from the five-yard line. Jim George converted both extra points.

The Syracuse eleven, who described the State as "lumbering," was also hampered by the condition of the field, as they were inside State's 25-yard line seven times, only to lose possession of the ball on fumbles.

State quarterback Bob Szajna had trouble finding his receivers, but his passes found their way into the arms of the Tangerine defenders, as five of his passes were intercepted.

on a dull news day—the view of the New York scribes on the Army misdemeanors continues to be one of "the king can do no wrong."

Says Abramson: "Army is one of the best conditioned and hardest hitting teams you'll find. That's one of the secrets of Blaik's success and Army's twenty-two game undefeated streak. That's the game and the way Army plays it, and Army wouldn't be up there if it let down on its blocks and tackles." To which we reply with a mighty—Ho-Hum.

Bill Jeffrey's co-national soccer champions will play their first home game of the season today at 2 p.m. on the Beaver Field baseball diamond.

The high scoring Lions will meet Western Maryland for the first time, as they attempt to add the visitors to the 16-game undefeated streak now in progress.

The only change in the booter's lineup will find Bill Yerkes at right fullback. Sophomore Jay Simmons will team with Yerkes and play left fullback.

The halfback line will be composed of Kurt Klaus and Frank Follmer, along with George Emig.

Joe Lane, who scored seven goals against Bucknell, will be at center forward. Clarence Buss will start at outside right with Captain Harry Little at the inside right and Ron Coleman at inside left.

Gus Biggott, a veteran of Jeffrey's 1938 team, is scheduled to start at left wing, while Ron Coder, who touched the ball only six times last week, will guard the Penn State net.

Call For Wrestlers

Wrestling candidates are asked to report to Recreation hall every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Workouts will run from four to six o'clock every afternoon.

Frosh Basketball

Freshman basketball practice will not begin until Nov. 1, it was announced yesterday by Joe Tocci, yearling cage mentor.

Frosh will not be asked to report for practice until that date.

Pi K Phi Mermen Score IM Win

Mermen from Theta Kappa Phi, Pi Kappa Phi, and Pi Lambda Phi registered swimming victories in the intramural tri-ual meet yesterday afternoon at Glennland Pool.

In the opener Theta Kappa Phi submerged Alpha Gamma Rho, 27-14; Pi Kappa Phi outscored Phi Delta Theta, 25-15; and Pi Lambda Phi won a forfeit over Kappa Sigma.

PKP's Howard Davidson won the 60-yard backstroke, and swam on the winning relay team, while Dick DeFerie was a double winner for TKP. PKP's diver, Dick Jung, displayed some spectacular low-board diving.

In IM competition, all losing teams are immediately eliminated from further competition. er frosh will present formidable

opposition to a promising, but "green" State team: Gordon will start Bob Hollen, Don Bagby, Gus Omrod, Art Godshall, Pete Judd, Dick Grice, Jim Cressman, and Bud Webb against Pitt.

Nittany Harriers Favored Over Pitt

Starting his 18th season as cross-country coach at Penn State, Chick Werner will send a strong harrier team against Pitt today at 11:30 a.m. on the Schenley park course.

With a veteran team consisting of Don and Bill Ashenfelter, Bob Parsons, Bob Freebairn, Al Porto, Jack St. Clair, Bill Gordon, and newcomer Dudley Foster, Werner's varsity charges will be favored to top the Panthers strong, but inexperienced club.

Norm Gordon will make his debut as freshman coach in a plebe match that is rated a toss-up. Armed with an outstanding array of ex-schoolboy talent the Panth-



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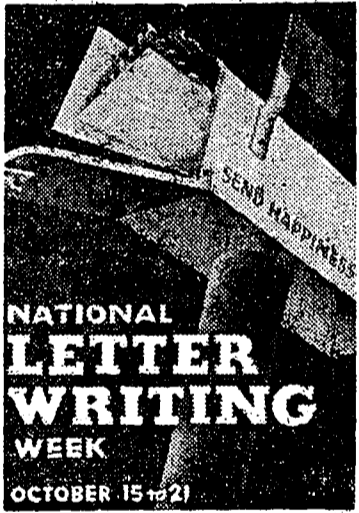


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