

'On The Ball'

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Will Welsh Welsh On Ga. Grid Deal?



Donald (Ducky) Welsh, Lancaster Catholic High school's burly fullback and one of the most-sought-after scholastic griders in Eastern Pennsylvania, has signed a contract to enroll at the University of Georgia according to a recent statement by his parents.

How is it that Pennsylvania colleges—and particularly Penn State—are allowing an athlete of so great promise to slip through their fingers inquires an anonymous alumnus who mailed us the item (which originally appeared in the Lancaster Intelligencer Journal) along with several pertinent questions?

"Yea—how come?" we wondered and forthwith marched to Rec hall where we pointedly queried Rip Engle, Nittany football chief, for an explanation to the question.

"You bet we'd like to have the kid enrolled at Penn State," Rip led off, "and don't think we haven't been trying to get him. Welsh has been highly recommended to us. Penn State and Georgia are not the only two schools after him," he continued.

"I recently spoke at a football banquet in Lancaster after which I talked to school officials about the boy. Also, at different times, both Ridge Riley (alumni secretary) and Sever Toretti (assistant grid instructor under Engle) have spoken to him. Just because he's signed a contract doesn't mean that we've given up on obtaining him."

Under the agreement, which is a form pact used by all teams in the Southeastern Conference, Welsh, should he decide to play sports in that Conference, must do so for Georgia. No other team in the Conference is eligible to tamper with him or sign him. However, the pact does not hold good except among Conference teams, and he could still change his mind and enroll and play at some other college outside of the conference.

The newspaper item followed: "The Purple and Gold gridder, who was chosen as the outstanding football player of Lancaster county by the All-Lancaster Football association, agreed to enter Georgia after a conference with Forrest G. (Spec) Towns, now an assistant coach at Georgia. Currently playing with Catholic High's basketball team, Welsh will graduate this June. He plans to enter Georgia next September and report when the Freshman griders are called in on Sept. 1."

"I gave this a lot of thought," Welsh said after signing the contract, "and decided that Georgia has just what I need to further my education. (Ed. note—Hey! Ripley, can't you just envision the near future when Georgia's academic standing will be the bait used to lure

teen-age talent to the tough Southeastern football conference?)

Ay, and here's the rub our assistant alumnus friend points out. What is the matter with his studying Animal Husbandry at Penn State, a school whose ag course is regarded as one of the nation's best?

Earl Bruce, freshman football coach, had the answer. "That's a joke," he smiled. If Georgia wants him so badly, without ever having seen him in action, you can be sure that they made him a pretty good offer to go along with the higher education. You don't go to Georgia to study Agriculture (Welsh wants to work with beef cattle) when you have a fine Ag school like Penn State close by."

Like all 18-year-olds, Welsh faces a call from Uncle Sam. However, until that comes, Ducky said he is going ahead with his plans. He'll be enrolled, he said, in the university's military course as soon as he enters school and plans to take four years of the ROTC training there.

TKE, Beaver Cagers Cop 4th

Eighteen intramural basketball games were played Tuesday night as both independent and fraternity teams competed in their quests for league titles.

In independent contests, the Beavers of league G won their fourth victory of the year by a narrow margin over the Oilers. Another contest in league G saw the Penn State Club win by forfeit over the Erasers. In league F, the Phils continued their winning ways by topping Nittany Co-op, 22-12 and Schwalms' 8 markers led the Hamilton B's to a 12-3 victory over the Crusaders. The Happy Losers of league H defeated the Deadwoods, 22-15 and also in the same loop, Penn Haven forfeited to the Newmanites.

Coal Crackers
In league I, the Coal Crackers got into the win column as Parks' 10 points paced them to a 31-6 triumph over the Knights. Waugaman's 12 points led the Pre-Vets to a 24-3 win over the Barons. The only battle in league J was the Ramblers 20-15 downing of the Olympians. The Big Five dropped a 24-17 decision to the Schmoos and the Abees trounced the Mice, 20-12 in league K. League L games saw Sherry bucket 22 points to lead the Wildcats to a

Gymnasts Risk Clean Slate Against Eastern Opponents

Recently returned from an all-victorious trip in the South, Penn State's 1951 gymnastic team is now readying itself for the Eastern competition that must be met in the next four weeks.

Although overwhelming winners over North Carolina and Maryland, the real test will be in Saturday's meet with Army in Rec hall. The weekend clash with the Cadets will serve as a better measure of the Nittany potential than the two previous inter-sectional meetings.

Inexperience

This year's squad, termed "weak" by Coach Gene Wettstone because of inexperience, has a quality if not quantity basis to build on. In Captain Rudy Valentino, the Lion team has the Eastern collegiate tumbling champion and one of the top men in the nation. Because of an injury, Valentino was unable to compete in the National championships last spring, but with work this season, will be able to make his presence felt when State goes to the National collegiate and A.A.U. meets at the end of the dual season.

Dave Benner, veteran sidehorse specialist, has earned two sets of first place points this year and can be expected to improve on last year's record when he finished fourth in the National collegiate tourney.

Campbell Helps

The major burden for the current schedule will fall on less experienced but not less capable shoulders as evidenced by the results of the first two meets. Tom Campbell, a PIAA titleholder in 1949, has continued his proficient work by winning twice on the horizontal bar.

The rope climbing is being handled by Dave Schultz who did not lose on the Southern trip. Jim Hazen, undefeated on the flying rings so far, will get enough help from Fred Fritsche to pick up points for the Lions all season long.

Dave Douglass and Bill Humphries are the Nittany point-getters on the parallel bars. Douglass gained first place honors in the North Carolina setto.

Tumbling was the strongest part of Wettstone's team over the weekend, with Valentino, Owen Wilkinson, and Al Grazier earning the top three spots in both meets.

26-23 triumph over the Capitols and the Tigers forfeit to the Architects.

Fraternity play saw a flurry of hot court action as the big game turned out to be Tau Kappa Epsilon's 29-21 decision over Sigma Nu as Art Trautmann led with 7 markers. The Teke's are now in sole possession of first place in league C. Another league C game saw Delta Chi roll over Acacia, 31-9. In league B, Tau Phi Delta edged Alpha Chi Rho, 10-9, in the first of three overtime battles. Phi Kappa edged Lambda Chi Alpha, 25-23 with Vic Straub netting 13 markers, and in two extra periods, Phi Kappa Tau squeezed out a 17-15 win over Alpha Zeta.

Erie Merman Sets National Mark

ERIE, Pa. Feb. 6—(AP)—Johnny Sampson, a senior at Erie Academy high school, broke the national scholastic record for the 120-yard individual medley swimming event last night.

In a swimming meet against Cathedral Prep, also of Erie, Sampson was timed officially at 1:13.5. This breaks a record of 1:14.5 held by Kerry Donovan of La Salle Academy in Providence, R.I. Erie Academy won the meet 42-33.

Nearing One Hundred

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Dulles Mission—

(Continued from page one) and political leaders from public office.

Powerful individuals have been working hard to get the purge junked.

Sources close to the mission said that under the U.S. plan, if Japan wiped out all the reforms none of the 45 countries expected to sign the treaty would be able to do anything except to lodge formal protests.

Objections Expected
Such considerations are expected to bring objections from Britain and some of Japan's neighbors, some observers believe.

The informants said, however, that the opinion of most interested powers generally was in agreement. The most dissent, they added, came on the subjects of reparations and future economic terms.

The informants said the United States believe the Japanese should not be required to pay further reparations.

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