

Lion Gridders Take Break To Have Pictures Taken

Don New Uniforms As Photographers Have Field Day

BY ERNIE MOORE

Penn State's football squad took time out yesterday afternoon to give newspaper photographers a chance to get pictures of the 1951 Nittany Lions.

Decked out in their new royal blue and white uniforms, the Lions spent an hour and a half posing for the photographers. This season at all home games, the Nittany gridgers will wear royal blue jerseys with white numbers, white pants with a solid blue strip down the side, and white helmets with a solid blue strip.

Back to Practice

No sooner had the photographers finished when Rip Engle had the men back practicing. The Lions will finish their two-sessions-a-day practice tomorrow. With classes starting Monday, the team will go back to the single session in the late afternoon.

Two more injuries have befallen Engle's squad and although neither is considered serious, the time lost in practice will hurt the Lions who are preparing for their opener with Boston University.

Rados, Pollard Hurt

Tony Rados, leading candidate for the quarterback position, fell on his arm during practice Wednesday. The arm was swelled so yesterday that Tony could not raise his arm in a passing position for the photographers. It is thought that he will be able to scrimmage again by the first of the week.

Bob Pollard, No. 1 man at the wingback position, has a blood clot in his leg and can not run. He is expected to be ready to go again in a couple of days.

Key Men

Talking to newspaper men on the team's outlook for this year, Rip hinted that State could have a stronger team this year but that the schedule was much stronger than last year.

He said he thought that the defense would be better but that the success of the offense would depend on quarterbacks Rados and Bob Szajna.

26 Lettermen

State has 20 lettermen returning to the squad this year—at least one for every position except quarterback.

The returning veterans are co-captain Art Betts, Pat McPoland, Charlie Wilson, and Andy Silock; Ed Hoover, Stew Sheetz, Dick Cripps, Jim Barr, tackles; Len Bartek, Don Barney, guards; Joe Gratson, John Podrasky, Joe Shumock, centers.

Ted Shattuck, co-captain Len Shephard, and Jim Pollard, fullbacks; Ted Shattuck, halfback; Bob Pollard, Chan Johnson, and Bill Leonard, wingbacks.

Boy Golfer Is Amateur Threat

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Sept. 14.—(AP)—Tommy Jacobs, Jr., a fuzzi-faced lad of 16 from the public links of Montebello, Calif., shot his way into the semi-finals of the National Amateur golf tournament today to complete about the most nondescript round of four imaginable.

Advancing with him in the wake of staggering upsets that eliminated every titan of American amateur golf were Joe Gagliardi, 39-year-old Mamaroneck, N.Y., lawyer; Jack Benson, big Pittsburgh realtor who hits the ball a country mile, and Billy Maxwell, 22-year-old collegian from Odessa, Tex.

Jacobs, the youngest player in 47 years to make such a challenge in this 51-year-old championship, captured the imagination of the gallery as he cut down two opponents to move into tomorrow's 36-hole semi-finals.

National Record

Penn State restricted nine opponents to an average of 17 yards per game by rushing during its unbeaten 1947 campaign.

Co-Captains and Coach



CO-CAPTAINS Art Betts (l) and Len Shephard look over the team they will lead on the gridiron this season with Coach Rip Engle as the Nittany Lions opening game with Boston University draws closer. Betts, a senior, is an offensive end and the Lions punter. Shephard, also a senior, is a defensive line backer and an offensive fullback. Penn State ends its second week of fall practice tomorrow. The season opens September 29.

Soccer Team Opens With Luckless Bisons

When Bucknell's soccer team comes to State College Oct. 6 to open Penn State's season, the Bisons will probably bring all the good luck charms available.

Since the Penn State-Bucknell series began in 1930, the Lewisburg squad has yet to win one game in 17 attempts. Coach Bill Jeffrey's teams have won all the matches but a scoreless deadlock in 1943.

Resides that encounter, the Joe Lane. Lane set a Penn State Lions have been all-victorious. In individual scoring record with the first six matches with the Bi-seven tallies against Bucknell last sons, the Lions rolled up 26 points year.

Limited Practice
Jeffrey's teams have shutout sessions this year have been limited because many of the squad members have not returned from their summer vacations. Even so, last fall when the Lions rolled State will have to rely heavily on newcomers this year as only five veterans will return. Three are halfbacks Kurt Klaus, Frank Pollmer, and Jack Charlton. Kraus will be that coach Jeffrey will played center while Pollmer and be starting his 26th year as head Charlton saw action at right and coach.

Perennial Visitors
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Penn State, however, might have its hands full, as the Lions men are forward captain Ron lost eight of their starting eleven Coleman at inside left and full-through graduation. Included in back Jay Simmons.

Yanks Lose, Sox Gain

Dom DiMaggio's triple and Johnny Pesky's infield hit with two out in the 10th inning yesterday enabled the Boston Red Sox to bolster their pennant hopes with a 5-4 victory over Ned Garver, the St. Louis Browns pitching ace.

The second extra-inning triumph in two days moved the Red Sox within two and a half games of the second-place New York Yankees, who bowed to the Detroit Tigers, 9-2. League leading Cleveland played a night game at Washington.

A seven-run fifth inning by the Tigers, featured by Vic Wertz' tremendous homer into the centerfield bleachers, was the crusher for the Yankees.

The Red Sox took a 3-1 lead against Garver in the fifth when Walt Dropo and Fred Hatfield hit successive homers. The Browns collected a second run in the sixth and pulled into a 4-4 tie in the eighth on Ken Wood's two-run homer. Chicago and Philadelphia were not scheduled.

In the National League, the St. Louis Cardinals sporting seven lefthand hitters in a row, kayoed Sal Maglie in the second inning and went on to beat New York 6-4—setting the second-place Giants six full lengths behind the idle Brooklyn Dodgers.

The game was the first of a mixed double header, the first in the majors since the 1880's. The Redbirds played host to the Boston Braves in the finale last night.

Bill Ashenfelter's Return Bolsters X-Country Team

There was joy among coaches and members of the Penn State cross-country team yesterday—Bill Ashenfelter has returned.

Anyone who has awakened from a bad dream to sigh with relief because the dream wasn't true can appreciate the relieved feeling of varsity x-country coach Chick Werner over the return of last fall's ace.

Ashenfelter—One Ripley Missed

by JAKE HIGHTON

Ripley has come up with a great number of fantastic items for "Believe it or Not," but Penn State's Bill Ashenfelter is a runner with a background which also borders on the unbelievable.

Before coming to the Nittany Valley in 1947 as a soph from Kutztown Teachers, the 6-foot, 2-inch Ash didn't even have a background in track. He had "never run a step" of track training.

At his hometown Collegeville, Pa., lanky Bill played football, basketball (he starred for a good quintet), and baseball; but there was no track team.

Follows Tradition

Why the change of interests at State? Well, Bill practically had his hand forced.

He came from the same stock as a fellow by the name of Horace Ashenfelter. Bill's brother, "Fearless Fosdick" Ash, had been a National Collegiate two-mile champion for Penn State and a two-miler of a class close to Notre Dame's Greg Rice.



Ashenfelter

The affable, friendly Bill made the varsity track squad his first year but in his first cross-country season as a junior, Bill took a back seat to another brother, Don, who led the Lions to the wire every meet.

But in 1950, Bill described by Chick Werner as "the best man I've ever coached," came into his own share of the Penn State Ashenfelter legend.

Paces Great Squad

The often smiling athlete became the bellwether of a team which was not only the National Collegiate Champs but also the greatest harrier squad ever to run the hills of the Nittany golf course.

Bill won first place in everyone of State's unbeaten dual meets last fall and then he romped to an Intercollegiate runnerup position.

Despite the most harrowing conditions any athletic team could have been subjected to, Bill rallied to pace the Lions to an 8th place finish in the Nationals. His teammates, brother Don, Bob Freebairn, Bill Gordon and Dud Foster scored high enough to edge Michigan State for the National Collegiate x-country crown.

Nittany Mile Victor

While captaining the Lion cinder squad last spring, Bill got a thrill which pleased him "as much as any—beating Curt Stone." The occasion was an All-Penn State track meet last spring. One can't blame Bill for taking pleasure from the feat. Ex-Penn State great, Stoney, is an outstanding Olympic distance and world-travelling runner.

From among all of the feats of this "great guy" Bill Ash, one of his most valuable habits goes unnoticed by the crowd. That trait is helping the younger Nittany runners with tips on training, running techniques, and many encouraging words so important to a young runner.

The 160-pound Ash runs effortlessly, has a keen knowledge of pace, is a run-wise veteran who races his opponents, not the clock, and is never perturbed by what the other fellow is doing.

A MIGHTY ASH: Bill, a hero with great modesty, plans to continue running until the Olympic trials this summer and then call it quits. The hotel business is going to be his more restful occupation in the future. Bill in the spring of 1950 streaked eight fur-

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Team Hopes Rise

Thus with the return of one of Penn State's legendary Ashenfelter track family, Coach Werner may perhaps have another outstanding x-country season.

However, Bill Ash wasn't the only member of last year's National Championship team to depart. That is the sad part of the story. Never before had so many under-27-minute five milers rambled over the Penn State golf course as one team.

The best harrier team in Penn State's history is broken up. Six runners who would have had little trouble being stars at any other college last fall are lost to graduation... a coaches' nightmare.

Don Ash Graduated

Don Ashenfelter, the third of the fabulous Lion distance trio started by the great Horace will not be back.

Another standout for the National Champs who isn't returning is Bob Freebairn. Bob, who took fifth in the Intercollegiate title run last year and consistently trailed Bill Ash in State's scoring, will be missed.

Plucky Bill Gordon is another loss. Bill was slower than his mates but just as sure at the finish of the five mile grinds.

Bob Parsons, harrier captain in 1949, is also numbered among the veteran performers lost.

In the same category are Al Porto and Jack St. Clair, two other perennial scorers for the Nittany marathoners.

Sports Pools Ban Urged

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—(P)—The wagering pools on major sports events which flourish in all parts of the country came in for a black eye today from the newly formed "committee on law enforcement problems in the field of sports."

The committee, created by Attorney General McGrath as a division of his national conference on organized crime, held a day-long session at the Justice Department. It tentatively agreed on five recommendations designed to divorce rackets from the nation's playing fields.

Foremost among these was a plan for cooperative effort to abolish football, baseball, and basketball pools. Such pools usually pay off in cash for an advance selection of winners, or for lucky, random drawing of winning combinations.

The other tentative recommendations:

Enforcement of present laws relating to gambling and racketeering.

Policing the associates of players, coaches, and owners of sports.

An effort to make the public aware that "the money bet with professional gamblers may go to an ultimate evil end."

In addition, the committee decided to invite the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the Thoroughbred Racing Association, the Jockey Club, the American Football Coaches Association, the Conference of College Commissioners, and possibly other organized sports groups, to send representatives to the October sessions here.