

May Not Play Saturday



JOE GRATSON, Nittany Lion defensive linebacker, may miss the game with Purdue University Saturday because of a neck injury. A junior from Leisenring, Gratson has been one of the mainstays on Penn State's defensive squad.

Bucknell Coach Says Bisons Best in East

LEWISBURG, Pa., Oct. 31—(P)—Found: A football coach who overflows with optimism and dares them all to beat his team.

The gentleman in question is 42-year-old Harry Lawrence, a fabled high school coach and now director of the gridiron fortunes of Bucknell University, an institution devoted to scholarship in the mountainous regions of Central Pennsylvania.

Lawrence not only considers his Bucknell team good—he thinks it's great. "My team," he said today, "can lick any other club in the East, and that goes for Princeton, Penn, Cornell or any other."

'A Lucky Guy'

Up to now his Bucknell eleven has been laying waste all opposition, rolling up an average of more than 40 points a game in trouncing Gettysburg, Muhlenberg, Lehigh, Kent State, Buffalo, and Lafayette. Against Lafayette last Saturday, the Thundering Herd of Bucknell piled up three touchdowns in the first nine minutes.

Lawrence may be an optimist, but he's not a bragger. "I'm a lucky guy," he said. "Our college is as pure as heaven when it comes to football. The young men playing for me came to Bucknell because they are sold on the school."

Statistics Impressive

Bucknell's biggest test comes on Saturday when the Herd takes on Temple University, proudly sporting a five-game winning streak, including an upset triumph over Boston University.

The cold and uncompromising statistical records support Lawrence's claim to Eastern superiority. His team leads the East in total offense, rushing offense, and rushing defense.

There are some in Pennsylvania who say that Lawrence has in his fold the four best backs in the state. Burt Talmage, a junior from Mountain Lakes, N.J., leads the East in scoring with 12 touchdowns and tops the East also in rushing, where he has averaged more than seven yards a crack in 108 plays.

Good Blocker

Brad Myers, of Lancaster, Pa., who didn't even play football in high school, is second in rushing with an average a shade below Talmage's. Each has gained over 700 yards while no one else in the East has hit 500.

Some say that Bob Albert is the best fullback in the East, too, and Lawrence considers him the finest blocking back he has ever seen. Tommy Dean, quarterback in Lawrence's split-T formation is regarded as a deceptive ball handler and first rate passing threat.

Sigma Nu 11 Moves into IM Semi-Finals

By GEORGE BAIREY

Sigma Nu, defending fraternity IM touch football champions, roared into the semi-finals last night with a 12-0 victory over Sigma Chi on the IM field.

The defending champs put together two quick TDs midway in the final half to break the scoreless deadlock. Sam Lemon and Ted Morgan collaborated for the first score, a 45 yard punt return. An intercepted Sigma Chi pass set up the final marker; this one from Owen Wilkenson to Mike Kirshner to Dick Bruce covered 29 yards. Both extra point attempts were broken up.

Woodrow Scores

After dominating play the entire first half, the Dragons capitalized on a break to start the final half, and defeated the Bagoonies, 7-0, in a quarter-final independent match last night.

The Dragon's Dick Woodrow picked his way 45 yards up the sideline early in the second half on an intercepted Bagoonie pass for the only score. Bill Body threw to Dick Mountain for the extra-point. The win advanced the Dragons to the semi-final bracket of the independent division.

A deadly triple Pottsville passing combination struck home twice, once in the dying minutes of the game and once in the overtime series, to oust Dorm 8, 7-6.

Pickett Runs Wild

Pottsville spotted Dorm 8 an early second half touchdown, on a 73-yard punt return from Frank Miller to Tony Dorrell to John Stroule to Sam Starr, and then came barreling back to knot the count with a 28-yard aerial, Bob Pebley to Jerry Staslak to Tom Cummings, inside the final four minutes. The same three teamed up for a final push to the Dorm 8 46-yard line and the overtime win.

Jack Pickett's running and passing led Phi Delta Theta to the fraternity semi-finals with a 20-0

Anders, Leonard, Gratson May Miss Purdue Contest

Grid Squad Leaves Tonight For Lafayette

Penn State's football team will take its last workout on Beaver Field today before leaving for the Purdue game in Lafayette, Ind., Saturday. The Lions will leave from State College after the pep rally and board a train for Lafayette in Altoona late tonight.

Coach Rip Engle's squad will probably be without the services of fullback Paul Anders and halfback Bill Leonard and possibly linebacker Joe Gratson.

Anders was injured in the Nebraska game and although it was thought he would be ready for the Purdue contest Saturday, he will probably not make the trip to Lafayette. Leonard, who injured his knee in practice last week, also may remain home.

May Weaken Defense

Gratson, one of Engle's defensive mainstays, injured his neck in the West Virginia game and although it has been responding to treatment, it is still not certain whether the fiery linebacker will be able to play against the Boilermakers.

With Penn State expecting Purdue's ace passer Dale Samuels to turn the game into an aerial circus Saturday, the absence of Leonard and Gratson from the lineup could go hard with the Lions' defensive squad.

Klezek Injured

While the Nittany Lions are sweating out the MD report, Coach Stu Holcomb of Purdue is also having injury trouble.

Phil "Flip" Klezek, the Boilermaker's top runner was injured in the Wisconsin game and missed the game last week with Notre Dame. Whether Klezek will be ready for the Lions is still a question. Also on the injury list for the Boilermakers is Terry Thorp, hard running junior fullback.

Lions Underdogs

Should Klezak be unable to play, starting halfback posts will probably be handled by Earl Henger and Max Schmaling. Henger is a junior while Schmaling is just a sophomore. Thorp's fullback spot will probably go to Glenn Young, a senior letterman.

Already the Lions have been named the underdogs for the game Saturday. The odds-makers are giving State ten points.

Purdue will go into the game with a one win and four lost record while Penn State has a three and two card for the season. The Boilermaker's only win came over Iowa, 34-30 on a last minutes touchdown pass by Samuels.

Samuels Starred

Texas, Miami of Florida, Wisconsin, and Notre Dame hold wins over Holcomb's gridders. Last season, Purdue finished with a record of two wins and seven losses against a rough schedule. But one of the two wins was a cherished win over Notre Dame, who up to then was the nation's No. 1 football team.

In that game, which rocked the football world back on its heels, the Boilermaker's Samuels blossomed out as one of the country's best passers. And Saturday, it'll be Samuels that the Nittany Lions will have to stop if they are to come out of the game on the long end of the score.

Second Year

More than 1500 high school musicians participated in Penn State's 1951 Band Day, which was originated a year ago.

Boxing Managers

All persons interested in second-assistant boxing manager jobs are asked to report to 201 Willard at 7 p.m., Nov. 6.

NYU Wins Tuneup For Lion Harriers

New York University cross country runners ran through a final tuneup Tuesday for their engagement with the Lions here this Saturday by trimming City College of New York.

The Violets' 16-41 defeat of CCNY at Van Cortlandt Park evened the NYU season record at two wins and two losses.

Violet ace Gordon McKenzie continued to pace his team as he has practically all season by crossing the finish first in 27:05 after a five mile run. This was the fastest time McKenzie has run all season.

Although the 27 minute time doesn't compare with some of those turned in by Lion runners this season, the difference between State's course and Van Cortlandt makes it hard to compare. The New York course is probably a little tougher.

Lack Depth

Number two NYU runner Howie Jacobson tied for second in the CCNY meet with teammate Ted Foy. They were clocked in 27:14.

Lou Rementaria took fourth for the Violets with a slow time of 28:16. Thus it would appear that NYU suffers from the same lack of depth problem as does Penn State.

Earlier NYU opened its season getting whipped by Army, 18-45, a score close to the 22-35 defeat the strong West Pointers hung on the Lions last week.

McKenzie led the Violet team by finishing third with a 27:26 time. Next NYU finisher was Jacobson in 15th place. Napolitone was 18th and Rementaria 20th.

Best Time

The following week the Gotham harriers knocked off Rutgers, 19-36. McKenzie again led NYU to the finish with a race winning time of 27:09.8. Jacobson took second and Foy ran third.

Metropolitan neighbor St. Johns dropped the Violets 27-33 the week after NYU took Rutgers. St. John's veteran Johnny

Writers Name Campanella National MVP

NEW YORK, Oct. 31—(P)—Roy Campanella, Brooklyn's brilliant catcher, today was named most valuable player in the National League for 1951 by a 24-man committee of the Baseball Writers Association of America.

It was the third time in the last 13 years that the writers have strayed from a National League pennant winner to pick the most valuable player. Although the Dodgers blew a 13½ game lead and lost the flag to the New York Giants in a play-off, Campanella drew 11 of 24 first place votes.

The chunky Negro, approaching his 30th birthday Nov. 19, shrugged off a series of injuries, trying to avoid the threat of disaster. Hobbled by a leg injury he limped through the first play-off game but had to sit out the last two as the Dodgers lost the pennant. He batted .325, fourth highest in the league, hit 33 homers and drove in 108 runs.

Campanella piled up 243 points on the basis of 14 for a first place vote, nine for second and so on down to one for tenth. He outdistanced the opposition.

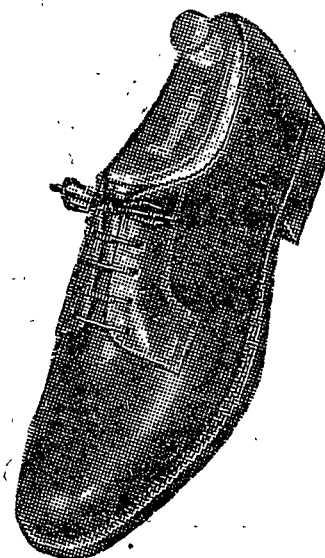
Stan Musial of St. Louis, winning his fifth batting title with a .355 average, finished second.

Johnson and sophomore star Jim Byrne ran one-two. Jacobson ran his best time of the year with a fast 25:56 to finish third and first finisher for NYU.

McKenzie, for the first time this season, didn't lead his team. He ran fourth. Foy continued his third finishing consistency for the Violet by taking fifth. Bill Chioppella was the next NYU placer in 10th place.

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