

Weidenhammer Drives



RON WEIDENHAMMER, Penn State junior guard, drives in from the side in an underhand lay-up shot attempt in Saturday night's game with Washington and Jefferson. Bill Thornberry attempts to block the shot. Lions' Rudy Marisa (20) stands in the background.

Gridders Elect Captains; 17 Booters Win Letters

Seventeen Nittany booters were recently awarded varsity letters for the 1953 soccer season. Coached by Ken Hosterman in his first year as soccer coach, the Lions posted a 5-2 record. Seven of the seventeen players who earned letters were seniors. Captain Hap Irvin, fullback, and Emil Borra, fullback, along with goalie Red Harris, who made up the basis of the Hosterman's defense, received letters.

Three senior linemen, Hubie Kline, outside left, Bill Norcik, outside right, and Garry Nugent were also letter-winners. Only one man from the three-man halfback line will be lost for next year's campaign with Ralph Hoffman receiving the other senior letter award.

The ten remaining letter awards were made to four sophomores and six juniors. Two halfbacks, Paul Dierks and Galen Robbins, and four linemen, Jack Pinezich, Gerry Gillespie, Milt Springer, and another, all juniors, won letters.

Dick Packer, scoring sensation with 13 goals at center forward, Dick Mataka, lineman, Ihor Stelynk, halfback, and goalie, George Gecky, also received letters.

Senior manager, George Green, along with managers Richard Gordon, Leo Tarkeot, Hillel Rosen, and John Reno were awarded letters.

Big Leagues Reject Night Game Ban

NEW YORK, Dec. 7 (AP)—The major leagues today rejected a plan to cut night ball to 14 games a year, and awarded the 1954 all-star game to Cleveland, July 13. The American League took another step toward its plan of expanding to a ten-club league by naming a three-man committee to study the possibilities of new major league territory.

Although the Pacific Coast was not mentioned by name, the league amended its constitution last Sept. 29 to expand to the Pacific Coast.

Frank Lane, general manager of the Chicago White Sox and a member of the major-minor realignment committee, was named to the group with George Medinger, Cleveland vice president, and Calvin Griffith, Washington vice president. They are to explore the possibilities and report at some vague future date.

Release of the official big league attendance figures for 1953 pointed up the importance of realignment. If Milwaukee hadn't set a new national league record of 1,826,397 on its first year, the majors would have suffered a stunning box-office loss. As it was they were able to hold the drop to about 1.7 per cent with a total paid attendance of 14,383,797, only 249,247 less than 1952.

Center Don Balthaser and end Jim Garrity were elected co-captains for Penn State's 1954-55 football team Sunday afternoon at the gridder's annual banquet held at Camp Hate-to-Leave-It. Twenty-six members of the 1953 squad received letters.

Chet Smith, sports editor of the Pittsburgh Press, was toastmaster at the dinner, and the main speaker was Francis Wallace, football expert from Colliers magazine. Letterwinners are Tony Rados, Don Malinak, Rosey Grier, Garrity, Balthaser, Otto Kneidinger, Ron Younker, Lenny Moore, Pete Schoderbek, Sam Green, Shumaker, Bill Straub, Charlie Blockson, Gene Danser, Frank Reich, Keith Horn, Dante DeFalco, Paul Shattuck, Jesse Arnelle, Buddy Rowell, Jack Sherry, Keith Vesling, Dick Jones, Don Bailey, Don Eyer, and Wayne Wolfkeil.

Jack Greiner was elected as head manager of varsity team, replacing Dick Crafton. Greiner's aides are Jerry Houston, George Simpson, and Orrin Barr. Alternates are Lynn Meyers, Jack Riggs, and Harris Sklar.

Alex Gregal, the Nittany Lion, was awarded a small 's' for his achievements during the past three years as Penn State's mascot.

4 Opponents Pick Rados As Top QB

Quarterback Tony Rados was a unanimous selection to four all-opponent football teams (including one by Boston University coaches) released by Syracuse, Boston U., and Pitt. End Jim Garrity was listed on two teams, Pitt and Boston U.

Rados was a unanimous choice with Hank Lemire, Holy Cross, when the final ballots were counted by the Terriers of Boston. Rosey Grier was among the honorable mention (second team). The Terrier coaching staff also selected an all-opponent team. The staff agreed with only five of the player's nominations. Penn State's Rados was included.

Syracuse's all-opponent team, which was dominated by Illinois with four players, found Rados in the first team backfield. John Pappas, Boston U. guard who died after playing in the Syracuse game Oct. 2, was named honorary captain of the Syracuse all-opponent team.

Pitt cited four Penn State and Notre Dame players on its first team. Besides Rados and Garrity, the Lions had Grier, and Pete Schoderbek, guard. Second team honors were given to Sam Green, Lion guard, and Lenny Moore, Lion halfback.

West Virginia, which beat Pitt, 17-7, failed to place a man on the Panther first team. However, four were selected for the second team.

Lions Cagers Win --

(Continued from page six) Lions displayed more speed and fast breaking offense than Gross' team of last season. They controlled the ball most of the time and were able to score from both outside and inside against the W and J man-for-man defense.

The Lions committed 24 personal fouls giving the Presidents 39 free shots and they connected on 23 for a .590 percentage. State had only 13 attempts from the foul line, scoring on eight for a .666 average.

The Lions are idle until Saturday when they travel to Philadelphia to meet the University of Pennsylvania. From there they go on to American University and North Carolina State, returning home Jan. 6, to play Syracuse.

Box Score					
Penn S.	fg	f	t		
Marisa, f	0 4-2	2	Oblum, f	0 8-4	4
Sherry, f	5 0-0	10	Kushner, f	3 6-6	12
Arnelle, c	8 3-2	18	Corbett, f	0 7-3	3
Weid' h' r, g	5 0-0	10	Fuhr, c	1 3-2	4
Hanz, g	4 4-3	11	Doak, c	1 2-1	3
Blocker, f	0 0-0	0	Holstrum, g	1 1-1	3
Helm, f	0 0-0	0	De Celles, g	1 6-2	4
Fields, f	1 0-0	2	Thornb'y, g	2 6-4	8
Rohland, f	0 0-0	0	Knox, g	0 0-0	0
Hoffman, g	1 0-0	2			
Brewer, g	2 0-0	4			
Christ's'n, g	2 1-0	4			
Edwards, g	1 1-1	3			
Totals	29 13-8	66	Totals	9 39-23	41
Penn State			W and J	20 22	12 12-66
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JVs Nip --

(Continued from page six) quarter and dumped in three field goals for the JVs.

Hartnett opened the final period with a foul shot before Gersham hit for two for the JVs. Then Sam McKibben, Ed Kramer, and Charley Stith hit with two-pointers and gave the frosh the lead for the first time, 42-41. Lang then hit with the last of his six field goals to give the JVs their victory.

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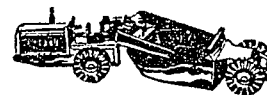
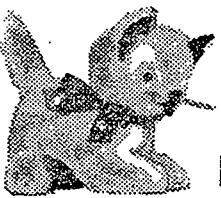
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