

Soccermen Co-Champs

Brockport Also Named; 2d Straight for Booters

By FRAN FANUCCI

Penn State's soccer team last night was named national co-champions along with Brockport State Teachers College at the National Soccer Coaches Association meeting in New York—thus making it the second consecutive year that the Lion Booters have been awarded the coveted title. Last year the Lions were named national champions.

For Lion Coach Ken Hosterman the honor adds another achievement to his already excellent record. The youthful coach took over the Penn State team in 1953 following the resignation of Bill Jeffreys. Since 1953, a total of three seasons, his teams have compiled the amazing record of 22 wins and only two losses.

In that span the Hosterman-coached booters set two records—the most consecutive wins, 18, breaking the old record of 17 in 1937-39, and the most goals scored in a single season, 46. Both of these records were set in the 1955 season, which saw the booters sweep by nine opponents.

Won Since 1953

The Lions have not lost since dropping their next-to-last game of the season in 1953 to the University of Pennsylvania.

Another record set in 1955 was the most goals scored by an individual in one season. All-American and Captain Dick Packer, center forward on the undefeated team, scored 24 goals, breaking the old mark of 23 set in 1952 by Jack Pinezich.

In two seasons—1954-55—the high-scoring booters have tallied a total of 91 goals against 22 for their opponents.

The booters swept by some of the strongest opposition in the East on their way to an unbeaten year.

Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Maryland, Navy, Syracuse, Temple, West Chester State Teachers College, and Pittsburgh all fell to

the offensive-minded booters.

By far the roughest game encountered by the Lions was the West Chester game, ended 3-2.

Throughout the season the combined efforts of Packer, Dick Matacia, Don Shirk, Tommy Nute, and Jim Hedberg were mainly responsible for the scoring punch the booters packed.

On defense Steve Flamporis, Ihor Stelnyk, George Geczy, Ralph Brower, Bob Little, and Ward Hill all worked like a well-oiled machine and were consistent, game after game, in holding their opponents down in the scoring column.

Hosterman Praises Team

Hosterman, who is in New York, could not be contacted, but quoting the capable coach from past experience all he would say was that the team's great teamwork and sportsmanship enabled them to go so far, and they deserve the honor above all other things.

Packer is also in New York, where he will be one of the 11 players from all over the country honored by being named to the All-America first team. This is the second straight year he has won a first team berth.

Brockport, under Coach Hunley Parker, also went undefeated the last two years, rolling up 19 consecutive wins in the process.

Trackmen in 1st Meet

Perry to Miss Cadet Battle

The Penn State indoor track team left University Park at noon yesterday for its first dual meet of the year against West Point today minus the services of its star hurdler Rod Perry and broad jumper Clyde Thomas.

Perry was forced to remain here due to an attack of tonsillitis Wednesday, while Thomas failed to make the trip because of academic problems.

Perry's loss was a hard pill for Coach Chick Werner to swallow. He had counted on his hurdling star to be one of the mainstays in the Nittany offense.

"Perry's absence makes things a little tougher for us," Werner said.

Thomas was listed as a starter in both the high jump and broad jump. No replacements were named for either man.

Lineup Intact

The rest of the Lions' lineup will remain intact. Captain Art Pollard and Gary Seybert will enter the 60-yard dash, while veterans Bruce Austin and Bob Matz will be the Nittany entries in the 600-yard run.

Werner listed Paul Roberts, Ron Lewis and Dave Nash as his entries in the 1000-yard run. Those three, along with Doug Moorhead, will probably run in the two-mile relay, Werner said.

Former cross country standouts Moorhead and Don Woodrow, will do the Lion running in the mile and two mile events. Both are proven distance runners.

Despite Perry's loss, Werner has two better-than-average hurdlers to carry the load in that event—sophomore Dick Winston and Seybert.

"Both men looked good in practice and should be capable of giving a good account of themselves at Army," Werner said.

Blockson to Throw Shot

Charlie Blockson, star weightman for the past two seasons and Charlie Tullar will throw the shot put for the Lions in today's meet.

Tullar was the top shotputter on last year's freshman squad. Veterans Bob Findley and Herb Hollowell, plus sophomore Ogier Norris, are listed as

the Nittanies' entries in the high jump.

Norris and junior Harry Fruherer will do the pole vaulting for the "Werrermen". Fruherer was the lone pole vaulter on last year's squad, while Norris did his leaping for Norm Gordon's frosh aggregation.

Hollowell will probably be the Lion's only entry in the broad jump unless some unexpected last minute change is made by Werner.

Army's trackmen will be participating without their star sprinter and broad jumper, Bob Kyasky, who is still recuperating from a knee injury suffered during the past football campaign.

Captain Al Thelin and Mike Keating are two of the Army stars set to face the Lions. Thelin does the Cadet broad jumping, while Keating will match with Fruherer and Norris in the pole vault.

WRA Bowlers End Semester's Action

Strikes and spares were chalked up for the last time this week when the Women's Recreation Association's bowling clubs wound up another semester's activity.

The Gutter Dusters, captained by Ruth Huntsinger, won Tuesday night's tournament after capturing weekly honors all season. Wednesday night's club placed the Luckey Strikers in its top bracket with 22 points.

Team V finally copped the Thursday night club's tournament by grabbing 25 points for a 705 score. Teams IV and I were close behind with 20 and 19 points, respectively.

Mounties Nip Cagers; Wrestlers Away

Nittanies Drop Number 6, 81-79; Travel to Pittsburgh Tonight

By RON GATEHOUSE

In a game which was decided in the final three minutes, the Penn State basketball team dropped an 81-79 decision to West Virginia University last night at Morgantown.

The loss leaves the Lions with a 5-6 record to carry them to Pittsburgh today where they meet the Panthers tonight in the second of four consecutive road engagements.

Penn State and the Mountaineers were tied at 41 apiece at half time, after the Nittanies were behind by 14 points with six minutes of the first period gone.

Coach John Egli's Lion cagers were well within reach of their sixth win of the season with three minutes remaining in the hotly-contested game, but a series of six straight personal fouls called in West Virginia's favor eventually put the game out of Penn State's reach. The Mountaineers, using the one-plus foul rule to good advantage, at this point added nine points to their winning total.

6500 Fans Attend

A capacity crowd of some 6500 fans who jammed into the Mountaineer Field House to watch the 49th game between the two schools and view their beloved Hot Rod Hundley in action, and none of them went home disappointed. The win made West Virginia's record 10-5.

Hundley edged out the Lions' Rudy Marisa for the night's individual scoring honors with 28 points on 10 field goals and 8 of 11 foul attempts. Marisa, starting at one of the Penn State guard positions, scored 27 points on nine field goals and 9 of 11 fouls.

Hall Paces in Rebounds

Penn State's Norm Hall, who entered the game as a substitute, led the Lions by far in the rebound department. The Nittanies, rated decided underdogs at the start of the contest, out-defended the Mountaineers from start to

finish with their hustle and never-say-die brand of playing, but their deficit at the foul lane proved to be the difference.

The Lions outscored the winners from the floor, 28-27, but fell four short of West Virginia's free throw output. Each team had 38 attempts, the Mounties completing 27 to the Nittanies' 23.

Fields, Hoffman Stand Out

Egli, showing signs of being displeased with the officiating at the end of the game, singled out his co-captains, Earl Fields and Bobby Hoffman, for their defensive play. The duo, on at least a half dozen occasions, calmed Hundley down to a normal pace by taking the ball from him. With the score neck and neck for most of the game, the court comic had little chance to display the clown-like gestures which have popularized him across the nation.

The Lions remained in Morgantown over night, and traveled to Pittsburgh early this morning.

PENN STATE			WEST VA.				
Fg	Ft	Tl	Fg	Ft	Tl		
Fields	4	2-3	10	Hundley	19	8-11	28
Hoffman	8	2-3	18	Bergines	4	7-10	15
Ramsay	0	4-7	4	Sharrar	0	0-0	0
Baidy	0	0-0	0	Vincent	4	6-8	14
Marisa	9	9-11	27	Gardner	2	0-0	0
Hall	8	3-9	9	Mullins	1	0-1	2
Leisher	4	3-5	11	Witting	4	3-4	11
				Eddy	1	3-4	5
Totals	28	23-38	76	Totals	27	27-36	81
Score by periods:							
Penn State			41			38-79	
West Virginia			41			46-81	

According to an Allentown newspaper which carried Lehigh's tentative starting wrestling lineup in a Thursday edition, Coach Gerry Leeman of the Engineers boasted of five, and possibly six, veterans to face Penn State at Bethlehem tonight.

Lehigh has a 3-0 slate while the Lions are 1-0 with a win over Cornell. Coach Charlie Speidel took nine men with him yesterday afternoon.

Hal Byers, 130-pounder who saw action for the first time in two years against Cornell Saturday, did not make the trip.

In addition to the seven men wrestled against the Big Red Saturday, Speidel added sophomores Earl Poust, 137-pounder from Muncy, and sophomore Ray Pottios, a guard on the Lion grid team, to his traveling squad to Lehigh.

Leeman's lineup read Bob Myers (123); Tom Deppe (130); Frank Eck or Dave Bates (137); Joe Gratto (147); Ed Eichelberger (157); Dick Whited (167); Dave Walton (177); and Dave Gallaher (heavyweight).

Lion Traveling Squad

Speidel's traveling squad included Sid Nodland (123); Johnny Johnston (130); John Pepe (137); Dave Adams (157); Joe Humphreys (167); Joe Krufka (177); heavyweight Bill Oberly; Poust, and Pottios.

Lineup changes by Speidel, if he makes any, will probably revolve around the insertion of Poust at one of the middle weights with Adams and Pepe figuring in the strategy.

Penn State is strong at both ends of its lineup with veterans Nodland, Krufka, and Oberly handling 123, 177, and heavyweight, respectively. In these weights the Lions should hold an edge on the undefeated Engineers.

From 130 to 147, both teams host an array of talent with Pepe, Adams, and Johnston leading the Lions against Lehigh's Deppe, Gratto, Bates, and of course National and Eastern champ at 147 last year and Lehigh's captain this year, Ed "Ike" Eichelberger.

Ike vs. Adams?

Eichelberger and Adams, who may meet tonight depending on what the juggling tactics of Speidel and Leeman produce, put on a merry-go-round of action and (Continued on page seven)



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