

Frosh Gridders Open Drills

Over forty freshman football aspirants — including eighteen from the Western Pennsylvania area—have reported to frosh grid coach Earl Bruce for pre-season drills.

Fifteen of the frosh hopefuls are products of the Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League (WPIAL), considered one of the best high school athletic organizations in the nation.

Six men hail from the Philadelphia area, four from the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre section, and four reside out of state. The rest are from nine different high schools scattered throughout Pennsylvania.

One of the hottest prospects is center Earl Kolhass from Mechanicsburg. Kolhass, who stands 6-2 and weighs 200 pounds was twice selected as the first team All-State center by both the Associated Press and the United Press.

The list of top frosh contenders include ends Norm Neff, Jerry Murphy, John Bozick, Frank Mafgaski, and Dave Mellman; tackles Andy Stynucna, Chuck Janerette, John Sava, Bill Perry, and John Parks.

Guards Ed Donald, Mike Romigh, Don Maddigan, Frank Korbini, Ted Curtin, Carmen Camilla, and Dick Bullock; centers Earl Kolhass, Sam Steltella, Tim Graham, and Al Lasko; quarterbacks Dick Lucas, Pete Cimino, and Joe DeNone.

Backs Dave Kraft, Pat Funair,

Ed Caye, Joe Youngo, Pat Botula, Bob Basara, John Carabello, Frank Monoichio, Mike Chervenec, Ted Steinman, Glenn Widler, Fritz Tener, and Jack Urban.

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Football, Too?

Penn State lacrosse star Bill Hess, of Manhasset, N.Y., currently is bidding for attention in football. Hess, who played the grid sport in high school, last Spring set a new Penn State lacrosse scoring record of 41 goals.

Lacrosse Candidates

All freshman candidates for the frosh lacrosse squad should report to a practice meeting at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 25 in 114 Recreation Hall. Previous lacrosse experience is not necessary to try-out for the squad.



FOOTBALL: ITS CAUSE AND CURE

At next Saturday's football game, while you are sitting in your choice student's seat on the ten-yard line, won't you give a thought to Alaric Sigafos?

Who, you ask, is Alaric Sigafos? Come closer, sit down, light a Philip Morris, savor that natural tobacco goodness, sigh contentedly, cross your fat little legs, and listen.

Alaric Sigafos (1868-1934) started life humbly on a farm near Thud, Kansas. His mother and father, both named Ralph, were bean-gleaners, and Alaric became a bean-gleaner too. But he soon tired of the work and went to Memphis where he got a job with a logging firm. Here the ex-bean-gleaner worked as a stump-thumper. Then he drifted to Texas where he tidied up oil fields (pipe-wiper). Then to Arizona where he strung dried fruit (fig-rigger). Then to Virginia where he was a research assistant (book-looker). Then to Long Island where he dressed poultry (duck-plucker). Then to California where he lectured young women who were about to get married (bride-chider). Then to Minnesota where he cut up frozen lakes (ice-slicer). Then to Nevada where he determined the odds in a gambling house (dice-pricer). Then to Milwaukee where he pasted camera lenses together (Zeiss-splicer).

Finally he went to Omaha where he got a job in a tannery, beating pig-hides until they were soft and supple (hog-flogger). Here he found happiness at last.



He found happiness at last...

Why, you ask, did he find happiness at last as a hog-flogger? Light another firm and fragrant Philip Morris, taste that true tobacco flavor, puff, relax, let sweet lassitude possess your limbs, and listen.

Next door to the hog-flogger was an almond grove owned by a girl named Chimera Emrick. Chimera was pink and white and marvelously hinged, and Alaric was hopelessly in love the moment he clapped eyes on her. Each day he came to the almond grove to woo Chimera, but to no avail. He tried with all his vigor and guile, but she, alas, stayed cool.

Then one day Alaric got a brilliant idea. It was the day before the annual Omaha Almond Festival. On this day, as we all know, every almond grower in Omaha enters a float in the big parade. The floats always consist of large cardboard almonds hanging from large cardboard almond trees.

Alaric's inspiration was to stitch pieces of pigskin together and inflate them until they looked like big, plump almonds. "These sure beat skinny old cardboard almonds," said Alaric to himself. "Tomorrow they will surely take first prize for Chimera, and she will be mine!"

Early the next morning Alaric came running to Chimera with his inflated pigskin almonds, but she, alas, told him she was not entering a float that year. In fact, she had just sold her almond grove and was moving East to try out with the Boston Red Sox.

Alaric, upon hearing these glum tidings, flew into a violent rage. He started kicking his pigskin almonds all over the place. And who should be walking by at that very instant but Abner Doubleday!

Mr. Doubleday, who had invented baseball some years earlier, was now trying to invent football, but without success. The trouble was, he couldn't figure out what kind of ball to use. Now, seeing Alaric kick the pigskin spheroids, his problem was suddenly solved. "Eureka!" he cried, and ran to his drawing board, and the rest is history!

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When you go to next Saturday's game, the makers of Philip Morris, sponsors of this column, suggest you take along the perfect football companion—Philip Morris, of course!