

Sebo Smiling Again

# Penn Boasts Potentially Great But Inexperienced Front Wall

By FRAN FANUCCI

A "green" but potentially great line has given Penn coach Steve Sebo something to smile about in recent practice sessions.

Sebo, beginning his third year as coach, has never been able to boast of having depth, but this Saturday he may surprise all the experts when his charges take the field against the Nittany Lions.

**BULWARKED** by a host of promising sophomores, 16 of whom are counted on in game plans, Sebo will have a solid forward wall. This was his paramount problem last year and during early practice sessions, but with the swift development of his tackles and centers the problem has failed to materialize.

The fine work of Joe Hordubay and Frank Brody at tackle has been especially gratifying to Sebo. Behind Hordubay, a sophomore, and Brody, a junior, are junior Bob Wets and sophomore Dennis Troychak.

**HORDUBAY**, a converted guard, stands 6 feet and weighs 200 pounds and is considered one of the top interior men on the team.

Brody, 6 feet 230 pounds, is handicapped by an everyday problem—overweight. He was used in five games last season



Pete Keblish  
Junior co-captain

as a reserve, but is expected to draw one of the starting berths Saturday.

At guard Pete Keblish, only junior to co-captain a Penn team since 1911, spent last year understudying Jim Shada. The 5-11,

195 pound linebacker is regarded as an excellent performer at that position, and is given most of the credit for building up the team's spirit this year.

**OTHER** top guards are sophomores Tony Capuano and Ray Kelly. Capuano was a defensive star with the freshman team and could be one of the Quakers' top linemen in '56. Kelly, also an outstanding performer on the frosh team last year, is described by Sebo as being one of the finest sophomore linemen he has ever seen and a definite threat for All-American in a year or two.

At center Bill Assiff, number one a year ago, is finding difficulty maintaining his position from the onrushing Bob Sebastianelli and Clarke Irvin. Assiff is a top linebacker, while Sebastianelli, an end last season, is a strong offensive performer.

**BERNIE** Rohrbacher, another candidate for center, appeared in every game last year, but has been a disappointment so far this season.

At ends Charley Gill and Parker Jacoby prevail and are almost sure starters for the home opener.

With the tighter defense predicted and overall more depth Sebo has something solid to base his optimism on. In fact, he believes that Penn will snap its 18-game losing streak in a reasonably short time.

# Flamporis On Two Championship Teams

By LOU PRATO

Being a member of two undefeated soccer teams isn't just an everyday occurrence and when both teams are selected as the national champion of intercollegiate soccer, this feat is even more amazing. But that is exactly the case of Penn State's 1956 soccer captain Steve Flamporis.

Flamporis, one of the few seniors on the current soccer eleven, will start his third year as a Nittany regular Saturday afternoon, when the Lion booters play host to Bucknell University in the first game of the 1956 season.

**AS A SOPHOMORE** in 1954, Steve broke into a starting lineup that was destined to make soccer history. That year the Lion booters won eight straight games and at end of the season were declared national soccer champions. Flamporis started all eight tilts at the center forward position.

Last year, the soccermen almost duplicated their 1954 honors. They won eleven games without a loss to set a Penn State record of consecutive wins, 18, and again were named national champion, this time as a co-champ with Brockport State Teachers College. Once again, Flamporis was in the starting lineup.

**THIS YEAR** Coach Ken Hosterman's soccer team is of an unknown quantity. But with Flam-

poris leading the newcomers, the 1956 eleven may repeat the actions of its two predecessors.

Where lies the key to Flamporis' success?

Steve is no "greenhorn" when it comes to soccer. He has been playing the game as long as he can remember. Born in Athens, Greece, 21 years ago, Steve came to the United States at the age of eleven. When he was of high school age, he enrolled at Reading High School in Reading, Pa. He played 3 years of soccer at Reading and also was on the track squad.

**WHEN** the time came for Steve to make a choice in Colleges, Penn State was almost a sure bet. Not only was it close to home but the Lion soccer team was one of the perennial leaders in collegiate soccer circles. He made the freshman team with ease and from then on it was just a matter of time before the "Golden Greek" was with the varsity.

# Gordon Steps Up Drills

The fun is over, now the work begins. That summarizes what's in store for Norm Gordon's freshman cross-country team during the remaining practice sessions.

Gordon is prepared to take the wraps off of his frosh harriers and quicken their training pace. Until yesterday, he was forced to hold mostly conditioning workouts in order to work the stale-ness out of his runners.

**NOW**, he is ready to begin a faster training program since he feels that all the aches and pains—due to running after a long lay-off—are gone.

Gordon has been working with the nucleus of his club for approximately a week and a half, although one or two candidates have joined the squad in the past day or two.

He said that this year's club is still a question mark to him since he has had it under a slow conditioning program until now.

**FROM WHAT** he has seen so far, he believes that most of the frosh are runners with the same amount of potential who are capable of turning in adequate performances.

However, he admitted that he does not have the individual standouts such as Fred Kerr, Ed Moran, and Clem Schoenebeck to work with.

Most of this year's frosh have had previous high school experience in running cross-country which will probably be a strong help to Gordon.

**SAM WHITE**, Dick Englebrink, Jack Williams, and Ron Houghton have all run in the scholastic PIAA cross-country meet while George Jones finished fifth in the Philadelphia Public High School trial.

Joe Thompson, a New Jersey native, and Dick Hambright could also be among the top runners on the squad. Hambright, who never

ran cross-country before, set a new state quarter-mile record in the PIAA track meet last year.

**THE FROSH** have three regularly scheduled meets on tap for the season. They open Oct. 13 at Cornell, move to Annapolis on Oct. 19, and end the season at Pittsburgh, Nov. 10. They are expected to enter the frosh IC4A meet Nov. 19 at New York.

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