

Booters Poise For Crucial Tilt

By LOU PRATO

Two of the leading soccer powers in the nation clash head-on Saturday afternoon when Coach Ken Hosterman takes his Penn State soccer team to the eastern part of the state to meet West Chester State Teachers College.

The tilt could very well determine the 1956 intercollegiate national champion. Last year, the Nittany Lions barely squeezed by the West Chester eleven, 3-2, on their way to the national crown. The Rams went the rest of the way undefeated, finishing the season with a 10-1 mark.

7 Starters Back

With seven starters back from the 1955 West Chester squad, it is no wonder that Hosterman is feeling a little uneasy over the upcoming encounter.

"They will be out to avenge last year's loss and will really be 'up' for the game," says the Lion mentor, "but we are the champions and champions don't get scared easily."

Hosterman lost seven men from his 1955 starting array and had to fill most of these positions with inexperienced sophomores. But those newcomers proved by the way they handled Bucknell last Saturday in the season opener that they intend to maintain Penn State's claim to the national title.

Hosterman Praises Team

"We were slow in getting started against Bucknell," Hosterman said, "but once we did, there was no stopping us." If we can continue the same style of play at West Chester that worked against Bucknell, then there is almost no question of our coming out on top.

"However," Hosterman added, "we can not make any mistakes against West Chester. They are a much better team than Bucknell and will turn every error into a scoring opportunity."

Hosterman has been stressing ball handling and offensive maneuvers in practice sessions. He will face a modified defense from the Rams which will show three fullbacks in the rear line instead of the regular two.

This alignment is tough to score upon, says Hosterman, but it puts a lot of strain on the wingmen who on offense have to compensate for the loss of that man from the front line.

But it works. Last year, with this "three back system," the Rams had only six goals scored against them, three of the scores by Penn State.

Frosh Gridders In Scrimmage

A full-scale freshman scrimmage scheduled for tomorrow should provide coach Earl Bruce with the final step in his "weeding out" process in preparation for the Oct. 13 grid opener at Annapolis.

Bruce announced today that he will probably reveal his first and second team choices Monday, but don't be surprised if the second team plays more than the first.

In the last few days, Bruce has been directing pass drills. Throwing well, according to Bruce, are Glassport's Rich Lucas, and Joe DeNone, of Braddock.

Following the team's first scrimmage two weeks ago, Bruce indicated he was pleased over the defensive play. In line for plaudits were guards Dan Maddigan and Earl Romigh; centers Earl Kohlhas and Ed Stellatella; and tackle John Sava. Jack Urban was cited by Bruce for his work in the defensive backfield.

Moran Set for Varsity Debut After Excellent Frosh Year

By VINCE CAROCCI

For a runner without any previous cross-country experience prior to his freshman year at the University, sophomore Ed Moran has his share of the work cut out for him during the Lion's 1956 varsity season.

Moran, along with his sophomore teammates Fred Kerr and Clem Schoenebeck, is expected to carry the brunt of the load for coach Chick Werner's harriers against a power-packed schedule.

Moran, Kerr, and Schoenebeck were the big scoring threats for Norm Gordon's freshman contingent last year and are expected to play the big roles again this season.

This is Moran's first season of varsity cross-country competition since Kane High School—his alma mater—does not carry the sport.

While in high school, he centered his athletic achievements on outdoor track—he holds the school records in the quarter-mile, half-mile, and mile. He said, however, that "we didn't have too much."

Although he ran in the high school PIAA's during his four years at Kane, he never won a state title. The closest he came to winning was a second in the



Ed Moran Harrier standout

half-mile in his junior year.

He immediately became a cross-country standout during his freshman year at the University, finishing in a four-way tie for first with Kerr, Schoenebeck, and Bob Thompson in the two frosh duels.

Moran ran into some bad luck—a tree—in the frosh IC4-A meet

in New York. He tripped and fell into a tree at the mile marker and finished "way back." At the time of the accident, he was second.

The only notable difference that he said he found between varsity and frosh competition was the conditioning. "You get in better shape with the varsity. Three miles seemed nothing compared to five," he said.

Commenting on the Penn State coaching staff, Moran said, "They're the best. They cut 14 seconds off my mile time in a year so they must be good."

Ed also holds his two teammates—and chief competitors—Kerr and Schoenebeck, in high esteem. He said, "Both are good runners right now and they're both improving."

When asked about this season's prospects, Moran said that a good team effort could be the Lion's make or break point. "If the boys put out' as they should, we could go all the way."

Intramural Golfers

Students entered in the intramural golf-medal tournament scheduled over the weekend are reminded to report promptly at 1 o'clock Saturday to the caddy house.

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6:32	Morning Show
6:38	Morning Devotions
6:45	Morning Show
7:00	Robert Harleigh
7:15	Morning Show
7:30	Cecil Brown
7:45	Classical Interlude
8:00	Swap Shop
8:15	World News
8:30	Story Time
8:45	Queen For a Day
9:00	Music at Noon
9:15	Centre County News
9:30	Music for Listening
9:45	World Series Baseball
10:00	After Game News
10:15	Afternoon of Music
10:30	Bob and Ray: News
10:45	Music for Listening
11:00	World News; Market report
11:15	Music for Listening
11:30	Sports Special
11:45	Music
12:00	Local News
12:15	Fullon Lewis Jr.
12:30	World News
12:45	Harry Wismer, sports
1:00	Piano Interlude
1:15	Reserved for You
1:30	Social Security
1:45	Music
2:00	As You Believe (WDFM)
2:15	This is Civil Defense
2:30	It's A Crime
2:45	News
3:00	Music of the Masters
3:15	Campus News (WDFM)
3:30	Groovology
3:45	Sign Off