

Torgerson Gets All-America Post

Maierhofer Mentioned As Halfback

Per Torgerson, one of the standouts for Coach Ken Hosterman's soccer team for the past two years, was named to the first team inside left position on the All-American soccer eleven yesterday.

Teammate Howie Maierhofer, captain-elect of the 1958 Lion booters, received honorable mention as a halfback.

It was the second straight year that Torgerson had been selected to the All-American team, having gained a second team inside left selection last fall.

The All-American team is chosen by the coaches and referees of the Intercollegiate Soccer Association, a member body of the NCAA, and is the only dream eleven officially recognized by soccer officials.

Both Torgerson and Maierhofer will be honored at the ISA's All-American luncheon this Saturday at the Hotel Manhattan in New York City. Hosterman will also be at that luncheon for he will be attending the annual Intercollegiate Soccer Football Association and the National Soccer Coaches Association meetings this weekend in the same city.

The selection of Torgerson and Maierhofer marked the sixth and seventh time that the ICS has honored a Hosterman-coached player. Paul Dierks, Jack Pinezich and Dick Packer, twice, were the other All-Americans under the young Lion mentor.

"I don't think there's a teaming in the country that would set either of them on the bench," Hosterman said of Torgerson and Maierhofer. "Both are great ball players and intelligent young men."



Per Torgerson
First Team All-American

Torgerson is a senior and Maierhofer a junior. However, Torgerson has a year of eligibility left and he may return next season.

"Torgy could graduate by going to summer school," Hosterman said, "but he may wait and come back another semester. He hasn't decided yet, but I'd love to see him come back for another year."

Hosterman describes the 25-

year-old Torgerson as a fast and powerful ballplayer. "He was a great playmaker this year," the Lion coach said. "He did more scoring last year but he set up more scores for his teammate's this year."

As for Maierhofer, Hosterman said: "I think his election to captain and this All-American selection shows that his ability is recognized by everyone—teammates, coaches and referees."

Strong Temple Next for Cagers

First the Wolfpack (North Carolina State), then the Mountaineers (West Virginia)—both losses. Now the Owls—the Temple Owls! What's going to be the result of this one?

For the third time in six games, Penn State finds itself meeting one of the nation's top basketball powerhouses when they do battle with the vaunted Owls of Coach Harry Litwack tomorrow night at the Penn Palaestra in Philadelphia.

North Carolina State rates in the top 15 in the country while West Virginia is resting cozily on top of the heap—number one team in the country. Both handled Penn State with comparative ease.

Temple, recognized by all as probably the best team in the East and definitely one of the top 10 in the country, seems to pose no less a problem for the Lions—especially after it won the annual holiday Christmas Tournament at Madison Square Garden over the vacation.

In fact, that victory has considerably boosted Temple's stock in the cage races. Three of the Temple starters—All-American Guy Rodgers, Jay Norman and Bill Kennedy—were named to the journey all-star first team while the other two starters—Mel Brodsky and Tink Van Patton—gained second team berths. Rodgers was an easy choice as the tourney's Most Valuable Player. This is what the cagers have to contend with.

Speaking on Temple, Coach John Egli said: "They certainly deserve their rating. They're tough, probably the toughest team in the East." He'll get no argument there.

He conceded that his team needs to iron out a great many errors before it can handle a team as strong as Temple. "We tried to iron out a few of them tonight," he said after last night's practice.

Looking back at the Rutgers contest Saturday night, Egli admitted that offensively "we're no fancy dancs. We have to use simple plays and simple passes and ram it in there whenever we can to win." Now the question is will these simple passes and simple plays be enough to beat the Owls?

Two bright spots came out of the Rutgers contest. One was the shooting of Bob Edwards, who scored 27 points for the second consecutive time, and the other was the play of sophomore Wally Colender. Colender took charge of the Lion offense in that second period and was a key to victory with his scoring (16) and his court generalship.

Soccer Managers

Newly-elected student manager of the 1958 Penn State soccer team is Phil Bostley, Nuangola. He succeeds Jack Halpern, Altoona. Bostley's assistants will be Fred Biesecker, Scranton; Mark Willensky, also of Scranton; and Irvine Shapiro, Allentown.



Wally Colender
... a key to victory

W.Va. Widens Lead in Polls; Kansas Second

Unbeaten West Virginia (10-0) hauled in 55 per cent of the first place votes to increase its lead in the weekly Associated Press basketball poll while Mississippi State, Oklahoma State and Bradley also made notable gains in the national rankings.

Fifty-seven of the 104 participating sportswriters and broadcasters considered the Mountaineers the best team in the country. Kansas remained in second place and North Carolina moved up a notch to third.

Kansas, which trailed West Virginia by only 52 points a week ago, suffered its first loss of the year—a 52-50 overtime thriller to Oklahoma State. The defeat came with Wilt Chamberlain, the Jayhawks' star, on the sidelines with a groin injury.

Kansas State dropped to fourth followed by Mississippi State, San Francisco, Cincinnati, Oklahoma State and Bradley.

The second 10 are Maryland, Temple, North Carolina State, Michigan State, Oregon State, St. Johns of Brooklyn, Illinois, Memphis State, Utah and (tie) Wichita and Seattle.

'Green' Gymnasts Vie For Starting Berths

Temple poses a problem for Coach Gene Wettstone's defending Eastern and National Gymnastic champions—how many inexperienced athletes he should use in the opener Saturday at Philadelphia.

The season opener shapes up more as competition between the Lion athletes for team positions than as an intercollegiate workout.

Ten of the eighteen positions in the six events will be filled by performers who never competed in a varsity meet before.

Only tumbling and the flying rings boast two seasoned competitors. Senior Adie Stevens and junior Dave Dulaney anchor the tumbling trio, backed up by Graeme Cowan. Cowan was injured as a freshman last year and therefore will be competing for the first time in Penn State colors.

Stevens and Dulaney will be putting their most difficult routines to the test in the first meet, a move which is usually not done until later in the season. But the boys are pulling out the stops and chancing a bad night just to "feel-out" their new routines with the judges.

With senior Eddie Sidwell and junior Jack Donahoe coming along, Wettstone will have one of his most formidable flying trios ever. Combining with the two will be sophomore Jay Werner.

Werner, as a freshman last year, was runner-up to Eastern and National champion flyer Tom Darling in his only taste of real competition at the AAU's. He looms as one of the best in the East. In the World Gymnastics Tryouts in Sarasota, Fla., during the Christmas vacation, Werner took first in the flying rings in the North-South meet.

Lou Savadove gets the nod as the third starter on the high bar with the "Gold-dusters"—Lee Cunningham and Werner. But Wettstone was a little hesi-



Ed Sidwell
... Lion senior flyer

tant at calling Savadove the third member of the trio, the junior's routine is a definite scoring threat to the gold-dusters.

Savadove teams up with one of the gold-dusters, Cunningham, and Frank Palmer on the side horse.

Captain Bob Foht ranks as one of the best parallel bar performers in the East. Again, the Gold-Dust Twins will be competing in the same event.

John Hidingger appears to be the number one man in the rope climb going into the Temple meet. Hidingger will be aided by Vince Newhouser and either Don Littlewood or Bill Fosnocht.

Baseball Proposals Heard by NCAA

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5—College baseball coaches today presented proposals for controlling summer baseball to the powerful NCAA Council and found it a receptive listener.

Summer baseball proposals concern only competition in organized leagues which bring in players from some distance for their teams. Coaches estimated there are about 20 such leagues.

The present rule provides that boys should be allowed unlimited summer ball as long as they aren't paid for playing and don't come under control of organized baseball.

Les Walters, end, was Penn State's representative on the Eastern College Athletic Conference's first all-East eleven. Dick Lasse won the other end berth.

Indoor Trackmen to Oppose Army, Ohio State, Navy in 8-Meet Schedule

By GEORGE FRENCH
The Nittany Lion indoor track team will open an eight-meet schedule Jan. 24 at the Inquirer Games in Philadelphia's Convention Hall.

The following day the Lion thinclads will compete in the Washington Star Games in the nation's capital.

Varsity track Coach Chick Werner expects to enter a one-mile and a two-mile relay in each of these meets. Leading contenders to make up the relay teams are veterans Ed Moran, Fred Kerr, Chick King, Dick Poust, Clem Schoenebeck and Jim Norton and sophomores Dick Englebrink, Dick Hambricht, George Jones, Sam White, Joe Thompson, Jim O'Conner and Bob Szezyler.

The Lions will open their

regular dual meet season with Navy, Feb. 1 at Annapolis. In an outdoor meet last spring, the Nittany thinclads finished third with 45½ points behind Villanova with 59 points and Navy with 57½ points.

On Feb. 8 the Lion squad will travel to New York City to enter the Millrose Games—the first of three meets at Madison Square Garden. Last year a Nittany entry consisting of seniors Don Woodrow and Ron Lewis and sophomores Ed Moran and Fred Kerr placed second in the two-mile relay, 2½ seconds behind St. John's.

The squad will then meet Army on Feb. 15 at West Point and enter one or two relays in the New York Athletic Club Relays that evening at Madison Square Garden, about 40 miles from West Point.

Last year the Cadets edged the Penn State squad, 58½ to 50½. In last year's meet, the Lions did not enter the 35-pound weight throw—f forfeiting nine points to the Cadets—and were beaten in both relays by the Army team. Last year Woodrow, Lewis, Kerr and Moran placed fifth in the two-mile relay for Penn State in the N.Y.A.C. meet.

On Feb. 22 the Lions will meet Ohio State—a 71-51 victory over the Nittany trackmen last spring—and the Buckeyes' Olympic hurdles champion, Glenn Davis, at Columbus, Ohio.

The Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America meet at Madison Square Garden will close out the indoor season. The Lions placed third behind Villanova and Manhattan in last year's meet.