

# Sophomore Booters Push Veterans for Positions

By CRAIG YERKES

Soccer coach Ken Hosterman appeared pleased with the prospects for the coming season after running his charges through their first scrimmage of the season yesterday. The booters meet West Chester at home Oct. 7 in the lidlifter.

Hosterman has reason to be optimistic. During the last three years State's soccer teams have not enjoyed successful seasons, winning only two games in 1959 and three in 1960.

However nine lettermen, a promising group of sophomores from last year's undefeated frosh team, and various non-lettering holdovers and transfers offer the veteran Lion coach a good shot at raising State's soccer fortunes.

Hosterman has one thing on his side this year that he has not had during the past two seasons. Nearly everyone has reported back for practices on time, and only one regular (Russ Naylor) from last year's squad has not returned to school.

Last season men reporting late hampered Hosterman in his attempts to get the booters in good condition for their opener. The Nittany Lions will have to round into shape in a hurry for eastern power West Chester has been practicing for two weeks.

Yesterday's scrimmage was sparked by the hustle and drive of sophomores attempting to dislodge lettermen from their jobs.

Forward line holdovers like Val Djurdjevic, Howie Farrer, Glenn Ream, and Ken Link will have to hustle constantly or be replaced by talented sophomores.

Hosterman divided the booters into two squads for the first scrimmage, with one made up mostly of sophomore and the other consisting of veterans.

Center-forward Tom Flanagan, high scorer from last year's frosh team, and wing Guy Jackson, the second high scorer, were impressive.

Dieter Heinze, sophomore halfback, and Bill Menke, sophomore fullback, should help fill the posts vacated by three-year standouts



VAL DJURDJEVIC  
... veteran booter

Bill Rierson and Wayne Rodgers. Wing George Jackson, fullback Harry Kline, and halfback Joe Hipple are three more sophomores that will make the veterans hustle for their jobs.

# Casey Asked To Manage N.Y. Mets

BALTIMORE (P)—If Casey Stengel gives the word, he can have the New York Mets managing job for 1962 with Cookie Lavagetto coming along as his first lieutenant and heir apparent.

That was the proposition George Weiss, president of the new National League club, tried to sell to the 72-year-old baseball genius when the two former New York Yankee officials conferred at Stengel's home in Glendale, Calif., a fortnight ago.

It is understood Stengel was receptive but he, in turn, must sell the idea to his wife, Edna. Mrs. Stengel is not enamored by the prospect of having her husband return to baseball. A friend of the Stengels quoted her as saying, "What's he trying to prove?"

Weiss reportedly offered Stengel a choice of either a one- or a two-year contract. At the expiration of the contract, he would be succeeded by Lavagetto who, in the meantime, would serve under him as third base coach.

Lavagetto also is well known to New York fans. He was a star infielder with the Brooklyn Dodgers in the 1940s. Cookie managed the Minnesota Twins this season. He was fired last June and replaced by Coach Sam Mele. In recent weeks, he has been serving as unofficial scout of the Mets in the West Coast area.

# Golf Candidates

All varsity golf candidates should report to Coach Joe Boyle at the Caddie house as soon as possible.

All freshmen interested in trying out for the soccer team should contact freshman coach Walt Wieland at 301 Rec Hall as soon as possible.

# London, Machen Sign

LONDON (P) — Brian London, former British heavyweight boxing champion, signed a contract for a comeback bout against Eddie Machen, a leading contender from Portland, Ore.

Promoter Harry Levene announced the fight will be at London's Wembley Indoor Stadium Oct. 17.



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# Face Fined \$200 By Buc Manager

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Manager Danny Murtaugh of the Pittsburgh Pirates fined relief pitcher Elroy Face \$200 after he lost a game in Milwaukee Sept. 9, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette said, last night.

According to the newspaper, Murtaugh accused Face of not taking orders in pitching to a Milwaukee batter. Face insisted he had followed instructions, the Post-Gazette said, and refused to pay the fine.

The Post-Gazette said this is what happened:

In the eighth inning of the Sept. 9 game, Murtaugh went to the mound and told Face to pitch out three times to batter Roy McMillan, then give him an intentional pass to fill the bases for a double play situation.

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