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No Special Consideration

By JIM KARL
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In contrast with many other large schools which compete at the top level of intercollegiate sports, Penn State has exactly the same academic standards for athletes as it has for other students.

At first glance this statement may not appear too startling, however, not too many other schools across the country can make it without a twinge of their lily-white conscience.

The fact that Penn State can utter that little tidbit of information without the slightest pang of regret makes Dean of Athletics Ernest B. McCoy very happy, and likewise Penn State students should be proud that Lion athletes aren't a mob of wise-cracking "animals."

Except for a few coaches who find it more and more difficult to produce winning teams because they simply can't find enough talented players who also have enough brains to get into the University, very few people want to see these standards lowered.

AT A BANQUET in Jacksonville, Fla., after State's Gator Bowl victory over Georgia Tech, the presidents from the two schools, State's Eric A. Walker, and E. D. Harrison of Tech, took turns ribbing each other about football players that couldn't read their varsity letters.

Nearly everyone among the 1,000 present got a laugh out of the bantering, because everyone knew that it was just that. In the first place, if there were illegal recruiting practices going on at either school or if academic standards for athletes were low, that type of bantering certainly would have been taboo. In the second place, you couldn't help but notice the glint of pride in Prexy's eyes when he got down to the serious business of telling a little about just how smart our athletes are.

Yes, scholarship and athletics go hand in hand at State, and both hands are on top of the table.

THE ONLY CASES where athletes get special consideration here are with a few scattered individual professors who, when it comes time to determine final grades, may take into account that an athlete spent more time traveling with the team than he did on campus.

These profs are few and far between, and besides, their intentions are more than offset by the other extreme, the profs who think that varsity sports have no place at a university and who deliberately make it rough for athletes.

Considering the academic standards required of athletes here in comparison with many other prominent universities, it's amazing that Lions teams do as well as they do.

State competes at the toughest level of competition possible in most sports. It competes against teams that get many of their best athletes from within a 300-mile perimeter of the University, simply because these athletes don't have brains enough to get in at State.

ANOTHER DRAWBACK is that many varsity teams at State don't get as many grants-in-aid or other financial assistance as the teams they compete against. A case in point is basketball.

For the first time in his coaching career at State cage coach John Egli has a full time assistant this year. Last year was another milestone in Egli's career. He received his first full scholarship. It's hard to believe that under these conditions Egli's teams still manage to play 500 basketball against a schedule that includes Ohio State, Duke, West Virginia, Iowa, Maryland, Navy, Army and Temple.

A few other varsity sports, track in particular, is in the same condition as basketball, yet coach Chick Werner always has a representative team.

The same goes for Joe Bedenk in baseball and Joe Boyle in golf.

Lion Cagers Face Bisons After Stopping Panthers

By JIM KARL

Penn State stopped a five game losing streak at Pitt Saturday, 74-62, and Coach John Egli's cagers will try and make it two in a row against Bucknell in Rec Hall tonight.

The Bisons, with a disappointing 1-6 record so far this year, usually save their best effort of the season for the Lions.

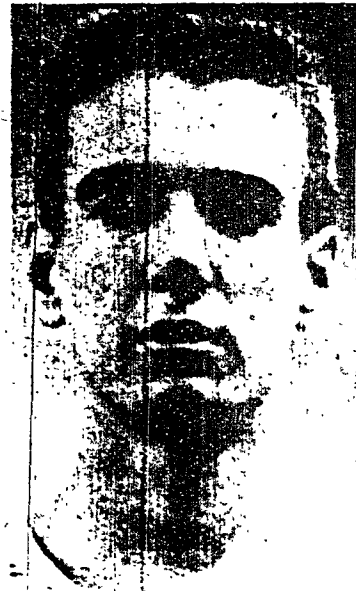
"I don't know what's happened to Bucknell," Egli said yesterday. "Despite their record I think they have a good team. And you can bet they'll be up for us."

SPEAKING OF best efforts, five Lions hit double figures Saturday night in what Egli calls "our best team effort of the season," and it couldn't have come at a better time.

Hurt by the loss of Bobby Donato and Earl Hoffman, the Lions lost five straight to Ohio State, Iowa, Holy Cross, Niagara and Duke before beating the Panthers.

Two sophomores who recently came off probation, Ulo Kart and Chuck Marin, played a big part in the win. Together Kart and Marin accounted for 21 points in their varsity debut.

KART, WHO REPLACED 6-9 Bob Hutchinson when he fouled out, was 4-7 in field goal attempts and 2-4 at the foul line for a total



EARL HOFFMAN
... off injured list

of 10 points. Marin tallied 11 points on 3 fielders and 5 fouls.

Gene Harris, who has been playing terrific ball all season, led all scorers with 19 points, followed by John Phillips with 17.

Egli decided not to risk using Donato, but Hoffman got in long enough to score four points. Egli plans to use both players tonight. "I think I can use Bobby about

half a game," Egli said, "and Hoffman should be ready to go full steam."

HOFFMAN'S APPEARANCE against the Panthers was his first since spraining an ankle against Iowa in the first round of the Quaker City Tournament Dec. 26. Donato has been out since the Ohio State game (Dec. 23) when he suffered a similar injury.

Egli said that the big factors in the Panther win were State's hustle off the boards and the Lions' defense, which held Pitt's sophomore scoring leader Brian Generalovich to eight points.

A crowd of 1,822 was on hand at the Pitt Field House to watch the game, which was preceded by St. Vincent's victory over Carnegie Tech. State's record now is 6-6 and Pitt is 6-5.

Egli said that tonight he would go with the same starting lineup—Hutchinson, Harris, Phillips, John Mitchell and Marin—that he used against Pitt. The game, scheduled to start at 8:30, will be preceded by a frosh contest between the two schools.

PITT			PENN STATE				
PG	FT	PTS	PG	FT	PTS		
Shoffield	5	1-9	Hutchinson	1	1-4	3	
Generalovich	2	1-6	Phillips	4	1-2	17	
Krueger	3	2-2	Harris	4	3-4	19	
Sauer	3	0-0	Mitchell	1	2-5	10	
Jinks	3	5-5	Marin	3	5-7	11	
Maloney	1	2-3	Kart	1	2-4	10	
Mazurak	0	0-0	Hoffman	2	0-0	4	
Sanker	1	2-2					
Graulich	0	0-0					
Totals	22	14-27	62	Totals	30	10-24	74

'Unwanted Hall' Shines in U.S. Bowl

By JOHN MORRIS
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Penn State's Galen Hall, the man the pros forgot, won his second post-season Most Valuable Player award Sunday as he directed a team of Western All-Stars to a 33-19 triumph over the East in the first U.S. Bowl.

Hall, considered too short by the professional talent "experts" at 5-9, completed 28 of 49 passes for 388 yards. He had earlier won the MVP award in the Gator Bowl, directing Penn State to a 30-15 victory over Georgia Tech.

Hall got a complete brushoff in the National and American Football League drafts, but has received several "feelers" since his two brilliant bowl performances.

"SEVERAL TEAMS HAVE contacted me," Hall said yesterday, "but I don't have any definite offers yet."

Hall, who received tentative offers from Hamilton in the Canadian League and Boston in the AFL, has also been contacted by the Baltimore Colts of the NFL.

"I'd definitely be interested in playing if I got a good enough offer," Hall said.

Hall was an outstanding quarterback for State this year, but the pros neglected him because they felt he was too short to throw the drop-back pass. Hall threw mainly from a roll-out for the Lions, but he didn't seem to have any

trouble adjusting to coach Red Hickey's pro-style offense in Sunday's game.

"IT WAS FUN," Hall said. "It was a little hard to get used to, but I like it. Of course, they weren't blitzing and that made it easier."

The stocky quarterback used the hard running of North Texas State's Art Perkins and the power thrusts of Miami's Jim Vollenweider to offset his own tremendous passing display.

He dominated the game with three touchdown heaves and credit for a fourth when his receiver fumbled into the end zone and Vollenweider fell on the ball. Both winning coach Hickey of

NFL Re-Elects Rozelle
MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Pete Rozelle, a compromise choice as a commissioner of the National Football League after a stormy two-week session in 1960, was re-elected by unanimous vote yesterday for a five-year term at \$50,000 a year.

the San Francisco 49ers and Bill McPeak of the Washington Redskins were high in their praise of Hall.

"I had a lot of help," Hall said. "The pro pass patterns set up by Hickey make a quarterback's job a good deal easier."

Promoters of the bowl labeled the game a success and said that it will be played again next year. A crowd of 21,096 turned out under sunny skies in Washington's D.C. Stadium.

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