

Lead Echelon of Lion Runners Looks Impressive in Practice

By JOE GRATA

"If you keep running like that you'll be able to beat anything!" cross-country coach John Lucas yelled to Howie Deardorff, Colin Grant, Bill Lampman and Joe Nichols at practice yesterday.

"And maybe even one of those African ostriches," added one interested onlooker, watching the Lions' workout on the cinder track at Beaver Field.

The four Nittany distance runners are expected to pace State as the lead unit of a two-pronged attack when the Lions tangle with a strong Michigan State contingent Saturday on the University golf course.

ALSO INCLUDED in the front-running group is monogram winner Lionel Bassett. The 5-10, 153-pound senior missed the regular workout session because of a late class but worked out "on his own" early last night.

Regular drills consisted mainly of pace work with coach Lucas and varsity manager John Carnath recording the runners' times.

Lucas said that today's workouts would include light running ex-

ercises on the University golf course.

As the temperature began falling and cool winds blew in from the west, Lucas' eyes began to light up.

"If the temperature stays like this and it doesn't rain," Lucas explained, "all course and running conditions should be ideal for Saturday's meet with Michigan State."

BUT AFTER playing havoc with Pitt and Cornell in recording victories to stand unbeaten in two outings, State runners are warming up to tangle with the Spartans in what should prove to be the most hotly-contested cross-country meet in years at Mount Nittany.

Michigan State dethroned the Nittanians as ICAA champs at the 1961 gathering at Van Cortland Park in the Bronx section of New York City.

The Spartans also handed last year's edition of the Lions the only setback in a laudable 4-1 dual-meet season.

Following the Michigan State meet, the Nittanians will entertain another cross-country powerhouse in Navy. This year's Middle team is unbeaten in four outings and looms as one of the top teams in the East.

Frosh Booters Win Opener, 7-1

By IRA MILLER

Penn State's freshman soccer team opened its 1962 season yesterday with a one-sided 7-1 triumph over visiting Lock Haven.

Nizar Talib, one of five foreign-born players on State's frosh roster, scored five goals to pace the Nittany triumph. Three of his scores came in the first quarter.

Talib, playing at inside left, opened the scoring early in the first period, but Phil Gill came right back to tie it up for Lock Haven. Talib, who hails from Iraq, put the Lions in the lead again eight minutes later and then made it 3-1 as the period ended. He scored again in the second and third quarters.

INSIDE RIGHT Ali Alrabaire and center forward Jim Caplan scored State's other goals.

Despite the lop-sided score, coach Walt Weiland was not fully satisfied with his booters' performance.

"They played a sort of kick-and-run game," he said. "I'm not completely satisfied but what can you say when they score so many

goals. They're playing pretty well but they feel they can play better. I think they can, too."

Weiland displayed three goalies in the game with Mike Kirschner doing most of the work. He was replaced late in the third quarter with Ron Fogarty and Steve Schwartling splitting the job for the rest of the contest.

STATES STARTING lineup had Kirschner in goal, Gene Abraczinskas and Ken Wardle at the fullback posts, Winni Nussebaumer, Bob Topham and Bill McCall at the halfback spots and Sami Talib, Caplan, Alrabaire and Inaki Aboitiz on the line.

The three Lion netminders made a total of nine saves while Lock Haven's netminders turned aside 10 shots.

Goals: Penn State—Talib 5, Alrabaire, Caplan, Lock Haven—Gill



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