

Nittany Narrator

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IT'S TIME WE CELEBRATED. Never before in its history has the Behrend Campus enjoyed such a rousing culmination to its athletic activities in a given year as have the Nittany Cub baseball, chess, and table tennis teams this year. Although the Behrend Baseball Bombers ended the season with a 3-5 ledger, Coach Gallagher's nine pounded out twenty-six runs in their final three games last week, winning two of them and losing the other only because they didn't have a real pitcher to hurl the second game of a doubleheader. Mr. Baker's chess and table tennis squads ran roughshod over all opponents during the regular season and didn't let up in the state finals at University Park several weeks ago. The trophies for PSU extension campus supremacy in both of these areas were awarded at the quarterly Organization of Student Governments conference on May 13.

JOHN BROWN'S BABY

EVEN JOE PAGE, old-time Yankee relief pitcher, had it easy when one compares his pitching duties to those of John "the body" Brown, Behrend Campus' best pitcher (also, our only pitcher). Page may have been overworked, but one wonders if he ever had to hurl twenty innings in three days time as John Brown did last week.

Thursday of last week the Cubs traveled to Buffalo's spacious Delaware Park to play a doubleheader with Bryant-Stratton, a team the Cubs had defeated once before this year, 8 to 4 at Glenwood. Buffalo jumped to a quick 2-0 lead in the first inning of the first game with three consecutive hits off Brown after two men were out. But Behrend bounced back in the third for three runs and added three more in the fourth. Brown allowed only one hit in the three final innings he worked. After the New Yorkers had loaded the bases in the final inning, Brown struck out one batter and got the other to fly out as the Cubs won, 8-6. Doug Prozan, Al MacAllister, and Joe Haser each collected two hits for Behrend.

IN THE SECOND GAME Mel Ross started for the Cubs but couldn't hold the tide. Brown came on in the fourth and finished up the seven inning game. Second sacker Joe Haser went 3-for-3 in this game and 5-for-6 on the day, and part-time catcher-outfielder Tom Larson went 3-for-5. But Buffalo came up with a big five run inning in the fourth on a lead-off double followed by three singles, an error, a sacrifice, and a triple. It was enough to win. Prozan and Howie Estock had two hits apiece in the 8-11 loss.

SATURDAY AT GLENWOOD the Cubs wrapped up their season with a 9 to 7 shellacking of Jamestown Community College making it the first time Coach Gallagher has been able to top Jamestown in any sport. Brown won his third game of the season and struck out fourteen Jimmies for a total of twenty-eight strikeouts in two games against Jamestown. On May 9 the Cubs dropped a 4-3 ten inning heartbreaker in Jamestown Municipal Stadium even though Brown fanned fourteen and allowed only six hits. Ron Greer, the Cubs' centerfielder, slammed out three singles in four times at bat Saturday. Mel Ross lined two hits as did Joe Haser and Tom Larson. Six runs in the fifth innings overcame an early Jamestown lead and set up the victory.

Behrend split its season schedule with Jamestown, winning 9-7 and losing 4-3; took two out of three from Bryant Stratton, 8-4, 8-6, and 8-11; dropped two to Altoona Campus, 3-1 in the season's opener, a game in which the Cubs loaded the bases in the ninth with nobody out and one run already home but still couldn't tie it. The other loss was a 10-0 drubbing at Glenwood. And the Penn State Frosh squeaked by, 19 to 1, at Bayview on April 28.

It was a frustrating year for the ballplayers, a year of many ifs: if they had another pitcher, if they could bunt during the game as they did during practice, if they didn't have to play State, if they hadn't left ten men on base against Jamestown and thirteen against Bryant-Stratton, if-if-if. The Cub's top sluggers were Doug Prozan at .387 and 14 hits; Joe Haser at .355 and 11 hits; Tom Larson at .313 with 10 hits. Estock was 2 for 4 in a pinch-hitting role. Latecomer Tom Woodring and pitcher Brown combined for five hits, also. Al MacAllister, last year's team leader, finished at .276 with nine hits.

STATE CHAMPS

THE BEHREND CAMPUS will need a trophy case in the new building next year. On Saturday, May 13, the Behrend delegation to the OSGA conference at State College was presented two mag-

nificent gold trophies representing Behrend Commonwealth Campus supremacy in chess and table tennis. Dale Black, SGA vice-president, accepted the trophies from R. G. Bernreuter, Dean of Admissions and Registrar, on behalf of the teams and the Behrend Campus. Dale also accepted the Bernreuter chess award, a beautiful hand-carved Mexican chess set to be displayed on the Campus until next year when another winner may claim it for that year. A campus that wins the chess championship three years (not necessarily in a row) will be awarded the set permanently. Pottsville won it last year in its first year of presentation. The Cubs stand an excellent chance of adding their names for the second time next year.

Both teams had little trouble from inter-campus opposition at the University Park finals on May 4 and 5. Ed Paauwe, Steve Hagan, and Doug Ray combined to defeat Pottsville in the first chess match, 2-1, and then trounced York Campus, 3-0, for the championship. Willie Schickhaus and Jerry Newcamp whitewashed Scranton, 5-0, and stopped Wyomissing, 4-1, in table tennis. The team ended the season with an 8 and 2 mark. The chess team was undefeated at 10-0. Paauwe and Hagan were never touched for a single match all year. Ron Feltenberger was third man on the team during the regular season but couldn't make the finals. Ray, who bowled for the Campus bowlers who just missed out to Altoona in the section championship, filled in at State.

McGAHA'S HO HO

SO IT'S ALL OVER for another year. Coach Gallagher's ulcer will have nearly three months to heal—unless the Yankees continue to pull muscles and the Indians prove to be more than just flashes in the pan making everyday Fourth of July at the Wigwam. But the final two baseball victories and the chess and table tennis trophies have succeeded for the most part in pushing the agonies of the basketball season into the distant past. And just think—next year we won't have any pitchers!

Metamorphosis Complete

As the weather becomes warmer and the days longer the swimming pool becomes a popular attraction to students on campus. A question that arises in almost every student's mind is the question of just how the pool is made ready for swimming. Although it may seem a simple task to drain and refill a pool, in all reality, it is not.

Every spring the pool is completely drained and the sides and bottom thoroughly scrubbed with a strong chlorine solution. After these preliminary steps have been taken, the pool, with a capacity of 63,000 gallons, is ready to be filled. Because of the limited supply of water, it is filled proportionately to the demand of other buildings on campus. It is filled by a garden hose, nine hours every day, until it is almost full; then it is filled from 7:00 a.m. one morning until 1:00 the next. Due to the limited supply of water, the total time to fill it varies. Even though the pool is now completely filled, water is continuously added throughout the summer months to restore the loss of water due to evaporation and the water splashed out.

Now that the pool is filled, the water is recirculated through three

filtering tanks of sand and gravel to filter out the various refuse which had gathered during the filling. This process is carried on continuously throughout the summer with the tanks being backwashed once a week to relieve them of their gathered debris. To aid in the filtering process, an accessory tank containing alum is used.

In addition to the water, chlorine is added to the content of the pool to kill bacteria and algae which have gathered on the sides and bottom. In previous years chlorine tablets were used, but these proved inefficient because the chlorinator could not hold one day's supply of chlorine. This year for the first time a new chlorinating pump has been purchased which adds a liquid solution of 15% chlorine to the water already present. Now to reduce the acid content of the pool caused by the chlorine, soda ash blocks are added directly to the water in the pool. This keeps the pH, degree of acidity and alkalinity, between 7.2 and 7.8, and the chlorine content between 0.4 and 1.0 parts per million. The pool is now heated to a temperature of 75 degrees F which takes approximately three days to obtain.

This entire process being completed, the pool is now ready for student recreation.