



## BASEBALL TEAM ON SOUTHERN TRIP

Squad of Fourteen Left Yesterday. Pitching Staff Looks the Best in Many Years—Six Games Will be Played in One Week—Captain Vogt Slightly Injured—Will Go South.

What certainly promises to be a banner year in baseball for State is scheduled to open at Annapolis March 31, when the Navy team will be met. Only two men were lost by graduation last year, and both of these positions are now filled by men who have played varsity ball. In addition to the full pitching and catching staff of last year, the team should be further strengthened by the presence of Wardwell, who was ineligible last year.

When time is called for the first game, nearly the whole of last year's varsity will be found in their positions. No predictions are made as to the order in which the pitchers will work, but Vogt will be found behind the bat. In the infield Bachman will be found replacing Craig at second, and Robinson, Weber, and Blythe will be seen at first, third and short respectively. The outfield had to be shifted a bit to fill the vacancy left by the graduation of "Shorty" Miller. Crawford still holds his old place at right; "Red" Josefson has been moved over to center and Kominars will fill Josefson's old place at left.

Three of the four pitchers, namely: Hesselbacher, Wardwell, and Liebert have pitched mighty good ball for State in the past. Johnson, the fourth man on the pitching staff, is promising. Vogt who caught every game last year may be expected to do his usual consistent work and the infield shapes up well. Miller and Moore have been chosen as catchers, so that should Vogt's ankle be unable to stand hard work the team will be fortified at those positions. Elliffe will make the trip as auxiliary infield man.

The team is far from settled and it is not unlikely that Elliffe will break into the game down South. In the outfield should the work be unsatisfactory a pitcher or possibly Moore will be shifted to one of those positions. When the team returns the infield may be shaken up again to make room for Kannas, who has shown up remarkably well.

A nine inning game on Saturday resulted in a victory for the varsity. Both Hesselbacher and Liebert went the entire distance of nine innings without any trouble and appear to be in good condition. Due to the poor condition of the field numerous misplays resulted but as whole Coach Harley was well satisfied.

The schedule for the trip is as follows:

- March 31, Navy at Annapolis.
- April 1, A. and M. at North Carolina.
- April 2, Trinity College at Durham, N. C.
- April 3, Washington and Lee.
- April 5, Catholic University at Washington, D. C.
- April 6, Swarthmore at Swarthmore, Pa.

At Iowa State college the freshman, according to custom, have officially ushered in the spring term by wearing red caps.

## TRACK PROSPECTS LOOK PROMISING

Team Closes Very Successful Indoor Season

State's indoor track team has completed a most successful season, by winning the 750 yard relay intercollegiate, at New York; and the one mile relay at the Middle Atlantic meet, at Pittsburg where her men also placed in every event entered, and Captain Hammitt equaled his record in the high hurdles. The success is marked because the teams defeated are the strongest in the east. Great credit should be given Coach Martin who has developed this successful team, which has made such a reputation for State.

The prospects seem as bright for the outdoor season. Coach Bill Martin gave the men the first real outdoor workout last Saturday on New Beaver field. It was the first time that the men had used the cinder path and it was not in the best of condition. In spite of the heavy path and a strong wind the trial heats were run in good time, and several new men made splendid showings.

In the 440 yard event Dolbin won by several feet from Mason in 53 4-5 seconds. Post, a freshman was a close third; White and Brown finished in the order named. This is especially good time considering the condition of the track and indications are that Dolbin will be running this distance in less than 51 seconds this spring.

The greatest surprise of the trials was the 880 event which was won by Farley, captain of the lacrosse team. This is Farley's first attempt at running short distances but he promises to develop into as good a track man as he has proven himself to be a lacrosse player. Farley's time in this event was two minutes and 10 seconds.

The closest event was between Schroeder and Entwistle in the mile race. Neither man had an advantage until the last 50 yards when Schroeder pulled away from Entwistle and won by eight yards. Garland finished third but was handicapped because of a severe cold.

Whiting ran in the 440 yard low hurdle. This is a special event and has been added to the Inter-Collegiate. The hurdles are placed 40 yards apart. Coach Martin has been giving Whiting some special coaching and hopes to win this race next month at Philadelphia.

The pressure of worry due to absence of a man to take Lamb's place in the weight events is being relieved by the late development of Cabbage, a freshman. Cabbage never had experience with the weights but on Saturday he threw the hammer 144 feet. Besides Cabbage, Czarny and Ballbach are out practicing daily, and at least one of these men will be entered in the weight events with Lamb this spring in the different meets. Page will lead in the pole vault.

Palmer, who was called home last week on account of illness had been doing sensational work indoors in the broad-jump. The absence of Palmer in this event leaves Coach Martin without a firstclass broad-jumper and unless Palmer returns to college Martin must develop a man before the Inter-Collegiate next month.

Most of the track men will be

## STATE WINS DEBATE WITH WESTMINSTER

A Hotly Contested Battle of Words From Start to Finish—State Debates Twice in April.

State won the debate with Westminster college last Friday evening by a two to one decision of the judges. To say that the contest was intensely interesting would be stating it mildly. From start to finish there was a clash of arguments, the result of which was in the balance until the decision of the judges was given. Both teams showed themselves to be familiar with the proposition, that of the abandonment of the Monroe Doctrine. The arguments of both teams were presented very forcibly so that when each speaker sat down the audience was almost convinced that his side was the only one worth considering. However, in the final analysis in the eyes of the judges, and of the audience, the State team proved that the Doctrine should be maintained, and accordingly the decision was rendered in favor of the negative side.

The Westminster team upholding the affirmative side was composed of W. W. Braham, F. W. Orr, W. I. Grundish and W. A. Jewel. The men who represented State were R. E. Geary '16, E. J. Kenney '17, J. L. E. McCord '15, and J. A. Martin '18.

Both teams were strong in the rebuttal speeches, the work of Braham for the affirmative, and of Geary for the negative, being very strong and forceful.

State has won two of the three debates held thus far. On April 9 a State team composed of Skillman '16, Diem '18, Swartz '16, and Martin '18, will meet a Pitt team at Pittsburgh, and on the same evening another State team will meet W. and J. at home. The probable lineup of this team will be Miller '17, Lock '17, and Morrow '16.

here during vacation and will work out each day. The first meet will be the Penn relays, at Philadelphia, April 24.

President's Medal to Luerssen  
Desiring to honor the student who has attained the highest average in the entire college, President Sparks decided to present annually a personal medal to be known as the President's medal. The first of these medals was presented by the president this morning to George Vandegrift Luerssen of the class of 1915. Mr. Luerssen has lead his class since entering college and was recently selected by his class to be valedictorian. C. A. Nichol '18, L. R. Eick '16, and H. F. Lutz '17, finished in the order named.

The medal, of gold, is of a handsome design.

Honor System Interpretations  
The following interpretations were made by the honor system committee on points that have arisen concerning the honor system.

1. The instructor shall take charge of the blue books at the end of the time allowed for the quiz or examination.

2. Smoking in the room is construed as disorder (Art. I, Sec. VI) and hence prohibited.

3. A student is at liberty to leave the room a reasonable number of times but shall not take his blue book with him.

## LACROSSE PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Two Games at Home; Three Games Scheduled Away From Home.

The third season of varsity lacrosse, which will be opened with the trip to Lehigh and Carlisle, should be not only the largest but also the most successful in the history of the sport at Penn State.

Practice was started a month before weather conditions would permit outside work and since the ground has permitted a large squad has been practicing with a persistence and regularity not even exceeded by football preparations. A week ago a squad of 25 were put on the training table. The majority of this number will remain over the Easter week to practice. In the meantime daily practice and scrimmage is held on New Beaver.

It is realized that this first trip is a big proposition. Lehigh, who will be played on the 17th of April, were intercollegiate champions last year and Carlisle, who will be met at Carlisle April 19, had one of the strongest teams in this section. The other games that have been finally arranged for are with Penn at Philadelphia May 1, with Hobart here, May 22, and Carlisle here, June 5. Arrangements are pending with Swarthmore for a game to be played at the time of the Penn trip on May 3.

In the two years that State has played varsity lacrosse three games have been lost, three games have been won and one has resulted in a tie. As a rule the team has been more successful on trips than on the home field.

## PRESIDENT SPARKS TO REMAIN

Rumor Current of Dr. Sparks' Resignation Unfounded.

The Collegian is very glad to be able to announce that there is no truth in the rumor that Dr. Sparks has resigned. In a recent interview he attributed the rumor to his poor health and the fact that he informed the board of trustees that when they felt the welfare of the college was being hampered through his ill health he would be glad to tender his resignation. So far as other positions are concerned Dr. Sparks decided finally four years ago to remain with Penn State when he was offered the presidency of Iowa State.

While still in poor health the pressure of his duties required him to return from Florida, arriving in time to entertain the Senate Appropriation committee. He is undergoing treatment at the present time and hopes to regain his health shortly.

## Y. M. C. A. Nomination

The following men are the nominees for the Y. M. C. A. cabinet for the coming season: President, G. E. Hesselbacher '16, W. R. Skillman '16.

Vice president: C. C. McDowell '16, H. A. Staiger '16.

Second vice president: A. L. Dorwart '16, G. V. Fleck '16, H. R. Pickett '16.

Secretary: W. W. Wood '16, J. S. Owens '17, J. W. Towson '16.

Treasurer: J. W. Adams '16, F. F. Lininger '17.

Assistant treasurer: R. C. Greenland '17, J. E. France '16, R. M. Decker '16, S. L. Smedley '16, S. M. Free '18, R. S. Clark '18.

Elections will take place at the regular 6:30 meeting on the first Sunday after the Easter holidays.

## NEW BUILDINGS TAKING SHAPE

Much Depends on State Appropriations—Old Buildings to Undergo Changes—McAllister Hall to be Ladies Dormitory.

Extensive plans are under way to complete the college buildings now in the course of erection on the campus, and to make various alterations on some of the older buildings.

The consummate execution of these plans will depend on the financial aid received from the state. The new mining building according to its plans, can not be fully complete this year unless our appropriation warrants it. This structure will have two lateral wings which should add much to its appearance. The museum now found in the old building, will occupy the second and third floors; while the lower floor will serve for work in mineralogy and geology. The old building will continue in service for recitation and lecture purposes.

Operations on the Chemistry buildings, discontinued for the winter months, will soon be resumed and that building will be ready for occupation next September. The Liberal Arts building, with a total seating capacity of 864, is now practically completed after the Easter holiday, most classes in Mathematics, English, and Modern Languages will be held there. The Horticultural building requires a tile roof for its completion.

Work will soon begin, to extend that wing of the Armory, now used as the gun room, out to the tennis courts. The basement of this enlarged wing will be used as a rifle range; while the main floor will serve as the gun room. McAllister Hall, to be used next year as the ladies dormitory, is to be altered for such purposes. The sum of \$6000 will go for a new entrance; two reception rooms will be provided; and there will be constructed a special side entrance to the Zoological department, which will remain where it is now found.

## Freshman Baseball

Manager Miller has arranged for the freshman baseball team a strong schedule of four outside games, three to be played at home and one at Bellefonte. The home games are scheduled to be played when the varsity is away. Coach Harley has been asked to select a coach for the freshmen. The interclass schedule will be drawn up as soon as the managers of the upper classes are elected. The 1918 candidates will be called out before Easter. It is hoped that a large number of freshmen will turn out and make their class team one of the best in history.

The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, May 1, Bellefonte Academy at State College.

Thursday, May 13, Technical High, of Buffalo, at State College.

Saturday, May 15, Kiskiminetas at State College.

Saturday, May 22, Bellefonte Academy at Bellefonte.

## More Freshmen Next Year

The authorities have decided, that, provided the appropriation bill is passed, the freshman class will be limited to 800 men. Preference next year will be given to students of the state of Pennsylvania.