Bezdek Drills Diamond Candidates; Football Rules Committee Clarifies Code

ST. FRANCIS ADDED TO LION SCHEDULE

Adverse Weather Forces Team Indoors for Pre-season Battery Practice

With the entire pitching staff intact, and four other regulars from last season's baseball team available, Coach Hugo Bezdek is gradually weeding out promising candidates for Penn State's 1930 diamond aggregation

Although a three-game series with Penn in Atlantic City April 18, 19, 21 was originally listed to open the Lion's campaign, athletic authorities announced yesterday that St Francis college has been scheduled to begin the local season on New Beaver field April 12

Forced indoors because of recent adverse weather conditions, Coach Bezdek's batters resorted mainly to light workouts and battery practice in Recreation Hall Some mild days in the past few weeks, however, have enabled the Nittany team to engage in stiff sessions out-of-doors with four-inning practice games usually claiming an afternoon's work

French Moved To Outfield

In Captain Rod Fry, Stokes, and Lockard, Bezdek has the mainstays of last year's twirling department At present Fry is recovering from a slight injury received during the basketball campaign, but should round into form before the opening game Gates, from last year's freshman nine, is also available, while Cornell a southpaw, Blowers, DeBoms, Kepler, Elliott, Milburn, Newbein, Pinkerton, and Yost are all experienced candidates for the pitching staff

Sol Saltzman is on hand again for the catching assignment, and should have no trouble holding down this position George Bogdan and Andy Parana, from the 1929 squad, and DeTurck, last year's yearling receiver, may give Saltzman a hard fight Batdorf has been alternating behind the bat and in the outfield during recent practice sessions

Pre-season dope was shattered when Coach Bezdek moved Cooper French to an outfield post in recent lineups, and placed Jack Livezey at shortstop This shift has considerably bolstered the outfield, weakened by the loss of Delp and Singley. Livezey has been showing up well in the field and is developing into a fine hitter

Young, Musser Clinch Berths

The squad suffered a severe loss when Regis Smith, star guardian of the keystone sack from last year's plebe nine, failed to return to school this semester Helms, a sophomore, is filling the second base position made vacant by the graduation of Dobbelaar.

Ed Young, last season's regular, has apparently clinched a berth at the initial base, with Phil Moonves as a capable understudy Dan Musser, 1929 utility infielder, is filling Allie Wolff's old position at third base

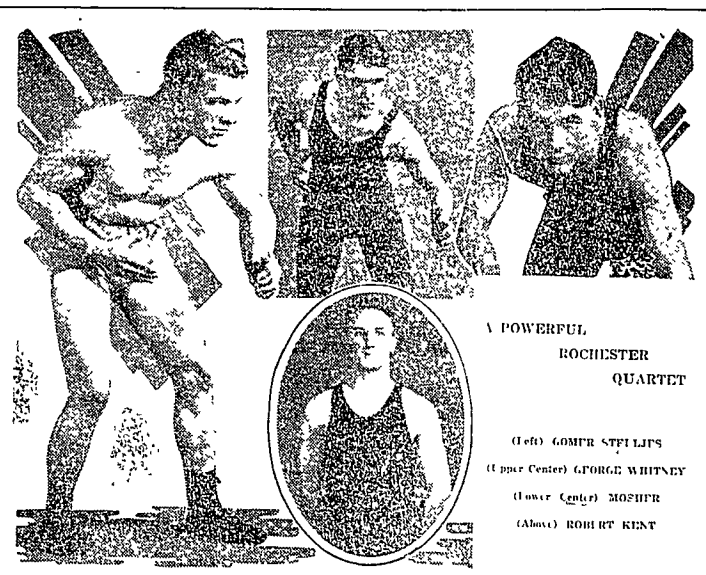
Coop French and Yutz Diedrich, from early season indications, are almost sure starters in left and right field Walter Drill and Al Hobbs are staging a hard fight for the mid-field post, although Drill seems to have the edge at present because of his hitting ability

CHI OMEGA ATTACK FELLS PHI MU COURT TEAM, 23-17

Unable to check the swift Chi Omega attack, Phi Mu sextet was defeated 23-to-7 in the fourth game of the inter-club-dormitory basketball tournament in Recreation Hall Monday night

In a semi-final game to be played April 1, third floor McAllister Hall tossers will meet the Nita Nee basketeers The winners of this contest will meet Chi Omega April 8 for the inter-club-dormitory championship

Carry Rochester's Hope for National Wrestling Championship



A POWERFUL ROCHESTER QUARTET

(Left) GOMER STELLJES
(Upper Center) GEORGE WHITNEY
(Lower Center) MOSHER
(Above) ROBERT KENT

The New York Institute's hope for an individual championship rests on the shoulders of Stelljes, State Y M. C A Niagara A A. U, and city champion in the 115-pound class. Kent, Niagara A A. U lightweight champion, will compete here and Whitney will be Rochester's 155-pound entry Mosher is an alternate on the team.

LION TENNIS TEAM BEGINS WORKOUTS

To Meet Franklin and Marshall On May 3—5 Lettermen Practice Daily

Preparing for the season's opener with Franklin and Marshall May 3, five lettermen on Penn State's 1930 tennis team are practicing daily on the cement court

"With the loss of but one member of last year's varsity team, tennis prospects this year are very promising," Coach Dink Stover stated yesterday "Jack Barber was the only man lost by graduation," he continued, "and with Captain Wolfe, Butler, Metzner, Barber, and Thompson on the squad this season, a good nucleus has already been formed"

Because of inclement weather conditions the varsity courts have not yet been prepared Coach Stover will not select the sixth member of the squad until the racqueters begin work on the clay courts

Although only five men will participate in the away-from-home matches with Navy, Georgetown, Colgate, and Syracuse, six players will make up the traveling squad, Stover reported

Following the opening engagement May 3, the racqueters will meet Georgetown and Navy May 9 and 10 A home match with Gettysburg is listed for May 17, while the courtmen will travel to Syracuse and Colgate May 23 and 24 Bucknell will close the season here on May 31

Scheduling of matches with Syracuse and Colgate continues the competition which exists in the triangular association between Penn State, Syracuse, and Colgate in basketball and baseball.

Collegiate Mat Officials May Select Site for 1931 Championships Today

To select the place for next year's tournament and adopt any necessary rule changes, the national collegiate wrestling rules committee will hold its first meeting in Varsity hall lecture room at 10 o'clock this morning

Drawings for the tournament will begin at 11 o'clock following the close of the first session A luncheon for the committee, coaches, and officials will be held at noon today.

Other meetings and a luncheon are scheduled tomorrow The location of next year's tourney may be announced at the close of the meet tomorrow night.

Dr R G Clapp of Nebraska, chairman of the group, will preside at the meetings

13 LAWS TO COVER COLLEGIATE TILTS

Solons Lengthen Pause in Quick Shift Play—Deplore Poor Sportsmanship

Reduction of the code from twenty-eight to thirteen rules and clarification of the entire set of laws governing the conduct of collegiate football has been completed by the football rules committee after two years of effort.

No material changes in the existing rules were made by the committee. A count of six was decided on as necessary in measuring the moment of pause in the execution of the shift play instead of four. The rule was changed to read "a period of at least one second," replacing the former wording "approximately one second."

The committee deplored unsportsmanlike attitude which, in its opinion, was displayed by various teams last fall in wearing jerseys, headgears, and elbow-pads "so similar in color to the ball that they give the wearers an unfair and unsportsmanlike advantage over their opponents"

Six Drafts Made

Four officials will have concurrent jurisdiction on fouls under the latest draft Head linesman and field judge will now have equal authority with the referee and umpire in determining penalties

The new system of rules was formulated by the football rules committee and an advisory group of coaches and officials. Six drafts of the code were drawn up before a satisfactory set of laws was completed

The removal of ambiguity and the clarification of the code is an attempt to eliminate the various conflicting interpretations which have heretofore existed in different parts of the country and to make the rules more intelligible to coaches, players, and officials A definition of an off-side play was included in the new code

The committee was appointed in 1928 and has been at work on the new codification since that time.

LIGHT-HEAVY Title Is Sought By Michigan Entry

ALFRED STEINKE, Michigan

Oklahoma Aggies Boast Record of 56 Straight Wins

Favorites to cop top honors in the third National Collegiate wrestling tournament, Oklahoma A and M. will enter a band of wrestlers upholding an impressive record of fifty-six consecutive dual meet wins.

If the Oklahomans capture the 1930 crown as predicted, they will also have upheld an untarnished record in Collegiana's premier grappling tourney. Since the inauguration of the title matches in 1928, no team has been able to tear the Aggies from their strangle hold on first place.

Besides the pair of collegiate crowns Coach Dad Gallegher's husky proteges have battled their way to three National A A. U. championships With seven entered in the National amateur matches last year the Western team returned home with five individual champs

Six dual encounters have been contested this season in which but seven individual bouts have been dropped Of the seven fights lost, each has been by a time advantage, with no falls recorded against the Stillwater array.

Throughout the campaign five Aggie matmen have maintained unblemished records.

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