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Because of the severe and unexpected snowfall yesterday morning, it is probable that the Penn State-Bucknell baseball game scheduled for tomorrow afternoon, will have to be cancelled or postponed. Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics, said yesterday that no definite action on cancelling the game will be taken until this afternoon when the condition of the field can be determined.

By BILL McDOWELL

**Fielding of Lion Veterans** 

## Nittany Baseball Team Will Open Season With Bucknell Tomorrow

Ditmar Books On View 130 Freshman Rookies Uncertain Pitching Staff Several books and magazine artic-Vie for Yearling Team les by Raymond Ditmars, lecturer on the Artists' Course program for this year, will be on exhibition in the Agricultural Library in Patterson

hall until April 18.

With more than 130 plebes in vari-ous articles of uniform out for fresh-man baseball, Coach Leo Houck is gradually narrowing down the list of

gradually narrowing down the list of possibilities to a smaller and more easily handled group. "The boys with the most uniform on are not neces-sarily the best," he says. "They just got there first. What we need around ere is a couple of more bats. The ther one we had split. We also need backston."

Some of the men are giving each Some of the men are giving each other tough competition for positions. Behind the bat, Klipstein, Slover, and Yeagaman arc showing the others how to handle the pitches of Ford, Lenz, Schmidt, Simoncelli, and Wirt, the leading pitchers. At first, Ang-stadt, Edwards, Katz, Meyers, Tosti, and Watts are competing to hold down the base. without the services of a pitcher. down the base.

The reason for this is that this most important spot in the line-up is the one which is most uncertain at this writing. Tomorrow's game also will be the opening one of the season for Bucknell, but they will have the serv-ices of Reznichack who has had plenty down the base. Second basemen Jacobs, Keller, Robins, and Steckle; shortstops Brownstein, Myhoff, and Silver; and third basemen Peterson, Rager, Tin-dal, and Werner complete a promis-ing infield. Outfielders on the ball are Bachrach, Bartholomew, Castello, Dillio, Dong, Igo, and Walch. of varsity experience even if he did drop the 6-2 tilt which State won in

Dillio, Dong, Igo, and Walch. 12 Sophomores Named To College Blue Band Twelve sophomores were selected last week to fill the existing vacan-ties in the Blue Band by Major Wir-fred O. Thompson, bandmaster, Dan-nounced last week. drop the 6-2 tilt which State won in Lewisburg last May. Coach Joe Bedenk, on the other hand, has only one tosser with any varsity experience at all; namely, Ernie Stokes. And Stokes has pitched only one and one-third games of var-sity ball. He was responsible for the 6-0 victory over Dickinson lost three total, fry our happen to be sta-tistically inclined. 4 Veterans'Back nounced last week.

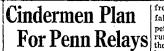
The replacements, all sophomores The replacements, all sophomores, are: Kenneth L. Fritz, Ralph E. Ha-ley, Fred R. Houseman, Robert K. Repogle, clarinets; Richard C. Shoe-maker, saxophone; Clyde W. Oester-ling, tenor saxophone; Edwin E. Ki-ser, M. Clair Swoope, baritones; Del-mar K. Myers, Clyde M. Rinker, horns; William R. Grubb, and Ray-mond A. Stattarn durac morns; writiam K. Grubb, and Ray-mond A. Mattern, drums. The next public appearance of the Band will be at a concert given in honor of the 'mothers' on Mothers' Day in May.

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out for liaseball until after basket-ball season. Consequently, Smith was several weeks behind the rest of the pitchers who had been rehearsing their act in the corridors of the gym until the weather permitted them to go outside the middle of last month. Smith has plenty of speed and is daily gaining in smoothness and con-trol. He can also hit creditably and should be functioning to perfection soon.

practice games the week before last or last week you were no doubt amaz-ed at the facility with which the pitchers in their three-inning work-outs seemed to be fanning the alleged heavy hitters. This is really nothing to become alarmed over when you re-call that the pitchers have had the advantage of a month of practice over the batters and the latter are always slower getting in stride in any man's league. Last May, when State played Buck-nell, Stocker was the leading hitter with .389, Biolicki was second with .327, and Miller rated third with .326. Robbins\_ and Kornick have been hit

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Although Saturday's track trials were the last race trials before the Penn relays, they didn't mean much. "The weather was bad and I'm afraid most of the boys went to the dance the night before," Coach Chick Wer-

ner said. Denying the recent story in the *Philadelphia laquirer* which said that State would enter a complete team at the Relays, Werner said that he ex-pected to enter teams in the four-mile and distance medley relays and in the quarter and half mile sprint relays. If the freshmen show up well he will norbuly noter a team in

They used to talk in professional baseball circles of how the late and eccentric Rube Waddell would call in his infield and outfield in the midst of a heated encounter and retire the opposing side unaided. Whether or not this was merely a tale devised to entertain stunted adult minds, it would be perfectly swell if the Penn State baseball team could reverse the situation and dispose of Bucknell tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock on Beaver field In the quarkst and har intersprace relays. If the freshmen show up well he will probably enter a team in the mile relay. Werner is especially pleased by the showing of Pete Olexy, star of the

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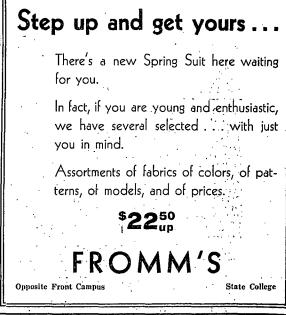
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freshman cross-country team last Stoddard Will Explain fall. Before coming here Olexy comfall. Before coming here Olexy com-peted on the Polish Olympic team, running in the mile and half mile. At the annual Interscholastics held here last spring he won the mile, running for Lansford high school. Several colleges tried to get him, but because his coach had been one of Werner's pupils at Illinois, he persuaded Olexy to come here. "Already he has done a 4:37 mile and I expect him to break 4:30." Werner declared. "The restimen look good in spots," Lower Division System

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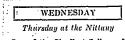




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## tistically inclined. 4 Veterans'Back You can expect to see some pretty consistent fielding this year with four veterans back and the other positions well taken care of. Captain Bill Mc-Kechnie will be on first, Robbins on second, Stocker on third, O'Hora at shortstop, Bielicki in right field, Mill. er in center field, and possibly Wit-mer in left field. Bedenk has been trying Ochrock in left field instead of behind the plate with the purpose of getting a hitter in the vacancy left by Bill Kassesak, who captained last year's nine. In direct contradiction to what has been bruide about generally, Frank Smith will not start in the box. The starting pitcher will probably be a left hander, although Connie Mack's tenet that "you never can tell in base-ball," holds true in this case.

ball," holds true in this case. The Southpaws Ernie Stokes is a likely candidate for the assignment, but so is Lefty Knapp. Knapp has a better curve and as good control as any candidate for pitcher at the present time. But don't think for a minute that Frank Smith is playing the role of the forgotten man. He and Kor-nick, both sophomores, have been working out as a battery twosome. Both won letters in football and bas-ketball this year and did not come out for baseball until after basket-ball season. Consequently, Smith was

Hold the Lifeboats If you happened to be up on the baseball field to watch the team in practice games the week before last



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## **Baseball Coach Plans College World Series**

Andy Coakley, veteran baseball coach at Columbia University, last week announced plans for a college baseball world series featuring eight outstanding American teams and possibly a representative from Japan, which may be held in one of New York's major league parks this sum-

mer. He has written to the supervisors of several sectional intercollegiate athletic conferences regarding the plan and responses have been enthusi-astic. No official communication has reached the College yet, but it is un-derstood that Penn State will be in-cluded in the series if plans which are now in the formulative state pro-gress.

are now in the formulative gress. The games would be held either in the Yankee Stadium or the Polo Grounds—possibly in both—the week of June 24. By this time all colleges will be closed and there will be no in-terference with players' classwork. The tournament would require four days.

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