

Nittany Baseball, Lacrosse Teams Will Start Season This Week

Frosh Trackmen Called

Coach Bob Grieve issued a final call for frosh track candidates yesterday. Although approximately 50 candidates are now practicing, freshmen are scarce in the pole vault, hurdles and the 440-yard run.

Lion Nine Meets Penn At Philadelphia

Facing the prospect of the season's opening baseball game against Penn in Philadelphia on Friday, Coach Joe Bedenk is still undecided as to his starting nine.

Although pitchers Jim Richardson and Al Lazar will probably not start because of the loss of a week's training caused by an engineering inspection trip, the best conclusion is that Chuck Medlar, Ed Tuleya, Wes Smith, Al Maurer, or Bob Robinson will be the opening twirler.

Either junior Alex Basista or soph Jim Sampsel will start behind the plate. Basista was second string catcher last year and Sampsel was backstop for the frosh team.

The infield will probably be Captain Eddie Sapp at first, Freddy Ball at second, Bill Thomas at short, and Franny Farris at third. Sapp has been shifted to the first base spot from the second sack position in which he played regularly last year.

Two outfield posts seem definite. Peany Gates will probably play in left and Bill Debler in center. The starting right field assignment is still a toss-up between Emory Kasprzyk and Bob Ruff, both sophs.

A definite line-up for the battle with the Quakers on Penn's River Field will not be announced until Wednesday. Players making the trip will also be decided on then.

Frosh Fencers Score 15-10 Win In First Meet

Freshmen fencers defeated the Indiana State Teachers varsity foil team, 15-10, in Rec Hall Saturday afternoon in the first frosh fencing meet ever fought by a Nittany team.

The meet consisted wholly of foil matches. Freshmen Reed and Swope starred for the Lions by winning four matches apiece. Riley and Hankin both registered two victories.

Leads Varsity Nine



Eddie Sapp, above, captains the Lion baseball team which opens the 1941 season against Penn at Philadelphia, Friday.

Stickmen Will Play Two Maryland Clubs

The Lion varsity lacrosse men will open their season away this week with two practice games and two regularly scheduled contests.

While the remainder of the undergraduate body is enjoying a respite from studies and exercise, the stickmen will tangle with a pair of top-ranking stick teams. On Saturday they encounter a powerful Navy squad, and the following Monday face a highly-touted University of Maryland outfit.

The lack of experienced reserve material and the weakness of the inside defense are two sources of headache to Coach Nick Thiel. This year's prospects, he says, are "far from rosy."

The Thielmen are slated to leave Wednesday for Maryland where they will engage two amateur lacrosse clubs on Thursday and Friday. The St. Paul and Mt. Washington outfits, will furnish the opposition.

Trackmen Will Practice During Easter Vacation

Eighteen trackmen will remain on the campus during Easter vacation in order to practice for the fast approaching Penn Relays on April 25 and 26.

They are: Running events—Barney Ewell, Don Dolbin, Frenchy Bourgerie, Herm Goffberg, Captain Van Hartman, Bob Hutchings, Pat Kjellman, Max Peters, Barney Plessler, Jim Williams and Norm Gordon.

Field events — Joe Bakura, Quentin Deidrick, Len Frescoln, Johnny Glenn, Saul Hanin, Scotty Moffatt and Frank Platt.

With only five lettermen from last year's squad on this year's team, Thiel needs every available practice period to get the team in condition for its arduous schedule. The veterans include captain Bud Dattelbaum, Jim Riddell, Jim Ritter, Bill Henning, and Mort Saylor. A recent prospect for a varsity berth is Al Blair, letterman two years ago.

Gridders Down St. Francis, 18-6

Several hundred spectators braved a drizzling rain Saturday afternoon to see fullback Bill Smaltz personally account for the Nittany gridgers' 18-6 victory over St. Francis College on mud-soaked Beaver Field by tossing two touchdown passes and personally scoring another six-pointer.

In the first quarter Smaltz heaved a forward to Captain Len Krouse, who ran 20 yards for the first Blue and White tally.

Smaltz broke loose on an off-tackle plunge later in the first period and sprinted 50 yards for the Lions' second score. The quarter ended with the Nittany eleven holding a two touchdown advantage.

End Will Van Lenten tallied the final score for State in the second period by pulling down another Smaltz forward and dashing 25 yards to the goal-line stripe.

The visitors registered their only touchdown in the fourth quarter on a sustained drive from their own 20 yard line. They tallied again on the final play but it was on a fifth down and did not count.

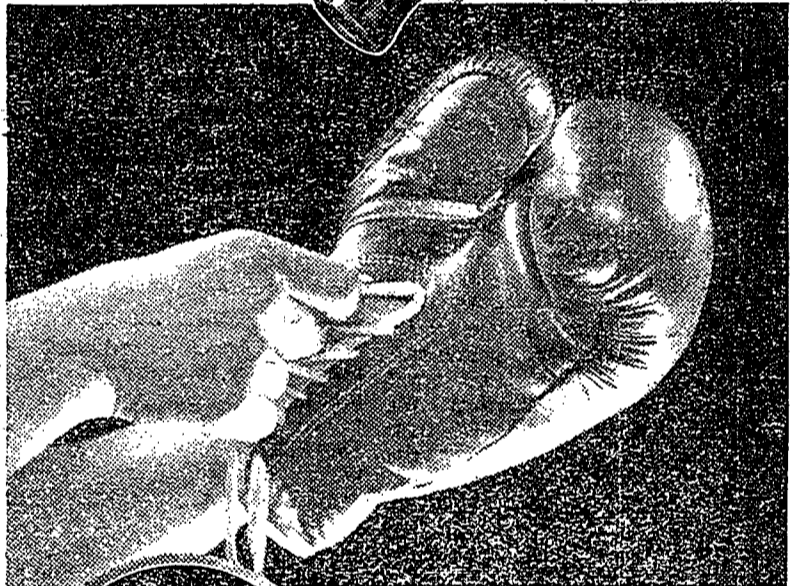
Phys Ed Majors Cop III Volleyball Championship

Paced by Bill Batchelor's sizzling spike shots, the Physical Education Majors copped the independent intramural volleyball championship for the third consecutive year with a trouncing victory over Fairmount Hall, 15-2, 15-3, Saturday.

After Easter vacation, the Majors will meet the fraternity league winner, to be decided Tuesday, for the All-College Volleyball Championship.

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