

### Between The Lions

With PAUL WOODLAND (Collegian Sports Writer)

The Greeks had a word for it. But sports writers have quite a few more. In fact, any newspaper reader by this time has probably noticed the wealth of terms, sometimes strange ones, used in sports stories.

English comp professors have been known to wain of falling into the colloquial rut which sports writers inhabit, and it is also true that if a sports scribe doesn't have a word, he coins one.

A few regions of the state seem to have a barrier against certain terms. For instance, a common synonym for basketball players is the word "cagers." Papers in the Central and Western part of the state have no limit to the use of this term, and have even over-worked it. That's probably because it's short and fits well in a headline.

The Philadelphia district rarely uses cagers, or anything denoting that a basketball team plays in a cage. A Collegian writer covered a home town Christmas basketball game for a suburban Philadelphia newspaper, and purposely referred to the team as cagers. When the paper reached the street, however, the team was a "quintet."

Collegian's basketball reporter last season introduced "courtmen", a Southeastern Pennsylvania word, and it stuck as far as this daily is concerned. With the arrival of the tennis season, "courtmen" had to be restricted, since it carried too much connotation of basketball.

Cy Peterman, widely known sports columnist, said the best words are still the original names. Peterman, in a speech before a journalism class here, pointed out that it's all right to use already accepted synonyms, but calling a

# Glenn's Injury Dims Track Hopes; Lacrosse Team Opens Against Navy

## Saturday's Tilt Starts Nine-Game Schedule

Seeking revenge for the defeat handed his Lion lacrosse team by Navy last year, Coach Nick Thiel has been drilling this year's promising squad in game fundamentals in an effort to whip the stickmen into shape for Saturday's battle with the Midshipmen.

Coach Thiel will take 20 men on the trip to Annapolis for the Blue and White's season opener with the hope of victory over the Midshipmen at the start of the Lion's nine-game schedule.

Led by Captain Bill Ziegenfus, the team will leave State College Friday noon.

First opportunity for Penn State students to see the lacrosse men in action will be a home game with Cornell on the Saturday immediately following the Middie game.

In an effort to get his proteges into game condition for the tough battles arising in the schedule the Lions face in the future, Thiel has been putting them through long field scrimmages with an emphasis upon defense work.

On the freshman lacrosse front, Bill Henning '42, student coach, has a squad of 35 men drilling for the opening game with Penn on May 2.



## High Jumper Out For 2 Or 3 Weeks

Coach Chick Werner's trackmen suffered a setback yesterday when Johnny Glenn, star high jumper, seriously sprained his ankle in a physical class.

Glenn, a key man on the team, is holder of the College high jump record of 6 feet 5 1/2 inches, set in an indoor dual meet at Ohio State, February 21. He also holds the outdoor record of 6 feet 4 1/2 inches. Loss of Glenn will make a hole in the team's prospects for the Spring season.

The injury is serious enough, according to Doctor Griess, team physician, to keep Glenn from drills for two or three weeks. In the latter case he would be forced out of competition in the first meet, Penn Relays, April 24 and 25.

Jumpers placed now in the top spot and able to help Werner in garnering high jump points are Orv Krug and Elmer Gross. Krug, steady jumper last year, has leaps of 6 feet 1 inch to his credit. The addition he and Gross may make to point scoring will probably help the general team situation.

Clear, warm weather this week has permitted the team to expand from its cramped Winter quarters and will make Werner more able to find what he really has in the way of placing the men in proper positions.

**QUICK CHANGER**—Elmer Gross changes from basketball uniform to track outfit to lighten Coach Chick Werner's worries in the high jump department since Johnny Glenn's ankle injury has taken him from drills for several weeks.

## Two IM's Reach Final Elimination

Two intramural sports approached or gained final rounds last night as the Winter IM season drew nearer a close. Independent section of the badminton tourney completed its rounds while fraternity section drew into and through semi-final rounds.

In the ping pong tournament final matches determined winners of titles in both independent and fraternity sections of the tourney.

**BADMINTON**  
Champion in the independent badminton tournament is Barney Ewell, College sprint star. After gaining the finals by beating Jack Krause, Ewell won the title by defeating Bill Peck, who had drawn a bye through the semi-finals.

In the fraternity section, the field was narrowed down from 136 entrants last week to eight quarter-finalists. Of these one game, between Gardner Lindzey and John Struck remain to be played. One combination has advanced to semi-finals, Wally Riley beating Charlie Hannon.

Two others are through to the finals. In these John Gerecter, last year's winner, advanced twice by beating Tom Hart in the quarters and Hank Yeagley, who had previously beaten Alberto Roque, to become one of the finalists.

Completion of the playoffs will take place at the leisure of the contestants. Runners-up as well as winners in the tourney will receive awards.

**PING PONG**  
In final matches held yesterday Morris Warshall defeated Kenny Yount to gain the independent title. Fraternity titlist was Don Davis who defeated Ralph Pilgram in the final round.

## Clauss, Miller New Swim Captains

Ed Clauss and Johnny Miller will share the captaincy of Penn State's varsity swim team for the coming year, having been elected by the team's lettermen during the annual squad banquet at the State College Hotel.

Following the example set by other winter sports teams, the Lion swimmers have chosen a junior, Clauss, to serve as honorary captain until his graduation in December. Miller taking over the reins after Clauss leaves will captain the swim team during the regular winter season.

The election of two captains will lessen the possibility of a recurrence of the emergency that arose during the 1941-42 season, when Captain Elmer Webb left school at the close of first semester. A special meeting of team members was called to fill the gap and Tom Reissman was chosen acting captain shortly before the opening meet.

Dr. Carl P. Schott, dean of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, was guest speaker at the banquet.

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## Nick Thiel Chosen To Coach All-Stars In North-South Game

Coach Nick Thiel has been chosen head coach of the Northern all-star lacrosse team which meets the South in the popular post-season game to be played some time this Spring.

Thiel, whose North team will battle the South in one of the major lacrosse events of the season, was assistant coach last year.

Two games have been played between the rivals, the South winning last year and the North in 1940. Both the contests were won by one point, in 1940, 6-5, and in 1941, 7-6.

Penn State has been well represented during the two years that the classic has been played, placing three stickmen, George Ritter and Bart Buser in 1940, and Al Blair in the 1941 all-star contest.

## Warmerdam, Vaultier, Voted Tops In Trackdom

Twenty-seven year old Cornelius Warmerdam, Southern California high school teacher, who first learned to pole vault in a lettuce patch and present holder of the world indoor pole vault record of 15 feet 7 1/4 inches, was voted the outstanding track and field athlete of the indoor season by New York track reporters.

"Dutch" Warmerdam barely nosed out Greg Rice, who is considered the top two-miler in the world. Greg is the winner of the two previous awards. NYU miler Leslie MacMitchell was third and John Borican of the Asbury Park, N. J. A. C. fourth.

### At The Movies

- CATHAUM: "Kings Row"
- STATE: "Nazi Agent"
- NITTANY: "The Corsican Brothers"

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