

COLLEGIAN SPORTS

By ART MILLER

This season Coach Nick Thiel starts his ninth season as Penn State's varsity lacrosse coach. During this time his teams have come through with about as many victories as defeats. Impressive record? No—unless you look behind the scenes.

Nick Thiel doesn't coach players, he makes them. In all his nine seasons of coaching lacrosse at Penn State, he has had only seven boys come out for the stick sport who had ever played the game before Thiel got hold of them. Only seven out of at least 90 varsity men developed in those last nine stanzas had ever played lacrosse before joining the Nittany squad. Tom Mitchell, inside attack on this year's edition is the seventh.

Out of these untried stickhandlers, Thiel has produced five first-string All Americans.

Back in 1935, George Koth, Nittany captain for that year and inside attackman, made the All-American roster. Then along came another George, George Ritter, who made the honorary squad as a defenseman, was also chosen for the North-South All-Star team and walked away from the Yankee-Confederate clash with the vote as outstanding defenseman of the encounter.

Al Blair, Lion center fielder, made the All-American team a few years back and was followed by Ray Coskry, who was the choice for first team All-American attack in 1938. Coskry was credited with the largest total of goals scored in the North. Last year Bill Zeigentus received the honor for his defensive play around the Nittany net during the season.

Several players have been choices for second and third teams on the star squad. Gerber was second team goalie while Jim Götvals, this year's captain, was named to the second string group of last year's team. Both he and Tom Mitchell played on the Thiel-coached North bunch last year.

Players work hard to please the Blue and White mentor. Jim Riddell, 1941 graduate, is the outstanding example, according to Thiel.

"Jim came out for the team his frosh year," the Coach relates, "and I didn't give a plugged nickel for his chances of graduating to the varsity. He only weighed 130 and stood five feet four inches from the turf. He wore glasses and was as slow as an old cow. He got in one game that year and got his tooth broken running into one of his own players."

"Well, he practiced every day that summer, he told me later, and showed up for first team in the Fall. He was the most improved man on the squad and also the best stickhandler that year. He made the varsity all right at the inside

attack position and played three varsity seasons with us.

Nick himself played a lot of lacrosse for Syracuse from 1931 to 1934. He was named All-American his Junior and Senior years at the New York school when Syracuse was the best team in the Northern section of the country. Immediately after his graduation, he was called to coach Penn State squads. The Blue and White teams, mediocre since their commencement in 1913, perked up when Thiel arrived and have been no pushover for any squad since.

The Nittany team has never lost a tilt to Cornell since Thiel took over and play most of the powerful clubs in the East including Yale, Dartmouth, Syracuse, Cornell, Hobart, and Army as well as Johns Hopkins, often the Number One squad in the nation.

Entries Close Soon For Track Intramurals; 8 Meets Scheduled

Entries for the intramural track meet scheduled for Thursday, April 29, must be in by April 27, according to Irvin Kochel and John Dibeler, student sponsors of the event.

All entries may be filed at the Rec Hall Locker Room or Gene Bischoff's office. The meet will be run off on the New Beaver Field track.

Track intramurals this year will be an all relay affair with the exception of two events, the 100-yard dash and the obstacle course run. No fraternity or independent sections will be run separately.

Order of events for the meet is as follows:

- 440 relay—4 men run 110 yards each
- 3-man medley relay—220, 220, 440 in that order
- Mile relay—4 men run 440 yards each
- 100-yard dash trials
- 880 relay—4 men run 220 yards each

Snow Confuses Dinglebury, But Today's Game Is All Off

Penn State's baseball team is undefeated and is sure of staying that way, at least at the present, for Joe Gremlin was at work in the strato yesterday, pouring the snow from the sky, until New Beaver Field is now in impossible playing condition for today's game, and may be for all that are scheduled next week.

Joe Bedenk took his charges to

The Sports Parade

By REM ROBINSON

Drexel Cancels Games

Drexel Tech in Philadelphia has dropped its entire sports program for the duration, cancelling games in football, lacrosse, baseball, track and tennis. The graduate manager said that the shortage of men, and the poor traveling facilities forced the issue to a point.

Temple Gets None For Two

Temple's baseball team, enroute to Bucknell to play the Bisons yesterday, were forced to return to Philadelphia because of heavy snow storms throughout the state. Following the Bucknell game, the Owls were scheduled to arrive in State College this morning to meet the Joe Bedenk squad.

New Yorkers In A Tie

It looked like the New York Giants and the New York Yankees will have to toss a coin to see which team is "consolation champion" of the metropolitan area, for inclement weather has forced cancellation of the final game of the round robin tourney which was capped by the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Track Managers Called

Seconds for the manager's positions on the track team were urged to report to the second floor of the Water Tower any night after 4 p. m., if they want to try out for a first assistants rating next semester.

Since the squad manager, Wallace Murfit, will leave school at the end of this semester, the present assistants will move up, making room for three additional seconds.

Sprint medley relay—440, 100, 220, 440 in that order
100-yard dash finals
Obstacle course run

There will be a 25-cent charge for each person competing in the meet, with regular intramural medals being awarded to all first place relays and places in the individual events.

Penn State Gymnasts Prepare For May NAAU Competition

Even Lion gymnasts will enter the National AAU gymnastic meet to be held in New York City May 1. The Penn State squad, after claiming the Eastern Intercollegiate League championship as well as three individual titles, is expected to battle it out with the Gymnastic Society of Union City, N. J. team, many times the national champs.

All defending champions are AA amateur performers with the exception of Temple's star tumbler, George Szypula, the only collegiate titleholder returning for competition again this year. Szypula also holds the Eastern Collegiate tumbling crown which he won at the intercollegiate championships held in Rec Hall last month.

One factor in favor of the Blue and White squad is the fact that the Lions have dominated the rope climbing event for the past three years and are again expected to dominate this year. Lion climbers Lebow, Young, Barclay and Wirtschatter are slated to rank in this event. There is a possibility that any of the Lion climbers may break the world's record, now held by Chick Lebow since the intercollegiates in March.

In last season's rope event, the Blue and White squad members took five places and finished second in team scoring. Coach Wettstone will take Barclay, Sorenson, Wirtschatter, Wintersteen and Young to represent Penn State at the meet.

Although Szypula is expected to dominate the tumbling event, Penn State's Harold Frey and Billy Meade are counted upon to place high on the mats. Bordo, eastern p-bar titleholder, and Small are several of the favorites for the parallel bar event.

World rope climb record-holder and eastern horizontal bar champ, Chick Lebow, is expected to contribute several points to the Lion's total, while Bonsall and Small should add to Penn State's score in the ring event. Small took second last season in the flying ring match.

Roy Sorenson will enter the all-around competition, but will not compete in the tumbling trick according to the AAU rules. Lion Wintersteen will carry the Blue and White colors in the Indian club event, another feature of the NAAU title competition.

The Nittany gymnasts climaxed an undefeated season by winning the eastern league trophy and then claiming three individual championships.

MILITARY BALL

APRIL 30

Music By

The ARISTOCRATS

Important Announcement!

Pennsylvania Greyhound Lines wish to announce to all students that, in order to arrange accommodations for travel on April 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, 1943, it will be necessary to make reservation by purchasing your ticket as far in advance as possible, but not later than eight hours prior to your intended departure time.

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East Bound	West Bound	North Bound
2:55 A.M.	1:10 A.M.	
7:40 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	
2:40 P.M.	1:45 P.M.	8:00 A.M.
7:55 P.M.	6:20 P.M.	2:55 P.M.

(Make Your Reservations Early)

Philadelphia last Saturday, and eked out a slim victory over Villanova Two days later they were to play Navy at Annapolis, but this time it was rain that submerged the diamond.

This afternoon, the Temple Owls would have batted it out with the Lions, but the rain changed form, and State College was blitzed with the worst snow storm for April days since 1928, when 20 inches fell before an equally surprised group of students.

According to a last minute release from the Collegian weather expert, J. Solvency Dinglebury, who was reported to have committed suicide several months ago because he predicted the IFC Ball weekend wrong, snow may fall for several days yet, or might stop tonight. He also commented that there is a possibility of a cloud-burst tomorrow afternoon at 4:28, or a long dry spell beginning early tomorrow morning.

Whatever is the outcome of the predictions of the little pet of the office staff, baseball is certainly staring misfortune in the face. The Monday game with Pitt will be postponed if the infield does not dry up by tomorrow afternoon. Muhlenberg was also slated to appear against the Bedenkmen, but players are skeptical about getting the go sign.

The final game which may be cancelled is the Juniata contest next Friday afternoon, but if the present snow thaws sufficiently, New Beaver Field will be in shape because it has always been a quick-drying diamond on past occasions.

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