

Nittany Baseball Team Plays Last Home Game

Coach Joe Bedenk's first all-Marine infield and outfield in history opens a major engagement against a strong Lehigh nine on New Beaver Field at 3 p.m. tomorrow as they attempt to pull out a two-game nose dive suffered last week at the hands of Colgate.

Tomorrow's battle, which marks the last home game of the season according to the present schedule, will find practically the same team taking the field as opposed the Red Raiders in the fatal duo seven days ago.

Only changes are at shortstop, where the Navy's representative, Joe Bartlett, dotted the lineup last week. Bartlett has been called to his home, and will be replaced by Bill Smyth, Marine from the University of Cincinnati. Jack Castignola, on whom Bedenk was counting to handle part of the pitching chores or the left field post, has been in the College hospital for the past few days, recovering from a vaccination inflammation.

Joe Zoul from Marine Barracks 64, and former Dayton University baseballer, will move into the garden spot vacated by Castignola.

Penn State will use but two of its former team in tomorrow's fray, both in the battery positions. Captain Mike Wardrop, combination outfielder-hurler, will do the pitching, while sophomore Ed Holler will be on the receiving end. Sparky Brown and Matt McKinney are being held in reserve for further hurling duties, since both have seen action in Lion games before this season.

From Barracks 41 comes Leatherneck Al Richards, who holds down first base. Richards formerly played for the University of Cincinnati, along with shortstopper Smyth. Jim Graham, Marine from Barracks 9, guards the keystone sack, after playing with George Washington University last season.

On the hot corner is Bill Early, senior Marine trainee stationed here after playing several years with Toledo University. Although Early will leave here at the end of the semester, he can be counted on to boost the squads batting average a considerable distance the remainder of the current year.

Handling the center field and left field position, are Marines from Barracks 41, Terry Reichwein and Chuck Traeger. Reichwein hails from Washington's George Washington University, while Traeger was a student at the University of Ohio.

Although Bedenk is working with an almost entirely new squad this season, he hopes to enter the win column tomorrow. Both games were lost on last inning rallies last week, the Friday tilt collapsing to Colgate in the tenth by a score of 7-6, and the Saturday follower going to Colgate in the ninth, 6-5.

The season's home finale is slated to start at 3 p.m., according to the Lion mentor, as he reminded students and servicemen that although the stadium will seat capacity crowds, early arrival must be made to assure good seats. As in former seasons, there is no admission charge to attend the game.

Air Force Defeats MI Softballers, 18-5

Air Force mullball team ran its present string of victories to three with an 18-5 victory over the Mineral Industries ten on Community Field Tuesday evening.

Moore, the fliers' pitcher, held the M. I. men to six hits, while the victors hammered out 16. The aviators' hits included three doubles and two triples.

Score by innings:
Air Corps 316 040 202—18
Min. Industries 100 000 004—5
Two base hits—Russo, Niedewski, Rochestein. Three base hits—Shore, Potash. Struck out by—Moore 3. Base on balls off—Moore 1, Charmbury 4. Winning pitcher—Moore. Losing pitcher—Melzzer. Innings pitched—Charmbury 2; Melzzer 5.

Between The Lions

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"Judging from the rate many familiar faces are disappearing from campus, our male population very shortly will be comprised of nearly all student-soldiers.

"Penn State's current sports program will continue as is for a few months yet, but after May they will probably be forced to hang out the crepe—that is, if there is anyone left to hang it out."

That was the prediction made by Ben Bailey, sports editor last semester and now an aviation cadet, in this column last February in looking into the future of Penn State's intercollegiate participation.

Since that time, the way things have been breaking have made Bailey's usually accurate predictions all wet. The outlook is brighter now. Here we are in the middle of July with a full football schedule carded for the Lions. Baseball, track, and tennis are on the agenda. What more could we ask in times like these?

Hopes brightened for the football coaching staff with the latest letter from the War Department to Colonel Ardery, stating that the advanced ROTC men will be permitted to remain in school until the end of the semester. Coach Bob Higgins had been counting on Johnny Jaffurs, Aldo Cenci, and Sparky Brown until September 30 only. All three of these veterans of Barracks 33 will form the nucleus of Higgins' team for at least four games this fall.

SUNDAY LEAGUE

Penn State needs a Sunday softball league.

With thousands of service men stationed in State College and with recreation facilities (movies, swimming, etc.) limited as they are at present, it appears that a well-organized inter-unit program would ease the situation. Competition among Marines, Navy, Army Air Forces, ASTP, ROTC, and perhaps some civilians would really be something to see and take part in. Let's hope it can be made possible.

Football Assistants Called

Candidates for second assistant managerships in football are to sign up at the athletic office in Old Main and report to the water tower at 4 p.m. every weekday, according to Clair E. Eisenhart, manager.

Lack Of Reserve Power Hinders Lacrossemen

Handicapped by an acute lack of reserves, Coach Nick Thiel's Nittany lacrosse team lost its only game of the summer season to Navy at Annapolis Saturday afternoon by an 8-3 count.

Using only ten experienced men during the entire game, the Lions were nevertheless able to hold the national champions to a two-goal lead until the last six minutes of play. From there on the Middies, bolstered by their greater number of substitutes, pulled away from the tiring Nittanymen. The Lions had had only three days practice prior to the game.

The Navy's V-12 trainees stationed at State were unable to make the trip at the last minute. As a result Coach Thiel was without experienced replacements in the game which saw Navy, current national champs and undefeated this season, field 26 stickmen.

Outstanding playing was turned in at first attack by sophomore Mike Milliken, by Bill Piper at home, and by Stu Sussman at goal.

The traveling squad was made up of Captain Larry Faries, Bill Briner, who made the All-American third team last season, Rocky Kern, Howie Hausner, George Pittenger, Dick Ross, Pete Johnston, Bill Batkin, Bob Wallace, Jim Raymond, Len Catanoso, and Will Rogers.

Piper and Milliken were each responsible for scoring a goal, the latter with two assists. Dick Ross netted the other point.

Freshmen and upperclassmen who wish to try out as assistant track managers should contact Stu Block, track manager, on the New Beaver Field track at 4:30 any afternoon.



BILL JEFFREY

Jeffrey Calls Candidates For Soccer Practice

A few of last year's members of the varsity and freshman soccer teams, as well as a few new candidates, have been practicing on the College golf course from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. daily. Coach Bill Jeffrey asks that all other interested and eligible students report there for workouts at that time.

Sammy Schure, Tommy Williams, Jose Lombano, Frank Klase, and some of last year's freshmen are the only holdovers, but some help is expected from V-12 students. Klase is in V-12 and was returned here for this semester.

No schedule has been arranged, but the team is starting practice early so that as many games as possible may be scheduled before October graduation.

A practice game with the engines will be played on the golf course at 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 30.

Nittany Trackmen Begin Practice For Cornell Meet

Outstanding V-12 Men Will See Competition

Penn State's varsity track squad has begun practice for its first dual meet with Cornell University at Beaver Field on July 31, Coach Ray M. Conger announced today.

Outstanding performers who are out for the team include Hans Hermanes, formerly of the University of Cincinnati who excels in the two mile run; Frey, former Pitt hurdle star; Fred Fischer, broad jump; Shellenberger and Ziegler, high jump; Crawford, ex-Ohio University pole vault standout; Lou Borges, javelin; and Johnny Dibeler, middle distance runner.

The mile run and the high hurdle position are the weakest according to Coach Conger, who urges all students, Marines, and V-12 trainees who have had any track experience to try out for the squad. Distance runners will have the opportunity to participate in the coming track meets and condition themselves for the coming cross-country season.

The present schedule lists only two meets and both are with Cornell. The first is slated for Beaver Field on July 31 and the other for Ithaca, N. Y., on August 14.

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Submitted by David P. Billings, University of California



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