

# Nittany Lion Stickmen Open Spring Season

## Army Co-champions Are Rated Favorites

Opening the home Spring sports season at the College the Nittany Lion lacrosse team will "face-off" against the highly favored co-champion Army Cadets on New Beaver Field at 2 p. m. tomorrow afternoon. This will be the first contest for either team of the current campaign.

Coach Nick Thiel will field four lettermen from last year's squad on the Lion's starting line-up. Captain John Nolan, who received All-American honorable mention last season, will be at his centerfield post and Bronco Kosanovich will be at inside defense. Two of the inside attack positions will be covered by holdovers Ken Kerwin and Howdy Taylor.

"Wild" Bill Hollenbach will take care of the net duties and will be aided by John Finley and Art Tenhula who will fill inside defense posts. George Locotos and Merv Snyder, members of last year's squad, will start at mid-field. Ex-GI Cliff Sullivan will get the nod from Coach Thiel for a starting berth at an attack position.

**35 Lions On Hand**  
Approximately 35 men will "suit up" for the Lions battle against the Cadets. John Schobinger will see action as goalie and Pete Johnson and Jack Pirman as defense men. Centerfielders Ernest Baer, Bernie Cramer, Don Kay, Fred Poisson, Walt Stevens and attack man Harry Fisher will be seen opposing the West Pointers tomorrow.

The starting line-up for the power-packed Military Academy stickmen will contain four regulars from the great 1945 championship team. Last year's mid-field combination of Devens, Hadley and Walker, who have been called the greatest centerfield that Army has ever had, will start against State.

**All-Americans to Play**  
Devens, Army's captain, was named on the first All-American team and Hadley made the second team while Walker received mention on the All-American squad last season.

The other regular from the championship team, Fuson, an All-American football center, will start at an inside defense post. Two men who saw action against the Lions in last year's game, Henry and Nemetz, will start. Henry will fill the goal assignment while Nemetz, an All-American football tackle, will be at an inside defense position.

**PROBABLE STARTING LINE-UP**

Pos.	Penn State	Army
G. . . . .	Hollenbach	Henry
<b>Inside Defense</b>		
P. . . . .	Kosanovich	Fuson
C.P. . . . .	Finley	Nemetz
F.D. . . . .	Tenhula	McEnery
<b>Centerfield</b>		
S.D. . . . .	Snyder	Walker
C. . . . .	Locotos	Devens
S.A. . . . .	Nolan	Hadley
<b>Inside Attack</b>		
F.A. . . . .	Sullivan	Scott
L.H. . . . .	Kerwin	Monague
O.H. . . . .	Taylor	Marley


### Ship's Company Keglers Tie With NROTC Band

Ship's Co. was impressive Tuesday night as they rolled into a first place tie, defeating 1st Plt. 1st Co. by a 6-2 score. The Band continued to keep pace with Ship's Co. as they decisively defeated the 2nd Plt. 2nd Co. by a similar margin. The 1st Plt. 1st Co. and the 2nd Plt. 2nd Co. wound up the activities with a 4-4 tie.

Shenk, Ship's Co. topped the individual scoring with a 232, while Sansone, 2nd Plt. 1st Co., followed with a 206.

**LEAGUE STANDINGS**

Band	12	4	.750
Ship's Co.	12	4	.750
1st Plt. 2nd Co.	16	8	.666
2nd Plt. 1st Co.	12	12	.500
1st Plt. 1st Co.	6	18	.250
2nd Plt. 2nd Co.	6	18	.250



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# Hitters Train For Lafayette

With the Olmstead Field exhibition game tucked safely away, Coach Joe Bedenk's baseball boys are looking forward to the opening home game with Lafayette April 19.

The Lion squad suffered one injury in their first game when Pete Berletic broke his wrist Saturday sliding into base. Berletic was the third centerfielder injured this season. Already Davis and Stetler are out with an injured shoulder and broken ankle respectively. Stetler will be out for the entire season while Davis is on the sidelines for about three weeks.

**Yount Receives Praise**  
Ken Yount is receiving praise from his team-mates for his tenning pitching exhibition turned in at Middletown. Although in several holes during the game, he came back to retire the side without too much damage. His totals included ten strikeouts and no walks. Yount was a C-54 pilot prior to returning to the Lion mound duties.

Coach Bedenk's pitching worries were eased a little when Bob Gehrett's arm showed definite improvement. Bob was struck by schrapnel while serving in the army. If present progress continues, Bedenk should be able to use Gehrett as a starting pitcher soon.

Don Miller, who Bedenk is planning to use as a starter on the Lion mound, signed up for the draft this week. It is doubtful whether he will remain in College throughout the season.

**Infield Pleases Bedenk**  
The State infield pleased Coach Bedenk and Leo Houck, assistant coach, in their first performance. Gene Sutherland, third; "Hoppy" Hopkins, short; "Whitney" Kurowski, second; and Chuck MacFarland, first, present the most formidable lineup the Lions have had since pre-war days.

Even with injuries, the Lions are not lacking in outfield material. Joe Tepsic, left; Joe Leith, center; and Fred Bell, right, plus an array of other promising talent present no problem in that division for the mild mannered Bedenk.

"Ogie" Martella proved a good backstop in Saturday's game as well as an able handler of pitchers.

### Charlie Ridenour

. . . graduate student in physical education, was defeated in the NAAU wrestling finals in New York by Ed Collins, NYAC, 4-2. To enter the finals Ridenour won two bouts by decision and one by fall.

# Barney Ewell, Track Star Returns to Assist Werner

Norwood "Barney" Ewell, ex-Penn State track luminary, is assisting Coach Chick Werner in the development of sprint men and broad jumpers at tw Beaver Field.

Ewell was on the Lion track squad in 1942 when he shattered the Nittany record for the 100 yard run with 9.5 seconds and in the 220 yard run with 20.5 seconds. The Lion flash participated in several

### Scrimmages Highlight Spring Grid Practice

Scrimmages have begun for the Lion football candidates who have reported for Spring practice. Coach Earl Edwards reports that they have shown much improvement since the first practice.

Edwards rates Carl Sturgess as one of the top place kickers. Other promising candidates who look fine in practice are Lee Henry, fullback; former Lion glider Bud Davis, tailback; and Tom Bragg and John Kraynyak, guards.

Those out from last year's squad who look good according to Edwards are Bob Rubkowski, John Simon, and Wally Triplett. Triplett has proved to be in good running form.

Sam Tamburo, wingback, who played in last year's North-South game, has left the College for his home in New Kensington after a 25-day period in the dispensary where he was being treated for rheumatic fever.

The Lion footballer, who was a freshman, will be out of school for the remainder of the semester. College officials were optimistic stating that the summer rest would get Tamburo back in school and to the squad in September.

meets while he was in the Army. Bob Kreitzer is back out for the afternoon practices and is Coach Werner's outstanding candidate for the sprint events. Kreitzer took first place in the 100 yard dash in time trials last Saturday.

With the time of the first competition in the Penn Relays at Philadelphia on April 26 and 27 drawing nearer, track mentor Werner has announced that 10 men will be entered in the meet.

Penn State will have entries in seven individual events, attempting a difficult and grueling feat.

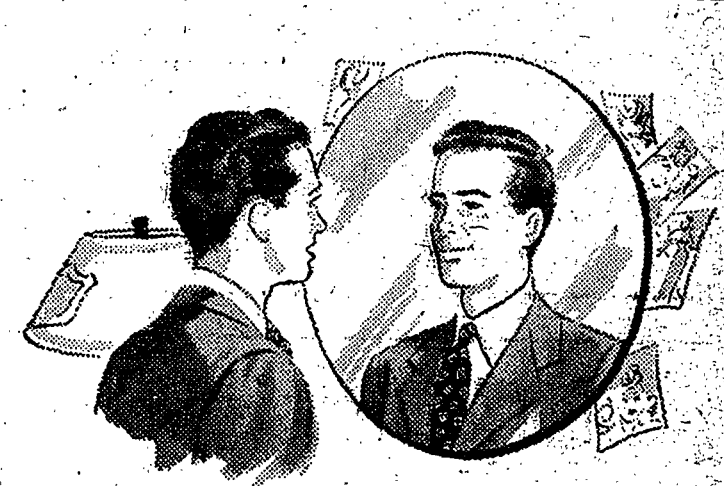
Nittany track hopes have been growing brighter as the practice work-outs continue. With the warmer weather and continued heavy drills, Werner's performers have reached a point where predictions might soon be made.

The Penn Relays will provide the first competition of the season and on the basis of times clocked there, a better estimate of the squad might be made regarding latter track meets.

Pittsburgh and Maryland will travel to State College on May 4 for a triangular meet with the Nittany Lions.

### Ten Chess Players

. . . will represent the College in its first intercollegiate match to be played against the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, May 4.



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