

For Home Opener . . .

Thiel Switches Line-up; Tenhula Goes to Midfield

For the home lacrosse opener Saturday against Loyola, coach Nick Thiel has made several major changes in the starting Lion ten which lost its first two games of the current season.

The 5-3 loss to Duke and 6-5 defeat at the hands of Washington & Lee on successive days last week showed the inexperience of the Nittany stick-wielders.

To strengthen the team, Thiel has switched two of his regulars—Art Tenhula will move to a defense post for the first time this year, with Baer playing at the midfield position.

ALL-NORTH TEAM

Coach Thiel had used Tenhula at midfield for the first two contests. Tenhula was a member of the All-North team last season and received mention on the All-American lacrosse squad as a defenseman in 1946.

Playing his second year for the Lions, Tenhula is expected to aid the Nittany squad break into the win column by his return to defense, said Thiel.

"Art played a fine game in centerfield against Duke and W & L, but his experience is needed more as a close defenseman," said Thiel.

The Lion back-line is now well stocked with seasoned stickmen and reserves as Tenhula, Pete Johnson, Irv Smith, John Pfliman, Bronco Kosanovich, Dean Kisseil and John Hayes are available for duty.

MIDFIELD CHANGE

Ernie Baer returns to the midfield post where he played last season. Baer started at an attack post in both southern contests.

The attack positions will be filled by "60-minute-man" Ken Kerwin, with Art Lorenz, Harry Fisher or Buddy Thomas completing the offensive trio.

Captain George Locotos will continue to hold down the important center-draw position with

IM Entries

Entries for spring intramural competition in softball, golf, soccer, golf putting, and tennis doubles must be turned in to the intramural office in Rec Hall by five o'clock tomorrow. Fraternities and independent groups may enter one squad only in each of the team events, and up to six men in the golf putting tournament.

Baer and Rog Nestor at the outside midfield positions.

In using two centerfields throughout the game, Coach Thiel will probably call on John Finley, John McCleary and Jim Wolf to be the number two midfield combination.

"Wild Bill" Hollenbach will fill the goal position for Saturday's game with Jock Nehoda seeing reserve duty in the nets.

Thiel played 36 men last year in ten games and expects to use more than one team during every game this season.

Conducts Clinic

Bill Jeffrey, veteran Penn State coach, has accepted an invitation to conduct a soccer clinic at the Ithaca College summer camp, Danby, N.Y., August 17 to 23. John Lawther, Lion basketball coach, also will serve on the Ithaca staff.

Intramurals . . .

Sigma Pi's Wausat, Von Nieda Win in Handball Doubles Opener

Sigma Pi athletes Harold Wausat and Whitey Von Nieda joined forces to down Bill Borland and Bob Tscheringer of Phi Kappa Sigma by 20-22, 21-4, and 21-10 scores as fraternity competition got under way at Rec Hall Tuesday night.

Opening game hopes of Beta Theta Pi swatters Curt Roop and Howard Horne were blasted as Frank Taucher and Harold Lenker of Tau Kappa Epsilon registered 21-7 and 21-11 wins.

Delta Sigma Phi stalwarts Bob Musselman and D. Sears vanquished Frank Gryska and Ralph Scholl of Delta Tau Delta 21-10 and 21-0.

Delta Upsilon's Jackie Tighe and George Earnshaw swept to a 21-0 and 21-2 victory over the Theta Chi combo of Wagner and Bossler.

Forfeit victories by Pi Kappa Alpha over Sigma Chi, Lambda Chi Alpha over Pi Lambda Phi, and Sigma Nu over Phi Sigma Delta marred the opening round of the tournament.

Lend-Lease

Penn State and Wisconsin are unwitting partners in a lend-lease program this spring. Wisconsin's new tennis coach, Al Wisconsin's new tennis coach, Al Hildebrandt, is a former Penn State net star. Penn State's 1947 coach is Sperm Fogg, former Badger player.

Merkowitz, Fink Score Triumphs

Jerry Merkowitz and Ray Fink, both of Phi Sigma Delta, clinched at least a runner-up spot for their fraternity in the intramural handball championships as they registered victories in the third round of the play-off series Tuesday night.

Limiting their opponents' scores to a seven-point high, Merkowitz downed Clarence Herr of Pi Kappa Alpha 15-4 and 15-4, while Brother Fink was blitzing Phi Sigma Kappa Bob 15-15 and 15-7.

Len Johnston of Phi Sigma Kappa earned a berth in the semi-finals by whipping Fred Bernbaum of Phi Sigma Delta 15-3 and 15-7, and Beta Theta Pi's representative sank Alpha Sigma Phi Al Trueax by 15-7 and 15-3 counts.

Golfers to Play Five Matches

Penn State's golf team will play five matches this season as well as compete in the Eastern and National championships, according to Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics.

After opening the season against Georgetown this weekend at Washington, D. C., with two matches scheduled with the Hoyas, the golfers will meet the Panthers from Pittsburgh April 26 on the State College course.


Colgate University will send its squad to Penn State May 3, and for the final match of the year the Lions will travel to the Smoky City to meet Pitt, May 24.

NROTC Teams to Compete; Beat Purdue, Lose to Tech

Penn State's NROTC Rifle team will fire against Rennselaer Polytech and the University of South Carolina rifle teams, while the pistol team will shoot it out with Tulane.

In last week's three-cornered match the rifle team outpointed Purdue but lost to Georgia Tech. The pistol match with University of South Carolina and Vanderbilt was cancelled.

H. R. "Ike" Gilbert, Penn State's assistant graduate manager, now holds two offices in the Intercollegiate Boxing Association.



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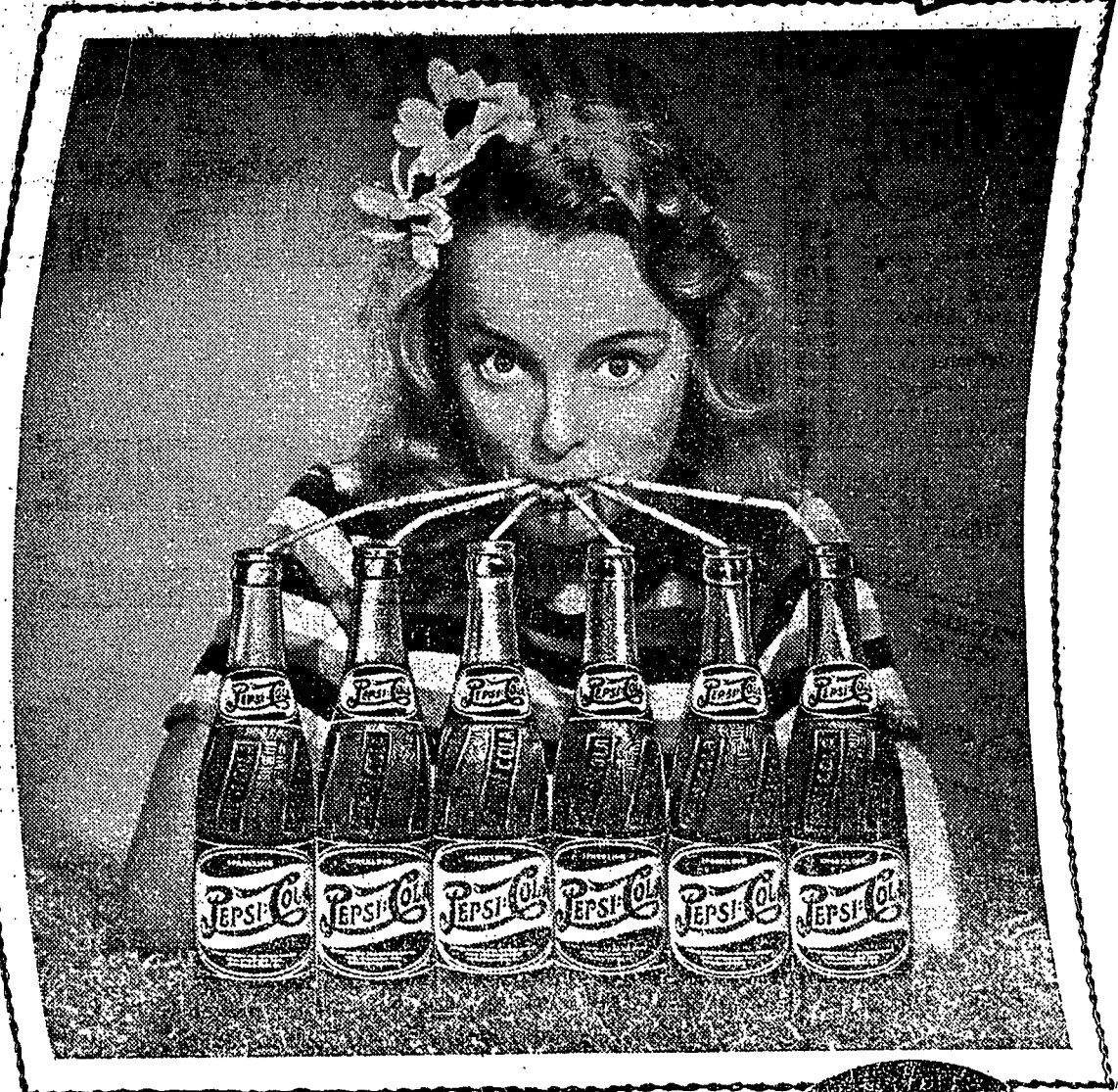
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