

Loyola Hands Stickmen Second Setback, 6-4

A combination of Loyola college and an unsympathetic weatherman put a clammy damper on Penn State's hopes for a successful home opening of its baseball and lacrosse teams Saturday.

The Baltimore Greyhounds surprised a cold, wet gallery of fans by rallying in the last half to edge out a 6-4 victory and record their first lacrosse win over a State team. Rain caused cancellation of the scheduled baseball game between the Lions and Western Maryland.

3-2 RECORD

The defeat gave the Lion stickmen their second straight loss for a three-and-two record, and left Coach Nick Thiel looking for the answer to Saturday's oncoming battle with Navy.

Rated one-two-three alongside Army and Johns Hopkins as the top lacrosse teams in the nation, the future admirals routed Maryland, Saturday, 14-3, in their latest win.

Playing on State's New Beaver field, Loyola, the guests from the capital of lacrosse, scored six consecutive goals to record their third win against two losses.

Trailing, 4-0, with five minutes of the third period to play, the visitors scored four times to tie the game and then countered the clincher on a disputed shot by Red Carozza in the last period. Bob Miller added an extra point for insurance.

DISAPPOINTED

Coach Thiel, expressing disappointment over the showing of his team, said after the game, "It was just one of those things, I guess. Our team just crumbled the last half." Previously the Baltimore team had dropped three games to the Lions since the two teams' opening battle in 1946.

John Finley and Ed Belfield each scored twice for the Nittany team.

Big John, an outstanding tackle on Penn State's grid squad, scored his team's first two points. The first marker came on a cut-in pass from Belfield and the second as a result of an offensive cut, the 6-foot, 2-inch 200-pounder scoring on a screen pass from Bob Louis.

Belfield tallied both of his shots in the third period, the first on a neat angle drill on a pass from Buddy Thomas.

FINLEY SCORES

Working on midfield defense, Finley captured a loose ball, eluded the Loyola defensemen on a field-length run and passed off to attackman Belfield in front of the goal for State's last tally.

Penn State's Jayvee corps was upended, 11-0, by Navy's junior (Continued on page eight)

Number One

Ray Conger, recreation specialist at Penn State, was the first man to win the Wanamaker Mile three years in a row.

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IM Soccermen Crack Season

The first eight teams, of 40 competing squads in this season's intramural soccer tournament, square off for action on the golf course soccer field today.

Sigma Chi meets Alpha Sigma Phi and Phi Delta Theta lines up against Delta Theta Sigma at 4:30 p.m.; Phi Kappa Tau and Sigma Phi Epsilon go at each other's throats, and Sigma Alpha spars with Delta Chi to round out the day's schedule at 5 p.m.

Varsity Coach Bill Jeffrey will keep the games under control.

Soccer shows a two-team increase in participation this season over last year. Keeping pace with the other intramural sports, the Spring sport entry list this season is the largest in the intramural records of the College.

Softball, another mammoth IM sport, gets underway on three fields in the New Beaver area and one field on the golf course tomorrow.

Golf and tennis-doubles scheduling is an individual matter with the teams concerned. The IM Office announced, however, that the first-round matches are to be completed by next Monday.

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over a week ago, is tabbed for the pitching duty for today's struggle with the Scarlet. Miller was scheduled to hurl the cancelled home opener with Western Maryland Saturday. The lean right-hander's battery mate will be Jack Kurty.

Little Joe Tocci and Owen Dougherty are the only new faces in the Blue and White lineup. Tocci replaces spunky Gene Solomon at second base, while Dougherty will see action for the initial time in right field.

Dick Wertz, first base; Captain Hal Hackman, shortstop; Bill Tegtmeier, third base; Hen Albright, left field, and Bill Ondick,



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Trackmen---

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fance man, and Bob Freebairn finished in the first two positions in the mile, and John St. Clair won top honors in the two-mile run. John Bates and Al Porto took third and fourth in the same event.

In commenting on the team's victory, Coach Werner pointed out that a majority of the boys gave the best performances of their careers, which, he added, is promising considering that it was the first meet.

Fast Miles

"The outstanding points from a coach's view," Werner said, "were the miles turned in by Bob Freebairn and Bill Ashenfelter, and the showing of Chuck Drazenovich in the shotput. Freebairn and Ashenfelter are both comparatively inexperienced, while Drazenovich threw one toss over 45 feet but fouled. Chuck has made more progress in the last week than any other shotputter I've seen."

"In addition, the feat of the three half-milers in finishing in the first three spots was great. It was the best performance for each of them. Doug Shearer's toss in the shotput was also the best he has ever done."

The Lions now turn their attention to the Penn Relays to be held this weekend at Philadelphia.

center field, are the other members of the starting nine.

Rutgers, with a host of returning lettermen in the fold, has captured eight of ten tilts this season.

Racquet Swingers Prep For Bucknell Opener

Penn State's tennis team leaves tomorrow for Lewisburg, where the Lions will clash with Bucknell in their season opener.

Coach Sherm Fogg has announced that Captain Herb Beckhard, of Woodmore, L. I.; Jim Howells, of West Hazleton; Bill Aiken, of Pittsburgh, and Lonny Landon, of Williamsport, will head the Lions' singles contingent. The other two spots in the singles are still open, according to Fogg.

At present Frank Pessolano, of Miami Springs, Fla.; Bob Ogden, of Glenside, and Bill Grey and George Lawther, both of State College, are battling for these positions.

DOUBLES

In the doubles, the number-one pair are Bekard and Landon; Howells and Aiken comprise the second duo, and the third pair will be made up of Gray and either Lawther or Jerry Gearhart, of State College.

State opens its home campaign Saturday with a strong Colgate squad providing opposition. Fogg

believes that the Red Raiders will be the best team to show here this spring.

Beckhard and Pessolano are the only seniors back from last year's squad which copped three out of seven decisions. Gray, Lawther, Howells and Gearhart are juniors and all saw considerable action last year.

OUTSTANDING

Of the sophomores competing for varsity posts, Aiken, and Landon have been the most outstanding so far and both are slated for regular duty tomorrow.

Other men on the squad are Harry Schutte, a junior from Carnegie; Alex Gregory, of State College; Bill Wood, of Wayne; Dick Fleming, of Belle Vernon; Jim Cody, of Butler, and Coleman Gainsburg, of Lewistown.

Penn State travels to Annapolis May 4 to meet Navy and tangles with Duquesne on the home courts May 7.

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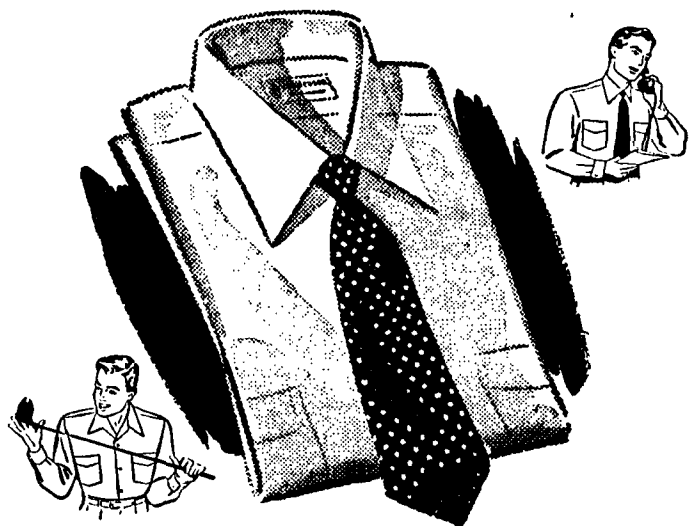
Nittany Lion trout fishing expert George Harvey will be on the streams for the opening day Friday for the 32nd consecutive year. . . . He cast his first line as a boy of five, and has not missed an opening day since.

Lion Star

Nik Vukmanic, javelin tosser for the Nittany track team, took first place at the Penn Relays, the IC4-A, NCAA and the NAAU meets in his sophomore year at Penn State.

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