

## Sports Agenda Continues Despite Semester Close

Although the Spring semester officially closes at noon today, Lion tennis, track and baseball forces will not wind up their campaigns until June 4 when the Nittany diamond nine lowers the curtain, on its already successful campaign, against Duquesne at New Beaver Field.

After closing their short three-game dual-meet slate today, the Werner-tutored cindermen will prep for the IC4-A track meet slated for New York City next Friday and Saturday. The track nationals are slated for a later date this Summer at California.

The Bedenkmen, victors in 11 out of 12 outings, will match baseballs with Bucknell next Tuesday on the Nittany diamond.

Next Friday and Saturday, May 27 and 28, the Lion-nine will be the opposition for Washington and Jefferson's hitters in another home engagement.

On June 4 the Nittanics close their 1949 campaign and against the highly touted Duquesne Blue Devils.

Coach Sherm Fogg's netters end their season next Saturday when they meet, for the second time this year, the tennismen of Syracuse University on the Penn State courts.

**SPORTS SCHEDULE**  
Baseball—Bucknell, 4 p.m. State College  
May 24—Baseball—Bucknell—home  
May 27-28—Track—ICAAAA—New York  
May 27—Baseball—W and J—home  
May 28—Baseball—W and J—home  
May 28—Tennis—Syracuse—home  
June 4—Baseball—Duquesne—home

## IM Activity Breaks Record

Activity in intramural athletics reached an all-time high this season, with all but two of the 17 scheduled sports going over the top in participation.

Approximately 5852 individuals played in 1430 different contests, according to intramural department statistics released yesterday. Softball figures were estimated since the season is not yet completed.

The figure, 5852, represents the total of the number of different men who engaged in each sport, a player being counted only once in each sport no matter how many games he entered.

Last season the total individual participation was 5461, representing a gain of 391 this year. Two hundred, sixty-two more contests were played this year than last, 353 more being scheduled.

Total participation, statistic devised by the IM department to show the number of men who played in games regardless of the number of times they appeared in a sport, was 15,128 in comparison with 12,879 in 1948.

## IM Softball

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fifth inning, Jerry Roth was master of the situation as Phi Sigma Kappa trounced Alpha Chi Sigma, 11-3, for the other fraternity final berth.

Chi Phi and Phi Sigma Kappa meet on New Beaver diamond three at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow in the championship game. In case of rain, the game will be played at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

Fraternity hitting stars of the day were Jack Sweigert, Phi Sigma Kappa, and Wentzler of the Chi Phi's. Sweigert socked a triple to add to a flock of singles by his teammates in the 11-3 Phi Sig victory. Wentzler's homer with Walt Letkiewicz on base was a booming blow into left-center field. It was labeled "game win-



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## Thomas, Louis Pace Lacrosse

Buddy Thomas, who was given this year's Pittenger award for outstanding lacrosse services, and Bob Louis, 1950 co-captain elect, scored 16 points apiece during the past season to pace the Penn State stickmen in individual scoring.

Scoring six goals in State's final two contests, Eddie Belfield finished strong to take runner-up laurels with 14 points.

Big John Finley, picked by Coach Nick Thiel as one of three Nittany stars to cavort under Northern colors in the annual North-South all-star fracas, was third in point production with 10 counters. Waldo Weaver and Ernie Baer closed out for the first five with 9 and 7 points respectively.

John Lux tabbed five goals and Captain Rodger Nestor, another of the three who will make the all-star trip, found time between playmaking and feeding to score four times.

Up to the second last game, Thomas and Louis had waged a fierce duel for scoring honors. Against Hobart Thomas scored three times, while Louis was countering twice, to take a one-up lead. However, in the seasonal closer the husky midfielder rammed home three goals against Thomas' two to merit a tie.

## Rifle Team Holds Banquet

The College rifle team honored outstanding members at a banquet Tuesday evening in the State College Hotel.

Capt. Carl Unrath, coach, presented awards to Gerald Prange for placing second in the Eastern Regional individual matches, for placing fifth in the National Rifle Association matches and for being selected on the second team of the All-American Rifle squad. This latter honor carries with it the Golden Bullet Award presented annually by the NRA. Prange was also elected captain of the team for next year.

Coach Unrath also presented six inch letters to the following members of the team:

Sam Carnahan, Alfred Darach, Allen Decker, head manager, John Hepfer, Rod Inglesright, Richard Kirk, Robert

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## Thiel Faces 1950 Stick Campaign With 5 Returning Lettermen

Coach Nick Thiel sat at his desk looking over the roster of lacrosse warriors returning next year slowly shaking his head, and the veteran Penn State stick mentor had reason to wonder.

From a list of 21 stickwielders who received letters this year 16 will be graduating this spring, leaving only five experienced players around which to build State's 1950 squad.

Those lettermen who will return for another fling next spring are Ed Belfield, John Hagerman, Bob Louis, Waldo Weaver and James Worley.

Even with the 21 veterans, the Lions, after a hot start this spring, tapered down until at the completion of the campaign they barely managed to eke out a plus-.500 average.

### FIVE WINS

When State won its fifth game, against four losses, it marked the Nittany Valley college's 97th win since its first complete season in 1913.

State opened its 1949 slate with three consecutive victories over Penn, 9-3; Western Maryland, 14-5; and Washington and Lee, 9-4, before stumbling over a tough Virginia foe, 8-7.

Returning to State College from their Southern tour, State's lacrossers were jolted on successive Saturdays by three of the East's top-ranking aggregations. The losses were inflicted by Loyola, 6-4; Navy, 19-7 and Syracuse, 12-7.

### BEAT HOBART

Smarting from the memory of four successive defeats, the Lions made it a five and four season by staging a grand comeback, toppling unbeaten Hobart, 13-12, and then trouncing Colgate, 14-2, the following day.

In nine games Penn State scorers tabbed 84 points while at the same time holding the opposition to 71 goals. Statistics show the Lions scoring an average of 9.3 goals per game to the enemies 7.8 per contest.

Navy drove through to score the most number of points against Penn State in one game with 19. State compiled its greatest total against both Western Maryland and Colgate's hapless Red Raiders, scoring 14 against both clubs.

**BELFIELD, THOMAS**  
Individual scoring stars during the season were Belfield, 1950 team co-captain, and Buddy Thomas, Pittenger award winner. Belfield scored a quartet of goals on two occasions, against Western Maryland and Hobart. Thomas got his four against Virginia, in State's precedent arc-light encounter.

Unlike the Penn State basketball team which had a record of eight straight defeats on the road, Lion lacrossemen could not point toward a single win at home, all five wins coming on foreign grounds.

ner" from the crack of the bat. Playing members of the independent champion Ramblers will each receive the standard IM medal award.

## Trackmen---

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State star at last week's meet with the Spartans of Michigan State. However, Coach Werner expects him to be even better this week.

### ONE MORE WEEK

Following this week's meet, the Nittany Lions will have one more test before bringing down the curtain on the season. Next weekend the Blue and White squad will travel to New York City for the annual IC-4A meet.

The following line-up has been nominated to start for the Nittany Lions today:

100-yard dash—Wil Lancaster, George Thomas and Harrison Feese;

One mile—Horace Ashenfelder, Bob Freebairn, and Bob Parsons; 440-yard dash — Bill Lockhart, John McCall and Bob Bour.

120-yard high hurdles — Jim Gehrdes, George Kline and Leon Cottrell;

880-yard dash—Mitch Williams, Paul Koch and Bob Auman; 220-yard dash — Lancaster, Thomas and Bob Giron;

Two mile—Horace Ashenfelder, Bill Ashenfelder, John St. Clair and Al Porto;

220-yard low hurdles—Gehrdes, Kline and Cottrell; Shot put—Doug Shearer, Chuck Drazenovich and Bob Krayer; Pole vault—Ron Coder, Merle Sieber, Vic Lunch and Chuck Dewitt;

High jump — Vic Fritts, Bill Reynolds and Leroy Lewis;

Broad jump — Reynolds and Lancaster; Javelin — Larry Gerwig, Jim White and Wilson Bertram; Discus — Buck Moyer, Max Schlienger and Tom McDermott.

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