

Relayers Crack Records In Winning Three Meets

By JOE BREU

Three meets—three wins—three records. That sums up in a nutshell the history of Penn State's mile relay team in the last six weeks.

Coach Chick Werner's boys lowered the boom on their third record of the indoor season Friday night in the Cleveland Knights of Columbus meet. And while they were at it they decisively defeated the Western Conference mile relay champions, Ohio State.

The Lion quarter thus definitely established itself as one of the nation's top eight furlong teams. It has not only beaten the best in the east but now has also added the best in the midwest to its list of victims.

The Nittany foursome of Captain Jim Gehrdes, Wil Lancaster, Guy Kay and Bill Lockhart set a new meet record of 3 minutes and 22 seconds, breaking a mark which had stood since 1942 and had withstood the challenge of many topflight teams. However, it was eight-tenths of a second slower than the Penn State record which this same team set two weeks ago in the New York K of C meet.

DOMINATE MEET

Coach Werner's athletes completely dominated the meet. In addition to the relay team's exploits, high jumper Vic Fritts tied for first while Gehrdes and Lancaster captured runner-up positions in individual performances. Captain Jim was second to Harrison Dillard in the 45-yard high hurdles and Lanc followed Michigan State's Fred Johnson home in the 45-yard dash.

In the mile relay, Gehrdes got the Lions off to a good start when he picked up a two-yard lead over Harder of Purdue. Kay increased the lead to three yards over Gene Cole of Ohio State, national interscholastic quarter-mile record holder.

The lead was boosted to eight yards in the third leg by Bill Lockhart and finally to 10 yards by Lancaster at the end of the race. Lanc matched strides with Harry Cogswell, former Western Conference quarter mile champ.

Gehrdes' time for the 440 yards was 52.4, Kay's 50.2, Lockhart's 49.8 and Lancaster's 49.6. Besides Ohio State the Lions downed Purdue and Illinois, the two runner-ups in the Western Conference indoor meet three weeks ago.

Fritts, the IC4-A high jump title-holder, tied with Bill Jones of Purdue and Jim Ficke of Miami of Ohio. Each of the three jumped 6 feet, 3 and 3/4ths inches. It was Vic's third win of the season.

TRAILS DILLARD

Gehrdes trailed Dillard for the second time Friday night. Dillard's time was 6.5. After Jumpin' Jim came Craig Dixon, former UCLA ace, and Billy Mitchell of Georgetown.

The performance of Lancaster was the former Philadelphia star's highest finish in a final this season. He had previously topped Johnson, the winner, in a semi-final heat Friday night.

The Blue and White thinclads will close their indoor campaign this weekend in the Purdue Relays then turn their attention to getting ready for the outdoor season which is only a month away.

Lacrosse 'Ex's' Varsity To Play

The varsity lacrosse team will play host to an alumni team made up of former Blue and White stars in a practice match Saturday afternoon on the practice field at 1:30. Weather permitting it will be the first match of the season for Coach Nick Thiel's charges.

The probable starting lineup for the varsity will have Bud Reed, Bud Wolfran, and Co-captain Ed Bellfield at the close attack positions; Co-captain Bob Louis, Paul Raffensperger, and Tony Eagle at midfield; Jack Haggerman, Indian Snyder, and Don Copelin at defense; and Phil Benedetti at the goal tending spot.

For the alumni, Thomas Augustus, James Wolf, Ken Kerwin, and Shorty Hausman, former All-American at Army, will be the attack men; John Hughes, Rocco Iannetta, John McCleary, George Locotos, Thomas Smith, lacrosse coach at F&M, and Ernie Baer, assistant lacrosse coach at Penn State, will play

Riflers Extend National Champs; Lose To Terps By Four Points

By HUB ENDRES

Penn State dropped its first shoulder-to-shoulder match of the season Saturday to Maryland, last year's national rifle champions, by a 1412 to 1408 score.

The 1408 was the Nittany Lion riflers' best total in any match since 1947. Nelson Bevard shot a 284 to lead the Blue and White team. Rod Ingleright shot a 282, Sam Carnahan and Jack Hepfer fired 281's, and Captain Gerold Prange shot a 280 to complete State's scoring.

Two other rifle squads finished behind State in the meet which was held at Maryland. George Washington was third with a 1393 score, while Western Maryland fired a 1348.

Penn State will meet Maryland again in the National Intercollegiate sectional-rifle competition April 1 at Annapolis. About seven or eight teams from Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and West Vir-

ginia will compete in the sectional.

SECTIONAL MATCHES

Twelve sectional matches are held throughout the United States. Team and individual scores of the sectional winners are then compared to determine the National Intercollegiate team and individual champions.

Results in telegraphic matches for the weeks ending Mar. 4 and Mar. 11 show Penn State scoring four wins against two losses. This makes the season telegraphic record 18 wins and 10 losses. The latest victories were over Lawrence Tech, Queens College, Northwestern and Denver.

Final telegraphic matches of the season will be fired against Cornell and Wentworth Institute.

Snow—10 Inches of the Stuff—Becomes Bruce's 20th Problem

A ten inch layer of snow that covered Beaver practice field became the 20th problem facing Earl Bruce as he leads Penn State's 1950 football hopefuls through Spring practice.

Bruce's 19 other problems are the replacements he will have to find for the varsity positions vacated by graduating seniors.

PRETTY THIN

"We're pretty thin everywhere" is Bruce's terse comment upon the completion of the first week of the month and a half Spring session.

The squad held a skull session yesterday in the Beaver Field dressing room. The team will remain indoors until weather conditions permit it to return to outdoor drills. Bruce plans a full-dress scrimmage as soon as weather and ground conditions are right.

About the only place the Lions will have some of that necessary depth will be in the backfield where six lettermen are preparing for Fall action. The backs are led by Captain Owen Dougherty, leading ground-gainer last season.

SHEPARD

Fullback Len Shephard looked good in filling in for Fran Rogel while the Mt. Nittany battering ram recovered from an injured ankle, and the 6 foot 210-pound sophomore is the man to beat for the fullback position. Dougherty seems sure to retain his starting berth at wingback while Vince O'Bara gained valuable exper-

ience in filling in for starter Bill Luther at the tailback slot. Tony Orsini, a sophomore, can be counted on for the wingback role.

The graduation of Chuck Drzenovich and Charley Murray leaves the blocking back assignment to John Podrasky, whom Bruce thinks is "along pretty far for a sophomore." Chan Johnson, a sophomore wingback, was used mostly on defense last year.

The problem gets desperate up front where John Smidansky is the only starter remaining. Three other linemen—center Ken Bunn, tackle Chuck Godlasky, and guard Jim Barr—earned letters for their play.

Bruce was pleased with the performances during the first week of Len Bartek, a 6 foot 200 pound guard from last year's varsity, and Bill Hockersmith, a 6 foot 5 inch, 240 pound tackle from New Cumberland, Pa.

Standing joke among baseball players is the Penn State "fieldhouse," the name given to the practice area under the Beaver Field stands.

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