

Thinclads Leave For Spartan Tilt

By JOE BREU

Coach Chick Werner's Nittany track team will hit the road for the last time during the dual meet season today.

And at the other end of the line will be an old and familiar rival, Michigan State.

State, with two weeks of top competition under its belt, will be out to avenge last year's loss to the Spartans.

The two schools have met once before this season. Two weeks ago they went at each other in a tri-angular meet which also included Ohio State. The MSC aggregation came out on top in that one, with the Lions placing third.

Since that time, the Spartans of Coach Karl Schlademan have received a severe lashing at the hands of the University of Southern California, regarded as the strongest track team in the nation.

Different Result

At the same time the Nittany thinclads were faring well at the Penn Relays and giving indication that the result this week might be somewhat different than two weeks ago.

The Lions' hopes for victory lie in the ability of its runners to roll up the points. The field events appear to belong to the Spartans although with two weeks practice since the tri-meet, the Penn State boys might be ready to surprise.

Coach Werner will have his classy outfit of sprinters to count on. Headed by Wil Lancaster, the Lion dashmen should be able to pick up their share of the points. Besides Lanc, the Michigan State team has Jim Gibson, John Lauer and Bill Lockhart to reckon with.

Capt. Jim Gehrdes will run in both the hurdles and sprints. He will be looking for his fifth straight win over his former nemesis, Horace Smith, in the hurdles test.

Two weeks ago the Blue and White team could have held little hope of picking up many points in the distance events. But today it's another story. No only did the distance runners show up well at the tri-meet but last week at the Penn Relays they knocked 6 seconds off State's own four-mile relay mark.

Ashenfelter Gleams

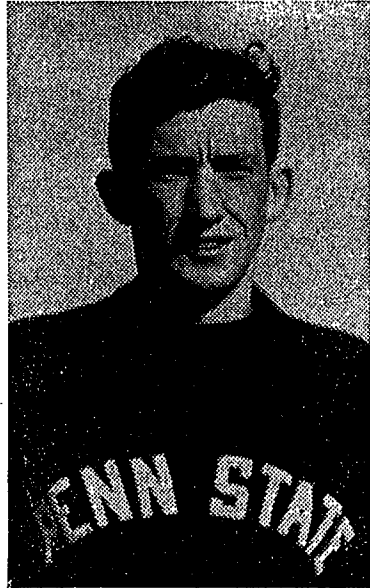
Bill Ashenfelter, who heads the group, has developed into quite a runner. Sunday he did a sensational 4:11 mile in the Atlantic City Broadwalk meet. The day before he turned in the fastest anchor mile in the four-mile relay at the Penn Relays.

To aid him in Penn State's mile efforts will be brother Don Ashenfelter and Bob Freebairn. Bob Parsons in the 880-yard dash and Al Porto in the two-mile run.

Vic Fritts will head the field men. Vic and Leroy Lewis will seek victories in the high jump, and don't be surprised if the blond

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Hot Miler . . .



Bill Ashenfelter

Hey, Reuben!

Use Your Head

Is this country coming soccer conscious?

Seen in Rec Hall the other day:

A group of athletes, among which were Joe Tocci, Homer Barr and Lou Lamie, playing volleyball using only their heads and feet.

And who was the instigator of this soccer style volleyball game? Yep, you guessed it. There on one team (and incidentally, the best player on the floor) was the old master himself—Bill Jeffrey, Lion soccer coach.

Goodell, Kivert Badminton Kings

Bob Goodell, Tau Kappa Epsilon, defeated Bill Aiken, Phi Delta Theta, to take the interfraternity badminton singles championship Wednesday night in Recreation Hall. Goodell held his opponent, 15-6, 15-9, as he rang up his sixth consecutive victory in the elimination tournament.

In the independent division of the badminton competition, Milt Silberman lost his second chance to knock off Bud Kivert as Kivert took the title. Silberman had previously lost to the same man in the double elimination tournament.

Lion Golfers Tee Off Against Cadets Today

Ready for the new West Point course by a workout yesterday afternoon, Penn State's linksmen will take on host Army this afternoon in defense of its sectional Eastern Intercollegiate golf title.

The Lions, winners of the tournament for the past three years, will be out to make it four in a row. If they succeed in dumping the Cadets, the Nittany linksmen will tomorrow afternoon take on the winner of the Cornell-Pittsburgh clash.

Winners of the three round-robin sectional tournaments will meet at Yale next week to decide the eastern championship. The Lions last won the eastern title in 1948, blasting Yale, 9-0. They placed third both in 1947 and 1949.

The Lions, led by Captain Tom Smith and coached by Bob Rutherford, in his first season as Nittany golf mentor, have put together a record of four wins and two losses to date.

The Lions departed for West Point at the peak of condition, according to Rutherford. In addition to Smith, State will have Ted Robertson, Jim Yerkes, Ray Artz,

Pete Kalandiak, Joe Durniak, and Alex Munro trading shots with the Cadets. Bob Kunkle is making the trip as an alternate.

Lions Lack Batting Punch; Lafayette Nine Wins, 3-1

The noise of ball meeting bat was sadly lacking from Lion hitters as Lafayette hung a 3 to 1 decision on the State nine at Beaver Field yesterday. Al Tkac was the losing pitcher.

Leopard pitcher Fred Kroog, a sophomore with a record of 3 and 2, walked six and struck out four as he limited the Lion batsmen to five hits, two of them scratch singles in the infield.

Tkac's control was almost letter perfect. He walked only one and struck out three, giving up eight hits.

Lafayette chipped away at Tkac for single markers in the third, fourth and sixth innings.

Double Steal

A double steal, that worked when a pickoff play by the Lions failed, accounted for the first Leopard counter. Kroog led off with a single and went to third on shortstop Len Fox's single to center. Fox then stole second, with Kroog leading off from third. When Jack Kurty threw down to Joe Tocci to start the play, Kroog moved in fast.

Tocci's throw to Kurty was high and the run scored.

Outfielder John Bird led off in the fourth with a homerun to right field. It was his third round-tripper of the season.

A single, a fielder's choice and another single accounted for the last Leopard run.

Tomorrow, the Lions will try to get some sort of win streak together when they play a double-header with the Mountaineers of West Virginia.

Coach Joe Bedenk's starting hurlers will be Dalton Rumberger (0-2) and Bill Bair (1-0) with Tkac (3-2) held in relief.

Lafayette	Ab	R	H	Penn State	Ab	R	H
Fox, ss	4	0	2	Albright, lf	4	0	0
Angle, 2b	4	0	0	Mowery	1	0	0
Ash, rf	4	0	1	Tocci, 2b	3	0	0
Bird, cf	3	2	2	Toney, ss	5	1	0
Hill, c	4	0	2	Hopper, cf	3	0	0
Dojan, lb	4	0	0	Wertz, lb	3	0	0
Tiener, lf	4	0	0	Kurty, c	3	0	2
Snyder, 3b	3	0	1	Dougherty, rf	4	0	1
Kroog, p	3	1	0	Little, 3b	4	0	1
				Tkac, p	2	0	1
Totals	33	3	8	Totals	32	1	5

State Tennis Team Drops 5-4 Match

The Maryland net squad came on with a rush yesterday afternoon to upset the Nittany racquetmen, 5-4, at the College Park, Md., courts.

The Nittanyites swept through the first four singles events then floundered as the Terps wrapped up the last two singles matches and made a clean sweep of the doubles.

Captin Owen "Sonny" Landon dumped his number one opponent, Jim Render, 6-1, 6-1, and Dick Wieland rapped number two man, John McCool, 6-4 6-4.

Jim Howells, playing in the third slot, beat Jim Robinson, 6-3, 2-6, 7-5, and Mark Borland came from behind to stop his spot four adversary, Tom Beight, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Maryland Surges

Here Maryland made its great surge to overtake and finally defeat the Lions. Spence Boyer was beaten 3-6, 4-6 by Dick Price in the fifth singles match, and newcomer Ed Davis at the sixth position, dropped his set to Lee Childs, 1-6, 6-3, 3-6.

The duo of Howells and Wieland, who upset a strong Navy combination just the day before, dropped a 4-6, 6-3, 4-6 decision to McCool and Robinson. Landon and Walls fared no better as they were defeated by Render and Beight, 2-6, 6-2, 2-6. With the match hanging in the balance, Boyer and Davis absorbed an 8-10, 1-6 drubbing to Childs and Price.

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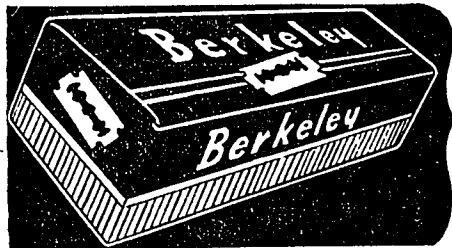
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