

State Batters Open Against W. Maryland

Dougherty Slated To Open On Hill; Two Rookies Start

The Penn State varsity baseball squad will raise the curtain on its 1951 baseball campaign this afternoon against the Western Maryland Green Terrors on Beaver Field. Game time is slated for 2:30 o'clock.

Coach Joe Bedenk of the Nittany Lions, starting his twenty-first year as mentor of the nine, said his starting line-up will remain unchanged, which means that six outfielders will occupy first-line positions. Henry Albright, Sil Cerchie, and Bill Hopper will be the regular out-gardeners, while three former outfielders will hold down other positions.

Owen Dougherty, who started last year's opener against the same Terrors in right field, is slated to toe the mound today for the Lions. Bedenk shifted the southpaw hurler to his pitching corps this year because of the shortage of capable twirlers. The Dunmore ace has a blazing fast ball, but still must work on his control.

Transplanted Infielders

The two other fly-chasers who were transplanted to the inner cordon this spring will be Stan Laganosky at first base, and Chris Tonnerly at third base. Tonnerly also was being groomed as one of Bedenk's hurlers, but he was called back to the hot corner when Harry Little, 1950's regular third-sacker, went overseas with the soccer team.

Rounding out the infield will be Bill Mihalich, who edged out Jim Pollard for the keystone assignment, and Paul Mowry, the dark-haired Meshoppen speedster at shortstop. Both Mihalich and Mowry were on the squad last year, but did not see enough service to earn varsity letters.

Bill Leonard, from State College, will be behind the plate. He and Cerchie will be the only newcomers to dent the starting line-up.

Cerchie A Swiftly

Cerchie is the speed merchant from Elkland, Pa., who has glittered in practices. Sil possesses a powerful pair of wrists, and most of his power lies in the left-center field sector.

Should Dougherty's control fail him this afternoon, Bedenk will have three fine sophomore control artists ready for action. Jack Krumrine, another local product, Dick Christiansen, from Warren, and Tom Campbell, from Pottsville, will be in the sources of relief.

In last year's opener, the Marylanders dropped an 11-0 decision to the Nittanyites in a game halted after six innings because of snow.

Probable Starting Line-ups

Penn State	Western Maryland
Albright,lf	Kaufman,lf
Tonnerly,3b	Acoff,ss
Cerchie,cf	Treshenski,3b
Hopper,rf	Stook,rf
Laganosky,lf	Fones,cf
Mowry,ss	Urion,lf
Mihalich,2b	Clingerman,2b
Leonard,c	Spencer,c
Dougherty,p	Johnson,p

24 Teams Notch IM V-Ball Wins

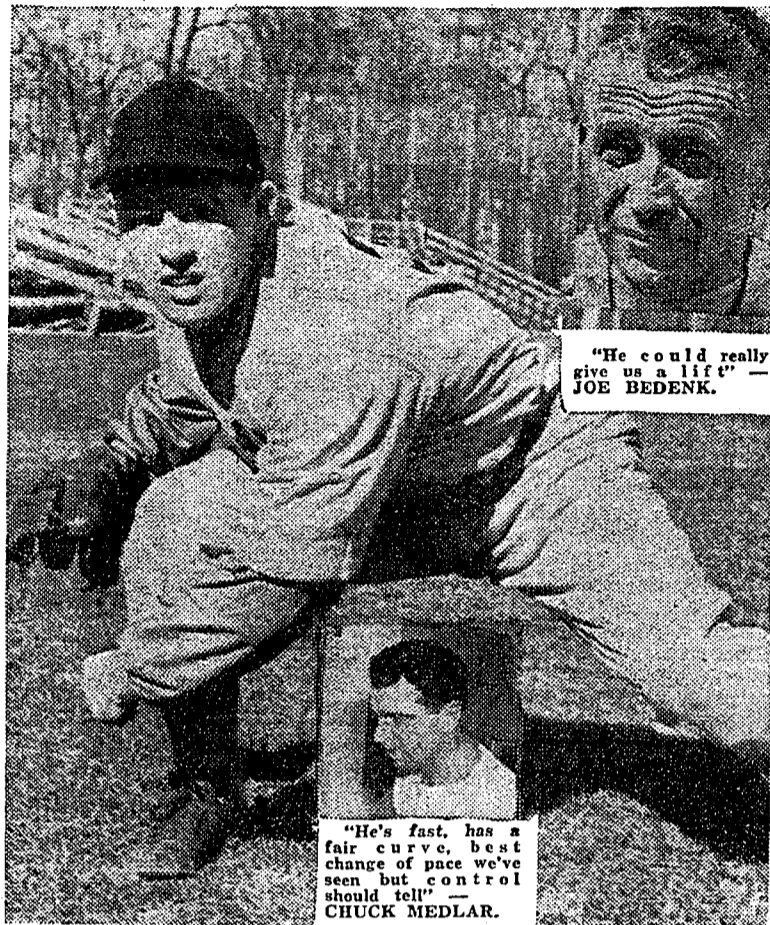
Eighteen independent teams and six fraternity teams participated in IM volleyball play Thursday night.

In the independent league Nittany Co-op-A beat Dorm 21 two out of three, 12-15, 15-10, 15-12; the Marauders conquered Beaver House-A, 15-1, 5-15, 15-6; the Warriors cked out two wins over the Aces, 15-4, 3-15, 15-13, and Beaver House-B dropped Altoona by 15-2, 14-16, 15-6 scores.

Double game winners for the independents were the Ridge Runners, Chem Eng, and the Wildcats, who defeated the Be To's, Penn State Club, and the Gobs, respectively.

Jordan Hall had a tough time with the Bees, but finally won out. In the first game the Bees scored a 15-11 decision, but the Jordan boys rallied to win the

Southpaw Twirler And Tutors



OWEN DOUGHERTY, Penn State's lone left-handed pitcher, will be on the mound this afternoon when the Nittanyites open their 1951 baseball season against Western Maryland on Beaver field.

All In A Day's Work . . .

Lion Golf Vets Have Won State, Local Recognition

By VIRGINIA MAYES

When Penn State's golf team open its season with Lehigh on April 14th., Coach Bob Rutherford's card will include several veteran letter-winners who have gained both local and state recognition.

Captain Joe Durniak, while in high school, won a Junior tournament at the North Park country club, in Beaver Falls. He also played in the finals of the Black Hawk club championship tourney in Pittsburgh.

The 1950 Greensburg city championship was won by George Mazanowski after he earned his first letter at State in 1949.

Robby All-College Champ
Ted Robertson played four years varsity in high school. He also appeared in the Pennsylvania Public Links tourney and the National Junior college tourney. Last year he was the winner of the All-College golf tournament.

The Centre Hills country club invitation best ball tournament of 1950 was won by Ray Artz and his partner. Previously Ray had reached the finals of the Williamsport country club invitation tournament.

New York Biffer
Marvin Goldenberg played four years of high school competition and also appeared in the Queens interscholastic tourney, the Metropolitan New York tourney, and the Long Island junior tourney.

Bob Kunkle was runner-up in the Western Pennsylvania junior tournament in 1948. Last summer he and his brother placed second in the Western Pennsylvania two ball, best ball tournament at the Oakmont country club.

Penn State's all-winning log in 1951 marked the 11th unbeaten campaign in Nittany Lion wrestling history.

remaining two games 15-12 and 16-14.

Nittany Co-op-B team won by forfeit from the Crusaders.

In fraternity competition Beta Sigma Rho-B topped Beta Theta Pi-B 15-4, 15-12. ATO-B won 15-11, 15-12 from Sigma Phi Epsilon-B after dropping the first game 16-18. Phi Kappa Psi-B won easily from Phi Kappa-A, 15-4 and 15-8.

Gross Battles Way Into NCAA Finals

By ART BENNING

Frank Gross moves into the finals of the NCAA Boxing tournament in East Lansing, Mich. tonight by virtue of his unanimous decision over South Carolina's Charlie Davis, in the 135-lb. class last night.

Stickmen Engage In Intersquad Tilt This Afternoon

Coach Nick Thiel's 1951 edition of the Penn State lacrosse team will hold an intersquad scrimmage this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock on the lacrosse practice field in preparation for its opener with Western Maryland on April 13.

"We're a little ahead of ourselves at the present time as far as development goes," Thiel stated. "What we need now is a few scrimmages with foreign teams."

Starting Lineups

Thiel announced the starting lineups for the squads that will take the field today. For team "A" the goalie position will be handled by dependable Phil Benedetti. Holding down the close attack spots will be John Walker, Jim Reed, and Ed Herring. The last two are lettermen. At the defense positions will be Vance Scout, another letterman, Dan Grove, and John Henry.

Rounding out the starting ten will be the midfielders who will lineup with Jack Wilcox, Bud Wolfram, and Jim Fulton. Both Wilcox and Wolfram earned letters last year.

The "B" squad will open with Dale Sheffer at goalie and Barr Asplundh, John Amber, and Jay Stone at defense. Starting at close attack will be Bernie Henderson, Dick Rostmeyer, and Don Watkins. Like the defense trio, all the attackmen are non-lettermen. At midfield will be letterman Paul Raffensperger, Bob Koons, and another letterman, Tony Eagle.

In the finals tonight, Gross will tangle with the defending champion in that weight last year, Everett Conley of Washington State. Conley defeated John Albarano in last year's semi-finals. Gross and Davis staged an even fight through the first round, with Gross turning on the steam in the second. By the third round, Davis had tired badly, and Gross was landing his right with telling effectiveness.

Gross Holds State's Hopes

Gross kept Penn State's hopes of salvaging some glory from the tourney alive by his semi-final victory last night. Previously Penn State's other entries were eliminated via decisions. John Albarano lost a split decision to Danny Orsak of Louisiana State; Lou Koszarek was eliminated by Nick Diez, San Jose State's 165-lb. entry; and Sam Marino dropped his 125-lb. bout with Frank Echevarria of Gonzaga university.

Gross, who is fighting his last fight for the Nittany Lions tonight, is going all out to gain some of the glory he could not quite reach in the Eastern Intercollegiate. His only defeats this season have been at the hands of Virginia's Grover Masterson, once in a dual meet, and again in the EIBA's.

His old nemesis, Masterson, was not eligible for the national tourney because of the three year varsity limit imposed by the NCAA.

Ninth Win This Season

In winning last night, Gross brought his season's record to nine wins as against two defeats. Tonight's bout will be Gross' twenty-first for the Blue and White. His over-all record is 13-7. Gross competed in last year's NCAA's at 145-lbs., and was eliminated by Eldon Long of Washington State in the preliminaries.

Seven Varsity Riflers Fire In ICRA's Today

Seven varsity riflemen left yesterday afternoon to compete in the Intercollegiate rifle tournament today at the University of Maryland, College Park, Md. Coach Felipe Vias and Manager Joe Hartman accompanied the team.

Walt Beers, Nelson Bevard, Sam Carnahan, Rod Ingleright, John Stoudt, Fred Wessman, and Dick White will compete for the Nittany sharpshooters. Individual championships will be decided this morning. Team champions will be crowned after this morning's firings.

Because of traveling difficulties, tournaments will be held throughout the country, with scores being tabulated and exchanged.

Last year Army's Cadets won the national championship with a 1417 score.

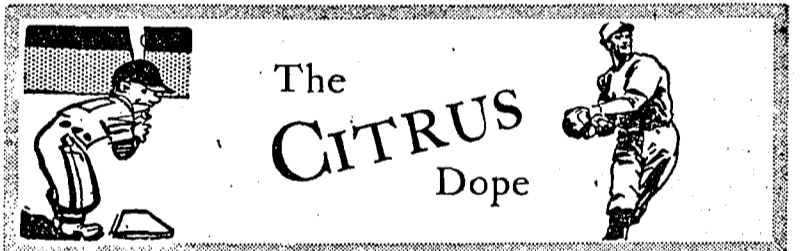
Raidy Elected Fencing Leader

Tall, slender, epee-specialist Pete Raidy will captain the 1952 fencing squad for the Nittany Lions as a result of Thursday night's lettermen vote.

Raidy succeeds Ed Merek as captain.

The following athletes were awarded monograms for the first time: epeemen, Lou Como, Bob Whitman; foilmen, Joe Taylor; Joe Kusick; sabermen, Jerry Clauser, and Charles Ricker. Recipients of monograms for the second time were: sabermen, Ed Merek, Bob Searles; foilsmen, Gene Goldbloom; epeemen, Captain Raidy, and Ed Kalanik.

Pete Fairchok will succeed Don Love as head manager for the '52 season. He will be assisted by Joe Wirs, Bud Goldberg, and Andy Wilson.



By JAKE HIGHTON

If it wasn't a well-known fact that spring training flashes soon leave the pan after the start of the regular season, Chicago's White Sox might today be redhot choices to cop the American League pennant.

The Pale Hose continued their amazing grapefruit circuit success yesterday when they staged a two-run rally in the eighth inning to squeeze past the Boston Braves, 3-2, in Monroe, La.

En route to their 19th win in 24 exhibition starts, the White Sox' southpaw Bill Pierce went the distance neatly spacing 11 Brave hits.

However, it was rookie Jim Busby who provided the important stick work. The promising outfielder tripled behind Zernial's double (Gus is apparently recovered from his shoulder trouble), and Ed Robinson's walk in the 2-1 deficit erasing eighth.

Manager Luke Sewell of the Cincinnati Reds had additional reason to smile yesterday in Jacksonville when he found still another pitcher beside Blackwell and Raffensperger stingy with the base hits.

In the Redleg's 4-2 win over the sad-sack Washington Senators, big, righthanded Howie Fox allowed only five bingles. Ted Kluszewski continued to

Schedule Problems Marr H-Ball Play

Postponements and forfeits limited action to two games in the intramural doubles handball tournament, Thursday night.

In the two games played, Art Betts and Ed Hoover, Phi Delta Theta, beat Harry Rintz and James Harshberger, Pi Kappa Alpha, 21-7, 21-11, and Freeman Singer and Israel Dinner, Phi Sigma Delta, beat Edward Donahue and Allen Marshall, Delta Tau Delta, 21-4, 21-9.

Stanley Vitt and Harvey Robbins, Alpha Epsilon Pi, won by forfeit from Ronald Coder and Alan McChesney, Phi Kappa Sigma.

terrorize opposition chuckers with a home run (his fifth) and a single.

GRAPEFRUIT SQUIRTS: Hoot Evers' three home runs and Dix Trout's five hit hurling gave Detroit an 11-0 win over the Memphis Chicks . . . The Red Sox got some unusually fine pitching to stymie Augusta, 12-0. Ellis Kinder applied the whitewash . . . Monte Irwin crashed two homers in the Giant's 10-9 win over Cleveland. Feller was rudely shelled.