



# WHAT'S BREUING?

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Last week an announcement came out of the intramural athletic office to the effect that there would be no IM softball this spring. The reason given was that there would not be enough space in which to hold the tournaments. This is a situation which a school the size of Penn State should be ashamed to admit. Certainly somewhere in all the vast acreage owned by the College, there ought to be room to set up diamonds for the use of the intramural department.

One of the reasons given for the lack of fields is that the space used by the IM department last year is now being used by the varsity teams. This is not condemnation of intercollegiate athletics. They are a wonderful thing if properly contained, which we believe they are at Penn State. But at the same time intramural sports should not be made to suffer for their benefit. Theoretically, intramural sports should have preference over varsity athletics since students gain more recreational value from IM sports than from varsity athletics. However, we are not foolish enough to expect such a reversal and aren't too sure we ever want it.

But one thing we are sure of is that it is about time intramural sports at Penn State are given their proper place in the sun. Softball is not the only sport in which the IM department has come off second best. That there is any intra-student

competition at all is a tribute to the skill of the IM office. However, until the present situation arose, the shortage of space and time was never too noticeable because somehow, the IM department managed to reel off a schedule of events.

During the last five years, the College has grown by leaps and bounds, both in enrollment and in actual size. In general, as the need for new buildings and equipment arose, it was met. But not in the case of recreational facilities. This may seem to be an over-emphasis of the problem. We don't think it is. The students have shown by their participation and attendance that they want intramural athletics. And they have a right to expect and demand them.

It would be too much to hope that this year's softball season can be salvaged. But if something is done before next year a repetition of the situation can be averted. So, how about it, boys. The next time you sit down and figure out what to build or to add to the College, how about giving a little thought to the desperate need for recreational facilities and space. Just for once forget the tinkle of the almighty dollar to be gained by the advancement of varsity sports and consider the value of the student body as a whole. Let's give intramural athletics its just deserts.

# Mundell 'In Shape' For Grid Duty

By STAN PASDA

To most football players spring training means the hard work and sweat of reconditioning. But to Earle Mundell, tiny Lion half-back, it means only the change from indoor sweat clothes to stiff grid livery.

Since the final game against Pitt last fall, Earle has been a steady patron of Rec Hall, earnestly preparing for his final season with the Blue and White.

### Refutes Giant Philosophy

After five years of continuous setbacks and heartbreaks he has burst wide open the ancient philosophy that football is a giant's game, and has convinced the football world that there is a place in it for him.

The tiny speedster is probably



Earle Mundell

the nation's smallest football player. He stands five feet, four inches and carries a solid 155 pounds. His tremendous speed and shifty style of running have earned him the reputation as one of the smoothest ball-carriers in Nittany Lion football history.

After three years of high school football, a year at a Penn State "farm school" and a year as a Nittany reserve, it finally was decided that he was ready to lend a hand in handling the offensive chores of the Blue and White.

### Looking Ahead

At present, Earle is anxiously looking forward to the 1951 season, his last and his best, he hopes.

"Coach Engle is a great conditioner, and extraordinary hard worker," he proudly remarked. "Those who go along

# Lion Dribblers Get Tourney Honors

Two of Elmer Gross' top varsity basketball reserves last winter, Joe Piorkowski and Whitey Makarewicz, gained some off-season honors for themselves in the Wilkes-Barre Rodgers Open hoop tournament.

Both Piorkowski and Makarewicz were named to the All-tournament first team for extraordinary play during the league season.

Playing for the Jackson News Stand squad in a loop dotted with many present and former college stars, the Penn Staters paced their club to the championship with an 80-44 win over the Ashley Fleetwings.

Piorkowski picked up the additional honor of being selected as the outstanding individual performer of the league.

# Bob Lemon Tosses 2 Hitter For Indians

Cleveland's ace righthander, Bob Lemon, started the season off with a bang yesterday by tossing a neat two hitter in the face of the Detroit Tigers as the Indians won 2-1.

Gerry Priddy, Tiger second baseman, spoiled Lemon's attempt to equal teammate Bob Feller's no-hit, opening day win over the Chicago White Sox in 1940 by hitting a double and a single.

The Philadelphia Phillies' Mike Goliat became the first big leaguer to hit a home run in the new season by belting a four bagger off Brooklyn's Carl Erskine as the Phils won, 5-2.

The first shutout of the season

John Lawther, former Penn State basketball coach, rates Lou Lamie, 1951 captain, the best shot he has seen in his 15 years on the Nittany Lion campus. Lamie in 1951 set new single season and three-year Penn State scoring records.

went to the Yankees' Vic Raschi who blanked the Boston Red Sox 5-0 on six hits.

## Major League Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Yesterday's Results			
New York	5	Boston	0
Cleveland	2	Detroit	1
Chicago	17	St. Louis	3
Philadelphia	at Washington	(night)	
Standings			
	W	L	Pct.
New York	1	0	1.000
Cleveland	1	0	1.000
Chicago	1	0	1.000
Boston	0	1	.000
Detroit	0	1	.000
St. Louis	0	1	.000
Washington	0	0	.000
Philadelphia	0	0	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Yesterday's Results			
Pittsburgh	5	St. Louis	4
Chicago	8	Cincinnati	3
New York	4	Boston	0
Standings			
	W	L	Pct.
Pittsburgh	2	0	1.000
Philadelphia	1	0	1.000
Chicago	1	0	1.000
New York	1	0	1.000
St. Louis	0	1	.000
Brooklyn	0	1	.000
Boston	0	1	.000
Cincinnati	0	2	.000

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