

State Nine Tops W. Maryland

Hopper Smacks Homer, Triple To Lead Lions to 9-4 Victory

By DAVE COLTON

Coach Joe Bedenk's diamondmen utilized 11 walks to defeat Western Maryland 9-4 in their home opener at Beaver Field yesterday afternoon.

It was the fourth consecutive win of the season for the Lions. A couple of Bills—Hopper and Everson—were the stars for the Nittanians. Hopper powered a two-run triple and a tremendous home run to lead the batting attack while Everson pitched shut out ball the last three innings.

Bedenk used three hurlers with righthander Jack Krumrine receiving credit for his second win of the year. Another right hander, Jack "Red" Moore, started on the mound but was taken out after two frames.

Hopper was the only Stater to collect more than one hit. The big captain drove three runs across the platter and tallied three himself. His homer was belted past the 323 foot mark in right field and bounced under the stands.

Western Maryland jumped off to a two run lead in the top of the first. After shortstop Bill Pfeifer walked, Moore got Lowell Haines on a popper to third. But "Lefty" Kaufman, Charley White, and Ira Zepp followed with successive singles. Zepp's drive to left drove in both runs.

The Terriers added another marker in the third on a walk to Pfeifer, a sacrifice bunt to Haines, and a line single by Kaufman.

The Lions finally got to Western Maryland's Don James in the third. Chris Tonery drew a walk. Second baseman Bill Mihalich struck out, but Sil Cerchie also got a base on balls and both scored on Hopper's high triple to left center. The Crafton senior then was waved across when James committed a balk.

The Bedenkmen added another run in this rally on a walk, a fielder's choice and a line single by Carmen Troisi.

Hopper's four base smash in the fifth inning gave the Lions a 5-3 lead. The Terriers got another run in the sixth on an error by Krumrine, a single, a walk, and a fly ball.

The Lions clinched the contest with a four-run outburst in the sixth. A walk and a pinch single by Paul Mowry drove reliever Don Zimmerman from the hill. His substitute, Pat Biddle, couldn't put out the fire as the Nittanians got three more walks and two singles to conclude the scoring.

W. Maryland	Ab	R	H	Penn State	Ab	R	H
Pfeifer,ss	3	1	1	Tonery,lf	2	2	0
Haines,2b	3	0	0	Mihalich,2b	2	0	0
Kaufman,1b	5	1	2	Cerchie,cf	3	2	1
White,c	3	1	1	Hopper,rf	4	3	2
Zepp,3b	4	0	1	Leonard,c	4	0	1
Kelly,rf	4	1	0	Hunchar,1b	5	1	1
Jordan,cf	4	0	0	Troisi,ss	3	0	1
Union,lf	4	0	2	Kline,3b	3	1	0
James,p	4	0	0	Moore,p	1	0	0
Zimmerman,p	0	0	0	Krumrine,p	1	0	0
Biddle,p	1	0	0	Everson,p	1	0	0
				Mowry,ph	1	0	1
Western Md.	201	001	000	4	7	1	
Penn State	004	014	000	9	7	1	

3 Teams Form Volleyball Tie

A three-way tie of two wins and one loss stands between the sophomores, juniors, and seniors as the result of last night's games in the inter-class volleyball tournaments.

The freshman team lost its third game last night as the result of a forfeit to the seniors.

In the only other game last night, the juniors defeated the sophomores, 40-28.

The schedule for the playoffs, as released by Mable Marple, WRA president-elect, is as follows Monday, 8:30 p.m., sophomores-juniors; Tuesday, 8 p.m., juniors-seniors; Thursday, 8 p.m., seniors-sophomores.

Robinson KO's Rocky

CHICAGO, April 16 (AP)—Champion Sugar Ray Robinson, a boxer turned ferocious slugger, knocked out challenger Rocky Graziano with a pulverizing left and right in 1:53 of the third round to retain his middleweight title before an indoor record crowd of 23,785 in the Chicago Stadium tonight.

Lions Open '52 Season With 3 Wins

Penn State's Nittany Lions opened their 1952 baseball season with a bang last weekend, scoring a total of 46 runs in three games while romping over American University and taking two wins from Georgetown.

Coach Joe Bedenk's team, which extended its streak yesterday with a 9-4 triumph over Western Maryland, smashed American U. last Friday, 20-1, in its opener at Washington, D.C. The following day found Georgetown being dumped by 18-5 and 8-4 scores.

Jack Krumrine hurled three-hit ball against American, and led the Lions at the plate with four hits, one a booming triple with the bases loaded. Krumrine fanned eight opposing stickmen over the nine-inning route.

Sil Cerchie, Lion centerfielder, and catcher Bill Leonard pounded home runs as the Lions went on a 19-hit spree. Chris Tonery, hustling leftfielder, had three hits for the Nittanians and came up with four stolen bases.

Keith Vesling and Bill Everson each twirled six-hit games to post the victories over Georgetown Saturday. Vesling was impressive in his first start for the Bedenkmen as he fanned eight Georgetown batters, and contributed two hits to the Penn State attack. Everson struck out five in the 8-4 win which went only seven innings.

Huber Kline, who wasn't expected to help much in the stick—
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Week's Athlete Award Goes To Three Lions

Boxer Sammy Marino, wrestler Jerry Maurey, and baseball player Jack Krumrine have been selected to share Athlete of the Week honors by the Collegian sports staff for the weeks of March 31 and April 7.

Marino and Maurey were selected Athletes of the Week for the week of March 31. Marino, 125-pound Eastern boxing champion for the Lions, went clear to the finals of the NCAA tourney before bowing to champion Frank Echavarria of Idaho. Maurey copped second place in the NAAU wrestling tournament at Cornell. After losing his first match, the Lion 136.5 pounder scored three straight falls and two decisions to take runnerup honors in his weight.

For the week of April 7, the Collegian sports staff has selected Maurey and Krumrine. Maurey won the 136.5 pound title at the Olympic wrestling tryouts at Amityville, Long Island, and a trip to Ames, Iowa for the final tryouts.

Krumrine opened the 1952 baseball season for the Nittany Lions by hurling a three-hitter against American University at Washington, D.C. Krumrine also contributed four hits including a triple with the bases loaded as the Lions beat the Eagles, 20-1.

Major League Results

American League
 New York—8 Philadelphia—1
 St. Louis—5 Detroit—4
 Cleveland—1 Chicago—0

National League
 Brooklyn—14 Boston—8
 Philadelphia at New York (night)
 Pittsburgh at St. Louis (night)

Safe by a Mile



OUTFIELDER CHRIS TONNERY slides safely into second base during the fourth inning of the Lions' 9-4 victory over Western Maryland on New Beaver Field yesterday. The Green Terror second baseman, Lowell Haines, waits for the throw while teammate Bill Pfeifer backs him up.

Lacrossemen Lose Two Matches On 1st Trip

By TOM SAYLOR

Penn State returned from the lacrosse wars south of the Mason-Dixon Line over the Easter vacation and no doubt the Lions were glad to escape with their shirts.

The Lions dropped a 5-2 decision to Loyola of Baltimore and then were outclassed by Navy, 21-0, two days later.

State lacked a definite scoring punch. Although it would not have made any difference against the Middies, a scoring punch was all State needed to overtake Loyola.

Penn State fell behind in the first half, 3-0, and even when Captain Bud Wolfram scored two goals in the second half to narrow the count to 4-2, it just wasn't in the books.

Sophomore Don Bell played a commendable game around the net, but State's shooting and ball handling left a lot to be desired. The loss added salt to the wounds Loyola inflicted on State last year, when Loyola rallied from a six-goal deficit in the final period to win, 14-12.

Navy, on the other hand, gave a simple demonstration on how lacrosse should be played. The Middies, a team loaded with men from the lacrosse hotbed of Maryland, were big, fast and just about rode State off the field.

The Middies showed why they are rated No. 1 in the state of Maryland as they played flawless

ball both offensively and defensively.

Navy took 73 shots at the State net, connecting on 21 of them and at the same time limited the Nittany Lions to a mere eight shots.

Both clubs used substitutes freely with Thiel employing his entire squad of 21 players while Navy alone had ten men in the scoring column.

Thiel used the same starting lineup in both games and even though the results don't show it, the Lion coach had some consolation in that the defense stood up fairly well. It was the attackmen that caused Thiel the most headaches with their faulty stick handling and poor shooting.

Thiel started John (Doak) Walker, Bob Koons, and Dick Rostmeyer at attack; Wolfram, Wayne Hockersmith, and John Yohman at midfield; Barr Asplundh, John Henry, and John Amber at defense; and Bell at the goal tending spot.

J. Maurey, Barr Gain Mat Finals

By JAKE HIGHTON

Jerry Maurey, current Nittany sophomore mat star and Homer Barr, former Lion great, go against the cream of the nation's amateur wrestlers today in the opening round of the final Olympic tryouts in Ames, Iowa.

First and some second-place winners in the three-day tournament ending Saturday will represent the United States in the Olympic games at Helsinki, Finland, this summer.

Jerry, lone member of Coach Charlie Speidel's recent Eastern Intercollegiate champions, bidding for an Olympic berth, qualified for the final tryouts by sweeping top honors in the 136.5 pound class last Saturday in the Amityville, Long Island, district trials.

Injury, Sickness Hurt

Barr, captain of the 1951 EIWA champion Lions and Speidel's choice for his all-Penn State first team, gained a shot at the USA team by winning the unlimited division in the Pittsburgh district tryouts last Friday night.

Other Nittany wrestlers trying for coveted Olympic spots ran into misfortune in the form of injury and sickness.

EIWA champion Dick Lemyre had to withdraw from the Amityville trials with an infected hand. NCAA champion Joe Lemyre was hit by the flu and could do no better than fourth at Amityville. Former Penn State captain (1950) Jim Maurey was forced out of the Amityville trials with a dislocated knee when he seemed on the way to victory.

Homer Twice EIWA Champ

Youngest of the Maureys, Jerry, in his first year of college wrestling, was undefeated in five dual meets. Jerry's further sophomore achievements include a runnerup in the EIWA tourney, a second in the National Amateur Athletic Union championships two weeks ago, and now an Olympic preliminary tryout victory.

Heavyweight Barr ruled as Penn State's "Peoples' Choice" for three years during which time he lost only one dual meet after 20 straight victories. Homer twice copped EIWA heavyweight championships in 1949 and 1950.

More than 160 wrestlers, qualifiers from the 14 district eliminations held throughout the country, will be seeking positions on the Olympic team.

Dionysius Cato prescribed:

"Mingle your cares with pleasure now and then" *Disticha De Moribus*

Make that pleasure an ice-cold Coca-Cola and you'll tip the scales from care to cheer.



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