

# Sports Thru The Lion's Eye

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When Ted Shattuck and Paul Anders were dropped from school for scholastic deficiency last winter, Penn Staters' moans could be heard from State College to the campuses of 1952 grid rivals, Pitt and Penn, at opposite ends of the state.

Who wouldn't groan if their team was stripped, as Coach Rip Engle's was, of two of its biggest offensive threats last fall. Left halfback Shattuck, an explosive breakaway runner, led the team's rushing attack with 579 yards gained in addition to exploring opposition end zones most often for the Nittanians. Shattering Shattuck's 4.6 yards per carry were just under the team average of 4.6 yards average per try for the team offensive play.

Fullback Anders, a man seldom brought down by one tackler alone, could usually be counted on for the one yard which is often as big as '60.

Yet after watching the Blue-White intrasquad scrimmage Saturday, the loss of messieurs Shattuck and Anders need not be overly mourned. No "gaping holes"—supposedly left in the fullback and halfback slots—could be detected.

At fullback both Pete Shopa and Bob Pollard showed starting possibilities come Sept. 20. Pollard, a reconverted halfback, definitely isn't miscast at fullback. Last Saturday he was equally effective picking up large yardage inside or outside. Shopa too, ground out frequent long gains for the losing Whites.

As for Shattuck's vacated spot, Alton Frey, Buddy Rowell and Dick Jones did plenty of fleet ball carrying indicative of the potentiality to make the "indispensables" forgotten quickly.

Nevertheless, the Beaver Field opening kickoff against Temple is a long way off and as Engle emphatically maintains, "no one has sewed up a position."

Engle, well pleased with the spring drills just completed, figures that "if we are not hurt scholastically or draft-wise, we can have a good season."

Although the Ripper was glad that "everyone had shown marked improvement, those who spent the most time on the practice field were paid off best in development."

Engle's appraisal of individual members following his brief 20-day look-see couldn't be laudatory enough in praise of the inspirational and fiery leadership of Co-captains Stew Scheetz and Joe Gratson.

Others came in for praise from the Master: quarterback Don Bailey, center Don Balthaser and end Jim Garrity, who made several good catches including a touchdown grab Saturday; hustling Sam Green, a switch from fullback to guard, has "come along fine"; center Bob Smith, is "developing well this spring"; tackle Gene Danser, is "sharp on offense"; end Joe Yukica, is "working hard"; tackle Andy Balaconis, has "lost weight and is serious"; tackle Rosey Grier, has shown "great potentiality offensively and defensively" as has guard Don Shank; wingback Bob Rosebaugh, is a "fine frosh possibility; quarterback Tony Rados, "looked good until hurt"; and guard Pete Schoderbek, who made tackles all over the field Saturday.

However, none should forget that "no positions are sewed up." Spring blossoms can fade by September.

# Trackmen Test Balanced Michigan State Saturday

Penn State's outdoor track squad will have to perform much better than it did in the Penn Relays last weekend if it has intentions of successfully opening its dual meet season against a well-balanced Michigan State team Saturday afternoon on the Beaver Field oval.

Although the Spartans will have competed in two meets prior to their State College trek this weekend, this will be the first time that they will be at full strength, as bad weather and injuries have plagued their early season showings.

In last week's Drake Relays at Des Moines, Ia., Coach Karl Schlademan's sophomore Harry Gillis placed fourth in the 120-yard high hurdles, and his 480-yard shuttle hurdle relay team placed third behind Notre Dame and Illinois.

Although lacking tested-material on this year's squad, Schlademan has an abundance of potential stars in his freshman and sophomore crop. In fact, this year's team is considered to be the deepest in all events in many seasons.

The Spartans have eight returning veterans from last season, including Captain Dick Henson in the dashes and hurdles, and Jim Kepford, cross country captain, in the mile and two mile events.

Other returning lettermen who figure to be instrumental in Michigan State's fortunes are John Walter in the 880 and mile; Jerry Zerbe in the two mile; Ray McKay in the high jump, and Arnold Smith in the pole vault. In addition, All-American grid end Bob Carey will give some added strength in the shot put event. Carey holds the MSC record of 53'3".

John Corbelli, Lou Vargha, and Jim Ellis, the three regulars who missed the Drake Relays because of injuries, all appear to have fully recovered, and should greatly increase Michigan State's chances for victory.

Corbelli is a sophomore hurdler and the younger brother of former star, Joe. He has shown plenty of promise, and this may be just the clash he will display in it. Junior Vargha is tabbed as the Spartan's top man in the short sprints. Vargha was reported quite impressive in early season workouts.

One of the highlights of Saturday's contest should be the distance events. Coach Chick Werner's frosh sensation, Lamont Smith, who finished second to Army's Dick Shea in the two mile race at last week's relays, Michigan's Zerbe, and '51 cross

## Frosh Distanceman



Lamont Smith  
(Hope Against Spartans)

## Olympic Collection Nets Almost \$600

Ticket sales for the combined NAAU and Olympic gymnastic meet held over the weekend totaled 4823, H. R. Hosterman, assistant graduate manager of athletics, said yesterday.

Included in the sales were 2762 tickets sold for Saturday, Hosterman said, with an additional 2061 sold for Friday.

Program sales reached 1710 and the money obtained from both program and ticket sales will be used to defray the Olympic team's expense, Hosterman said.

Also collected for the Olympics was \$582.85 in cash Saturday night when jars were passed in the audience.

country track skipper, Kepford, who ran fourth in the Big Ten mile outdoors last year can make a fast two-mile.

Zerbe is rated the number one man in the two mile for MSC, and is considered one of the most dependable men on the squad.

# 1st Round IM V-Ball Decided

Independent league titles were decided last night in the intramural volleyball loop, but action was again limited by a deluge of forfeits.

Beaver House copped the league A title, finishing the season with a 4-0 record. The Pirates, league C champions, also show a perfect slate, with four wins and no defeats in league play. The Foresters captured the league D crown, winning three games and dropping one decision during the season.

The Iron Men and The Early Risers tied for first place in league B, both showing 3-1 records. They will play off the deadlock tonight as the regularly scheduled independent play-offs begin.

In last night's action, eight of the scheduled 12 games were decided by forfeit. In the independent league, Nittany Co-Op-B, The Foresters, The Pirates, Dorm 14, The Wolverines, and The Dinks all picked up forfeit victories.

The only independent action saw The Iron Men defeat Dorm 39, 15-3, 15-2, after dropping the first contest, 15-12.

Only four games were scheduled in the fraternity league, and two of these were decided by forfeit in favor of Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Sigma Phi.

Lambda Chi Alpha-A tripped Chi Phi-A, 15-3, 15-5, and Theta Chi-A turned back Delta Chi-A, 15-9, 15-11.

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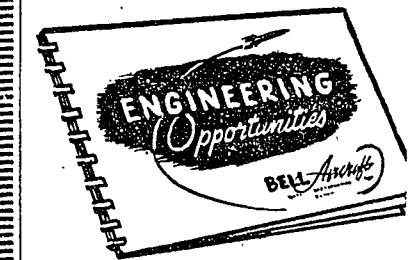
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## Sports at a Glance

### Northey Sold

CHICAGO, April 29 (AP)—Ron Northey, a major league outfielder since 1942, today was sold by the Chicago Cubs to Los Angeles of the Pacific Coast League.

Northey joined the Phillies in 1942, went to the St. Louis Cardinals in 1947 and in 1950 played for both the Cincinnati Reds and Cubs.

Paul Smith was an outstanding Penn State physical education major who died in 1946.

### Coleman's Last

NEW YORK, April 29 (AP)—Gerry Coleman plays his last games for the New York Yankees tomorrow. Dr. Bobby Brown awaits the result of today's Army physical.

### Mahatma Denies Report

PITTSBURGH, April 29 (AP)—Reports that Branch Rickey has asked the three Pittsburgh Pirate owners for \$300,000 to bolster the club's finances brought a strong denial from Rickey today.

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