

Lions to Play Off for NCAA Bid

Committee Proposes Two Plans to Decide Winner

The selection of a District Two representative to the NCAA baseball "College World Series" has been narrowed down to Penn State, St. Johns, Fordham, and Villanova. A special playoff series will decide the winner.

This was announced at a meeting in Scranton yesterday of a committee headed by Eppie Barnes of Colgate.

The committee was unable to agree on a standard bearer because of the closeness of the records of the respective teams.

The teams were selected on the basis of the quality of their schedule, pitching, and their all-around play.

Two Playoff Plans

The Lion diamondmen have a 12-4 record, but they didn't drop a decision until they had won ten straight. St. Johns has a 14-3 mark, Fordham is 14-5, and Villanova has won nine, lost three, and tied one.

Two plans for deciding the District Two representative have been proposed.

Penn State's baseball team will close its '52 season this afternoon at Bucknell against the Bisons. Win or lose the Lion's NCAA standing won't be affected. Bedenk will probably pitch either Keith Vesling, Ace Everson, or John Moore while sticking with the same lineup which has brought the team an NCAA District II playoff spot.

One is for a four-team double-header to be held June 2 at 1:30 p.m. at New Beaver Field. The two winners would then play each other June 3 at 2:30 p.m., the victor in this game becoming the District Two champion.

Lion-Fordham Game

Because this may conflict with final examinations, an alternate plan was proposed. Under this plan, Penn State would meet Fordham at 2:30 p.m. Friday at New Beaver Field.

NCAA Committeeman



Coach Joe Bedenk

Meanwhile, St. Johns and Villanova would play at a time and place to be determined, the winner of this fracas meeting the victor in the Lion-Fordham contest.

Keith Vesling and Bill Everson are slated as the probable starting hurlers for the playoff set. The College Senate Athletic Council has already approved the plans.

In addition to Barnes, the playoff committee included Penn State Coach Joe Bedenk; Charlie Gelbert, Lafayette; Paul Amen, Army; and Jack Coffey, Fordham.

Lions Accept Basketball Bid

Penn State has accepted an invitation to compete in the 17th annual all-College basketball tournament in Municipal Auditorium, Oklahoma City, Dec. 29, 30, and 31, it was announced yesterday.

H. R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, said the Lion schedule was not yet complete, but approval had already been obtained for participation in the tourney.

Probably three or four games will be played by the Nittany five prior to the tournament, Gilbert said.

With Oklahoma City University as the host team, the other seven participants will be Penn State, Oklahoma A&M, Tulsa, University of Idaho, University of Wyoming, Western Kentucky, and Bowling Green of Ohio.

All entries are rated highly in intercollegiate basketball.

This is the fourth successive year that the Lions will have competed in an early-season tournament. A year ago, it was the Steel Bowl at Pittsburgh, and previously the Spartan Tourney at East Lansing, Mich., and the Dixie Classic at Raleigh, N. C.

Stickmen Lose, 9-8, In Season's Final

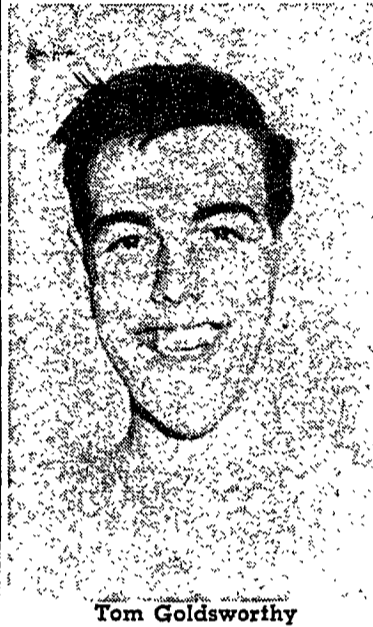
By TOM SAYLOR

Goals by attackmen John Kraus and John Snape in the final four minutes offset a spirited Penn State performance and sent the Lions down to their sixth defeat of the season Saturday at Hobart, 9-8.

The match closed the season for both clubs.

It was Hobart's eighth win in ten games and gave the New Yorkers an 8-7 margin in the lifetime series. The victory also gave Hobart revenge for a 17-10 beating State handed it last year at Hobart.

Tallies Twice



Tom Goldsworthy

Up until the final four minutes, State held the lead and seemed on its way to victory—mud and rain to the contrary.

State Grabs Lead

Hobart grabbed a shortlived 1-0 lead in the opening 33 seconds on a goal by Kraus, the first of his four.

The Lions clawed back, however, on two successive goals by creasemen Tom Goldsworthy, the first of attackman Bob Koons' three tallies, and another by midfielder Wayne Hockersmith.

The Statesmen narrowed the count to a 4-3 on goals by Snape and Hoover (Scoop) Sutton, an All-American last year.

Offense Picks Up

State, however, pushed the lead back to three goals when Koons and attackman Dick Rostmeyer scored, but two more Hobart scores against a lone State tally cut the margin to 7-5 at halftime.

Hobart's offense picked up in the second half scoring three times against one State score to set the stage for the final four minutes and goals by Kraus and Snape.

Koons Paces State

Kraus' four scores paced Hobart's scorers while Snape and Sutton each tallied twice and midfielder Harold Ness once.

Koons paced State with three goals while Goldsworthy scored twice and Wolfram, Hockersmith, and Rostmeyer once.

Midfielders Tony Eagle, John Yohman, and Wolfram and defensemen Barr Asplundh, John Henry, and John Amber saw their last action in State uniform. All will graduate this year.

Steelers Sign Parasovic

PITTSBURGH, May 26 (AP)—The Pittsburgh Steelers of the National Football League signed their second draft choice today—6 foot 4, 230-pound 22-year-old George Parasovic of Bridgeport, Conn.

Rebele Named NFL Adviser

Carl Rebele, former Penn State football player, is the new technical adviser of the National Football League, according to an announcement yesterday by Commissioner Bert Bell.

Rebele, who hails from Pittsburgh, succeeds Hugh L. Ray in his duties.

"Shorty" Ray, as the Chicagoan is known to his gridiron pals, has been connected with the sport as player, coach, official and rule-maker for 54 years. Rebele has also been a football official since 1917 and an NFL official since 1934.

Lafayette Square is directly across Pennsylvania Avenue from the White House.

Local Golfer Is Crowned PIAA Champ

A local high school golfer, Dave Bates of Philipsburg, ended with a total of 217 on Saturday to take the 18th annual PIAA golf championship.

In the 54 hole tourney, Bates shot a 71 for his first round, 76 for the next, and in the driving rain finished with a very good 70.

Dave had to come from behind to take the schoolboy crown, as Jim Sykes of Cheltenham led with a 146 going into the final round.

Sykes eventually finished in third place after he was defeated in a sudden death playoff with Lewis Kukkola. Lewis posted a 222 while Dave had a 223.

Coan Fractures Wrist

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—Outfielder Gil Coan was lost to the Washington Senators for at least three weeks today when X-rays disclosed he fractured his left wrist while diving for Skeeter Kell's double in the second game of yesterday's doubleheader with the Philadelphia Athletics.

Coan, batting .183, had been alternating with Archie Wilson as the Senators' leftfielder.

Golfers Lose to Colgate In Last Match of Season

By TED SOENS

What started out to be a successful golfing season ended on a sour note Saturday as the Penn State golf team was handed a 6-1 beating by the Red Raiders of Colgate.

This was the second defeat of the season and the second in a row for the "green team." The other loss was to Navy by a 4-3 score.

George Kreidler was the only victor for the Lions, defeating Al Shuttleworth, 2 and 1. The rest of the team showed Rod Eaken defeated by Bill Edwards, 2 and 1; Joe Webb by Tom Huber, 6 and 5; Gordon Stroup by Bruce Miller, 1 up; Hud Samson by Will Staub; Warren Gittlen by Dick King, 3 and 2; and Bill Albert by Larry Larson, 1 up.

The golfers ended their season with three wins and two losses. Victories were over Cornell, Pitt, and Bucknell. Pitt's victory especially was a sweet one as the Panthers had an undefeated team. State took the match, 5-2. In the Bucknell game, the Lions swept all matches and also best ball, ending with a 9-0 victory. This was the only shut-out for the golfers. Cornell's game was a 5-2 win.

The Middies handed the Lions their first defeat, a 4-3 setback. Eckert Strobecker did a "Frank Merriwell" finish on the final green and won the game for the Navy.

Stroup and Kreidler finished the season with the best records of the team. Both showed four wins and one loss. Other totals show Eaken with a three win, two loss record; Samson and Webb, two win, three loss record; Albert and Gittlen, two win, two loss records; and Bob Bowers with a one win, no loss record.

In elections held yesterday, Gary Lewis was elected manager and Dick Bruce, Kent Clouser, and Don Lauck were picked as first managers.

Besides the six game schedule (Gettysburg match was rained out), the team entered the Eastern Intercollegiate Golf tournament against 13 top eastern Colleges.

The team didn't do so well, finishing in a tie with Army for tenth place, but sophomore Rod Eaken went all the way to the semifinals before he was defeated by the eventual winner, Paul Harvey, 4 and 3.

Fraternity Wins League

Theta Kappa Phi won the softball title of the 14-team fraternity league last night by defeating Phi Sigma Delta, 2-1.

A trophy will be presented to the fraternity at a party later in the week.

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