

State's Reserve Air Arm



JOHN "CY" DUBINSKY AND BOB BAILEY, reserve quarterbacks behind Tony Rados and Bob Szajna, loosen up their pitching arms in preparation for the grid season which opens against Temple University a week from tomorrow on Beaver Field. Both Cy and Don are sophomores and should be in the limelight by the time they are juniors and seniors.

Harrier Hopefuls Begin Workouts for Campaign

By JOHN SHEPPARD

Although their first cross country meet is still three weeks away, Coach Chick Werner's '52 returning hopefuls have been doing daily jogs on the golf course in preparation for the opening gun with Cornell.

All athletes who have been working out the past week will form the nucleus of this year's squad.

Last season when the Nittany harriers won five and lost one, most of the sophs were coming along nicely towards the end of the campaign and were beginning to keep up that grueling five-mile pace.

Sophs Dominant

"Several of this year's sophomores were good last season, and should continue to improve," Werner, who assisted with the Olympic chores this past summer in Helsinki, reported yesterday.

Such names as Smith, Chilrud, and Hamill, among others, should be carrying the brunt of the load during the coming campaign. Sophomores Lamont Smith, John Chilrud, Jim Hamill, Don Austin, Al Terrall, Tom Demboski, Skip Sloum, Dave Leathum, and Harry Biemiller, were cited by Werner as the foundation for his '52 squad.

Loosening Up

The veterans, according to Werner, have been doing conditioning jaunts twice daily. Such exercising is quite essential in cross country, since "there's no use trying to time a guy for five miles if he can't run the distance," was Chick's reply when we asked him about the workouts.

"It (daily distance jogs) is the most important part of cross-country training," Werner continued. "It's a gradual process and it takes quite some time before they loosen up their muscles and get used to the distance," he added.

Werner and his assistant Norm Gordon haven't been clocking the seasoned performers, and don't intend to do so until October. Right now the returnees are setting their own paces and doing conditioning work on the side.

Candidates for the team should see either Werner or Gordon in

East, National Tourneys Top Lion Mat Card

An eight-meet schedule capped by the Eastern and national tournaments will mark Penn State's 1953 wrestling season. The Lion matmen, unbeaten in 20 straight matches and twice Eastern champions, will host the NCAA tourney March 27-28.

H. R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, said the schedule will bring Lehigh, Pennsylvania and Army to the campus prior to the Nationals.

The schedule: Jan. 10, at Virginia; 17, Lehigh; Feb. 7, at Navy; 11, Penn; 14, at Syracuse; 21, at Cornell; 28, at Pittsburgh; Mar. 7, Army; 13-14, Eastern championships at Princeton, N.J.; 27-28, national championships.

Rec Hall or on the golf course, where the squad practices.

Getting back to the soph prospects, one name that's very familiar to State track fans is Smitty. The short, stocky, blonde-haired hill-and-daler will again be toiling in cross country ranks for only the second year in his young athletic career.

A rarity last season when he romped off with a victory in the first collegiate harrier race of his life, Smitty should carry a great deal of weight this season when it comes time for computing first place points. A die-hard who runs his heart off even in practice sessions, Smitty is hoping to take up where he left off last year.

Guard, Tackle Slots Give Gridders Strong Middle

(This is the second in a series of articles which attempts to spotlight the Penn State football team position for position to see who will represent the Lions on the gridiron this fall. Today—the Guards and Tackles.)

Opponents of Penn State's football team will find mighty tough going if they try to dent the center of the Nittany line this fall. For in the tackle and guard slots the Lions are well stocked with veterans who should prove to be rugged individuals.

With four tackle lettermen and three guard returnees, State seems well fortified along the center of the line despite the loss of giant tackles Ed Hoover and Bill Hocker-smith and guard Len Bartek.

Grid Manager

Sophomore candidates for second assistant football manager for 1952 are asked to sign up today at the graduate manager of athletics office in 106 Old Main.

Baseball Parade

By BARRY FEIN

It seems that the National League has once again caught that strange baseball disease—constriction of the standings. Medical experts say that there is no known cure except the daily injection of pitching into the veins of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The latest attack of this disease saw the Giants pull to within three and a half games by sending the Pathetic Pirates down to their 103rd loss of the season, 5-4, yesterday.

A combination of homers by Al Dark and Sal Yvars plus an error by catcher Joe Garagiola of the Bucs gave Sal Maglie his 16th win as against 6 setbacks.

Reliever Hoyt Wilhelm's knuckler was also a big factor in the win, striking out Gus Bell and Ralph Kiner after a passed ball let in one run.

The Dodgers, meanwhile, put together seven unearned runs, including a grand slammer by Andy Pafko, in a vain attempt to beat the Chicago Cubs, who rocked the wobbly Dodger staff for 11 runs.

The game was a loosely-played affair which included 22 hits and seven errors. Smalley hit his fifth homer off the bespectacled Clyde King, and, with South Carolinian Joe Landrum on the hill in the eighth, Hank Sauer doubled in his 120th run of the year.

Bob Rush (15-12) got the victory over Billy Loes (13-8).

The disease has its counterpart on the other side of the major league fence. The Indians moved to within a half game of the Yankees as Bobby Avila's fourth-inning homer gave them a 1-0 shutout over Harry Byrd and the Philadelphia Athletics.

Big Bear Mike Garcia racked up number 20 as against nine defeats. He has now tossed 28 consecutive scoreless innings.

The sweep of the three-game series gives the Tribe a string of eight straight wins, the league high for the year.

In the also-ran department, the Washington Nats finally broke their losing streak by beating the White Sox. A three-run outburst in the sixth broke up a tight duel between Walt Masterson of the Senators and Joe Dobson of the Sox. Each allowed only four hits.

The last-place Tigers continued to harass the Boston Red Sox by squeaking past them 5-4. Big Walt Droppo's two homers and pinch-hitter Jim Delsing's tie-breaking single in the eighth handed the blushing Red Sox their tenth straight defeat on the road.

Yesterday was Satchel Paige's birthday. Satch, you know, is a rather elderly hurler for the Brownies. Archeologists studying hieratic writing claim to have found his birthdate. Some say the dates are too weather-beaten to decipher his age. Anyhow, he keeps his ERA down around 3.00, which would even be considered good in the Lower Nile Valley League.

Ex-Brown Grid Chief

Penn State's football mentor, Charles A. "Rip" Engle, formerly directed Brown University's grid destinies.

The guards and tackles, like the majority of the team, will be seeing both offensive and defensive duty. Coach Rip Engle explains it this way: the first team offensive line is the second and third team defense and the first team defensive line is the second and third team offensive line.

Heading up the tackles are Co-captains Joe Gratson and Stew Scheetz. Gratson, a converted center, will still be in his smashing backup spot on defense, but will play the right tackle slot on offense. Senior Joe is 6 feet and weighs 210. His cohort Scheetz will be holding down his old spot as defensive right tackle. Stew is one of the biggest men on the squad and nothing to be messed with at 235 pounds.

At the other defensive tackle position, soph Rosey Grier is a good bet for a starting role he held toward the end of last season when he was one of three frosh winning letters. Rosey stands 6-5, 230, and has looked pretty good this year.

The scholastic ineligibility of Andy Balakonis, who would have easily made the first or second team, has left Gene Danser and Herb Raifsnider best bets to hold down one of the other starting offensive positions. Danser is only a sophomore at 6-3 and 208 while Raifsnider is a senior scaling 6-3, 215.

Al Bowden, 6-1 and 240, and Danny De Falco, 6-0 and 210, are in strong contention for the defensive tackle positions and should see much action behind Grier and Scheetz. Jim Eshbach and Paul Shattuck will be in reserve at the tackle posts.

The offensive guard positions appear to be well manned with letterwinners Pete Schoderbek and Don Barney showing the way. Schoderbek is a rugged 195 pounder who won't let an opponent forget he is around, and senior Barney is a veteran of two previous varsity campaigns. Pete's only a junior.

At the defensive guard spots, Carl Pfirman and Sam Green have shown the best. And surprisingly enough, both are sophomores. Pfirman, an offensive tackle, goes 202 and stands 6-1 while Green is a former Pottstown High backfield star converted to the line by the coaching staff. Sam is a 198 pounder, standing 5-11.

Another froshman letterwinner last year, Len Shank, is pushing both the defensive and offensive guard frontrunners extremely hard. Shank is a Norristown lad who is 5-11 and 198.

Dubs Haldeman, an unlettered holdover returned to the squad,

Lion Grid Broadcasts Announced

Penn State's football games, both home and away, will be broadcast in 1952 for the 15th consecutive year.

E. B. McCoy, dean of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, announced the establishment of a 14-station Pennsylvania radio network with the cooperation of local Chevrolet dealers.

Chevrolet dealers, who shared this sponsorship with Atlantic Refining Co. the last two years, become sole sponsors under the new contract.

Representatives of Atlantic Refining Co. last Spring announced their intention to discontinue broadcasts of college football games.

Representing the Chevrolet dealers at the contract signing was George K. Keet Jr., of Ketchum, MacLeod and Grove advertising agency.

also has shown well at guard and will see plenty of action on the offense. A stocky 5-9, Haldeman is a strong 215 pounds.

Cy Brown is another defensive guard who will be kept busy on Saturday afternoons. A junior, Brown is 6-0, 190.

In reserve at the guard posts are Dan Van Sickle, Keith Horn and Ken Kurjiaka. Horn and Kurjiaka are sophomores and Van Sickle is a senior.

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