

Stickmen, State '9' to Play

Thiel Lacrossemen Face Hobart Team Tomorrow

By BOB DUNN

Penn State's lacrossemen have been hard at work this week in an effort to iron out some of their rough spots, as they await the invasion of the Hobart Statesmen tomorrow.

The Lions held a full-scale scrimmage on Wednesday and Coach Nick Thiel was generally pleased with the results.

Thiel is seriously considering inserting sophomore George Bickelhaupt at close attack in place of Dick Rostmeyer. Bickelhaupt, a Floral Park, N.Y. product, has impressed the Lion mentor with his fine play, and Thiel thinks the only possible hindrance to the move is Rostmeyer's advantage in experience.

State will be facing a Hobart team which will be playing its first game. Statesman Coach "Babe" Kraus, starting his 27th season at the helm, is not very optimistic about his chances this year. Graduation and academic difficulties have stripped the squad which has won 17 out of its last 21 starts.

The Statesmen lost All-America midfielder-Lee Letizia, among others, from the team that nipped the Nittanians 9-8 in a thriller last year. But they have a fine attack combination in Capt. Scoop Sutton, John Snape, and John Kraus, son of the coach. Sutton and Snape received All-America honorable mention last year.

Thiel and his men especially have their eyes set on stopping Kraus, for it was he who last year, when only a freshman, notched the winning goal against State.

Sutton, the Statesman captain, registered 26 goals and 9 assists in 10 games last year. Snape, a junior, was Hobart's leading scorer last year as he racked up 34 goals and 12 assists.

The Lions will rely heavily on their own attackmen to counter the Statesmen. The old adage, "a good offense is the best defense," certainly holds in lacrosse, and with veteran Tom Goldsworthy, Dick Klein, and either Bickelhaupt or Rostmeyer, Thiel feels he has a strong scoring potential.

Goldsworthy and Klein teamed up for State's lone goal against Navy last Saturday. Klein is considered a good feeder and Thiel wants to develop more teamwork and passing in the rest of the team.

The Lions will hold a short workout today, and then rest for the game, which will start at 2 p.m. on the golf course.

IM Badminton Features 9 Wins

Nine badminton contestants saw action at Rec Hall Wednesday night. The winners advanced past the second round test for a shot at the quarter finals berths.

Dave Girard, Sigma Nu, decisively defeated Parker Reist, Delta Sigma Phi, 15-4, 15-8.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon's representative to the courts walked off with an easy two set triumph, 15-1, 15-2, over Alpha Epsilon Pi's Marv Daley.

Joe Rowley barely worked up a sweat defeating Rodney Beck, 15-4, 15-3. The winner carried the Alpha Sigma Phi banner, the loser, Triangle.

Doug Frey triumphed over Larry Huntsman, Phi Kappa Psi, for Beta Theta Pi, 15-4, 15-14.

Other scores of the night were: Bill Wallis, Sigma Pi, over Bob Veit, Pi Kappa Phi, 15-8, 15-4; Bob Yoder, Alpha Tau Omega, over Herm Weiskopf, Sigma Phi Alpha, 15-0, 15-5; Harry Waple, Chi Phi, over Jim Mayes, Delta Upsilon, 15-0, 4-15, 15-8; Harry Carroll, Phi Sigma Kappa, over Harry Nichol, Alpha Gamma Rho.

Ike Throws First Ball in Senator Home Opener

WASHINGTON, April 16 (AP)—President Eisenhower shed his hat and coat in Griffith Stadium today, spat on a brand new baseball and opened the American League season here with a high, hard overhand.

Then, for the benefit of photographers, he threw a second time and hit an umpire in the pants. The President's first toss, thrown right-handed, was caught by Washington outfielder Ken Wood, who later got the ball autographed.

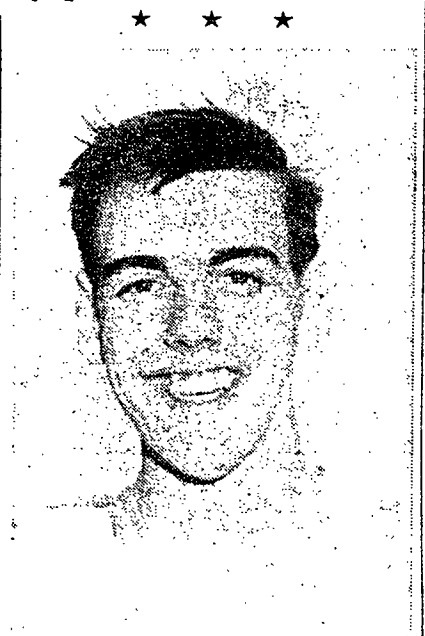
The weather was bright and clear when the President entered the park to the cheers of thousands of fans and the strains of "Hail to the Chief," played by the U.S. Army Band.

Vice President Nixon and House Speaker Martin of Massachusetts took part in the flag-raising ceremony in centerfield, and then the President stood up to throw the first ball.

Eisenhower repeated the performance for photographers. This time the ball went unattended onto the diamond, grazing the seat of an umpire's pants.

Island Hideaway

Bill Jeffrey, veteran Penn State soccer coach, is on a five-month leave to teach and coach at the University of Puerto Rico.



Tom Goldsworthy (State's Attack Man)

Lions to Enter 59th Carnival

By HERM WEISKOPF

The Nittany thincld will engage in the 59th annual Penn Relays April 24-25 at Philadelphia's Franklin Field.

The Relay Carnival has the distinction of being the oldest meet in the country since it has been held annually since 1895, a year before the revival of the Olympic antedated by the IC4A's, which began in 1876, but which have not been held annually.

In 1893-94 the "Carnival" was held on an experimental basis, with Princeton as the only competitor. The games were formally organized in 1895 as an intercollegiate and interscholastic meet to inaugurate the opening of Franklin Field. The idea for the Relays came largely from Frank B. Ellis and H. Laussat Geyelin.

From its meager beginning, the Carnival has grown until it attracts approximately 3500 entries representing the educational institutions of the East, South, Middle West, and frequently the Pacific Coast. International entries have come from England, Scotland, Sweden, Finland, Italy, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Canada and Hawaii.

Sportsmanship is one of the goals in any sport, and there could hardly be a better example of it than during the 1922 games. The distance medley turned into a duel between Georgetown and Penn State. On the last relay, Jim Connolly, of Georgetown, was running against State's Larry Shields.

The two runners began the last relay on even terms, and as the bell sounded for the final lap they were running stride for stride. Connolly led at the last turn, but he was running wide and Shields tried to pass him on the inside, which was illegal. The two men collided and Connolly fell and dropped his baton. Shields, realizing what had happened, stopped, helped the Georgetown man up, and then waited until Connolly was in the lead before he started to run.

Shields won the race, but the referee had to disqualify the State team and credit the win to Georgetown.

IM Soccer, Tennis Golf Entry Deadline

Entry deadlines for intramural golf, tennis doubles, and soccer have been scheduled for Tuesday, Dutch Sykes, assistant director of intramurals, announced.

A campus organization may enter one team in each sport. Golf and tennis matches are to be arranged between the contestants within a schedule of dates. Tennis and golf champions will be determined by single elimination, while the top soccer squad must survive a round robin test. The golf and tennis teams will be responsible for contacting one another in order to set playing dates.

Entry fees for the IM sports are \$1 for golf and soccer, 50 cents for each tennis team.

Lions Seek 4th and 5th; Face Lafayette and Rutgers

By DICK McDOWELL

Garland "Gerk" Gingerich, Joe Bedenk's newly found starter, toes the rubber for the Lions this afternoon when they meet Lafayette at Easton, Pa.

Gingerich earned the starting assignment on the basis of his six inning, no-hit relief stint against Villanova last week. The stocky right hander will be going after his second win of the season.

The Lions go into the ball game carrying a three game winning streak, with wins over Lehigh (4-3), Villanova (12-9), and Western Maryland (17-6). Following the contest the Nittanians will leave for New Brunswick, N.J., where they take on Rutgers tomorrow afternoon.

Spots Weaknesses

In that contest, Keith Vesling will go to the mound in an effort to capture his third win in a row. Vesling won his first with a six hit performance against Lehigh, and pitched another six-hitter, this time in nine innings of relief, to get his second.

With three games in the books, Bedenk has been able to get a better idea just where his club's weaknesses lie. Watching infield practice the day after the Lions' 17-6 shellacking of Western Maryland, the Lion skipper summed it up this way:

"We've made plenty of physical errors, but those are expected this early in the season and can be ironed out. It's the mental errors that we have to worry about."

No Hustle Lacking

Knowing Bedenk's past ball club, it's easy to figure out just what he's aiming for. He's the type of manager who likes to field a hustling ball club, and he searches for the player who is never self satisfied—one who always seeks to improve his play on the field.

The Lions appear to have plenty of hustle this spring, although the weather conditions under which they met the Terriers undoubtedly slowed them down some.

Along with this hustle, the power output seems also to be there—proven in the Terrior contest when the Lions smashed three home runs and three triples. The pitching, although shaky in spots, has looked good.

DUGOUT NOTES: Kline worked at first base in practice this week. Although Pat Kennedy is expected to start in absence of injured Don Shank, Hubie might receive some work at the initial sack with Burt Gold taking over third. . . . Bedenk has been impressed with the fleet leftfielder Rex Bradley. . . . Cerchie is leading in the slugging department. Both of his round trippers carried at least 375 feet. . . . Lions return home for two games next week. . . . They'll meet American University Wednesday, and Gettysburg Thursday.

Centennial in '55

Attractive home schedules will be Penn State's sports goal for the college's centennial celebration in 1955.

11 Score Wins in IM Volleyball

Intramural volleyball completed another evening under the nets at Rec Hall Wednesday night. Featured were eleven games—five independent clashes and six interfraternity contests.

Easiest time in the independent loops was had by the Iron Men, who exhibited their skillful tactics as they vanquished the Ex 9ers 15-2, 15-4.

The Rebels beat down Joe's Boys 15-10, 15-5.

The Big Ten ran into a tough time. Dorm 34, which won the first set, came close on the second, but then tired in the last set to lose out in the rubber. The scores, with the Big Ten on top, went 7-15, 15-12, 15-5.

The Beaver House B squad made an easy time out of its go with the Eagles team. The quick-time score, in favor of the Beavers, was 15-4, 15-6.

Nittany Co-op B team had a good workout against the Penn Club representatives, having the contest won in two sets, but with at least a little trouble, 15-11, 15-10.

The interfraternity contest were the most hard fought battles of the night as four of them went a full three sets. One went into overtime.

Phi Kappa Sigma called up all reserve strength in overcoming Theta Kappa Phi, having to go till the score reached 18 for a victory in the second set after a late start. The pace seemed to tell on the losing outfit, as it only marked ten in the final, and deciding set, 15-13, 18-16, 15-10.

The rest of the fraternity scores are as follows: Phi Sigma Delta over Phi Epsilon Pi, 15-11, 12-15, 15-7; Lambda Chi Alpha over Phi Kappa Psi, 12-15, 15-13, 15-9; Beta Theta Pi over Delta Tau Delta, 15-2, 15-8; Alpha Chi Sigma over Alpha Epsilon Pi, 15-5, 7-15, 15-8; Phi Kappa Tau over Phi Sigma Kappa, 15-10, 15-11.

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