

Lion Nine to Seek Third Win

Gingerich Will Make 1954 Debut

Garland Gingerich, one of Penn State's top pitchers last season, will make his 1954 debut this afternoon on Beaver Field against Western Maryland.

Game time is 3:30 p.m. In their only action so far this year the Lions defeated West Virginia in a home doubleheader. Keith Vesling hurled Penn State to a 12-1 win in the opener and Dave Lucas followed with a 2-0 whitewashing in the nightcap.

Leopards Here Tomorrow
Penn State will host Lafayette, District Two champ, tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. on Beaver Field. Lion Coach Joe Bedenk said either Vesling or Lucas will be on the mound against the Leopards.

Bedenk plans to use the same lineup which rang up the two victories over the Mountaineers.

Gingerich hurled 54 1/4 innings in 1953, winning four and losing three. His true effectiveness, however, is revealed by his 1.49 earned run average. A breakdown on the statistics also discloses that he walked only 2.3 men per game and struck out an average of seven men for each nine innings of pitching.

Runs to Lead Off
Charlie Russo, last year's batting champ, will be the leadoff batter for the Blue and White. The flashy second-baseman picked up three hits in five official at-bats against the Mountaineers. Russo was on base eight times in ten trips to the plate—he got three singles, four bases on balls, and was hit by a pitched ball.

The biggest change in the Penn State lineup since last year is the shift of Ron Weidenhammer from shortstop to centerfield. "Weed" has made the change in fine style. He will bat second, and his replacement at short, Francis Bowman, will follow in the No. 3 slot. Bowman got the only extra base blow in the West Virginia twin bill, a triple to deep left center with two down and one on in the eighth inning of the first game.

Werner in Right
Tom Werner will bat fourth and play right field. He has hammered out only one hit so far, but it was a run-scoring single. Werner timed a let-up pitch and hit it to right for his only base knock.

The only lefty swinger in the Penn State lineup will be first baseman Pat Kennedy. He went for the horse collar in both games, failing to hit in six tries. However, Kennedy is a steady performer and does a good job of guarding first.

Batting sixth and doing the catching will be George Ettenger. He caught the first game against the Mounties and picked two singles. The first one was an infield hit and the second a drive down the left field line.

Thirdbaseman Hubie Kline will bat seventh. Although he did not register a hit in four official turns, Kline got on base three times via a walk.

Rex Bradley got on base five times in eight tries. The Nittany leftfielder recorded two singles and three free passes.

Student radio station WDFM will broadcast today's Western Maryland - Penn State baseball game this afternoon. Since there are no facilities at Beaver Field to broadcast directly, the game will be recorded on tape and will be rebroadcast starting at 4:15 p.m. A pre-game warmup show will begin at 4 p.m. Steve Fishbein and Has Simm will do the play-by-play of this game as well as all other Penn State home baseball games this season.

The Giants' ball park in New York, the Polo Grounds, got its name because the first field they used was an old polo field. Even though the park has been moved twice since then, the old name remains.

Baseball's Big Leagues

PITTSBURGH, April 22 (AP)—George O'Donnell, the Pittsburgh Pirates 23-year-old rookie righthander, stopped the New York Giants 7-4 today in his first major league start, scattering eight hits.

O'Donnell, a 20-game winner with Hollywood and the Pacific Coast League's 1953 rookie of the year, struck out one and walked two. The victory moved the Pirates out of the cellar and into fifth place as the other National League clubs were idle.

BALTIMORE, April 22 (AP)—Duane Pillette, lanky righthander, settled down after the first inning and gave the Cleveland Indians only five hits today for his second straight Baltimore Oriole victory.

The Orioles gave him a three-run cushion in the first inning when the first four batters shelled Mike Garcia from the mound with consecutive singles and three runs.

Art Houttemar turned in a yeoman relief job by holding the Orioles to four hits and an eighth inning run after that.

7 Post Wins In IM H-Ball

Seven handball doubles were played Wednesday night in Recreation Hall. Jack Sherry and Ron Weidenhammer, Alpha Chi Rho, defeated Joe Adams and Ray Crahen, Kappa Sigma, 21-5, 21-18. Anthony Van Detti and Tom Rich, Theta Kappa Phi, won over John Milsom and Don Miller, Alpha Zeta, 21-7, 21-7.

Stan Engle and Bill Fahnestock, Sigma Nu, beat Jim Lessig and John Cooper, Chi Phi, 21-5, 21-1. Herb Hollowell and Howard Moore, Delta Tau Delta, won two of three sets from Pete Huey and Joe Garrity, Phi Delta Theta, 11-21, 21-17, 21-19.

Jim Scott and John Williamme, Pi Kappa Alpha, defeated Stan Dore and Al Coble, Alpha Tau Omega, 21-10, 21-4.

Jim Garrity and Gerald Maurey, Delta Upsilon, won a forfeit from Claude Boni and Bob Pearlstein, Alpha Epsilon Pi. Mark Leshner and Bob Seibel also won a forfeit from John Chhillrud and Vernon Sones, Acacia.

Intramural Office Sets Deadline

The deadline for intramural tennis-doubles, team golf, and soccer tournaments is 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. All entries must be submitted to the intramural office in Rec Hall.

Tournament competition will get under way Friday. The soccer tournament will be run-off in round-robin leagues in which each team will play at least two games. League winners will play for the championship.

The tennis doubles and golf tournament will be single elimination competition and opponents will arrange for the time of their matches.

Penn Relays Begin Today; Seven Lions In Opening Events

By DICK McDOWELL

Seven members of Penn State's 19-man entry go into action today as the 60th annual Penn Relay Carnival opens at Franklin Field in Philadelphia. The Lion contingent arrived in Philadelphia yesterday afternoon along with some 3000 college and high school stars, all of whom will be competing in the 91-event show today and tomorrow.

Musclemen Rosey Grier and Chuck Blockson will be the first to enter competition for the Nittanies. Both will enter the discus eliminations this morning. In other action today Bill Youkers will be running in the Invitational 120-yard high hurdles.

Undeclared Golfers Set For Bisons

Undeclared in eleven matches over two seasons, the Nittany golfers will meet the Bucknell Bisons tomorrow afternoon in their second home match of the week, and the last performance at home until May 26.

The Bucknell contest will be the Lions' final encounter before leaving for the Eastern Intercollegiate Golf Association tourney at Hanover, New Hampshire, on Dartmouth University's course, May 8-10.

After the Easterns, Penn State will start a three-match road trip to Colgate, Cornell, and Temple. Lehigh will visit the Lion greens May 26, and the season finale will be at Pittsburgh.

Last year the Lions continued their mastery over Bucknell's linksmen, after whitewashing the Bisons in 1952, 9-0.

Bucknell and Penn State have both met Navy, considered a powerhouse in Eastern golf. Although the Lions dumped the Middies, 5-2, in the season opener at Annapolis, Navy clubbed the Bisons with a 6-1 attack this season.

Coach Bob Rutherford is expected to count on the same lineup that has extended the Lions' victory streak to eleven, including last year's spotless card of nine wins in as many tries.

Mushrooms, or toadstools, which often grow from the ground like small umbrellas, are among the best known of the plants called fungi.

Coach Chick Werner will also put the first of four relay entries to the test today in the College Distance Medley Relay Championship of America. Speedster Art Pollard, winner of the 300-yard run in the Ohio Relays, and Don Austin are definite starters on the quartet. The other two will be either Bob Matz or Roy Brunjes and either Doug Moorhead or Bob Hollen.

Saturday's schedule of events lines up this way:

10:00 a.m.—Shotput trials and javelin trials. Grier and Blockson in the shot. Grier and Dan Hutchenson in the javelin.

10:30 a.m.—First heats of the Invitational 100-yard dash. Pollard will be running for Penn State.

Noon—Pole Vault. Dan Lorch for Penn State.

1:40 p.m.—College Freshman Mile Relay. Lineup for this event has not been announced.

2:00 p.m.—Javelin finals.

2:50 p.m.—College Four-mile Relay Championship. Ted Garrett, Austin, Hollen, and Moorhead will be entered for Penn State.

3:00 p.m.—Shot put finals.

4:05 p.m.—College two-mile relay. Werner did not announce his lineup for this event. It will probably be determined by the lineup used in the medley relay.

5:25 p.m.—College one-mile Relay Championship. Pollard, Ollie Sax, Skip Slocum, and Dave Leatham get the nod in this fast baton passing event.

Whitfield in Mile
One of the big feature events of the Saturday program will be the Benjamin Franklin Mile Run. Mal Whitfield will make his first try in a mile run and has flatly predicted that he will reach the coveted four minute mark.

Former Penn Stater Horace Ashenfelter will also be making a bid in the mile. Ashenfelter, one of the outstanding distance run-

ners in the world, won the Olympic Steeplechase championship in 1952.

The Lions will be facing the best competition available in the two-day extravaganza. Eastern powers led by Manhattan, and Morgan State, appear as early favorites in the relay events along with Michigan, Powerfu' Indiana, Notre Dame, Marquette, and the Wolverines lead the mid-west entries.

Entering their second week of competition, the Nittany thinclads still haven't met a team in dual competition. However, they battle Navy at Beaver Field next Saturday and will remain on home grounds for three weeks with Pitt, and Michigan State following on successive Saturdays.

Bevo Denied Pro Chance

NEW YORK, April 22 (AP)—The National Basketball Association's directors ruled today that Bevo Francis, the high-scoring Rio Grande college star, will not be eligible for pro basketball for two more years.

Francis, expelled from Rio Grande for failure to attend classes, has shown interest in pro basketball and Leo Ferris, vice president of the NBA Syracuse Nationals had said he was ready to negotiate with the 6 foot 9 sharpshooter.

The NBA directors, opening their three-day annual meeting, voted unanimously to abide by the league rule which says a player is not eligible for the draft and may not be signed until the class with which he originally entered college has been graduated.

Since Francis was in his sophomore year at Rio Grande, he cannot go on the draft list until 1956.

No Secrets in Slaughter Deal—Busch

ST. LOUIS, April 22 (AP)—The faithful of the St. Louis Cardinals who still are tearing their hair over the Enos Slaughter deal were assured today that—honest and truly—there was no hidden reason for the trade.

The furore touched off here by the surprising trade that sent the old war horse to the Yankees continues in full swing.

And August A. Busch, the Cardinals' brewer president, is concerned about suggestions, both numerous and bitter, that there was something mysterious about the deal.

Why, the fans have been demanding, should the veteran 37-year-old outfielder be swapped for

four minor league players, three of them unnamed?

Busch broke his silence today in a letter to the Globe-Democrat.

"I don't know that anything I might say could make Enos' friends feel any better, but I assure them that there is nothing hidden from them," Busch wrote. "The reasons I have given are the only ones and there is nothing mysterious about them."

The reasons Busch gave in a formal statement at the time of the trade April 11 were, briefly, these: The Cardinals are trying to build a young ball club and, with several promising rookie outfielders knocking at the door, room had to be made for them.

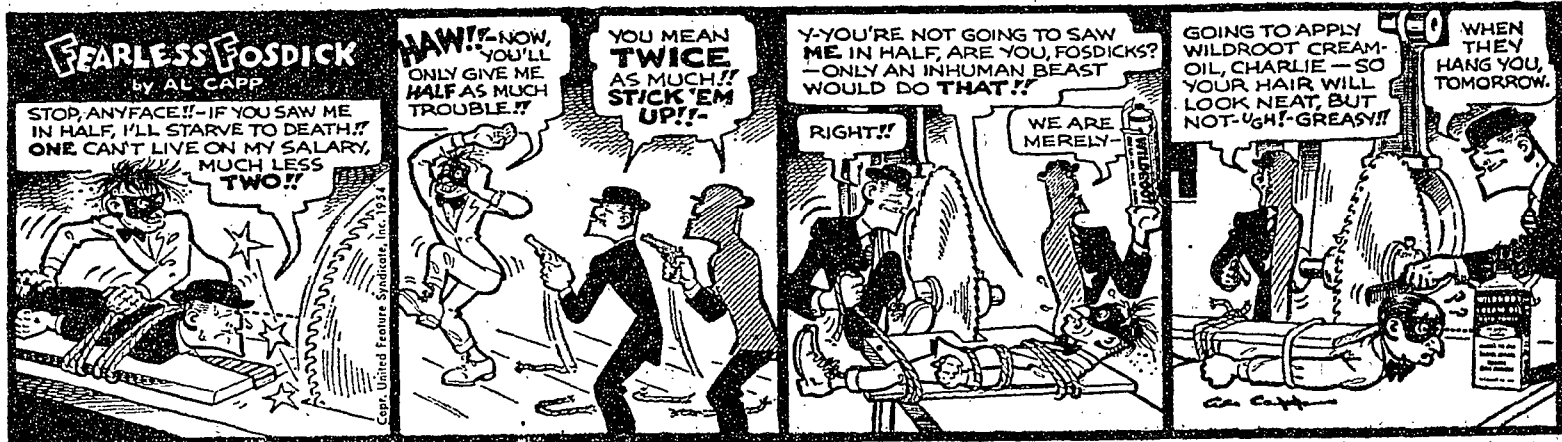
Perhaps the most widespread rumor stemming from the trade

was that actually it was part of the deal that brought pitcher Vic Raschi to the Cards from the Yankees two months ago. This previously was denied by the Cardinal management.

In his letter, Busch cited as typical of complaints by many fans a letter signed by a "Hot Cardinal Fan," who asked for "the story behind the Enos Slaughter deal."

If Busch is building a young ball club, the fan asked, why did he pay out an estimated \$75,000 in cash in the deal that brought the 35-year-old Raschi to St. Louis?

Said Busch: "We are doing what we think is best for the team. Only time will determine whether our judgment was good or bad in this case."



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