

Sporting the Lions . . .

# Sam's Song

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## DID YOU KNOW THAT . . . ?

Penn State is carrying an "extra" player on its 1954 golf trips. He is Dick Bruce, manager. Dick, son of the freshman football coach, Earl Bruce, saved an unbeaten season for the Nittany Lions last year when he won against a threatening Bucknell team. He was out for the team last year, but gave it up early in the year and concentrated on his managerial duties. When Coach Bob Rutherford's team traveled to Bucknell, the golfers were short one player because of final exams. Bruce substituted. He has not participated this season as yet, but he is on the roster . . .

The Swedish National Gymnastic team, which concluded its good will tour in March, lost only to Florida State by ten points. Penn State, NCAA gym champs, was on the short end of their dual with the Swedes by three points . . .

Their tour was more successful than anticipated. The Swedes drew well in every city but two—St. Louis and Kansas City. At Pittsburgh, they drew 2000—more than Pittsburgh draws for basketball. No city or town, however, drew more than Penn State (6000). The second largest attendance was at Illinois where 5000 fans were attracted . . .

During the trip the Swedes enjoyed the Florida sunshine, television, and big American cars. They called professional wrestling a fake and claimed that it does more harm than good. (Wrestling is the number two sport in Sweden . . .)

At one stage of the trip, when they were heading for their westernmost stop at the University of Colorado, they talked Walter Spicer of Bellefonte, Edwards Bus Line driver who was selected to drive the team around the country, into a detour to see an Indian. The Swedes were determined they were not returning to Sweden without seeing an American Indian. They went to Oklahoma and saw an Indian . . .

Penn State, to the Swedes, was the most impressive. They said that they were treated very well and that the country is more like their own . . .

Although frequently boring, statistics do offer impressive evidence as to who are baseball's top 20 hitters. During the past several years we have been watching how the present day greats compare with players like Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, etc. And too, with the many controversies arising as to who is best of the present era players, the following facts show that it is Stan Musial, Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams, and Ralph Kiner in that order. Everyone but DiMag, who retired, can improve his standing.

The numbers below exemplify how a particular ballplayer is rated compared to the others as a hitter and in individual batting departments. For instance, Ruth is rated as the third best hitter in baseball and is first in home runs, tenth in doubles, seventh, in batting average, etc. We added the individual hitting department ratings to obtain a composite rating score.

	Yrs.	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	B.A.	Comp. Score
1. Cobb	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	13	4	1	27
2. Speaker	4	3	3	4	2	1	3	14	18	6	58
3. Ruth	4	7	9	2	10	10	14	1	1	7	65
4. Hornsby	3	10	11	10	7	7	7	8	7	2	72
5. Lajoie	7	8	5	12	5	3	4	18	—	12	74*
6. Wagner	7	4	2	8	3	4	2	16	15	16	77
8. Collins	1	2	4	6	4	14	6	20	9	14	77
3. Waner	7	6	6	9	6	5	5	15	10	15	84
9. Ott	4	5	7	5	9	11	18	3	5	19	86
10. Gehrig	12	12	13	3	12	9	10	4	2	11	88
11. Simmons	10	11	8	11	8	8	12	7	6	13	94
12. Heilmann	12	13	14	15	13	6	11	11	—	8	103*
13. Foxx	10	9	12	7	14	13	16	2	3	18	104
14. Sisler	14	14	10	16	11	15	9	17	12	10	128
15. Musial	18	17	16	17	15	12	13	10	13	5	136
15. DiMaggio	16	15	15	13	16	16	15	5	8	17	136*
17. Williams	18	18	18	14	19	18	19	6	11	4	145
18. Terry	15	16	17	18	17	17	17	12	14	9	152
19. Jackson	16	19	19	19	18	19	8	19	16	3	156
20. Kiner	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	9	17	20	196

\*Complete record not available.

# Squads Selected For 'Bucket Bowl'

Two football co-captains will lead opposing forces this Saturday when the annual "Bucket Bowl" game gets under way at Beaver Field, climaxing 20 days of concentrated football drills.

Center Don Balthaser and end Jim Garrity will captain the traditional Blue and White teams bolstered heavily by freshman shooting for positions next fall. The game is scheduled to get under way immediately following the Penn State-Navy track meet which begins at 2 p.m.

Opposing coaches huddled yesterday as strategy plans began to formulate. Coaching the Blue squad will be Frank Patrick, Jim O'Hara, and J. T. White. Joe Paterno, Tor Toretto, and Earl Bruce will mastermind the Whites.

## Pollard--

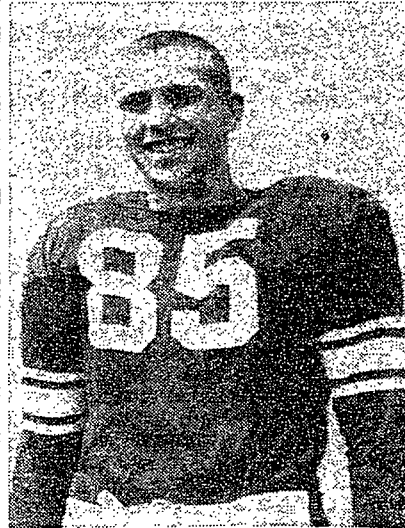
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topped the bar at 13'4" for the win.

In every relay event, the Lions were faced with just about the classiest competition available this season. In fact the field was regarded as one of the best ever assembled from the college ranks.

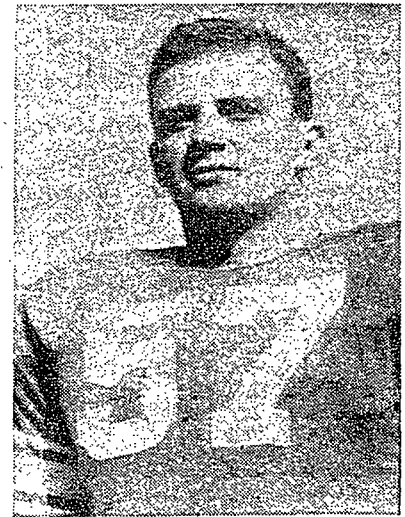
The four-mile quartet, led by lanky Don Austin, was clocked at 18:02.8, finishing behind Indiana, Michigan, and Pitt. Austin clocked at 3:05.5 in a 3/4 mile lap of the medley relay Friday, ran his mile leg in 4:21.8.

Pollard ran a 49 second quarter in the opening lap of the mile relay race, handing the Lions a slim lead over Manhattan. However, the powerful Jaspers eventually moved into the front spot to win the event. Skip Slocum (:50.10), Roy Brunjes (:50.8), and Ollie Sax (:50.1) teamed up with Pollard in the race.

The Lions open their dual meet campaign with the Middies Saturday at Beaver Field. Following that Pitt, and Michigan State visit on successive Saturdays.



Jim Garrity  
To Captain Whites



Don Balthaser  
Blue Captain

## Globe Trotters Sign Francis For \$30,000

NEW YORK, April 26 (AP)—Bevo Francis, the fabulous basketball record breaker of little Rio Grande College of Ohio, signed up today as a professional along with his coach, Newt Oliver, for a package deal of approximately \$30,000.

Abe Saperstein, promoter of the Harlem Globetrotters and other enterprises, hired Francis and Oliver on behalf of his Boston Whirlwinds, an independent team. Their contract is for one year with an option for the second.

Francis was expelled from Rio Grande April 12 for scholarship reasons shortly after he declared "the bills are piling up" and that he might need to go to work. Oliver then resigned as basketball coach and athletic director.

Saperstein, the rotund mastermind of the touring Globetrotters, announced his deal with Francis and Oliver at a press luncheon.

## WRA Results

### Badminton

Kappa Kappa Gamma over Leonides.  
Sigma Sigma Sigma over Alpha Gamma Delta.  
Kappa Alpha Theta over Zeta Tau Alpha.

### Bowling (playoffs)

Pi Beta Phi over Alpha Omicron Pi.  
Tri Deltis over Sigma Sigma Sigma.

### Serves Two Purposes

Actually the contest will serve two purposes. First it will give more than 200 high school coaches, who will be attending the annual football clinic, a look at Penn State football in action. But more important, Coach Rip Engle, who will be sitting this one out, will get a last, but very important look at his prospects for the fall when he tackles another man-sized schedule.

And chances are that Engle will be keeping a sharp eye on the four quarterbacks who will be handling the signal calling. The quarterback problem has been the biggest question mark this spring as Engle seeks a replacement for rocket-armed Tony Rados who directed the Nittany attack last season.

Don Bailey, who has seen plenty of action at various positions in the last two seasons, teams up with freshman Milt Plumb in the quarterback slot for the Blues.

### BLUE TEAM

Ends: Leo Kwakik, Bill Frame, Ned Finklebinder, Jack Fry, John Arnt, Doug Meckling, and Wendal Tolar. Tackles: Scotty Wampler, Ignatus Hokja, Gene Danser, and Clint Law. Guards: Sam Green, Earl Shumaker, Pete Petroff, Bob Urban, Dick DeLuca, Bob Clements, Stan Prasehunus, John Caldron.

Centers: Balthaser, captain; Ed Kleist, and Dick Wright. Quarterbacks: Bailey and Plum. Halfbacks: Buddy Rowell, Don McNally, Bob Allen, John Bruno, and Bill Hill. Fullbacks: Bill Straub, Stu Wiggins, John Shea, Wally Moraz.

### WHITE TEAM

Ends: Don Ryan, Ed Rudler, Gene Mayer, Garrity, captain; Bob Rohland, and Jim Caldwell. Tackles: Dan De Falco, Jim Harding, Otto Keneidinger, and Joe Shiek. Guards: Chuck Sowers, Keith Horn, Bill Clements, Sam Valentine, Chuck Signorino, Andy Hibler, and Ron Downie.

Centers: Frank Reich, and Dan Radakovich. Quarterbacks: Hoffman, Colangelo. Halfbacks: Lenny Moore, Ray Alberigi, Ralph Feigles, Ron Younker, Bill Kane, Jim Lockerman. Fullbacks: Frank Della Penna, Dick McMillen, and Bruce Faringer.

## IM Entry Deadline Set for Today

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

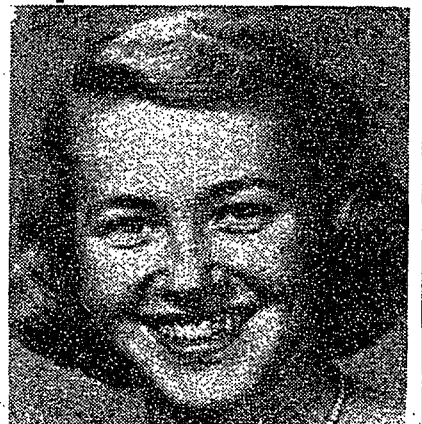
Tournament competition will get under way Friday. The soccer tournament will be run-off in round-robin leagues in which each team will play at least two games. League winners will play for the championship.

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

## Campanella Has Broken Hand—Two Weeks Old

NEW YORK, April 26 (AP)—Roy Campanella, Brooklyn's slugging catcher, has been playing the first two weeks of the season with a broken left hand, it was learned today.

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