

Tennis, Golf Teams Face Bisons Today

By JOE CHEDDAR

Captain Warren Gittlen will occupy the number one slot when the Penn State golf team opens its 1955 season today against Bucknell at Lewisburg.

After the first round of runoffs last week it was feared that Gittlen would not qualify for the squad; but the two-year veteran came through on the last 18 holes of the runoffs to place himself up among the leaders.

The Lion squad, besides Gittlen, will be junior Jim Ginsberg in the number two slot; another junior, Jim Gerhart playing third; senior Jim Mayes teeing off fourth; and the two soph sensations, Leo Kukkola and John Boyanowski, playing fifth and sixth respectively.

Scores Listed

The scores in the runoffs as they were posted Saturday and Sunday are: Kukkola 286; Gerhart 287; Ginsberg 287; Gittlen 288; Mayes 292; and Boyanowski 294.

The playing order against the Bisons today does not coincide with the order of the finishers in the runoffs, but the reason for that is plain to see. Rutherford must lead with his most experienced men; and Gittlen and Ginsberg are the most experienced.

Tomorrow's test will not be too difficult a one for the Lions. Rather it will serve chiefly as a warm-up for stiffer tests. The Bisons are not to be taken too lightly, however. In their opener against Cornell they were on the short end of an 8-1 score, but several of the matches were closer than the score indicated. The Lions are loaded for bear however. Rutherford's team this year represents what is perhaps the best balanced Lion squad in years.

Best Ball Play

Today's match will be contested on a best ball basis. One point will be awarded for each individual game, and the match, plus another point for the low scorer on each hole.

The Linksmen will leave the campus for Lewisburg at 8:30 a.m. in order to be there in time to play a practice round before the actual competition begins at 1:30 p.m.

The squad for today's match consists of only six men, but in the next match, against Georgetown, the regular 7-man team which is required in EIGA competition will be used. Jim Decker, George Kreidler, and John Branish will battle it out for the seventh position in a special match a 9-hole course.

By JOHN LAWRENCE

Penn State's tennis squad takes to the road again and today's match with Bucknell, at Lewisburg, may very well be the one that will put the Lion netmen on the road to a successful season.

After dropping their first three matches of the campaign to Pennsylvania, 8-1, Maryland, 6-2, and Navy 9-0, today's opposition with the Bisons promises to be one the State netmen can meet without fear of facing a strong tennis power.

Coach Sherm Fogg plans no major changes on the squad which at present shows Chuck Christiansen and Doug Zuker as the only Lion winners.

Christiansen Winner Twice

Christiansen captured his first two starts of the campaign against Penn and Maryland, however, the Lion junior was bounced in the Navy meet, 6-2, 6-1. Zuker, receiving his first start of the season, brought home the bacon for Fogg when he defeated his Maryland opponent, 8-6, 6-2.

Fogg will go with his number one man, Bill Zeigler, Ed Seiling in the second slot, with Dean Mullin, Chuck Christiansen, Larry Adler and Rhymes Humphries rounding out the signal action. The doubles pairings will not be known until match time.

Opponents Improved

The Lions will be facing opponents of slightly less calibre than that of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Navy during the remainder of their schedule. However, every squad has improved over the year, while Fogg has been faced with a rebuilding problem.

Another serious factor has been the traditional State College weather. Practice sessions have had a damp cloth thrown over them and therefore Zeigler and his teammates have been thwarted in their efforts.

However, Fogg has the material and it's just a matter of time before the Lion netment should begin to click. Pennsylvania is a traditional ivy league net power, as are all ivy schools and Navy, which had an influx of veterans from last year's squad that walloped the Lions, again produced a strong, solid club. Maryland caught the State squad between the Pennsylvania and the midshipmen encounter and took advantage of every break to waltz off with a 6-2 decision.

Mullin Elected 'S' Club Prexy

Varsity tennis player Dean Mullin has been elected president of the Varsity S Club for the 1955-56 school year. Mullin succeeded Don Balthaser as president of the club.

Joe Krufka was elected vice president; Doug Moorhead, secretary; Bob Matz, corresponding secretary; and Rudy Marisa, treasurer.

The Club will hold its first annual sports banquet May 3, honoring varsity athletes, managers, and coaches at the Autoport Restaurant. Harry Stuhlreher, famed member of the Notre Dame Four Horsemen, will be the principal speaker.

Retiring president Balthaser has urged all those who plan to attend the banquet to pick up their tickets at the Hetzel Union Desk.

Pinezich's Goals Win National Soccer Title

All-America soccer player Jack Pinezich, who was graduated from Penn State in February, booted in two goals in the final five minutes to lead the New York Eintracht team to a 2-0 victory Sunday over the Los Angeles Danes for the National Open Soccer Championship.

Pinezich led the Lions in scoring in his sophomore year and was a 1954 all-America selection.

Helms Names Arnelle

Jesse Arnelle, Penn State center and captain, gained a second team berth on the Helms Athletic Foundation's 1955 college All-America basketball squad. The Lion star will receive a Helms Athletic Foundation team award in honor of his recognition.

Lions Drop 3rd, 3-1; Outhit Mountaineers

Saturday at Morgantown, W. Va., it was the same old story for the Penn State baseball team—hits but no runs. In fact this time the Lions outhit their diamond foe, 8-5, but dropped their third decision of the season in five contests, 3-1.

Sophomore southpaw Ed Drapcho, on the hill for the Lions, suffered his first loss of the still young season after two straight wins, but turned in a fine performance striking out nine and allowing only two free passes.

But three of those base hits, combined with an error, were enough to give the Mountaineers a three-run third inning outburst for their sixth consecutive win.

Score in Fifth

Meanwhile the Nittanies broke lefty Don O'Haver's shutout in the fifth with their only score, although they managed threats in both the eighth and ninth.

The Lion attack was spearheaded at the plate by third baseman Ron Weidenhammer who had a perfect day, four for four.

Center fielder Merle Gerdes, first baseman Pat Kennedy, Drapcho and pinch hitter Stan Szymanski collected Penn State's remaining hits, with Drapcho keeping the Nittanies from being blanked in the scoring column.

Bill Franko contributed two hits for the Mounties, who before the weekend Penn State series claimed four men batting above the .500 clip and three more bettering .333 at the plate.

Franko Scores Winning Run

Franko, after starting off the West Virginia second with a base hit, stole second, advanced to third on Cookie Tirabassi's error, and scored the winners' first run on Ron LeNeve's right field single.

Two more West Virginia players crossed the plate before the Lion southpaw could put out the fire and blank the Mounties the remainder of the game.

In the Lions' fifth, Drapcho singled after catcher Wally Rusz fanned. Captain Charlie Russo popped to the infield for the second out before Weidenhammer could bang out hit number three. Gerdes, seeing his first start in center field, singled to score Drapcho and Kennedy brought the inning to a close via the strikeout route.

Fans Three Straight

O'Haver proceeded to fan three Lions in the sixth and two more in the seventh, accounting for five of his 12 strikeouts.

Drapcho had his moment on the mound also, with a single West Virginia batsman preventing him from setting down 18 in a row.

The Lions visit Bucknell Wednesday for their fifth straight road contest before returning to Beaver Field Saturday to host Gettysburg.

The box score:

PENN STATE				WEST VA.			
	Ab	R	H	Ab	R	H	E
Russo, 2b	4	0	0	Kalteneo, r, 2b	3	0	1
W'd'her, 3b	4	0	4	McKown, rf	3	0	0
Gerdes, cf	4	0	1	Rabbits, cf	4	0	1
Kennedy, lb	4	0	1	Lenart, lb	4	0	0
Bradley, lf	3	0	0	Franko, lf	3	2	2
Tirabassi, ss	3	0	0	c-Smith, if	0	0	0
a-Saunders	1	0	0	Shater, sb	3	1	0
Malley, r	3	0	0	Firestone, sb	0	0	0
b-Szymanski	1	0	1	LaNeve, ss	3	1	1
Mraz, c	3	0	0	Balker, c	3	0	0
Drapcho, p	4	1	1	O'Haver, p	8	0	0

a—Struck out for Tirabassi in 9th.

b—Singled for Malley in 9th.

c—Ran for Franko in 6th.

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Ed Drapcho Loses five-hitter

Delta Chi Wins League J V-ball

Six fraternity B teams and five independent squads gained victories in the intramural volleyball tournament Friday night at Recreation Hall.

Delta Chi oacked into the League J title by winning a forfeit victory over Alpha Tau Omega. In other fraternity games, Sigma Nu topped Phi Sigma Delta; Phi Delta Theta downed Phi Kappa Tau; Beta Theta Pi defeated Alpha Chi Rho; Alpha Chi Sigma edged Alpha Gamma Rho; and Acacia walloped Theta Kappa Phi.

In the independent tilts, Wetzel's Warriors nipped Saitch's; the Barfers trounced the Duces; the Buffaloes took two out of three games from Irvin Aces; Dorm 11 tripped the Eagles; and the Giraffes whipped the Hamilton Six. One contest resulted in a double forfeit when both the Jocks and the Penn State Club failed to appear for their match.

Penn State will open its 1955 football campaign against Boston University Sept. 24, close against the University of Pittsburgh Nov. 19.

A triangular duel with Penn and Navy on May 7 will highlight Penn State's home schedule in golf.

Stickmen Drop 4th, 17-6

By FRAN FANUCCI

Penn State's lacrosse team suffered its third consecutive defeat of the season Saturday as undefeated Rutgers University kept its skein intact, rolling up a 17-6 score.

Penn State will try to halt its four game losing streak when it meets Loyola at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow at Beaver Field.

Bob Erwin led the Lion stickmen in scoring with three goals and for the nationally ranked Scarlet, Jack Daut and Bob Andrews both tallied five.

Rutgers came from a one goal deficit to take a 4-1 lead at the end of the first quarter and then extended its margin in the second quarter to hold a commanding 8-3 edge at half time.

In the second half the Scarlet hit the net for an additional nine goals while the Nittanies could hit for only three.

Erwin opened the scoring at 2:19 when he tossed one in, but Daut tied it up at 4:49 and Andrews put Rutgers ahead to stay when he scored nine seconds later.

It was Daut and Andrews scoring side by side throughout the contest. With only eight seconds having ticked off the clock at the start of the second half, Andrews ripped in with a goal to give Rutgers a 9-3 lead, but Jim Hay took the ball at the face-off and raced in to score the Lions' fourth goal. It was only a matter of seconds, however, before Daut came back to score as he threw one in the net at 0:52.

Erwin and George Bicklehaupt ended the Lion scoring with goals in the final minutes of the last quarter. Rutgers scored four goals in the final quarter as it won its fourth straight.

Captain Don Bell and Bob Bullock played probably the best

game for the Lions. Bell gave a remarkable performance as he turned in a dazzling 35 saves for the afternoon. For Bullock it was the third time in as many weeks that he has sparkled at his defensive post.

Coach Nick Thiel said that in his opinion Rutgers displayed a much better team in physical condition and in scoring ability than Navy.

He said the team should get back on the winning trail against Loyola and Colgate. Loyola has compiled a 1-2-1 record so far this season. Its only win was over Dickinson College, 9-8.

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