

Temple Drops Lion Nine, 4-3

Lose After Double Win; To Meet Middies Today

By RON GATEHOUSE

Penn State's on-again-off-again baseball squad, after sweeping both ends of a Saturday Beaver Field double-header from Georgetown, dropped a 4-3 verdict to Temple yesterday at Philadelphia to bring its 1955 record to 7-4.

Joe Bedenk's Lions turn south today for game number 12 with the U.S. Naval Academy furnishing the opposition.

Eddie Drapcho, heading Bedenk's mound forces with a 5-1 slate, will face the Middies in today's contest, fifth road test for the Lions.

Against the Hoyas Saturday, the Nittanians made it a bit more clearer that they operate best on home grounds, where they've stood unbeaten to notch six of their seven victories to date.

With small but effective south-paw Drapcho going the route in Saturday's lidlifter, the Lions romped to an 11-0 shutout win over the Hoyas.

Surprise starter Lynn Harbold, making his first varsity appearance in the nightcap, twirled the Lions to win number seven, 8-2, yielding eight hits and fanning five.



Hex Bradley 4 for 6 in twin-bill

Drapcho's triumph, a three-hit performance, brought his consecutive scoreless-inning streak to 25. Previous to his weekend three-hit effort, the Lion ace authorized back-to-back a no-hitter and a two-hit showing.

Stan Larimer, going the distance in yesterday's contest, relinquished only five hits while his Nittany teammates were slamming out one less, but a bottom-of-the-ninth two-run outburst by the Owls was enough to overcome a 3-2 Penn State lead.

Larimer, now 1-3 for the season, set down nine Owl batters himself via the strikeout route while Temple's Ed Maier was whiffing 11.

Jim Lockerman collected two of the Nittanians four bingles, with Bob McMullen and Paul Palumbo accounting for one each.

McMullen's sock was good for four bases, driving captain Charlie Russo in ahead of him for two Lion runs. McMullen scored earlier for the first Penn State score.

The Owls' Al Didriksen and Chuck Bergdoll both went one-for-three at the plate and handled the winners' scoring output, two each.

The Nittanians got off to a rapid start with a run in their half of the first, and added two more in the seventh. Temple, behind 3-0, came back with two scores in the bottom of the seventh before providing the clincher in the ninth.

In the Lion first, McMullen and Rex Bradley walked after Russo struck out to open the game. Both runners advanced on a passed ball, with McMullen crossing home on Ron Weidenhammer's infield out.

After Larimer fanned in the Penn State seventh, Russo gained a base on balls to set the stage for McMullen's circuit clout to deep right.

Didriksen got the third of the Owl's quintet of hits to get the winners rolling in the seventh, followed by Bergdoll's free pass. McMullen's base on Loder's error, and a base on Loder's error, set the stage for Bill Hall then slammed a grounder

into the infield which resulted in Didriksen and Bergdoll scoring on Russo's miscue on a double play attempt.

Behind 3-2 going into the final stanza, the Owls realized their do-or-die predicament and called on Didriksen and Bergdoll to again provide the needed punch.

Didriksen slammed a base hit and moved to second when Bergdoll waited out one of three free passes issued by Larimer. Jim Kelly then stepped to the plate and smashed a double to score both runners and pull the curtain on Penn State's changes for their sixth straight victory.

The win was the Owl's fifth in six starts. Larimer pitched hitless ball until John Granozio connected in the fourth. The Lions left nine men stranded on the base paths. The Owls failed to score four.

Behind Saturday's two-five pitching performances the Lions garnered 22 hits with the first four men in the batting order accounting for 13.

Bradley and McMullen went four-for-six and four-for-eight respectively for the afternoon.

In the opening 11-0 contest, the Nittanians scored single tallies in the first and second, added twin scores in the third and seventh and finished in fine order with a five-hit five-run outburst in the eighth.

Meanwhile, Drapcho limited the Hoyas to single safeties in the last three stanzas after setting the first 14 batters down in strict consecutive order.

Georgetown placed a runner on first for the first time in the fifth when Frank Valgenti strolled down the first base line after being hit by a pitched ball.

John Recesso was the only Hoya to reach second in the first game when he was forced down after Bill Harrison took first on the only base on balls issued by Drapcho.

He fanned nine while a trio of Georgetown hurlers could manage only two strikeouts, at the same time yielding 15 Nittany hits.

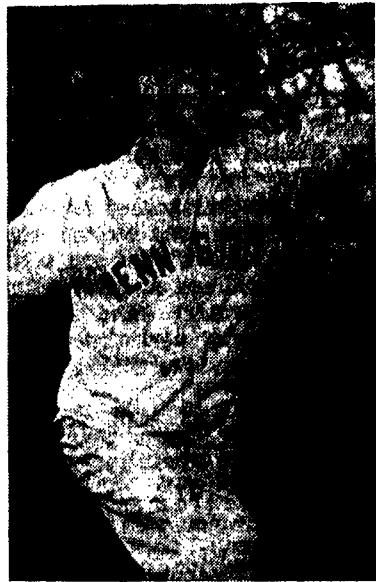
McMullen and Pat Kennedy were the big guns for the Lions, both going three-four-five at the plate. Russo, Ron Weidenhammer and Rex Bradley each connected for a pair of hits, with Cookie Tirabassi, Norm Van Ord and Drapcho gaining one apiece. Weidenhammer is leading the Lions at the plate with a .450 average.

Harbold, only the third starter Bedenk has used this year, did a good job of scattering the eight Hoya hits in the second contest to stay out of trouble.

He yielded runs in the second and fourth frames of the seven-inning contest, while the Nittanians crossed home with three in the first and third, and two two more in the fourth.

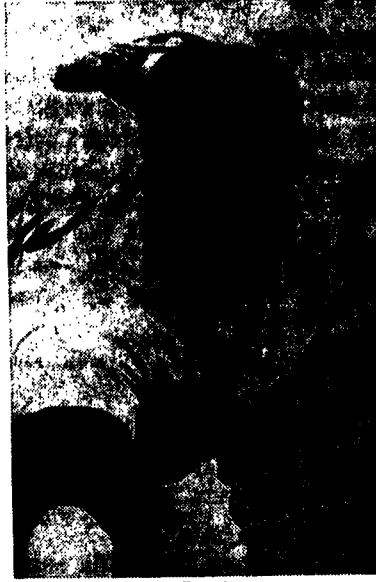
Bradley's home run in the third was the game's big blow. The left field smash came with two Lions aboard. Bradley went two-for-three to pace the Staters at the plate, and earned himself four RBI's. He, along with Weidenhammer and Pete Cherish, starting for the first time at first base, each scored a pair of runs, with Lou D'Orsaneo and Harbold bringing the total to eight. D'Orsaneo made his first varsity appearance behind the plate.

Dale Smith, Georgetown third baseman, connected all three times at bat and accounted for the losers' two scores. The Lions gained fifth and



Ed Drapcho 25 scoreless innings

Ed Drapcho, Penn State pitcher, is shown in action during a game.



Stan Larimer Loses 5-hit effort

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Saturday's First Game

PENN STATE		GEORGETOWN	
Ab	R	Ab	R
Russo, 2b	4	2	0
McMullen, rf	5	1	3
W'd'h'mer, 3b	4	2	2
Kennedy, lb	5	1	3
Bradley, lf	3	1	2
L'k'r'm'n, cf	4	0	0
Tirabassi, ss	2	1	1
Van Ord, c	4	1	1
Drapcho, p	4	2	1
Totals		35	11

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W'd'h'mer, 3b	1	2	1
Kennedy, lb	3	2	1
Bradley, lf	3	2	2
L'k'r'm'n, cf	2	0	1
Gerdes, cf	1	0	0
Tirabassi, ss	2	0	1
D'Orsaneo, c	3	0	1
Harbold, p	2	1	0
Totals		24	8

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Linksman Beat Penn, Navy; Gittlen Paces Lions' 5th Win

The Penn State golf team removed another important obstacle from its path to an undefeated season Saturday when it romped to its fifth victory in a triangular meet with Navy and the University of Pennsylvania on home links.

Coach Bob Rutherford's linksmen left no room for doubt in their win. They finished 23 strokes in front of the second-place Quakers and 33 strokes ahead of third-place Navy.

The combined stroke total of the three teams was Penn State, 527; Penn, 550; and the U.S. Naval Academy, 560.

Warren Gittlen was once again the big gun for the Nittany linksmen. The veteran captain scored a two over par 71 to lead the Lions and become Medalist for the day. Gittlen scored an above par 37 on the front nine, but poured on the coal in the back nine with a 34 to capture the win.

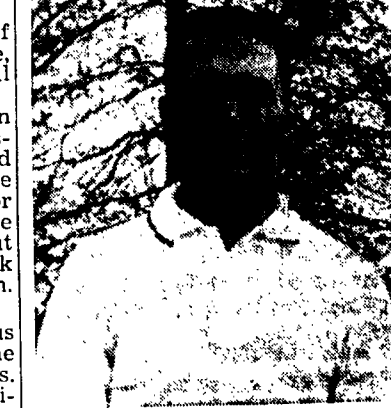
Gearhart, Mayes Post 74's Juniors Jim Mayes and Gus Gearhart followed Gittlen in the scoring parade for the Lions. Mayes and Gearhart posted identical 74's on the par 69 course.

Mayes scored 37's on both the front nine and the back nine; Gearhart posted a 36 on the first nine, but slumped somewhat on the final nine with a 38.

Right on the heels of these two came sophomore John Branish with a 75. Branish is a comparative newcomer to the Lion ranks, but he already had made a deep impression of his ability on the Linksman's course. Branish combined a 36 and a 39 for his score.

Jim Ginsberg and Leo Kukkola came next for the Rutherford men, posting twin 78's. The two golfers, slumping a little from their usual torrid pace, kept their consistency complete. They both posted 38's on the front and back nine's to get their totals.

Bringing up the rear for the Lions, in a totally unfamiliar spot, was Rutherford's third sophomore flash, John Boyanowski.



Warren Gittlen Consistent Winner

Boyanowski combined a 41 and a 40 for his score.

For the second place Quaker's number-one man Chuck Yarnall led the way. Yarnall scored a 72, to finish one stroke behind Gittlen as the day's medalist. Bob Rainey was next for the Penn squad, a distant eight strokes behind the pacer, with a 78. After Rainey came Fran Poore and

George Pratchett with 79's, followed by Al McQuiston and Chuck Adams with 80's, and finally Shumer Lonoff with an 82.

Navy's Best Hits 76

The Middie's best man was John Davis who scored a 76. Cookie King followed with a 78, Frank Kelso and Bill Hodge trailed King with 79's. Then came Dick Mattox who posted an 80, Dave Wright who scored an 83, and finally Jim Degroff who contributed an 85.

Previous to Saturday's match, the Quakers had owned a 7-2 record, and the Sailor's a 3-2 mark. Penn lost to Georgetown and Villanova in its first two starts, but came here Saturday sporting a five-game win streak. The Middies also lost their first two, to Princeton and Georgetown, and were also aiming to keep a win streak alive. The Sailors had won their last three outings against Duke, Maryland, and Pitt.

The Lions will be idle until May 14, when they enter the Eastern Intercollegiate Golf Association championships at New Haven, Connecticut. The match will be a four-day affair Saturday through Monday.

Rutherford's team will carry a record of nine straight victories into the fray at New Haven, five of the nine wins coming this season. The Nittanians have never been very fortunate in this particular match however. They won it only once, in 1948. Last year the Lions finished 15th out of a field of 18 teams, when only two of the Linksman qualified for the second-day's action.

Frosh Stop Bullets for 2nd Straight

The Penn State freshman baseball team won its second consecutive game yesterday afternoon at Beaver Field as it walloped the Gettysburg Frosh, 10-0.

The frosh will go after their second win in as many days this afternoon when they meet the Bucknell freshman squad at Beaver Field. Game time is set for 4 o'clock.

Big Ron Smith put on a sparkling performance as he pitched a two-hit shutout for his second win of the season yesterday. The big right hander had a no-hitter going for him until Jack Bream broke the spell with a broken bat Texas leaguer with one out in the sixth inning. Bob Jungle had the Bullets only other asfety, a solid line drive single to center in the seventh.

Romberger Homers

Roy Romberger and Steve Baidy provided the Lion batting punch, with Romberge having a perfect day as he socked a home run and two singles, good for five RBI's, in three trips to the plate. Baidy had two singles in three attempts while Ron Rainey contributed a two bagger to aid young Smith in his victory.

Take Early Lead

The Lions took a four-run lead in the second, and added two more in the third to take a six-run lead and put the issue out of doubt. Romberger's four ply belt with two runners aboard brought in three more runs in the fifth. They scored an additional run in the sixth to end the day's scoring.


Big Smith was the whole story, however, as he allowed just three runners to reach base throughout the contest, one of those via his only free pass of the game. The Lion hurler, a 2.5 engineering student, was never in trouble as he struck out seven Bullets in his sterling performance.

Post Second Victory

In posting their second victory of the campaign, the frosh accumulated eight hits, two of which were extra base blows. The Lions took advantage of the opposition's erratic play along with the wildness of the Gettysburg pitchers to cop the victory.

After today's contest, the Frosh will end their season with a home contest against the freshman squad of Colgate University.

Andy Pafko of the Milwaukee Braves has hit 194 home runs in his twelve years in the major leagues.



A LUCKY ANGEL

He has St. Peter's permission to return to earth once a month. He immediately heads for the one thing heaven has no provision for—a Smith haircut.

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