

Youkers, Grier, Pollard Enter Coliseum Relays Tonight at Los Angeles

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Three of Penn State's thinclads—Art Pollard, Bill Youkers, and Captain Rosey Grier—will compete with the cream of the American track corps tonight when they enter the 15th annual running of the Coliseum Relays at Los Angeles, Calif.

Pollard will enter the 100-yard dash and Bill Youkers will run the 120-yard high hurdles. Grier will be in his familiar position of putting the shot.

Nittany track coach Chick Werner and his trio of trackmen left Pittsburgh by plane on Wednesday after the Lions staged an 87-44 victory over the Panthers.

When the Lions left State College on Monday for the Pitt dual meet, no arrangements had been made to take Youkers to Los Angeles. After the spunky Lion senior turned in a dazzling :14.1 in the 120 high hurdles to set a new Penn State record and cop the event by ten yards, Penn State filed a request for approval to

who defeated Grier in the Ohio Relays this year at Columbus, has registered a 57-8 1/4 mark.

Bill Neider, sophomore from Kansas University; and Bill Bangert, formerly of Missouri, have each posted throws over 58 feet.

In the 100-yard dash Pollard will be with a host of century men who run the event under :9.8. Dean Smith, 1954 winner from Texas who copped the 100 in 9.6, and Andy Stanfield, formerly of Seton Hall and three-time champ, are expected to be among Pollard's top competition. Stanfield, winner in 1950, '51, and '53, posted :9.5, :9.6, and :9.7 victory marks in that order.

In addition to Stanfield, also the 1952 200 meter champ and Smith—a 1952 Olympic finalist, are Jim Golliday, Northwestern junior, who posted a :9.3 clocking two weeks ago; Ron Richards, a :9.5 man, Penn's Johnny Haines; and Art Bragg, two-year National AAU champ, who also hovers around the :9.5 mark.

In the 120 high hurdles, Jack Davis, two-time winner and formerly of Southern California, is expected to return. Davis, holder of the world record of :13.7, won the 1954 event in :13.9 and the 1953 race in a "slower" :14.1 time.

National Collegiate champ Willard Thompson of Illinois, who was second last year and USC's Wil Wright, who was third, return. Charley Pratt, Manhattan; Duke's two-year Penn Relays champ, Joel Shakle; and Andy Attlessey will also be in action. Attlessey won the Coliseum 120 high hurdles in 1950 and 1951 in :13.6 and :13.9 respectively.

Rod Perry, who has been Youkers running mate all season, both on the 120 woods and the 220 lows, was originally scheduled to make the cross-country trip but was sidelined when his father died last Saturday. Werner and his three trackmen will return Sunday.

In addition to the 100-yard dash, 120 high hurdles and the shotput, 11 other events will be run. Included are the 440, 880, mile, and two-mile relay events—each for the U.S. Collegiate Championship plus the 440-yard dash, 880-yard dash, "Miracle Mile," and 220-yard low hurdles. The high jump, broad jump, and pole vault will be included in the field events.

Last year in the two-mile relay Fordham shattered the record with a 7:27.3 performance. Southern California won the mile relay in 3:10.7 and the half mile in 1:24.1. The 880 relay time was one-tenth of a second off a five-year-old Coliseum record.

Dropo Suit Questioned

CHICAGO, May 19 (AP)—A Chicago White Sox spokesman today questioned the merits of a \$25,000 suit filed in Little Rock yesterday charging that Sox first baseman Walt Dropo slapped a young spectator at an exhibition game there April 6.

Another First-Pocket Version Of Lion Sports

Penn State's sports fans—both old and new—will soon have something they can carry in their hip pocket and pull out when any discussions about Penn State's athletic records and performers need some factual backing.

James Coogan, sports publicity director of the University's public information service, announced yesterday that material is already being compiled to make up the first statistical and factual brochure of Penn State's sports activities for the past 100 years.

Coogan said that the book will include a complete rundown on the present eleven varsity sports at the University including football, soccer, cross country, wrestling, basketball, gymnastics, baseball, track, golf, tennis, and lacrosse. The book will also include the records of swimming and boxing, although the latter was dropped by the University more than a year ago.

Coogan said that boxing would be included because the sport had a long and impressive standing in Penn State sports logs; he said only swimming and not skiing, rifle, or fencing—all sports at the University at one time—would be included because swimming would "probably be reinstated once the facilities were obtained to supplement its needs."

Coogan said that the book will be sold at a cost price of \$1 to students. He said students who wished to purchase a copy of the book which will range from 100 to 125 pages may submit their name in the office of Edward Czekaj, assistant business manager of athletics, in the new wing of Recreation Hall.

Coogan said that copies of the book will not be limited, but that only enough copies will be printed to meet the demand. "We plan to print an allotted number now," Coogan said, "but if the demand is greater than that, we will print more."

Seniors wishing to have copies may submit their order at Rec Hall and leave their name and home address. Coogan said copies for graduating seniors will be mailed to their homes, and undergraduate students may pick their booklets up at the start of the fall semester.

The book, Coogan said, will be primarily a booklet for newspapers, radio stations, and television stations with statistical material and listings of all individual and team honors.

Jeffcoat's Relief Aids Cub

CHICAGO, May 19 (AP)—Hal Jeffcoat, the Chicago Cubs' former weak-hitting outfielder, today glitters as the Bruins' strong-armed relief pitcher, second only to Brooklyn's Don Newcombe as a National League percentage hurler. Newcombe has a 5-0 record and Jeffcoat 4-0.

Stickmen Meet Penn In Finale Tomorrow

Having already won more games than the last two years combined, the charges of coach Nick Thiel will be after their 7th win and fourth in succession when they meet Pennsylvania in the final game of the season tomorrow afternoon on Beaver Field.

Game time is scheduled for 3:15 p.m.

The Lion stickmen, enjoying their greatest season in four years, will be at full strength and will be the favorites in tomorrow's encounter with the Quakers.

The lacrossemen swept by the .500 mark on Wednesday when they edged Hobart, 8-7. In the last two seasons they compiled an overall record of four wins and 18 defeats, but this year the record stands at 6-5.

Penn-Del Title Close

A win over Penn will almost clinch the mythical Penn-Del title for the Lions. The title was won last year by Penn, who is having one of its worst seasons this year.

The Quakers beat the Nittanians in a close game last year, 9-7. But this year they lack depth and experience on defense and have a poor 2-6-1 record.

They opened with a win over Drexel, 15-10, but lost successive games to Princeton, Navy, tied with Harvard, 11-11, lost to Yale, defeated Delaware, and dropped games to Swarthmore, Rutgers, and Baltimore.

5 Returnees

Coach Perce Belfield has only five returning men from last year's championship squad. Jim Cavanaugh is the only veteran on defense with Ken Kirtz starring on offense.

For the Lions, Thiel will depend on Joe Erwin and Bob Hamel as his main offensive threats and Ron Youtz as the sparkplug and leading assister on the team. Bob Bullock and captain Don Bell, who has over 100 saves to his credit in the last five games, will head the defense.

Erwin will have his final chance to break the Penn State scoring record in tomorrow's game. He has racked up 20 goals, three short of the record 23 set by Al Fulton last year.

Baseball—

(Continued from page six) Kennedy goes from the right side.

The rest of the infield will remain the same with Captain Charlie Russo at second, sophomore Cookie Tirabassi at shortstop, and steady four-year holdover Ronnie Weidenhammer at the hot corner.

Bradley Again in Left The Orange pitching status will also affect the Nittany outfield lineup, but in any case, consistent Rex Bradley will appear in left field, where he has started in each of the Lions 15 games to date.

Jim Lockerman or Merle Gerdes will be in center, and Bob McMullen or Pete Cherish will roam rightfield.

McMullen goes into today's contest with a nine-game hitting streak.

Ransom Leads KC Open

KANSAS CITY, May 19 (AP)—Slow talking, hard-hitting Henry Ransom, blistered the Hillcrest Country Club course for a 7 under par 65 to set the first round pace in the \$20,000 Kansas City Open golf tournament today.

Fight Not Thrown—Johnson

PHILADELPHIA, May 19 (AP)—Light heavyweight boxer Harold Johnson told Pennsylvania's Athletic Commission today he did not throw the May 8 nationally-televised fight to Julio Mederos.

Asked if he had been offered money to lose the fight or if it had been suggested that he lose, Johnson replied: "If you mean did I throw the fight, I certainly did not. I fought the best I could. I wasn't myself. I don't know that I was drugged. I don't know what was wrong."

Johnson was a witness almost two full days in the commission hearing into the fight fiasco, launched after hospital tests disclosed Johnson was drugged with a barbiturate, causing Gov. George M. Leader to suspend all professional boxing in the Keystone State for 90 days.

The 26-year-old Philadelphia Negro, in the third day of the probe today, testified that he had rejected his manager's offer to call a doctor to the dressing room shortly before the fight started.

Johnson, manager Tom Loughrey, matchmaker Pete Moran, trainers Clarence Davidson and Joseph Rowland, and Lou Gross, a second, are charged by the commission with action detrimental to boxing. Part of the allegation is that the six men participated in a "sham, fake or collusive boxing match."

Tennis—

(Continued from page six) saw action in the sixth spot last spring against Lion junior Ed Seiling. Seiling defeated Meyer in straight sets 6-3, 6-2. He will also play in the sixth spot tomorrow.

The other two Colgate starters will be Leigh Strassener and Jack McGinty. Strassener will go in the number two position and McGinty will appear in the fifth slot.

In seeking their sixth victory, the Lions also hope to preserve their three match winning streak. The netters have wins over Juniata, Syracuse and Carnegie Tech in their last three outings.

Rosey Grier Enters Coliseum Shot

have Youkers accompany Pollard and Grier.

When Lion Coach Chick Werner received word that the request was approved after Youker's record-breaking performance, he stepped on the bus that was waiting to take the Lion track team back to State College, he said: "Sorry to keep you boys waiting, but Youkers is going to the Relays."

Youkers, sitting in the bus with the squad, was completely unprepared for the trip. He had only a toothbrush and an overnight bag with him. By the time he got off the bus, however, he was loaded with a set of luggage; plus clothes, loaned him by his teammates, for the five-day trip.

Since 1941 when the relays were started they have become known as the annual collegiate relay championships. Each man that enters is a top contender in his field, is personally invited, and given an all-expense trip by air to and from Los Angeles.

The relays are conducted at night under the lights of the Memorial Coliseum. Last spring 47,611 spectators witnessed a 14-event card that included races in the 440, 880, mile and two-mile relays with records that were unequalled anywhere else in the world.

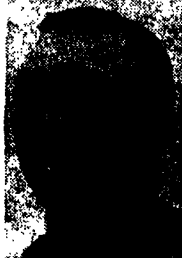
In the shot, Grier will be competing against not only the two-year Coliseum champion and holder of the world shot put mark, but also an array of muscle-armed shot men who have posted marks of well over 55-feet.

Parry O'Brien is expected to return to defend his two-year title. He won it last year with a 60-5 1/4 heave; in 1953 he took the title for Southern California with a 58-1 1/4 toss. O'Brien's recent toss of 60-10 now stands as the official world record.

Stan Lampert, of the New York Pioneer Club and formerly of New York University, has hit 59-5 1/4. Tom Jones, national collegiate champ from Miami of Ohio



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