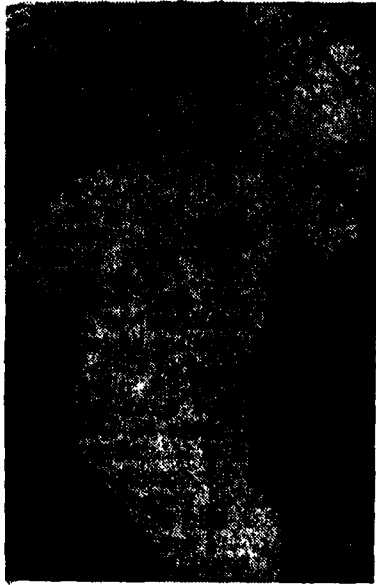


Drapcho Scheduled For Bisons Again

The Bucknell baseball team comes to University Park this afternoon, and the Bisons will find much more than just another win-hungry opponent when they face the resurgent Nittany Lions at 3:30 at Beaver Field.

A possible berth in the ever-so-near NCAA District Two playoffs would be enough to set any team on fire going down the homestretch, but Joe Bedenk's Lions have an additional three-fold incentive to put them at their best against the Bisons.



Eddie Drapcho May Face Bisons Again

Improving on an already fine 14-4 record, preserving their consecutive game winning streak, now at seven, and remaining unbeaten at home are the three mountain-sized goals the Nittanians carry into today's game.

Southpaw Eddie Drapcho has somewhat of an incentive of his own. The ace of the Lion mound staff, 8-1 for the season, blanked Bucknell without a hit in an earlier meeting.

The sophomore hurler will probably start against the Bisons this afternoon, and he carries no less than 76 strikeouts in 79 1/2 innings pitched into the game.

Lions Want Playoffs
With the district playoffs set to begin the first week of June, the Lions made it known that they're saving their pennies for the big day when they swept all three games of a northern road trip last weekend.

One of those wins came over Colgate, at the time rated one of the top members of the widely-scattered District Two. The Nittanians, whose 14-4 record looks better and better each day, also downed two other favored district nines—Villanova, and Lafayette.

Pressure Is On

The Nittanians, knowing full well that their showing in the three regular-season games, including a Friday contest with Lehigh and a Saturday contest with Penn in addition to today's clash, could make or break them for playoff consideration, will be un-

Frosh Nine Win Over Colgate, 4-2

Ron Smith pitched the Penn State freshman baseball squad to its third victory of the season when the yearlings closed its 1955 card with a 4-2 win over the Colgate frosh Saturday on the Beaver Field diamond.

Smith won his third straight game of the year as he scattered five Maroon singles in the nine-inning contest. The big right-hander struck out five and walked only three en route to the victory.

Takes Two-run Lead

The frosh gave Smith a two-run lead in their half of the first inning as John McMullen led off with a single to right. Dave Watkins drew a base on balls and Henry Romberger was safe at first when the Colgate hurler, Tom Vitko, made an unsuccessful attempt to nip McMullen at third on the bunt. After Bob Scrabis struck out, Gary Miller lined a single to left, scoring two runs.

Aided by two Nittany errors, Colgate scored one run in the top of the fifth without a hit. Catcher Gene Antone reached first base when Romberger dropped a fly ball to left field. Pitcher Vitko popped out, but Tom Betts walked to put runners on first and second with one out. Smith got left-fielder Bisselle to force Betts at second, but Steve Baidy errored on Thomas' ground ball and Antone scored.

Colgate Ties Score

The Maroon tied the score at 2-2 in the top of the eighth again with the aid of three Lion errors. Clark led off with a hit to left and went to second when Romberger let the ball go through his legs. Smith errored on Herlinger's sacrifice bunt putting runners on first and third with none out. Jack Michaels threw wild to home attempting to get Clark and the score was tied.

The Lions then turned an attempted squeeze play into a double play which went from third baseman Terry Hutton to catcher Scrabis, to second baseman Michaels. Vitko struck out to end the inning.

The frosh scored two runs in the last of the eighth on a single by Romberger, a sacrifice by Scrabis and singles by Miller, driving in his third run of the game, and Michaels to ice the game.

Rip Engle, in five seasons as Penn State football coach, has compiled a record of 30 wins, 14 defeats and 2 ties.



Charlie Russo Leads in Run Department

doubtedly going all-out to better their statistics to date.

Captain Charlie Russo leads in runs-scored with 20. Ronnie Weidenhammer, entering today's game with a seven-game hitting streak, is tops at the plate with a .431 average.

A sure-fielding outfield and experienced infield add to the Nittanians' wares, and an improved mound staff has done away with one of Bedenk's major early-season headaches.

Regular Lineup

Rex Bradley, who's gone the distance in leftfield every game to date, will get the nod there, with Jim Lockerman, Bob McMullen, Ed Thomas, or Merle Gerdes filling the remaining two outfield posts.

In the infield, Weidenhammer, Russo, and Cookie Tirabassi have been at third, second, and shortstop for every contest, and Pat Kennedy, Lion power-hitter, has carried most of the chores at first base.

Besides Drapcho's 8-1 mound record, Lynn Harbold has picked up four wins without a defeat, Bill Burein is 1-0, and Stan Larimer absorbed three losses against one win.

Phil Saunders and Norm Van Ord, along with mid-season newcomer Lou D'Orsaneo, have been doing the majority of the catching.

Van Ord will probably start behind the plate today.

West Virginia has beaten the Lions twice, and Rutgers and Temple have set them down once each.

Drug Violator Was Manager, Probe Told

PHILADELPHIA, May 24 (AP)—A convicted narcotics violator was named today as the former manager of 22-year-old Julio Mederos, Cuban boxer who won a technical knockout decision over "drugged" Harold Johnson in a nationally-televised fight here May 6.

Pennsylvania's Athletic Commission continued into the fifth day its investigation of the alleged doping of Johnson by questioning James White, 47, of New York and Miami, Fla., who is listed as Mederos' manager of record.

White testified that Louis Black, also known as Louis Saccatoma, managed Mederos from 1953 until this March—about 10 weeks before the Johnson fight.

White, questioned by Deputy Atty. Gen. Herbert S. Levin, said he turned Mederos over to Black because he (White) was engaged as a boxing promoter and matchmaker in Miami.

He said that he never received any cut from Mederos' purses while Black managed him.

White testified that he believed Johnson was in good physical condition on the night of the fight—"I wish I was in such perfect condition."

White said he didn't believe Johnson was drugged by a barbiturate, as commission physicians testified, but insisted he was felled by blows meted out by Mederos.

"I think he (Johnson) suffered a concussion," White said.

Sowell to Enter Only 880 at IC4A Meet

PITTSBURGH, May 24 (AP)—Arnie Sowell, Pitt's top distance runner, will participate only in the 880 meters run at the IC4A track meet Friday and Saturday at Randall's Island, N.Y.

"We're not going to take a chance and burn out the boy," said track coach Carl Olsen. "He'll run only the 880."

Sowell already has won the National AAU and the IC4A indoor 880 crowns this year. He also whipped the great Mal Whitfield in the 800 meters at the Pan-American Games.

Golfers Seek 8th Win Against Lehigh

Coach Bob Rutherford's Nittany Lion golf team goes after its eighth successive dual meet victory on Friday against the Lehigh University linksmen at Bethlehem.

The Lions will close out their season Saturday when they host the University of Pittsburgh golfers on the local links.

The Lions bested both teams last year, beating the Engineers 8-1, and the Panthers 4-3. Three of the Lions that contributed to last year's victory will be present at this year's battle. Captain Warren Gittlen, Jim Mayes, and Jim Ginsberg all took victories to help the Lion cause along.

Mayes was playing his first collegiate match when he took the links against the Engineers last season. But the junior blaster responded to the task admirably and poked out a decisive 7 and 6 win over Everett Schaeffer. Mayes then won his second collegiate start against the Panthers in the season's final. He won over Jim Zocalla 4 and 3, and also quali-

Schwenzfeier Seeks 1956 Olympic Berth

Karl Schwenzfeier, determined little captain of the Penn State gymnastics team this season, and perhaps the only collegiate performer ever to win Eastern, National, and NAAU honors in one season, is right now a good bet to represent Uncle Sam in the 1956 Olympics.

Gene Wettstone, a pretty reliable source since he's the Lion and 1948 Olympic coach, rates his 1955 captain a top contender for the United States Olympic team in 1956.



Karl Schwenzfeier Looks Toward '56 Olympics

"He can't miss," Wettstone said. "He graduates next February but plans to stay on to do graduate work and to prepare for the 1956 Olympics. His work is already of Olympic calibre and there's every reason to believe he'll improve in the next 12 months."

To be Host Again

Penn State, for the third time, will be the site of the National AAU championships and Olympic trials in April of next year. Wettstone master-minded the trials here in 1948 and again in 1952.

Schwenzfeier, who understudied the Finnish-born Jean Cronstedt in his first three seasons at Penn State, became captain and took over the team's number one spot when Cronstedt suddenly decided last Spring to return to his native land and begin medical schooling.

Paces Winning Season

Taking up the challenge posed by his predecessor, Schwenzfeier paced his team to a 6-1 season and Eastern title honors, and even surpassed fabulous Cronstedt's stunning performance in the 1954 Nationals. Thereafter, the diminutive Philadelphian went Cronstedt one better by adding National AAU all-around honors to his Eastern and NCAA laurels.

Wettstone, who credits Schwenzfeier's advance to unusual strength and a burning desire to succeed, said no collegian ever before had won Eastern, National Collegiate and NAAU all-around honors in the same year.

Tied for First Place

Schwenzfeier, who set new scoring marks in both the Easterns and Nationals, shared top spot in the AAU championships with one of his personal heroes, Jack Miles, now a graduate student at Florida State College.

Wettstone said a first-place tie never before occurred in NAAU competition.

First Reminder—Did You Order Your Sports Book?

Have you put your order in for the first issue of Penn State's record book of sports? This is a reminder to students who will want to be sure they leave their name and deposit of \$1 with Edward Czekaj, assistant business manager of athletics, in the new wing of Recreation Hall.

James Coogan, sports publicity director of the University's public information service, has emphasized only enough books to meet the demand will be published. He said that the books are being sold at cost.

The booklet will consist mainly of statistical material concerning Penn State during the last cen-

With the spring campaign drawing quickly to a close, the Penn State tennis squad hopes to boost its record over the 500 mark as it will try to stage a repeat victory over the Bucknell Bisons this afternoon on the Beaver Field courts.

Match time is at 3:30 p.m.

The Nittany netters boast a previous win over the Bisons in their fourth match of the year. The win, which was the Lions first, was a 6-3 decision on the Bucknell courts.

With only one match remaining after today, the Lions hope to end the season on the blue side of the ledger. By defeating Bucknell yesterday afternoon, the Nittanians are assured of an even split on the season. Their record now stands at five wins and the same number of setbacks.

Coach Sherman Fogg plans to start one of his strongest singles combinations of the season. Captain Bill Ziegler will appear in the number one spot and will be followed by John Cleary. Junior Ed Seiling is set for the third position and Chris Christiansen will get the nod for the fourth slot.

Dean Mullen, making his first singles appearance in several weeks, will be number five performer and Doug Zuker will round out the singles lineup. Ziegler and Rhymes Humphreys will team up in the top doubles position. Seiling and Christiansen will be in the second slot, and Al Wil-

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fied as the Lions medalist for the day, shooting a four-over-par 75. Gittlen and Ginsberg won easily over the Panthers' Don Garber and Bill Stockdale. Ginsberg won 6 and 5, and Gittlen 4 and 3. The weekend engagements will be the farewell matches for Lion captain Gittlen. In his four years as a Lion linksmen Gittlen has compiled a remarkable won-lost record. Up to now he has won twenty three out of twenty eight dual matches. He has absorbed only four losses and one tie and is unbeaten so far this season. He registered the best won-lost record on the team ever since his sophomore year. In each of the past two seasons he has suffered only one loss.

The Lions were forced to trim their squad for Friday's hassle with the Engineers. The match will be played on a six-man team—best ball basis. That is, there will be six individual matches for which the winning team will receive one point each; and a bonus, best-ball point, going to the low-

scorer on each hole.

In order to get his squad to the legal limit, Rutherford had sophomore Leo Kukkola and junior Jim Ginsberg play an elimination match. "Kook," who hasn't been up to his usual standard lately came out on top, just edging Ginsberg in a 19 hole thriller.

The remainder of the team will be composed of the usual combination. Rutherford's golf machine worked to perfection in the Colgate match; and he has only to keep the gears meshing as smoothly to keep the win streak intact. The team, in the order it played in the Colgate encounter will probably be Gittlen, Mayes, Boyanowski, Gerhart, Kukkola, and Branish.

If the Lion linksmen triumph in the two weekend matches they will be the second golf team in University history to capture all its dual meets. Even more impressive is the fact that Coach Rutherford will have a record of winning 25 out of its last 26 dual matches.