

# Hamel, Erwin Named To Penn-Del First Team

By FRAN FANUCCI

Joe Erwin, leading scorer on Penn State's 1955 lacrosse team, and Bob Hamel, runner-up to Erwin, were named to the All-Pennsylvania-Delaware lacrosse team, according to an announcement made at the Pennsylvania-Delaware Association banquet Tuesday.

Ron Youtz, Herb Horikawa, and Jim Hay were placed on the second team while Captain Don Bell, Bob Bullock, Jack Collette, Dick Klein, Frank Locotos, and George Bicklehaupt were given honorable mention.

Penn and Drexel each placed two men on the first team, while Delaware, Dickinson, Lehigh, and Swarthmore each placed one man.

Of the 10 players who received recognition, Hamel, Bullock, and Locotos are juniors. The remainder are seniors.

Hamel, runnerup to Al Fulton in last year's scoring race, was given honorable mention on the 1954 lacrosse selections.

This year his 19 goals combined with the 20 Erwin racked up highlighted the best season in four years for the Lion stickmen, who ended the year with a 7-5 record.

Erwin, who was out of action for three weeks with a severe "charley-horse" early in the season, was three short of tying the record of 23 set by Fulton last year. His best game was against Loyola when he scored five goals to lead the stickmen to an easy victory.

### Hamel Scored 6

Hamel's best effort was against Syracuse, when he scored six to lead the Lions to an upset 17-13 win over the Orangemen. In the final four games of the season Hamel garnered a total of 15 goals, which gave him the runner-up spot for the second consecutive year.

Second team selection Youtz



Joe Erwin  
Lions' leading scorer

## Bell's Play Paced Lion Stickmen

The spirited play of captain Don Bell is probably the most responsible force behind the Penn State lacrosse team's most successful season since 1951. The Lions wound up the season with a 7-5 record.

Coach Nick Thiel said the team was inexperienced in several key positions at the beginning of the season but as the year progressed the players picked up confidence and at the season's end were playing "some of the best lacrosse I've ever seen."

But it was Bell's play that lighted the spark, and started the Lion stickmen off on their four-game winning streak at the season's end. The Lions, after losing four of their first five games, rallied to win six of the last seven.

In several games the six-foot, 185-pound senior, came up with as many as 20 saves and averaged better than 15 per game in 12 outings.

Thiel said that Bell is an unorthodox goalie in many respects, but he added "his courage and leadership never wavered. Whereas most goalies catch the ball in their stick, Bell never hesitated to throw his body in front of the oncoming pellet," he said.

The Rochester, Pa., youth was quick and alert, and many times anticipated an opposition so well that he made an extraordinary save look easy. Thiel said that in skirmishes near the goal, Bell often fell on the ball rather than give it up to the opposition.

"This team," Thiel said, "was a good one," one of the scrappiest I've ever coached, and it got most of its get-up-and-go from Bell. He was an inspirational leader."

Although Bell will be missing next year and several key players will be lost via graduation, Thiel thinks he'll have the nucleus of another good team for 1956.

## State Hosts PIAA Finals This Weekend

Approximately a thousand high school athletes will converge on the University campus this weekend for the annual PIAA track and field, golf, and tennis championships.

The golf and tennis parts of the carnival will be contested Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, and the main event, the high school track championships, will be held Saturday afternoon.

Several records could be run into the dirt on Saturday if conditions are right. Dick Hambright of Tyrone High School is a threat to the 440-yard dash standard of 49.1 seconds. Hambright has been logging consistent 50 second flat performances and could turn the trick.

### Schoenebeck a Threat

Another challenger is State College High School's Clem Schoenebeck in the mile run. Schoenebeck has already run a 4:28.2, just a second and a fraction off the state mark of 4:26.7.

Altoona High School will enter a duo of potential record breakers. Don Wherry was clocked at 1:59.2 for the 880-yard run in the district 6 meet. This time is just shy of the 1:57 state mark.

### Altoona 880 Quartet

Altoona's other possibility is in the 880-yard relay. Their championship quartet sprinted the distance in the speedy time of 1:32.1 in copping the District six championships last Friday. Their clocking is just one second off the existing record.

West York's premier miler Fred Kerr established himself as a record threat in the Class B mile run by winning the district championships in 4:25.3, breaking the record that now stands. Kerr has a 4:23 clocking to his credit. This time is 4.6 seconds faster than the state record. He will be shooting for the national high school record of 4:20.4 on Saturday.

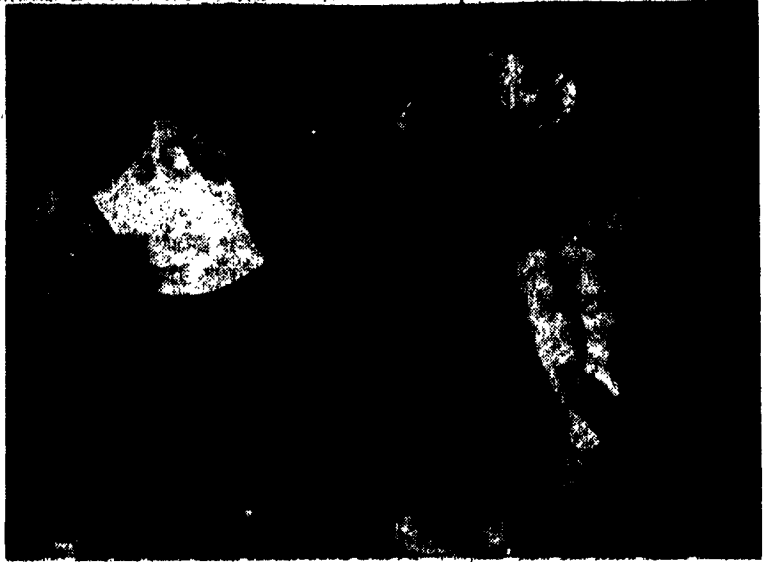
## Clover Club Triumphs In Softball Contest

The Clover Club Tuesday night won the Ag Hill Softball championship by virtue of a 25-3 triumph over the Block and Bridle Club. The game was called in the sixth inning because of darkness.

This is the second straight year that the Clover Club has won the championship. The contest is sponsored by the Ag Hill student council.

## Five on the Road

Penn State will play four games at home, five on the road, during the 1955 football season.



—Photo by Bretta  
IN LAST NIGHT'S intramural field finals, several hundred fraternity and independent men competed for honors. Among these competing were Ned Finkbeiner, Beta Theta Pi, in the shot, and Paul DeSaid, Tau Phi Delta, in the broad jump. During the evening's events, which were plagued by rain, new IM shot put and broad jump records were set.

## 2 Records Broken In IM Field Finals

By VINCE CAROCCI

Two broken records and one near-miss highlighted the intramural finals in the field events last night on Beaver Field.

Independent Frank Urban broke the year-old shot put mark recorded by Sam Green last year with a heave of 42'11 3/4". Green had thrown the 16 pound shot 42'5 3/4".

Finishing second behind Urban in the independent bracket was Romeo Parinazzo with a mark of 37'4".

In the fraternity shot put, Al Dash, Beta Sigma Rho, and Sam Calderone, Lambda Chi Alpha, tied for first with throws of 40'1 3/4". Finishing third was Bill Straub, Theta Xi, with a heave of 38'8".

Al Freeman, Phi Epsilon Pi, wound up in fourth place with a 38'10 3/4" toss while Keith Horn, Phi Delta Theta, rounded out the top six with a shot of 38'2 3/4".

Wendell Toland, Kappa Alpha Psi, broke Al Gower's three-year-old record of 20'7 3/4" in the broad jump with a leap of 21' in his first jump of the night. Toland broke in his next two tries, but his record breaking mark was far out of the reach of the other entries.

Gus Mercurio, Alpha Tau Omega, finished in second place with

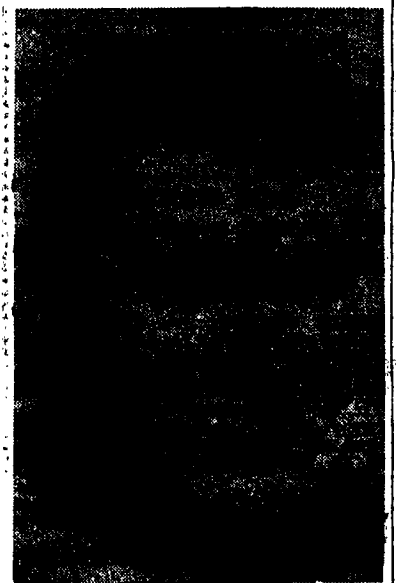
a jump of 20'1", while Bob McMillan, Delta Tau Delta, ran a close third with a leap of 19'8 3/4". John Kraft, Pi Kappa Alpha, wound up fourth, and Clarence Watts, Kappa Alpha Psi, finished fifth.

The stiffest competition of the night proved to be in the high jump where two men tied for first and four men tied for third in the fraternity bracket. Two men also tied for the independent title.

Jim Garrity, Delta Upsilon, and Gene Griffin, Theta Chi, came within 1/4 of an inch of breaking Jim Hinkel's 5'9 1/2" record with leaps of 5'9 1/4". Both men will split first and second place points.

Sonny Robinson, Kappa Alpha Psi; Bruce Coble, Alpha Tau Omega; Jim Blocker, Kappa Alpha Psi; and Milt Plum, Phi Delta Theta; tied for third place with jumps of 5'6 1/2".

Joe Puchalski and Ed McGlynn tied for the independent laurels by leaping 5'2 1/4".



Bob Hamel  
Junior Midfieldman

was regarded as the "sparkplug" of the team. Full of spirit and fight, Youtz never gave ground to an opponent although he stands only 5-8 and weighs 160 pounds. He was the leading assister on the team and hit the net for 14 goals to rank third on the team.

### Hay Underrated

Hay was probably the most underrated man on the squad. He was the man who filled in for anyone and played the position with apparent ease. On defense, Horikawa came through with save after save as he intercepted passes at the most opportune time to consistently pull the Nittanyans out of the hole.

The 10 selections this year were the most ever recognized for a Penn State lacrosse team in the last decade.

### The all-star team follows:

Goalie, Kaebler, Lehigh; Attack, Kirtz, Penn; Tait, Delaware; and Erwin, Penn State; Midfield, Hamel Penn State; Wise, Drexel; and Kriskker, Dickinson. Defense, Cavanaugh, Penn; Heaton, Swarthmore; and Henry, Drexel.



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