

# Lion Baseballers Split With Orange

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To most Lion baseball fans and to Coach Joe Bedenk Saturday's doubleheader with Syracuse probably contained more of a conglomeration of fine plays, errors, pitchers, and bonehead plays than was seen at Beaver Field in the past few years.

The Lions, after dropping the opening game 5-2, came back in a wild and woolly nightcap to win, 14-10.

It was Stan Larimer, whose name is synonymous with hard luck, who was tagged with the defeat in the first game. The righthanded senior allowed only seven hits but was the victim of an error in the ninth inning, which gave the Orange the tying run.

Syracuse jumped to a 1-0 lead in the fourth inning when a walk and two straight singles brought in third baseman, Dick Barr.

The Lions tied it in the sixth on two errors, a fielder's choice, and a single. And went ahead in the seventh when third baseman, Steve Baidy, after getting on base via an error, scored on first baseman Gary Miller's single.

In the ninth for Syracuse shortstop John Pannucci walked but was forced at second by left fielder Mark Hoffman, who advanced to second when Lion baseman Lou Schneider threw the ball away trying for a double play.

Orange cleanup hitter, Bob Kuhne, then banged a single to right to send in the tying run.

In the Lions' half of the ninth John McMullen, sophomore right fielder, led off with a double to put Orange pitcher, Tom Hallett, in somewhat of a precarious position.

Miller then hit a one and one pitch deep, but straight, to right-fielder Sam Booker, which could have pushed McMullen to third if he had tagged up. But thinking that the ball might drop in, McMullen was half way between second and third and failed to tag up in time. This stopped the Lion rally as Larimer bounced out to the first baseman and Schneider grounded third to first.

In the top of the tenth Syracuse bunched three hits, a walk and an error to come up with three runs and clinch the win.

The second game saw three Orange pitchers march to the mound and march off. It got to the point where Syracuse coach had to throw in Pannucci to finish the ballgame.

For the Lions Stan Syzmanski started but hit a streak of wildness in the second inning which forced Bedenk to call in sophomore Ron Smith from the bullpen and finish the game.

It was Smith's tight clutch pitching which held the Orange

at bay most of the game. Another factor which hampered both teams and could probably be attributed to the surprising amount of errors was the cold weather which invaded Beaver Field about five in the afternoon.

The Lions meet West Virginia in a doubleheader starting at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow at Beaver Field.

PENN STATE			SYRACUSE		
Ab	R	H	Ab	R	H
Schneider, 2b	5	0	Albright, 2b	10	0
Tirabassi, ss	3	1	Pannucci, ss	4	1
R.M. Mul'n, lf	3	1	Hoffman, lf	4	1
Lockerm'n, cf	3	1	Kuhne, c	4	0
Baidy, 3b	3	1	Booker, rf	5	0
J.M. Mul'n, rf	2	1	Barstow, lb	2	0
Miller, lb	3	1	Cassidy, cf	3	3
Van Ord, c	1	0	Darr, 3b	3	2
Szymanski, p	1	0	Williams, p	1	0
Smith, p	1	2	Rypak, p	0	0
Watkins, x, rf	3	0	Snyder, p	0	0
Stickler, xx, c	2	1	McCann, x, 2b	2	2
			Hilson, rf	2	1
Totals	25	14	Totals	31	10

Lockerm'n, cf	5	0	0	Booker, rf	4	0	0
Baidy, 3b	4	1	1	Barstow, lb	4	0	0
J.M. Mul'n, rf	4	0	2	Cassidy, cf	4	1	2
Miller, lb	4	0	2	Darr, 3b	3	2	1
Larimer, p	2	0	0	Hallett, p	3	0	1
Totals	37	2	7	Totals	35	5	7

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Tirabassi, ss	2	3	1	Pannucci, ss	4	1
R.M. Mul'n, lf	2	1	2	Hoffman, lf	4	1
Lockerm'n, cf	3	1	1	Kuhne, c	4	0
Baidy, 3b	3	1	0	Booker, rf	5	0
J.M. Mul'n, rf	2	1	1	Barstow, lb	2	0
Miller, lb	3	1	1	Cassidy, cf	3	3
Van Ord, c	1	0	0	Darr, 3b	3	2
Szymanski, p	1	0	0	Williams, p	1	0
Smith, p	1	2	0	Rypak, p	0	0
Watkins, x, rf	3	0	0	Snyder, p	0	0
Stickler, xx, c	2	1	1	McCann, x, 2b	2	2
				Hilson, rf	2	1
Totals	25	14	8	Totals	31	10



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GUY TIRABASSI, Lion shortstop, singles to center in the sixth inning of the second game to drive in one run. The Lions went on to win the nightcap, 14-10, splitting the twin-bill with Syracuse.

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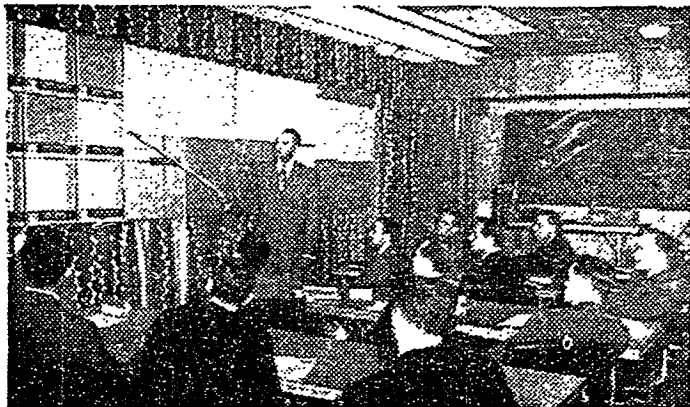
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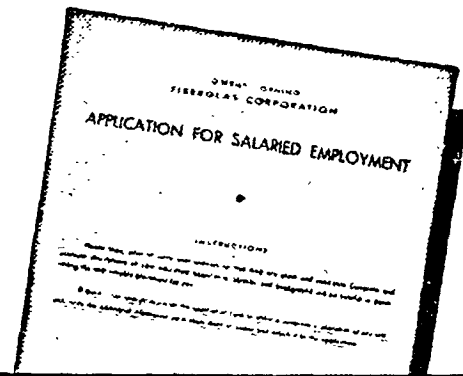
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