

Nittany Linksmen Rout Orange, 7-0

By JOE CHEDDAR

The Penn State golf team romped to its easiest win of the year yesterday, embarrassing the Syracuse University linksmen, 7-0, on the University greens in a match played in a driving rainstorm.

Playing as if they had practiced in the rain all season, the Nittany squad never gave the Orange a chance. Every match, with the exception of Gus Gerhart's 2 and 1 victory over Fred Peck, was a runaway.

The players carried umbrellas at first, but later gave it up as a useless move.

The win was the fifth of the year for the Nittanies, against one loss. The Syracuse record now stands at one win and one loss. The Orange won its match against Lemoyne College, 5-4, last Wednesday.

Syracuse Inexperienced
Syracuse discontinued the links sport in 1951, and didn't revive it until this season. So, although the Orange played last year on an informal basis, the team they used yesterday was completely inexperienced in big-time competition.

For the Lions, Leo Kukkola won 9 and 8, John Branish won 8 and 7, Jim Ginsberg and Jim Mayes took 6 and 5 wins. Pat Rielly and newcomer Lou Riggs won 4 and 3, besides Gerhart's win.

Mayes Plays Number One

Jim Mayes was back in his usual number one position, as the Lions teed off against the Orange. Mayes complied by outshooting the Syracuse number one man, Dick Golobic.

Pat Rielly, the once-beaten sophomore ace, also scored an easy victory, beating Don Burke, 4 and 3. Rielly tried hard to end the match earlier, but Burke held on until the 12th hole.

Leo Kukkola scored the most lopsided victory of the match when he blasted John Bellows, 9 and 8. Kook jumped off to a good start he led, 7-up, after the first nine holes — and kept adding to his lead.

Ginsberg Wins Easily

Jim Ginsberg kept the Lions in front with a trouble-free 6 and 4 win over Tommy Dadey. Gus Gerhart, after leading early in the match, squandered his lead and was forced to scramble at the finish to edge Peck.

John Branish added another victory to his personal win streak by beating Mel Shulman, 8 and 7. Branish, who, according to coach Bob Rutherford, possesses great potential, has come on strong in the past several matches, winning handily each time.

Riggs Cops First Start

Lou Riggs got the seventh Lion point by winning over Stan Okoniewski, 4 and 3. Riggs was making his first start since his discharge from the army.

The Lions will be idle until they enter the Eastern Intercollegiate Golf Tournament at Ithaca, N.Y., May 12-14. On the strength of their record, they seem to have their best chance to cop team honors since 1948. Jim Mayes, Pat Rielly, and John Branish seem to be the best Lion bets for the individual championship.

Baseball Team Is Rained Out

Taking advantage of an extra day's rest, Penn State's baseball team goes into action Saturday against Rutgers at Beaver Field.

Yesterday's game with the Bucknell Bisons was postponed because of rain and will not be rescheduled. It was the second game of the year that was rained out. The first one was the opening game of the season with Western Maryland.

Coach Joe Bedenk said that he will throw his top lefthander Ed Drapcho, who is 4-1 for the season, against Rutgers. Stan Larimer was the mound choice in yesterday's tilt, although with the extra day's rest his hand injury will have considerably more time to heal.

Guy Tirabassi, Penn State infielder, is a top-ranking student in the difficult chemistry and physics curriculum.



Pat Rielly
Sophomore Ace



John Branish
Unbeaten Golfer

Pistons, Co-ops Cop IM V-Ball Crowns

The Pistons and Co-ops of the Independent Intramural Volleyball tournament joined four other teams as qualifiers for next week's final playoffs.

The Pistons took league H honors when they defeated the Rowdy Nine, 15-8, 15-8, Tuesday night at Recreation Hall. Rowdy Nine's loss was its second, giving it runner-up honors in the league.

Co-op won by forfeit over Taormina to capture the league G crown. The Barfers, with a 5-1 chart, finished second.

The Pistons and Co-ops join the Canadian Club, Dorm 39, the 65'ers, and Fighting Freshman as league winners. Playoffs are necessary to decide leagues B and E winners. The Cadillacs and Dirty Thirty, both with 4-1 records, play off to determine B supremacy, while the Cougars and the Hamilton Five battle for E laurels.

Pairings for next week's quarterfinals will be determined by a "hat-draw" conducted by Dutch Sykes and respective team representatives.

In the fraternity division, all league championships have been decided except one. League F's outcome will be determined as Tau Phi Delta meets Alpha Tau Omega. Each have 5-1 records.

Fraternities which have won league titles are Alpha Zeta, Delta Chi, Theta Xi, Beta Theta Pi, Theta Delta Chi, and Alpha Sigma Phi.

Ex-Lions Lose In Mat Tryouts

Larry Fornicola and Gerry Maurey, former Penn State wrestling stars, were eliminated in the fourth round of the Olympic Games wrestling tryouts Tuesday night at Legion Stadium in Hollywood, Calif.

Fornicola had defeated Maurey Monday night in the third round of elimination.

Tuesday night Fornicola went down to defeat when Myron Roderick of Oklahoma, 1956 National Collegiate 136-pound champion, pinned him in 2:51 with a leg pickup.

Maurey lost a close decision to Joe Henson of Navy. Henson placed third in the 1952 games in Helsinki.

Competitors in the tryouts are eliminated when they accumulate a total of five black marks. One black mark is given for winning a decision and three when a wrestler loses the match. None are given for a pin.

Former Lion Cager Cites 'Poll' Excesses

By TOM WERNER

"The modern basketball player has been converted into a statistic," asserted Penn State's first basketball coach, and the man who stayed at the helm for 17 years until 1932. Burke Hermann, professor of American history, could hardly be recognized as a four year varsity man today. He has none of the earmarks looked for in the modern court star.

In backing his opening statement, Hermann cited the "pollyhappiness" prevalent in today's sport magazines and newspapers.

Hermann starred at forward for the Lion quintet from 1906-1910. As the 5-8 former mentor of the squad recalls, he had no trouble guarding any of his opponents because of their height.

Unofficially, Hermann's coaching duties began in 1910 when he was elected captain of the team. That year the Nittanies ended up with a winning 8-6 slate.

In 1916 Hermann became Penn State's first coach and, except for a two-year war break in 1918 and 1919, guided the Lion basketball fortunes for 17 years until 1932.

Over the years that he coached, Hermann's teams compiled a record of 147 wins and 73 losses. It was during his tenure that the longest win streak record of 17 straight was compiled, the oldest team record on the books.

According to Hermann, the best team that he ever coached was the 1923-1924 quintet which lost but a single contest, to Cornell. To illustrate the basic differences in the game that have been made since, in that season's game with Penn, the Quakers failed to score a single field goal.

The only poll that he remembers of having any far reaching prestige at the time was Walter Camp's All-America football choices.

Operational differences on the court would look strange to the 1956 court fan. After each goal the ball was brought back for a center jump. Along with a much lower scoring total, ball handling was faster and better in those

days of defensive mastery, Hermann said.

The former coach expressed a preference for modern all around play over the past's slower game, citing the lack of early season training and almost total absence of high school teams for the colleges to draw from.

In coaching, emphasis was placed on percentage play. Passing of the ball played a prominent part in a game where the coaches figured that if the other side didn't have the ball, they couldn't score, and nobody scored too much, Hermann stated.

To requests that he pick an All-Penn State five out of the years that he has participated and followed the game, Hermann always says no. He figures there are too many polls around now.

Coed Keglers Drop 3 Places

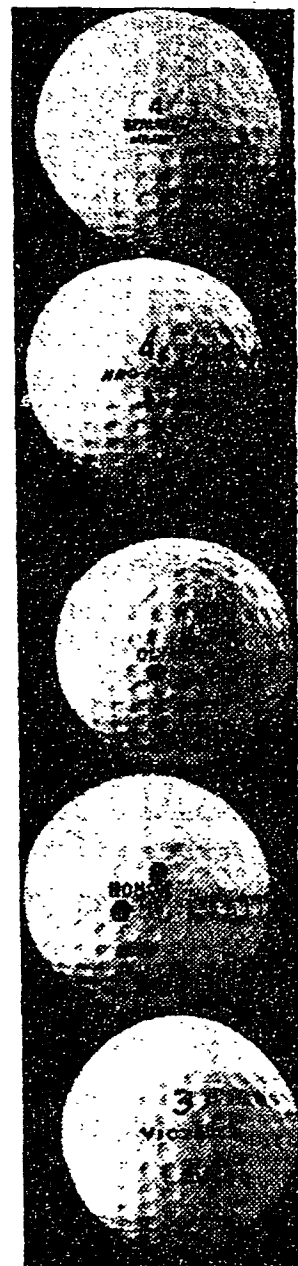
Results from the April Women's Intercollegiate Telegraphic American Ten Pin Tournament dropped Penn State to seventh place with 1324 points.

The Lion coeds notched a fourth place in the standings in the March tournament.

In score by voting points Penn State grabbed only five markers placing them in seventh place.

Wisconsin State College copped honors in all series totals—leading the top ten scorers with 1721 points, taking first place in score by points with 54.5, and placing high individual scorers in seven of the first twenty top slots.

Penn State will bring its Spring drills to an official close with an intra-squad football game on Saturday, May 5.



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