

'Nine' Closes Season with Pitt Twinbill



Ed Drapcho
In Last Home Start

The Penn State baseball team will go after its first undefeated season since 1889 when it closes its regular schedule with a doubleheader with the Pitt Panthers Saturday afternoon at Beaver Field.

The first game will start at 1:30 p.m. Radio station WDFM will broadcast both ends of the twinbill, going on the air at 1:20 p.m.

In 1889, the Lions posted a 9-0 mark for the year. The 1957 Lion contingent has a 15-0 record to date. Should it win both games, it will be Coach Joe Bedenk's first unbeaten club since he took over the coaching reins in 1931.

The 15-game win streak, incidentally, is not the longest in Lion history. The Nittanies won their

last 10 games in 1920 and the first 20 of the 1921 season.

However, neither club finished undefeated. The 1920 record was 18-3 and the 1921 record was 22-3. As fate would have it, Bedenk played with both teams.

But, more important to the "nine" than the undefeated season and win streak, is the District Two playoff selections to be named at a New York meeting Monday. Bedenk is a member of the selection committee.

Penn State, Manhattan, St. John's, Temple, Lafayette and Duquesne are the top six candidates for the playoff berths. The playoffs will be held May 31, June 1 and June 2 at a site to be determined at the selection meeting Monday.

Although no official word has been given, sentiments around University Park are that the Lions rate a sure bid because of their impressive record.

Because of the stakes awaiting the results of the Panther contests, Bedenk did not commit himself on his starting mound choices for the doubleheader. However, he seemed to be again leaning to his one-two hurling duo, Ed Drapcho and Cal Emery. Both pitchers have accounted for all Lions wins thus far—Drapcho has eight and Emery seven.

The doubleheader will bring to a close the home careers of three Lion seniors—Drapcho, shortstop Guy Tirabassi, Captain Jim Lockerman and pitcher Lynn Harbold.

Both Drapcho and Tirabassi are three-year starters for the "nine" while Harbold was a starting moundsman in his sophomore year. He did not compete last year and has been used only in relief this season. Lockerman was the starting centerfielder for the past two years.



Jim Lockerman
Three-Year Veteran

APhiDelt Takes Track; Netters Meet Bisons, Panthers AChiSig Wins IM Title



—Daily Collegian Photo by Willard Smith

INTRAMURAL RELAY teams head into the final lap of the 880-yard relay in last night's IM track finals. Tau Kappa Epsilon's entry won the event, but the team title went to Alpha Phi Delta.

By GEORGE FRENCH

Although Alpha Chi Sigma finished fifth behind the winning Alpha Phi Delta's in the intramural track meet last night on Beaver Field, it has clinched the fraternity all-year point award trophy.

Official point totals have not yet been tabulated, but no other fraternity can reach Alpha Chi Sig's minimum of 822 points, according to Dutch Sykes, assistant IM director. Only tennis remains to be played.

Benny Amato scored 28 of A-Phi Delt's 34 points, ten more than second place Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Tau Kappa Epsilon. Amato added a second in the 100-yard dash and a fifth in the 440-yard run to his first in the high jump and second in the broad jump Wednesday night.

Zeta Beta Tau's Ted Steinman edged Amato by less than a foot in :10.5 in the 100. Theta Chi's Bucky Palone, Pi Kappa Alpha's Lloyd Hughes and Alpha Chi Sig's Barry White took third,

fourth and fifth in the hundred. Phi Delta Theta's Bill Schwab beat TKE's Frank Lombardo by three feet in :52.8 in the 440. Tau Phi Delta's Chuck Strauss, Theta Xi's Russ Lerch and Amato were the last three finishers.

TKE's Jerry Jackson, Jim Glancy, Jim Durham and Lombardo won the 880-yard relay over Alpha Chi Sig after the two teams were even at the last exchange of the baton. Delta Upsilon, Alpha Sigma Phi and Beta Theta Pi took third, fourth and fifth.

Fraternity point totals in the track meet were: Alpha Phi Delta, 34, Tau Kappa Epsilon, 18, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 18, Tau Phi Delta, 14, Alpha Chi Sigma, 12, Omega Psi Phi, 10, Zeta Beta Tau, 10, Alpha Sigma Phi, 8, Sigma Phi Epsilon, 8.

Alpha Gamma Rho, 6, Delta Tau Delta, 6, Theta Chi, 6, Delta Upsilon, 6, Theta Xi, 4, Pi Kappa Alpha, 4, Phi Kappa Sigma, 2, and Beta Theta Pi, 2.

Ron White won the independent 100-yard dash in 10.6 by five feet over Bill Greene, with Mike Kush placing third.

Two seniors will make farewell appearances in the uniform of the Nittany Lion tennis team when the courtmen meet Bucknell today and Pitt tomorrow.

Seniors Joe Eberly, the Lion captain, and Joe Galiardi, the number four singles player, will lead the Lions into Friday's match at Lewisburg with a revenge-minded Bison squad. Saturday will see the netters sharing the spotlight with the PIAA tennis tourney in their home battle with the Pitt Panthers. Match time is 1:30 p.m.

Coach Sherm Fogg has not been surprised at the showing of Galiardi, who has won his last five singles contests by wide margins. "Joe is a good competitor and has the desire to win," Fogg said.

Fogg will use the same lineup in the final two contests as he used against West Virginia. The Lion courtmen previously beat Bucknell, 6½-2½, and have won their last three matches.

Charles Bibleheimer, whom Fogg



Joe Eberly
To Play in Doubles

considers his most improved performer, will go in the number

two singles spot. "He has gained considerable confidence and has developed a good all-court game," Fogg said.

The remainder of the Nittany lineup will have Fred Trust in the number one spot, Chuck Questa in the third position, and Pete DeDad and Dick Jacobs in the fifth and sixth spots.

In doubles play, the Lions will send Trust-Questo, Bibleheimer-Eberly, and DeDad-Galiardi against the Bisons and Panthers.

Coach Hank Peter's Bucknell team is bolstered by the duo of Chuck Siede and John Pulizzi. They both scored singles victories in the first encounter, but lost an all-important doubles set to Trust-Questo.

Pitt has had a mediocre season and was beaten by West Virginia, 6-3, early in May. Last year the Lions were victorious, 5-4.

Fogg is also directing the PIAA tennis tourney to be held today and Saturday. Nine singles entrants and eight doubles teams will compete for honors.

Statistics Show Balance Key to Baseball Success

An adequate hitting attack, backed by superlative pitching by Ed Drapcho and Cal Emery and a steady defense, can account to a large degree for the amazing Lion baseball success this season.

According to the latest statistics released from the University's sports publicity department, the Lions boast a solid .277 team batting average and a strong .944 fielding average.

With Emery and Drapcho hurling all but 12 of the Lions 134 innings, the club has an earned-run-average of 1.65. Drapcho's mark is 1.96 while Emery's is 1.55.

Individually, outfielder Ron Rainey tops the hitters with a .370 average. He also leads the team with five doubles and 12 RBIs.

Outfielder Dave Watkins is next with a .333 average, followed by Captain Jim Lockerman with a .305 mark. Lockerman has 11 RBIs and three triples.

Catcher Don Stickler, hampered by a miserable early-season slump, is fourth with a .298 average. He is tied with Lockerman for the lead in triples with three

and also has knocked in 11 runs.

Outfielder Jack McMullen, with a .282 average, third baseman Steve Baidy, with a .239 average, shortstop Guy Tirabassi, with a .234 average, first baseman Gary Miller, with a .208 average, and second baseman Bob Hoover, with a .204 average, follow.

Although not remembered as much for their hitting performances, both Drapcho and Emery are well over the .300 mark. Drapcho is hitting .370 in 21 at-bats and Emery .355 in 31 at-bats. Emery leads the club in home runs with two.

In the pitching department, Drapcho, with eight wins, has walked only 15 and struck out 78 in 64½ innings. Emery, in 58 innings, has walked 24 and fanned 65. He has won seven games.

Drapcho Among Best

Eddie Drapcho, who owns 25 wins in three years of college pitching, is rated one of the best moundsmen ever to perform for Penn State.

Landy's Mile Mark Threatened in LA

LOS ANGELES, May 23 (AP)—John Landy's world record for the mile run will be the target tomorrow night when four great foreign athletes and five American challengers race in the feature event of the annual Coliseum Relays.

The mile race, set for 8:20 p.m. PDT, is highlighted by an international foursome, each of whom has broken 4 minutes. Landy's record, set in 1951, is 3:58.0.

They are Derek Ibbotson and Brian Hewson of England, Merv Lincoln of Australia and Laszlo Tabori, a refugee from his native Hungary.

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