Stickmen Open Against Palmer's 70 Loyola at Home Today Grabs Lead **By BILL BARBER** The Penn State lacrosse team will kick off the 1959 season **In Masters**

today at 2 pm. when it meets the Greyhounds of Loyola on

Beaver Field.

The Greyhounds invade the Nittany Valley holding a Palmer, a golfer with little regard 0-1 record, having previously dropped their opener to Wash- for golf's tradtions, made his bid

ington and Lee, 15-6

Loyola will have to depend for the most part on freshmen and sophomores to bolster its team. The scoring load will probably be carried by returning letter-man Jerry Beck and freshman Jim Lamar Lamar and Beck each scored two goals in the opener with the Generals

The Lions, on the other hand, have eleven letttermen returning.

Coach Earnie Baer said that this year's team has a lot of potential and could very well better last year's mark of 5 wins and 8 losses.

John Behne will take over the number one position on attack now that the Lion's greatest attack player, All-American Bill Hess, has graduated. Behne was second man on the score sheet last year with 17 goals and 5 assists

Backing Behne up on attack will be Bill McDonough and Jim Winpenny, Although McDonough only had six tallies last season, he copped scoring honors in the Ohio State scrimmage with three goals. Jim Kane and Lee Herman will fill in with the second attack group

Bob Swanson will head the midfield crew and could well push into the top scoring ranks this season.

eya, who was switched from de-also see service on defense. fense to first-string midfield John Castella has gotten the berth, and Dick Bullock will starting nod in the nets for to-

Coach Baer is also formulating new switch where Behne and starting defenseman, Dave Erwin, will form the nucleus of a third midfield to fill in for the first and second midfields in the event of a fast and tiring game

The defense, Baer said, could very well be the strongest point of the Lions' network this season with co-captain Dick Dill yesterday to become the first player ever to win two Masters tournaments in a row.

the halfway point with rounds of few cloudbursts. 71-70-141 on the wind-toughened, 6.980-yard Augusta National

AUGUSTA, Ga (AP)-Arnold

wasn't concerned about the tradition that a Masters winner doesn't opens at Beaver Field. repeat.

When he won last year with a solid 284, he was the youngest victor in more than 20 years.

Yesterday more than a half dozen others had torn par to tatters before Palmer, son of a veteran Latrobe, Pa., professional, finally established himself as the leader.

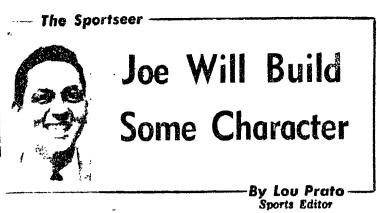
The result was probably the tightest cluster of players near the

with a 74. Within two strokes of him—and Ron Riese, a right hand hurler. only three or four behind the lead-Part-time starter Doug Calder-were more than a dozen play-

Almost any one of them was in position to bid for the title in the remaining two rounds and even such old gallery favorites as Ben Hogan and Sam Snead, U.S. Open champion Tommy Bolt and PGA champion Dow Finsterwald weren't clear out of it. They were in another big group at 147.

Only the 40 low scorers for the first two rounds and those tied mates as "Wimpy" because of his for 40th place will continue in the last two rounds of the tournament today and tomorrow. Red (Barther and Continue in the affinity towards hamburg sand-acter featured in "Popeye," was Red (Barther and Continue in the affinity towards hamburg sand-acter featured in "Popeye," was

Souchak and Billy Maxwell were clustered at 144 over the par 72 From all these figures



Spring, according to the doctrine of Pope Gregory, has Palmer took over the lead at been mingling with us for two weeks now-give or take a

But the apple blossom season won't be officially recognized by Penn State baseball fans until Wednesday afternoon. Course. Then he calmly said he That's the day ole Joe Bedenk's Diamond Follies of 1959

Bedenk has been producing his diamond show for 29 years

but it's been a good many seasons since he's had such an inexperienced cast to work with.

"I'm building character this year," Bedenk quipped recently, echoing the refrain used by many contemporaries when a gloomy season seems to loom ahead.

And Bedenk has reason to moan for he has only three regulars retop of the scoring list that the 25-turning from last year's team—a year-old Masters ever has seen. Alone in second place at 143 was Canada's Stan Leonard, the first-day leader with 69, who finished er, shortstop, junior Larry Fegley, with a 74

well, who shared the centerfield role with the graduated Joe Moore, is also back. Caldwell led the Lions in hitting last spring with a .333 average.

Fegley and Hoover were also among the top batters in 1958 with averages of .324 and .320, respectively. Fegley, who is a very polished fielder, was also a heavystick standout, leading the club in doubles with five and triples with two.

would tend to feel that Bedenk's plight isn't as bad as he says. But let's go a little further

For the first time in three years, Bedenk will be entering the diamond season without the services of five performers first baseman Gary Miller, third sacker Steve Baidy, outfielders Ron Rainey and Jack McMullen and catcher Don Stickler. All five were three-year regulars for Bedenk and were very instrumental in the undefeated regular season (19-0) and second place finish in the NCAA College World Series posted by the 1957 aggregation. In addition, Bedenk will also miss his southpaw pitching ace

Cal Emery, who signed a bonus contract with the Philadelphia Phillies last spring although he had another year of college eligibility left.

Emery had an 8-2 log last spring and a 10-1 mark the previous year. That single setback in 1957 was a 1-0 decision in the final game of the collegiate champion-ships against California.

So you see, Bedenk does have trouble. He has a plentiful sup-ply of talented rookies available but they have to be proven.

Den Champ Julius Boros, Paul man last year. He won six and set," gag-man Bedenk cracked when queried on that subject Welshman; An gel Miguel, the run average. That lone defeat, in-earlier in the week. "And that's source of the set of the set of the set." Earlier in the week. "And that's source of the set o "At this moment there are only cidentally, was in a relief stint Hoover, Fegley, Bedenk, (Chuck) the day after he had tossed a two-hut victory. Hood (the head manager) and the one sportswriter."

Lion Batterymen Inexperienced, **But Newcomers Have Potential**

First of a Series on Lion Baseball Team

Penn State's baseball team opens the season Wednesday with only one pitcher! But there will be several "throwers" on hand, too.

Penn State baseball lingo, according to Coach Joe Bedenk and his assistant Chuck Medlar, defines a pitcher as a person who has proved himself out on the mound



winner and Durbin needs work on his control," the assistant coach said. "Both looked good in their

last practice outings. Fred Wolfe, Bob Knepp and Fred Wolfe, Bob Knepp and Zeke DeLong are the others fight-ing for slots on the pitching staff. The other end of the battery finds a battle going between Harry Beans and John Adams for the starting catcher position.

Adams vas a topflight pect last season, but a broken leg a week before the opener forced him to miss the campaign. Now his leg is completely healed and he is pushing Beans for the starting berth. Beans was the number two man behind captain Don Stickler last year, but he only appeared in two games. According to Medlar, both Beans and Adams have improved quite a bit and a decision on the starter won't be made until game time. The other Lion catcher is soph-omore John McSparran. "He's a real hustler out on the field," Medlar said "and he has the po-itential to make good."



Andy Moconyi . . pushing Beattie

and Mike Beattie forming the veteran nucleus and Dave Erwin, a promising sophomore, holding down the third starting position.

Andy Moconyi, playing his first ers. eason of varsity lacrosse, will see plenty of action in the defensive bulwark and could easily push one of the starting three According to Baer, Ray Tul- for their slot. Tom Ogden will

John Castella has gotten the round out the starting midfield. day's game as Dave Wilkinson's Chip Henderson, Dick Ham-mond, and Dick Janda will form the second midfield.

Meeting to Be Held **For Sport Candidates**

Anyone interested in joining the Collegian sports staff will meet in the Collegian sports office at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. No previous experience is necessary, and there is plenty of room for advancement.

A "thrower," on the other hand, has not proved his ability on the firing line.

The only pitcher is Ron Riese who finished as the Lions' top pitcher last year with a 6-1 record and a 1.53 E R A. Riese's only loss was to Lafay-

ette. He had gone nine innings the day before against Penn but was beaten in a relief job against the Leopards. An error in the eighth inning allowed an unearned run to score and Riese was tagged with the loss.

The only other hurler who has seen previous action with the Nittany "nine" is righthander Larry Freedman. Freedman had an 0-1 record last year, but didn't play too much. Both Bedenk and Medlar have high hopes for him this season, though.

Southpaw Ed Kikla is another hurler who is held in high regard by the Lion braintrust.

last season, but according to the coaches, he has had a lot of ex-perience. Kikla is also a fine hit-ter and can play the outfield. Medlar also said that two left-handers-Bill Benton and Tom Durbin-have a good chance of cracking the lineup.



Chuck Medlar ... Assistant Baseball Coach

ing coach, thinks that Kıkla might develop into one of the Lion reg-ulars this season. "His fast ball and curve are pretty good," Med-lar said "and he is learning to throw the change up."

Speaking of fastballers, Med-lar is high on Bob Arner, a big righthander. "He can really throw that fast one and could help us a lot," Medlar commented.

Medlar, who doubles as pitch-1 "Benton has the stuff to be a

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