

# 'Nine' Hosts Ohio State In 1st of 3-Game Series

By SANDY PADWE

Holding wins over Gettysburg and Bucknell, Penn State's baseball team will face its first real test of the 1959 season at 3:30 today when Ohio State invades Beaver Field.

The two teams will wind up their 3-game set tomorrow afternoon with a doubleheader beginning at 1 p.m.

The Buckeyes are fresh from an 8-game tour of Florida where they compiled a 7-1 record. They have also beaten Kent State and Xavier.

The Bucks annually field one of the best teams in the nation, and this year should be no different. However, they lost their two top pitchers from last year's club which finished with a 22-7 log.

One of them—Ron Nischwitz—signed a bonus contract with the Detroit Tigers for \$62,000. The Ohio State lefthander beat the Lions last year when the Nittanians played in Columbus.

According to Ohio State Coach Marty Karow, pitching seems to be his biggest problem. "We have a good defense and good power. If we get pitching we'll have a good club."

Carl Unger is one of the pitchers who might solve Karow's pitching problems. He missed a no-hitter in Florida when a grounder took a bad bounce and went for a hit.

Karow also has Paul Seitz, Tony Drobnick, Dale Denny and Dick Perkins around for



Bill Benton ... starts on hill

action against the Lions.

The Buck power is furnished by centerfielder Gary Leppert and third-baseman Hank Woehler. Both hit at a .500 clip during the Southern trip.

But the Lions have a good man to match the two slugging Buckeyes in second sacker Larry Fegley. He is hitting .750 and has six RBI's.

Fegley will start at second today and his double-play partner, Bob Hoover (.286), will be at short. Rounding out the Lion in-

field will be Mike Hader (.000) at third and Larry Beighey (.286) at first.

"Pepper" Landis (.000) will be the starting leftfielder while Zeke DeLong (.300) will be in right. Either Ron Rinker (.250) or Doug Caldwell (.250) will be in centerfield depending on who pitches for Ohio State.

Harry Beans (.167) will start behind the plate and Bill Benton (1-0) will be the starting pitcher for the Lions.

Benton was the winning pitcher in the opening game against Gettysburg. He threw 2 2/3 innings of relief for the win. But today's game will mark his first start and the Lion coaches are hoping that the lefthander can go the distance.

Bedenk wouldn't say who would start the two games tomorrow, but he said that he would choose between Ron Riese, Tom Durbin and Ed Kikla.

**DUGOUT CHATTER**—Dick Landis has yet to get a hit this year but has been on base eight times in 10 at-bats. . . . Lion Captain Bob Hoover will be the guest tonight on Carmella LaSpada's "Meet the Varsity" program on WMAJ. . . . After the Ohio State series the Lions travel to Bucknell for another game with the Bisons. . . . Bob Knepp, a relief pitcher, has earned the title of Penn State's top bench jockey. . . . He's got quite a baseball vocabulary and keeps Sports Publicity Director Jim Tarman smiling throughout the home games.



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## MATT-er-a-FACT

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Imagine this, you're an Eastern champion in your sport. Yet when you walk around on campus people pass you by without even saying "whoseee?"

In fact one day you walk into a local men's shop with a guy named Les Walters just after winning the Eastern title and you get to talking about a subject called golf with this cute little coed.

After you leave the shop with this guy named Walters, one of the salesmen asks the coed who she was speaking to. She replies: "I don't know; he's Les Walters' friend."

But you don't hear that remark, Bill Davidson, you just go about your game—the same one they play around the White House lawn.

About 50 fans show up for your first home match this year and watch you drop your second straight of the year. You just aren't any good. You lost your touch some of the non-observers are saying—but not the 50 people who saw you play Saturday.

They saw you lose a real cliff-hanger. The fact that you shot a one-under-par 68 was overshadowed by a great two-under by Penn's Don Norbury. But that was only the black-and-white of the game.

To beat you, Norbury started off by sinking a 40-foot putt on the first green. The extra-long putt was all the more unnerving because Norbury had to compensate for a five inch "plateau" on which the pin was placed. But the ball dropped in.

Then on the second hole, you missed a 25-footer by the width of the ball. Norbury sank his 15-footer. You were still calm though.

On the fourth hole Norbury hit a poor tee shot onto the side of

an overgrown bunker. But he pulled it out and lay on the green in two. You're still calm.

On the long, dog-leg left, fifth you blooped your tee shot out about 80 yards and Norbury hit for about 220. But your four wood cleared the trees and your approach had enough backspin to stop before it rolled over the green. You were lying in three but Norbury was on the green in two. The pressure was on—you were already down two.

Under that strain, you hid the ball in the cup, but you almost had to breathe on it to get it in. A few holes later you were down three but you came back and were only one down going into 17th.

After three shots you were lying two feet from the pin and you had a sure birdie. Norbury, also lying in three, was 25 feet below the pin. He canned the shot and you were still down. Whatta you got to do to beat this guy?

You weren't sure, but you managed to get on the 18th green in two. But so did Norbury. You settled for birdies again and you lost—for the second time in as many outings.

Davidson, you've just lost your touch. Wanna bet!?!?

**OTHER MATTERS**—Mrs. Joe Boyle, wife of the golf coach, gave birth to a little boy yesterday. . . . Maybe I should forget the word, but the lacrosse team half-redemed themselves Wednesday in beating Penn. . . . **Aside to Bob Scarlett:** Thanks. . . . How-to-referee-a-game: one of the lacrosse refs penalized a Penn defenseman for slashing. "One minute," said the ref. "You're crazy," rebutted the guilty one. "Two minutes," said the ref. Silence. . . .

## Harnett, Campbell Win In IM Handball Action

Last year's champs, Don Harnett and Bob Campbell of Tau Kappa Epsilon, again dominated play in intramural fraternity handball-doubles activity last night. Harnett, also the intramural singles title holder, and fraternity brother Campbell, runner-up to him, defeated Verne Zeitz and Bob Gross of Phi Epsilon Pi 21-10, 21-11 to capture the Flight One finals.

Four other combinations won flight finals in fraternity play and two league winners were crowned

in independent action.

Tom Edwards and Dick Hammond of Delta Upsilon won the Flight Two championship and the right to face the TKE's in the championship flight by turning back Dick Moody and Bill Nichols of Phi Kappa Tau 21-20, 21-12 in a close match.

In other contests, varsity wrestler George Gray and partner Everett Barber of Beta Theta Pi beat soccer captain Bill Fiedler and Ron Griffith of Sigma Nu


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## Cubs Trounce Giants

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)**—The Chicago Cubs trounced the inept-fielding San Francisco Giants, 11 to 3, yesterday with a 16-hit attack which included Dale Long's two-run homer.

The Giants made five errors, bringing their total to 17 for six games.

Youthful righthander Glen Hobbie, a last minute Cub pitching choice after the flu struck Bob Anderson, gained his first victory of the season. He had to have help from Don Elston.



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