

Tracksters Prepare For Loaded Slate

After triumphant displays at the Quantico and Penn Relays and a decisive dual meet victory over Navy, the Nittany tracksters enter the heart of their intercollegiate schedule next Saturday when they entertain Ohio State on the Beaver Field track.

Successive Saturdays find the Lion thinclads pitted against the Buckeyes, Michigan State, Pittsburgh, and Manhattan before the close of the outdoor dual meet slate. Three of these four meets will be run before the home fans.

Coach Chick Werner's runners have turned in several impressive performances in the early season and have already embarked on what should prove to be one of the finest years in Penn State track history.

The Lions have managed to set at least one new record in every outing this spring, and each time in a different event. They wrote three new ones in the books at Navy.

At the Quantico Relays the Nittany distance medley team of Chick King, Dick Hambricht, Dick Engelbrink and Ed Moran ran the fastest time ever registered by an Eastern college—9:53.8.

At Navy King and Engelbrink each got into the act individually. King set a new 880-yard record at 1:51.7 and Engelbrink erased the track 2-mile mark with a 9:12.8 effort. The mile-relay team of Don Davies, Bill Schwab, Moran and Hambricht posted a 3:16.2 time to set a new stadium standard.

It was the 4-mile relay squad that continued the record setting pace at the Penn Relays. Fred Kerr, King, Engelbrink and Moran circled the oval 16 times in 17:11.3.

Engelbrink turned in the best individual running performance



ENGELBRINK

for the Lions at Franklin Field. If the Blue and White 2-mile relay crew had won its event the "Eagle" may very well have been a choice for the most valuable performer award which went to Bill Woodhouse of Abilene Christian.

The junior distance man from Glenside ran the best mile in putting the championship 4-mile team beyond the reach of competitors with a 4:12.8 third leg. He ran a tremendous 3:00.2 three-quarter mile leg on the gold medal distance medley team. He just missed the feat of pacing three winning baton squads when he lost a tight duel to Michigan's Tony Seth in the anchor leg of the 2-mile relay.

The sprint relay teams registered fine performances in the 440 and 880-yard relays in spite of the fact that Hambricht did not run his regular leg with the quartet. Hambricht was entered on the medley teams and was replaced by sophomore Dave Truitt in the sprint lineup.

Even without their veteran sprinter the team of Blaine O'Connor, Bob Szezyler, Truitt and Bob Brown was only 9 of a second behind the record-breaking Abilene Christian quartet.

Short Spikes—Penn Relays officials spent \$1150 on rain insurance lest precipitation spoil their carnival which cost over \$10,000 to promote. Consider the plight of Lion stars Chuck King, Dick Engelbrink and Ed Moran—they each won two gold watches for running on both Lion championship relay teams. One for each arm?

First Landing Open View Win Derby Trials

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—Chris Chenery's First Landing, a top threat for Saturday's Kentucky Derby, won the Derby Trial Stakes yesterday after Elkcarn Stable's Open View took the first section of the divided stakes.

First Landing, the 1958 champion 2-year-old, won on a hard ride by Eddie Arcaro, but had to fight off a bid by Carrie C. Hillock's Quantrell in the stretch.

First Landing finished a length ahead of K G Marshall's John Bruce. Quantrell was third, another 1 3/4 lengths away.

Karl Korte rode Open View, who scored by a head over Neil S. McCarthy's Far Western derby hope Finnegan.

Finnegan was three-quarters of a length in front of another California colt, Mrs. Jacques Braunstein's Royal Orbit.

Open View returned \$18.60, \$6.60 and \$3.80.

O'Connor New 'S' Club Head

Blaine O'Connor was elected president of the Varsity "S" Club at the organization's annual election meeting Sunday night.

Other officers are: Vice president, Dick Hammond; recording secretary, Fran Manley; treasurer, Loren Kline; and corresponding secretary, Dave Williams.

The outgoing officers are: President, Howie Maierhofer; vice president, Bob Scrabis; secretary, Ted Lopushinsky; and treasurer, Bill Davidson.

First Night LaX Game

In 1930 the Penn State vs. Syracuse University contest at Syracuse was the first lacrosse game ever to be played under lights. State won 5 to 4 in overtime.

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Castro's throat. But we got everything straightened out except I never did get to shave that beard

"By the way, Lou, I still kept up with our Penn Staters while I was down there and I sure was glad to see old Gene Wettstone's boys win that championship."

"So were we, Joe. And our wrestling team didn't do bad, either" "Yea, I read about that. Second place in the East, eh? Man, that was great. And I read about the basketball team, too. Man, you almost got thrown out of town with those articles you wrote."

"Well, you know how it is, Joe," I said as Joe ran the comb through my hair.

"Yea, I know," he interrupted, "sometimes a man rises above himself. You sure gave it to ole McCoy too. Man, I saw him yesterday and was he boiling. I don't think it would be wise for you to hang around Rec Hall anymore. Dem boys sure are burned at you."

"Where did you get all that stupidity, anyway? From Beano Cook? You and him are two of a kind. Don't you know it's against the law to say anything bad about Penn State? Man, you sure are crazy."

I grinned and said: "Joe, you never change. I'm sure going to miss you when I graduate"

"Graduate?" he cried out "You're lucky they haven't thrown you out already. Why it's getting so that a person can't even work around here anymore. Too much pressure. A coach will be afraid to come to State for fear of getting ulcers. Man, we'll be de-emphasizing sports before you know it."

"Cut the clowning, Joe. I still have some friends."

"I doubt that."

For a moment, the only sound emanating from the barber's chair was that of electric clippers.

"Well, now tell me Joe, what do you think of Penn State sports so far this spring?"

"Man, we're really flying aren't we? I'm sure surprised at the baseball team's performance—seven and one. Man, I thought we'd lose just about every game this year. And that track team is really something. Why don't you write about them more often? All you do is complain. How about writing something good?"

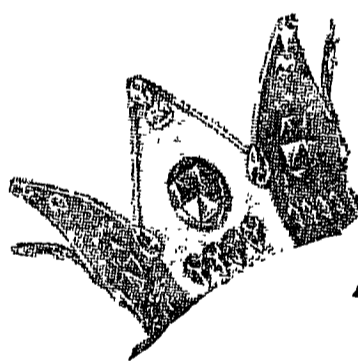
"I admit the track team should have received more coverage, Joe, but I let my emotional feelings get the best of me. You see, I have sort of a misunderstanding with the track coaches."

"Misunderstanding? Man, who are you trying to kid. You're about as well-liked by dem track coaches as rainy weather."

"Joe," I said climbing off the chair. "I don't know when I'll see you again, but take care of yourself. Watch that heart and don't ever lose your Penn State spirit."

"I won't," Joe answered. "I just hope you don't."

And as I walked out of Joe's barber shop for the last time I heard him cry out that familiar refrain: "Penn State forever, moulder of men, fight for her honor—fight—and victory again"



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