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## **12** Lettermen Bolster Nittany Baseball Hopes

By SANDY PADWE

Spring hath sprung and as far as baseball coach Joe Bedenk is concerned it couldn't have come at a better time because the 1960 opener against Gettysburg is just one! week away.

With 12 lettermen returning," Bedenk has sweet hope of mproving Penn State's fourth place finish in last year's College World Series.

But it won't be as easy as everyone thinks. Only three men are! missing from last year's squad and two of them, Bob Hoover and Ron Riese aren't the type that can be replaced right away.

Hoover captained the Lions last spring and was the top slugger with 28 RBI and a .370 batting average while Riese was the number two pitcher with a 5-2 record.

Bedenk is hoping that Bob Luff or Bob Hrobak, a pair of varsity holdovers, can fill Hoover's shoes

tain, split last season at third corps. base and left-field and Bedenk So hasn't decided where he'll play the r this year.

The rest of the infield is pret-ty well set with hard-hitting Larry Fegley at second base and ".arry Beighey and Bill Benton splitting the first base chores.

In the outfield, Bedenk has steady Zeke DeLong set for duty in right, but the other two slots; are up for grabs between letter-man Ron Rinker, footballer Roger Kochman, Brad Davis, Jack Mel-

tion in addition to their other er against Penn on the Jordan Baker, John Blanck, John Krall duties.

duties. Because Benton and Durbin are such good hitters, Bedenk often uses them at first base and left the poor weather that has ham-field, respectively, but with Riese pered all Penn State teams this first base and response. gone Bedenk feels he might have spring.

gone Bedenk feels he might have spring. to count on them more as pitch-ers. Lettermen Bob Arner and Lar-back and they'll be pushed by a group of talented sophomores in-ably be the number one man for cluding Dave Bergey, Marlin Bie-Pern State and junior Dick Lud-match. Carp and Baker probably will combine to form the number one doubles team, while the duo of Blank and veteran Don MacCart-ney are after the second spot. Let-ter-winner Garry Moore and Rea may team up in the other doubles cluding Dave Bergey, Marlin Bie-Penn State and junior Dick Lud-match. secker, and Ken Bruni.

Lee Rentzel, a 24 year-old left-hander from York, Pa, and sophs Gary Chapula and Dave Luongo also could help with the mound chores.

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aiming for an impressive season, varsity experience and are enterstepped up training yesterday in ing their last year of competition. preparation for its season's open- Other possible starters are Jim

## What openings are available?

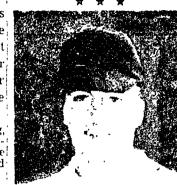
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holdovers, can fill Hoover's shoes at shortstop. If not, sophomore chior and Spencer McGraw. Bill Burkhardt could get the nod State has plenty of depth be-Another sophomore, John Phil-'hind the plate with last year's hips, is high on the list at third starters Harry Beans and John base, but whether he starts or not Adams still around Transfer Jim depends where Dick Landis plays. Subvio and holdover, John Me. depends where Dick Landis plays. Suplizio and holdover John Mc-Landis, State's pepper-pot cap- Sparran round out the catching

> Southpaw Eddie Kikla, one of the nation's top college hurlers last season with a 9-1 record, heads the Lion pitching staff. Two other lefties, Benton and

,Tom Durbin will see plenty of ac-

