Nine Loses to Maryland, Play at Bucknell Today

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Penn State's formula for losing baseball games worked perfectly again Saturday on Beaver Field.

The floundering Lions combined errors (4) with men left on base (14) to give Maryland a 10-6 win. So now Joe Bedenk's "untouchables" are 7-6 and will have to struggle for a winning season.

They can pick up an important win today when they take on Bucknell at Lewisburg, Pa., in the first game of a two-day road trip which finds them at Lehigh tomorrow.

Eddie Kikla, the wonder boy of college baseball a year ago, took the loss for Penn State Saturday and his record dropped to 2-5. The junior portsider lasted only 3⅓ innings, giving up eight hits and nine runs three of which were earned.

Sophomore Dave Bergey relieved him in the fourth and went the rest of the way with some magnificent mound work.

Making his first appearance of the campaign, Bergey didn't allow a hit in 5⅔ innings of relief. He walked four, struck out four, and gave up one run which, naturally, was unearned.

Pitching coach Chuck Medlar was quite pleased with Burgey's showing. "For the first time out, he did a real good job. He pitched a smart ball game," said the ex-Texas League star.

As for Kikla, Medlar just shook his head in disbelief.

Maryland roughed up the Lion ace early, getting five runs in the third inning as the Terrapins batted around. Kikla contributed four hits and two walks to the rally while his teammates chipped in with two errors. In addition, Kikla couldn't field two bunts that appeared to be sure outs.

Four runs in the fourth finished Kikla, and Burgey came in and got the side out.

A triple by centerfielder George Kleindenst was the blow that sent Kikla to the warm confines of the Rec Hall shower room.

After back to back singles by George Crouse and Don Santo, Kikla bobbled a bunt to load the sacks. Kleindenst stepped in and lined one to left center and three runs scored. The Terp centerfielder scored on the next play, a second to first grounder.

Maryland pushed across its final run in the sixth when Burgey walked Frank Kopper who was forced at second by Kleindenst. The next batter, Don Brown, sent an easy fly to center field.

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SAFE AT HOME—Lion rightfielder Zeke DeLong scores for Penn State during Lion uprising in sixth inning of Saturday's game on Beaver Field. DeLong's run wasn't enough, though, and Maryland went on to win, 10-6.
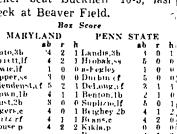
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but Jim Suplizio, who looked like a fugitive from the track meet next door, smashed into Tommy Durbin and the ball fell safely allowing Kleindenst to score.

The Lions scored four of their runs in the middle innings. A double by Larry Beighey in the fifth and two wild pitches accounted for the first run.

In the sixth the Lions rallied for three runs on two errors, two walks and basehits by Zeke De Long, Beighey and Burgey.

They pushed across two more in the ninth after two were out when Crouse walked Harry Beans and Burgey and then gave up a rightfield triple to Dick Landis.

Larry Fegley, pinch-hitting after a bout with the measles, then lined a sharp grounder right at the shortstop who flipped to first to end the game.

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Bedenk said yesterday that either Marlin Biesecker or Durbin would get the starting job against the Bisons this afternoon. Biesecker beat Bucknell 10-3, last week at Beaver Field.

Bucknell Wins in Golf

NEWARK, Del. (AP) —Bucknell claimed its second straight golf crown yesterday when the Bison foursome turned in an 18-hole score of 330 in the sixth annual tournament of the Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Conference.