

# Lack of Reserves Hampers LaX Team

By DEAN BILLICK

"With a little more reserve strength and a couple of breaks we would have given Maryland a whale of a close battle." So spoke Lion lacrosse coach Earnie Baer following Penn State's 17-2 loss to the Terps Wednesday.

The Lion mentor, who is in his fourth year as head coach, called his team's performance against the National Champs "the best game we have played in the last two years."

The Lions, who have lost eight straight games this year, held mighty Maryland to a 9-2 edge for three quarters before running out of steam in the final period.

When Baer spoke of reserve strength, he was talking about the main weakness of the Lions this year.

"Our problem at Penn State is that we just don't get enough boys that have played lacrosse in high school and have that needed lacrosse sense," Baer said.

"A lot of the boys we have never played in high school and when they come to Penn State we have to teach them the basic fundamentals," he said.

Baer knows of what he speaks. When he first came to Penn State he began his sports career with the freshman football team but a shoulder injury forced him to give it up.

One day while visiting a fraternity he happened to see a lacrosse stick and he asked someone what that "crazy looking thing" was. This was the beginning of lacrosse for Earnie Baer.

He went out for the varsity team as a freshman that year and got his big chance in his first game when a teammate suffered an ankle injury.

Baer looked so good as a sub that he continued to play in every game for the next four years. He started 40 consecutive games and as a sophomore led the Lions in



EARNIE BAER

scoring. While Baer was playing (1946-1949) Penn State lacrosse teams recorded their best marks in any four year period, winning 25 and losing 14.

Tomorrow Baer's stickmen close out their season with a home game against Colgate.

Even though Colgate has a topnotch club and the Lions (1-8) are suffering through a dismal season, Baer is looking for a State victory. "If we play like we did against Maryland," Baer said, "we'll end the season on a happy note."

# Venetian Way, Bally Ache Set For Showdown

BALTIMORE (AP) — Trainers, owners, Pimlico track officials and reporters traded shots across the breakfast table yesterday but nothing changed the opinion that the \$150,000-added Preakness tomorrow will be a duel between Venetian Way and Bally Ache.

Shortly after the annual alibi breakfast, the Pimlico oddsmaker dropped the odds on favored Venetian Way, the Kentucky Derby winner, to even money. Bally Ache, second at Louisville 3 1/2 lengths behind, was officially listed at 8-5.

Meanwhile, Trainer Horatio Luro was casting around for a suitable jockey for Victoria Park, the third horse in the derby. Willie Shoemaker reported he was committed to ride Bagdad in the \$50,000 Los Angeles Handicap tomorrow at Hollywood Park.

Victoria Park's stock shot up sharply after a sensational workout here Tuesday, and a lot of support has been shifting to the long-striding Canadian colt. His odds in tomorrow's one mile and three-sixteenths Preakness were held at 6-1.

### Top Minute Man

Of the Penn State football players who will return for the 1960 campaign, halfback Jim Kerr logged the most playing in 1959. He played 354 minutes

# Future Looks Good For Nittany Netters

By JOHN MORRIS

Penn State's tennis future looks bright and nobody is happier about it than coach Sherm Fogg. The Lions have fallen upon hard times for the last several years, but Fogg will lose only two seniors from this year's outfit.

Captain Jerry Carp and John Krall will be the only graduates on the 11-man squad which Fogg terms as a "good team."

The Nittanians have played some of the top teams in the East and have fared well against the likes of Penn. Maryland and Lehigh. Penn tripped the netters, 5 1/2-3 1/2, and both Maryland and Lehigh won by narrow, 5-4, margins.

Despite the 4-9 record compiled last year and the 3-7 log the Lions carry into tomorrow's season finals against Army, State's teams are 79-72-2 in Fogg's 14-year tenure as coach.

Sophomore Jim Baker, first man for most of the campaign, heads the list of returning netters.

Baker has played well all year, but has looked particularly good in his last two wins. In Wednesday's 9-0 victory over West Virginia, the fiery sophomore had his booming service working and lost only two sets on the way to a 6-2, 6-0 win over Boyd Warner.

Fogg can also rely on such junior stalwarts as Johnny Blanck, Don McCartney, Vance Rea and Garry Moore.

Blanck started the season as fourth man but has moved up to third slot behind Carp and Baker off his impressive play. The steady letterman has rolled to a team-leading 6-4 mark.

McCartney and Rea have been singles starters for most of the year, but Moore has been used almost exclusively as a doubles operative.

John Coldren, a 6-2, 6-1 victor against the Mounties in his first outing, Blair Dodds and Bruce Derman are all outstanding sophomores who figure to help the Nittany cause next year.

### Explosive Rusher

Roger Kochman, fleet Penn State halfback, had a rushing average of 11.1 yards per carry in 1959. The 6-2, 195-pounder is slated for the No. 1 left halfback spot this year.

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American League				
	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
x-Chicago	16	10	.615	—
x-Baltimore	16	11	.593	1/2
x-New York	15	10	.566	1 1/2
x-Cleveland	14	11	.560	1 1/2
x-Boston	10	13	.433	4 1/2
x-Detroit	10	13	.433	4 1/2
x-Washington	10	15	.400	5 1/2
x-Kansas City	10	17	.370	6 1/2

x - Play night game

National League				
	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
x-Pittsburgh	20	10	.667	—
San Francisco	20	10	.667	—
Milwaukee	13	11	.542	4
x-Cincinnati	16	14	.533	4
x-Los Angeles	13	17	.433	7
x-St. Louis	11	17	.393	8
x-Chicago	9	18	.378	8
x-Philadelphia	11	19	.367	9

Probable Pitchers  
American League  
New York, Ford (1-1) at Chicago, Wynn (1-1), night  
Baltimore, Walker (0-0) at Detroit, Moore (1-3), night  
Boston, Mombouquette (3-2) at Cleveland, Grant (0-1), night  
Washington, Knatt (1-2) at Kansas City, Hall (2-0), night  
National League  
San Francisco, O'Dell (1-3) at Pittsburgh, Hadley (2-1), night  
Chicago, Drott (0-4) at Milwaukee, Pizarro (2-1) or Jay (0-1), night  
Los Angeles, Koufax (0-3) at Philadelphia, Gomez (0-2), night  
Cincinnati, Newcombe (2-1) at St. Louis, Jackson (2-5), night

## Dickinson Takes Lead in Snead Golf Festival

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W.Va. (AP) — Gardner Dickinson's putter behaved magically yesterday and carried him to a 5-under-par 65 for the first-round lead of the Sam Snead Golf Festival.

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