

Nittany LaX Team Opens Campaign Today at Loyola

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Dick Pencek, Penn State's new lacrosse coach, gets his baptism of fire this afternoon and the 23-year-old mentor admits to being "awfully nervous" about his new role.

Pencek's Lions open their 1962 season at 2:30 against Loyola of Baltimore and the former two-time All-American lacrosse player is just itching to get that first coaching victory under his belt.

"I'M REALLY nervous about starting my first season and am very eager to get a couple of wins this weekend," Pencek said yesterday before boarding a bus for the trip to Baltimore.

ALL WEEK long the new coach has been saying that his team needs a sweep of its first four games to make a good showing this year. After today, State visits Washington & Lee tomorrow and then takes on Penn Wednesday before opening up at home against Lafayette next Saturday.

"So much is contingent on those first four games because after that we have three real tough ones," Pencek explained. "However, we have to play the games one at a time and we'll start at Loyola."

The Lions will be out to better a 4-6 season last year and if the feelings of the players are any indication, this might be a banner campaign.

"I think we have a good chance to have the best record any State lacrosse team has compiled in the past seven or eight years," captain Andy Lockhart said earlier this week.

"THE TEAM IS really working hard and the spirit is high," another added.

State humbled Loyola last year, 17-4, but Pencek isn't exactly



TOP STATE GUNS—Dick Seelig, left, and Tom Hayes will lead the Penn State lacrosse team in its opener against Loyola this afternoon at Baltimore. Hayes was State's leading scorer last year with 26 goals and Seelig was second with 18. Both are juniors.

looking for a repeat performance. The Greyhounds are reported to have their best team in three years and would like nothing better than to make up for last year's rout.

Senior Jim Lamar is the key man on attack for Loyola with Marty Pilsch running a close second.

At midfield the Greyhounds are grooming sophomore John Stewart for All-American honors. Loyola coach Charles Wenzel says Stewart could be as good as anyone in the country.

ANOTHER SOPHOMORE, Tom Milligan, anchors the defense. And that defense is what has Pencek worried.

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Player Leads in Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — South Africa's Gary Player, the forgotten champion, picked up where he left off a year ago and fired a brilliant 5-under-par 67 yesterday for the first round in the Masters Golf Tournament.

Finishing in semi-darkness in a raw, cold drizzle, the black-suited little battler from Johannesburg nailed a birdie 3 on the final hole to go two strokes ahead of Julius (Big Moose) Boros, the grim Hungarian, who had checked in two hours earlier with a 69.

While the rain-coated crowd hugged the 18th green, Player sent a booming drive some 260 yards down the middle, punched a four-iron shot to within 8 feet of the cup and calmly sank the putt for the best round of the long and dreary day.

The tournament's prime favorite, Arnold Palmer, also scored a birdie on the final hole by sinking an 18-foot putt for a 70. He was



Arnold Palmer

bracketed in third place at this figure with Mike Souchak, the former Duke football star, and two darkhorses from Florida, Dave Ragan and Gardner Dickinson Jr. After Palmer rolled in his putt on the final hole, he turned to a spectator and quipped: "Well, as they say, a day late and a dollar short."

It was on this hole last year that Palmer, a two-time winner of the championship, blew to a double bogey 6 when he had the title practically in his grasp. Player, who had finished earlier, won by a shot with 280.

Player's impressive first round drive, marked by only one bogey and by almost flawless shotmaking on every hole, astounded most of the observers who had predicted he was a champion who could not possibly repeat.

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- Minnesota 6, Baltimore 2
- New York (A) 2, Philadelphia 1
- Kansas City 6, New York (N) 5
- Chicago (A) 5, Cincinnati 0
- St. Louis 6, Detroit 5
- Houston 3, Los Angeles (A) 2
- Los Angeles (N) 4, Cleveland 2
- San Francisco 8, Milwaukee 2

Boyle Names Tabor, Gartner as Starters

By JOE GRATA

Penn State golf coach Joe Boyle named sophomores Jim Tabor and Roland Gartner yesterday as two of seven starters who will go against Georgetown in the opener Monday.

"Both boys have shown a lot of promise these past few days," Boyle said, "but I'm basing my selections on the performance that they turned in last fall when they competed in the ECAC golf tournament."

BOYLE EXPLAINED THAT he would name the remainder of the starting squad by the results of an intra-squad playoff which has been taking place this week. Among the contenders are returning lettermen Dick Gilson, Jack Meredith, Dave Miller, and captain Bob Swahn.

Others vying for positions are Harry Baer, Joe Baidy, Chuck Greskovich, Paul Hummer, Dave Liebau, and Bill Robinson.

"If we have two more days of good weather," Boyle said, "we'll be able to continue the playoffs. We should be in top mental and physical condition against Georgetown and should know our starters sometime Saturday."

THE SQUAD WILL depart for West Briar County Club near Arlington, Va., early Sunday morning. The Lion linksmen will

have an evening practice. On the morning of the meet with the Hoyas, the golfers will play a round of nine holes to "warm up."

"It's always nice to get off to a good start," Boyle said. "We're hoping we can boost our morale by winning the opener. The course is new to the boys, but if we get 18 holes of practice in before the meet, as we plan, we should be in good shape."

Boyle recalled a meet against Georgetown in the early 50's, when he was serving as graduate assistant to then head coach Bob Rutherford, now superintendent of the ice rink and golf course.

"We traveled to Georgetown for our season opener, but they were way ahead of us in meets," Boyle reminisced. "Already that season they had won eight straight against no losses and were very sure of beating us. We walked away with a 7-0 sweep, leaving them stunned."

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