

Pitt First Test for Harriers; Lions to Meet Nation's Best

By JOE GRATA

In less than two weeks State's cross-country team will embark on a five-mile race at Pitt University to mark the first of four dual meets.

Coach John Lucas' harriers will meet the Panthers on Oct. 6 at spacious Schenley Park, hoping to duplicate a 17-42 winning effort they managed on the University links last year.

Nittany two-year monogram winners Lionel Bassett and captain-elect Howie Dearoff are the only runners familiar with the territory around Skyscraper U.

The pair competed on the 1960 contingent which defeated Pitt, 19-40, en route to a perfect 6-0 slate and an IC4A championship.

Lucas, former Boston University track standout, recently recruited by the Rec Hall personnel to replace former coach Charles (Chic) Werner, is running his

charges in a stepped-up five-point training program this week.

"We're still looking for depth," Lucas said recently. "The boys are working hard and I should have a good idea of how we'll fare pretty soon."

Lucas doesn't admit optimism, what with opponents like Cornell (Oct. 13), Michigan State (Oct. 20) and Navy (Oct. 27) to follow the Pitt reception.

The meet with the Big Red will be at Ithaca while the Nittanies host the Spartans and Middies in the final dual meet battles.

The Lions will face a two-week break after the four meet sched-

ule, but the harriers will probably have a rougher grind than pre-season drills with the IC4A and NCAA championship meets on the agenda.

The IC4A's are set for New York City on Nov. 12 with the nationals a week later at East Lansing, Mich. Last season the Mount Nits finished as runners-up in the IC4A's to Michigan.

Probably the biggest individual star the Lions will tangle with is Cornell's Steve Machooka, a native of Africa. A sophomore in the circuit last year, the long-distance star is billed as a top threat to cop the national crown this season.

Weatherly Can Clinch Cup Today

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP)—The largest spectator fleet ever to follow a yacht race—a flotilla of 50,000 fans, including President and Mrs. Kennedy—is expected to swarm into the Atlantic today for the fifth America's Cup clash between Weatherly and Gretel.

"It could be a madhouse," a U.S. Coast Guard spokesman said Friday. "If it's a good day, you'll be able to walk across the bay without getting your shoes wet."

To meet the situation, the Coast Guard has brought down additional boats from Boston to reinforce its cutter patrol and has warned of fines up to \$500 for persons violating the race area.

The start of last Saturday's race was delayed an hour by unruly spectator craft.

The camps of the defender Weatherly and the gritty Aus-


tralian challenger, Gretel, both enjoying an off day, appeared more concerned about the potential spectator fleet than the possible weather.

"A turnout that big is bound to affect the race," said Emil Bus Mosbacher, Weatherly's skipper. "However, I think the Australians were bothered more last Saturday, than we were."

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