

# Nittany Harriers Look Like Powerhouse Again

By JOE GRATA

The 1962 edition of State's cross-country squad, under the guidance of new coach John Lucas, again looks like a potential Eastern powerhouse.

The Lions have perennially produced threatening contingents and displayed supremacy in the ICA Conference with a championship in 1960 and a second-place finish behind a powerful Michigan State team last year.

Many questions remain concerning this year's team. As the Nittanians near their season opener with Pitt next Saturday, the enthusiasm and conditioning so typical of former State teams is starting to become evident.

Sophomores Colin Grant and Dick Lampman and captain Howie Deardorff are expected to head the field of runners. Deardorff has consistently turned in winning finishes for the Lions for the past two years.

Grant and Lampman are technically untried and untested in intercollegiate varsity competition. The two looked good as freshman runners last year, however, and have been outstandingly impressive in practice this year.

"BOTH ARE very fine and exceptional runners," Lucas said recently. "These two and Howie (Deardorff) should rank as our best performers."

Grant (6-1, 168) hails from

Hayes, England, a suburban community in Middlesex near London; Lampman (6-0, 165) comes from Liverpool—the city in New York, not England.

In each of three meets as a frosh last year, Grant finished first and Lampman, second. Add the fact that Grant also broke a course record in each meet.

At Navy, the lanky Englishman stormed around the 2.7 miles Annapolis course in 15:32.5 minutes.

Grant's varsity position continues a list of England natives who have competed for State. Last year Gerry Norman, now graduated, was a Lion standout. This year the cross-country forces recruited freshman Jeff Webb from popular but smog-laden London town.

Ironically, the State freshman record Grant broke on the University links last year was previously held by Norman. Grant turned the trick in 15:08.3 minutes, some 13 seconds better than his fellow countryman's mark.

**RUNNING BEHIND** the front trio is two-year letterman Lionel Bassett, a 5-10, 153-pound senior from Coraopolis.

"Bassett has really been looking good lately," Lucas explains, "and is starting to get polish. We're counting on him to hold our forces together."

It appears right now that Bassett must act as a link between the top-ranking echelon of cross-countrymen and a second echelon consisting of junior monogram

letter winners Ted Imswiller and Joe Nichols and senior Dick Tuft.

Of the three, Tuft (5-7, 130) is the least seasoned distance runner but, according to Lucas, looks good and may find himself heavily counted on this season.

Nichols and Imswiller frequently scored for the Lions last year and must come through again for the Nittanians to match or possibly even improve upon a 4-1 slate.

**OTHERS VYING** to finish in the so-called scoring column are juniors Don Woodward (5-11, 145), Gary Riser (5-11, 150) and Mike Sheedy (6-0, 167) and sophomores Steve Gill, Jim Young, Bill Hibschan and Ernie Johnston.

Coach Lucas is currently serving double-duty by handling the frosh distance runners as well as the varsity. Lucas has divided the candidates into two sections.

"This will permit the faster group to continue advancing and work up to its potential," Lucas said. "Meanwhile, the other group will concentrate more on conditioning and eliminating flaws in running style."

Lucas said the Lion squad should be in "pretty good shape" for the Pitt meet. But after that, the Nittanians face an uphill schedule of Cornell, Michigan State and Navy.

Pitt won its opening match this week by downing Slippery Rock, 23-33. Panther Larry Robinson broke the tape first with a time of 22:55.7 minutes for the 4.2 miles distance.

# IOC Ban on Subsidized Athletes Endangers American Olympic Squad

CHICAGO (P) — An International Olympic Committee mandate envisioned as wiping out half the American Olympic team by banning subsidized athletes drew quick rebuttal yesterday from the top men of the U.S. Olympic Committee and the NCAA.

IOC President Avery Brundage who celebrates his 75th birthday today disclosed the new rule which also cracks down on "state amateurs" subsidized by their governments, seemingly aimed at Soviet Russia and satellites.

An iron-fisted champion of pure amateurism, Brundage said the new code, sent by the IOC to national Olympic committees and international federations, answered adverse, if limited, criticism of Olympic standards.

"Eighty-five per cent of the criticism deals with 'state amateurs' — boys taken away from their work and studies to train," said Brundage. "The other criticism has been of our paid and subsidized athletes. In international circles we are considered worse than the Communists."

**THIS OBVIOUS** challenge of scholarship-winning college athletes drew immediate fire from K. L. (Tug) Wilson, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, whose office is in Brundage's La Salle Hotel, and Walter Byers, executive director of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Both emphasized that NCAA rules demand that college competitors be students first and athletes second.

"The overwhelming majority of our competitors will have no difficulty whatsoever in meeting the IOC criteria," said Byers. "Mr.

Brandage's estimate of the effect of the ruling that it would wipe out half the American Olympic team reflects a shocking lack of knowledge of educational administration in this country."

Wilson, a former NCAA leader, not only concurred with Byers, but stressed that the NCAA code requires that the school where an athlete is awarded a grant-in-aid "as one of the criteria" must continue the scholarship if the athlete maintains proper grades even if he fails to succeed in sports.

Wilson also said friends abroad informed him the IOC dictum was aimed mostly at recruiting of athletes from other countries by "some of our colleges and universities" who offer them scholarships."

He said he agreed with this complaint, if such recruitment is done without regard for scholastic standing, and that the NCAA would probe any cited cases.

"It is not right to indict the whole college system of granting aid to athletes because a few violated the code," Wilson said.

# Campbell Replaces Ferrell in Detroit Shakeup

DETROIT (P)—The Detroit Tigers, disappointed over their failure to contend for the pennant this season, named young, aggressive Jim Campbell their general manager yesterday.

The appointment of the 38-year-old veteran baseball executive was the major part of a sweeping reshuffling of the Tigers' front office.

Campbell, a Tiger vice president and head of the club's minor league operations since 1959, assumes the duties handled by Vice President Rick Ferrell. The actual title of general manager has been vacant since October 1960 when John E. Fetzer purchased outright control of the club and

disposed of Bill DeWitt, who had been president-general manager.

Fetzer said Ferrell would remain as a vice president with new duties as a player evaluator.

"I feel a club can't be successful unless it wins the pennant," said Campbell. "Progress can be made, but the only successful club this year was the Yankees—and they won it."

The Tigers, who came in second to the Yankees in last year's American League race, were considered prime threats at the start of the 1962 season. But Detroit currently is in fifth place and seems destined to finish there when the season ends Sunday.

Fetzer said Campbell officially will take over his new title on Jan. 1, but will start doing the

general manager's work immediately.

His duties as director of minor league operations will be assumed by Don Lund, 39, coach of Michigan's 1962 NCAA champions. Lund, a former Tiger player, coached at Michigan four years.

Campbell, a native of Huron, Ohio, and a former Ohio State outfielder, joined the Tiger organization at its lowest executive level in 1949. His first job was as business manager with a Class D farm club. He worked his way up through the minor league organization and came to Detroit in 1952 as business manager of the farm system.

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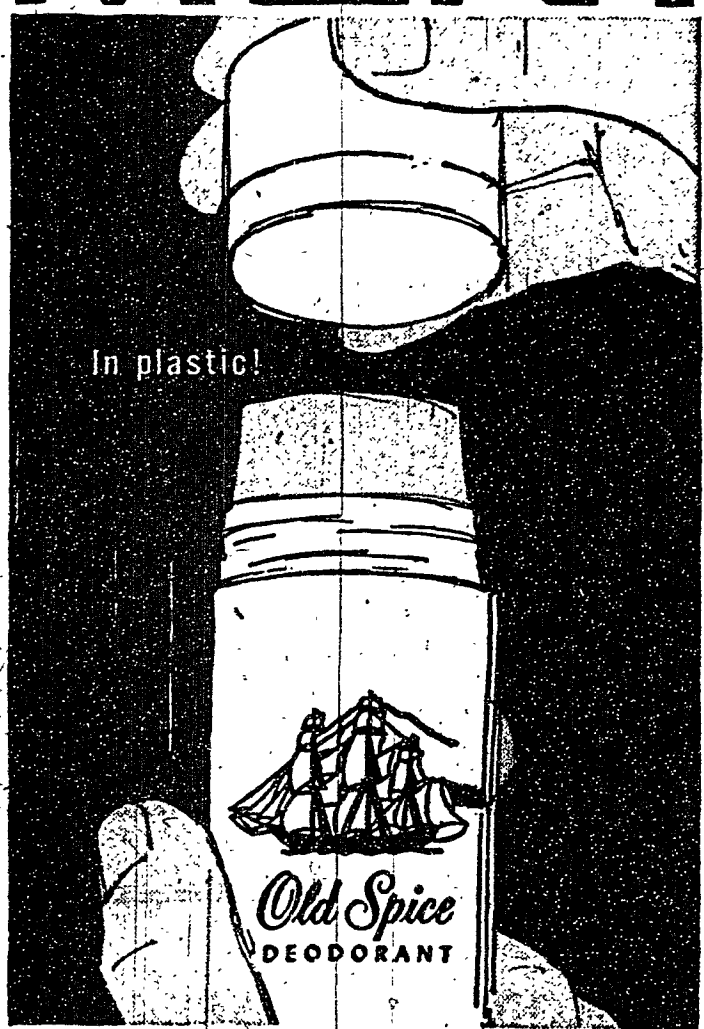
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