

Visits Mansfield for 2

Lion Nine Travels

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The Penn State baseball team learned yesterday that it was No. 5, but the players aren't letting that stop them. Four teams were selected by the NCAA District 2 for the playoffs, but the Lions just missed the boat.

"We were the fifth team," Coach Chuck Medlar said. "NYU, Seton Hall, Cornell and

Lion first baseman Mike Egleston was named to the NCAA All-District team yesterday. The 6-4, 195-pound junior owns a .351 average with 2 home runs and 24 RBIs in 18 games. Third baseman Walt Garrison (.323, 10 RBIs) was named to the third team.

Colgate got the bids, but it was an honor to even be considered.

Medlar thinks that the difference may have just been one of those three extra innings losses the Lions (11-7) suffered. "We were just one win away," he said. "I think that if we had one more win, we would have gone."

As for the rest of the season, Medlar aims at showing the rest of the district that they were wrong. "What we want now is to have a good season," he said. "If we can win out next four or three of four, we will have had a good season."

The first stumbling block in winning

those remaining games will be Mansfield tomorrow. The Lions travel to Mansfield for a doubleheader, and it will not be an easy day.

The Mansfield team is usually a push-over for the Lions, but this year is different. They are enjoying their best season to date as they boast a 11-8 record and a 4-3 win over tournament-bound Cornell.

What should make the twin bill even harder for the Lions is the fact that Mansfield owns a mostly senior team that will be playing its last college baseball game.

Hurling for Mansfield will be either Scott Taylor or Ron Carter. Both seniors, they will be backed up by soph Dave Hagerdorn.

Leading the hitting is Tom Castle, a sophomore who recently won the team Most Valuable Player trophy. Gene Fisher, a long ball hitter, has been slashing home runs and already owns five.

Medlar will counter with his two aces tomorrow. Roy Swanson (5-4) has been better than his won-lost record shows. The soph righty owns a 1.69 ERA and 50 strikeouts in 53 1/3 innings.

Gary Manderbach (3-1) will be the lefty hurler for the Lions tomorrow. The senior owns a 2.83 ERA and has struck out 50 batters in only 41 1/3 innings.

The Lions plan no lineup changes for tomorrow, only the chance to prove that the No. 5 team in the district is still pretty good.



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All-Star at First Base

READY FOR THE throw is Lion first sacker Mike Egleston. The junior owns a spotless fielding record besides his tremendous hitting record. Egleston also plays basketball for the Lions and has recently agreed to play baseball for the Basin League in South Dakota this summer.

Green Bay's Kramer Announces Retirement

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Star guard Jerry Kramer, a veteran of 11 years with the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League, confirmed reports yesterday that he was retiring.

Kramer, five-times all NFL reportedly had announced his resignation by means of an advertisement. But he and Phil Bengston, Packer coach and general manager, made a joint formal announcement yesterday afternoon.

Thinclads End Dual Meets With Season's Toughest Foe

Saving the best for last is the most desirable scheduling for a track team. Track men try to build themselves up to peak for the post season tournaments championships, and a building track squad may not be ready for top flight competition in the middle of its scheduling.

Another advantage to having to meet the finest last is that the team gets to practice against superior competition right before seeing the legions of excellent athletes in the tournaments.

Penn State's track schedule has been an almost perfect one. While there have been no soft spots on the Lion slate, the season will culminate tomorrow with the toughest foe of all—Army.

State has met fine competitor after fine competitor this season on its way to a 3-1 dual meet record and a victory in the Big Four meet, but the Cadets are the strongest team yet.

Army boasts a tradition of deep track teams, and can send more men in each event than they can send against the Vols. This year is not an exception as the Cadets boast what may be the solidest dual meet team on the East Coast.

Army can field three good men in just about every position. From the javelin to hand-to-hand combat, this depth will be the main worry of the Lions tomorrow.

State boasts a little depth itself, especially in the weight events. Scott Hagy, Fred Kingston, Roger Kaufman, Mike Reid, and Dick Richardson lead a corps of field men who have recently come into their own.

Backed up by Al Muccilli, John Galas, Tom Pavlick, and Joe DeStefano, the Lions have able performers who have led them in the shot put, discuss, hammer throw and javelin.

Two standouts lead the jumpers for State, as John Cabiani and Ray Blinn lead the team. Cabiani high jumps, while Blinn triple jumps and even takes

time to broad jump to a few first places.

Ken Brinker is the all-purpose runner for the Lions, as he has been in every conceivable event under 440 yards and has broad jumped for the Lions.

The dual meet season comes to an end for the Lions tomorrow, and they will have a rough opponent in Army, but it will be just the right way to get ready for the C4A tournament.

Golfers Travel to Army; Cadets Tough at Home

By JOHN PESOTA
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It's an old golfing axiom that the home player or home team in any match has a distinct advantage over any visitor. That extra bit of local knowledge the home player accumulates with repeated practice can be just enough to turn a close contest in his favor. But apparently someone forgot to tell the Penn State golf team about this axiom.

The Lion linksmen of Coach Joe Boyle have encountered no difficulties thus far this season on foreign links. They have a spotless 4-0 record in road contests. In fact, the closest Stat has come to dropping one away from home was last week's 5-2 win over Navy.

But State is not taking any chances in its final road encounter tomorrow at West Point. The team left University Park this morning at 8:00 o'clock to arrive at West Point early. "We want to get there early so we can get a lot of practice in," coach Boyle said. "We'd like to get to know the course well so we can be ready for them."

Boyle plans no lineup changes, as he carries an 8-1 slate into the contest. With the season almost over there seems little point in juggling his men around now. Leading the Lions into battle against the Cadets will be team captain Bob Hibschan, who suffered his first loss of the year at Navy last week. Hibschan will be looking to return to the form that has carried him to an 8-1 season mark and

a second place finish in the Eastern Championships.

Tom Apple, Nick Raasch, and Frank Guise follow "Hibber" to make up the big four in Penn State golf circles. Apple and Raasch are both 6-3. Raasch, the blond belter from New York, lost his first three but has been invincible since, streaking to six straight wins. Guise, 7-2, has not dropped a decision since the fifth match of the year against West Virginia.

The final three men have certainly been no load on the team. Mack Corbin is 7-2, including five straight. Fred Shultz has been a pleasant surprise, winning consistently on his way to a 7-1-1 slate. Andy Noble has chipped in with a 5-3 record.

Boyle expects his charges to have a tough contest on their hands. "Our guys have been practicing and we're hoping they're up for it," Boyle said. "I don't know too much about Army although they beat Navy by one shot in the Easterns. They're usually pretty tough on their course. We'll have our hands full."

The course at Army is the kind that favors the home team. "They have a cute back nine," the coach remarked. "It's short with a lot of doglegs and you have to play short. There is a lot of local knowledge involved."

The Lions' early departure will be an attempt to neutralize Army's home course advantage. Being away has not adversely affected State's play thus far this season, but victories in golf can never be taken for granted. And a spirited Army team should be doubly difficult to handle on its own course.

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