

Phils Trim Squad; Ax Gamble, Allen

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP) — The Philadelphia Phillies cut eight players from their squad yesterday, including pitchers Billy Champion and Jeff James.

The club now is one over the opening day 25 player limit.

Also sent to the Phillies' minor league camp were pitchers Mike Jackson and Fred Wentz, catcher Del Bates, outfielders Oscar Gamble and Scott Reid, and first baseman Ron Allen.

Manager Frank Lucchesi surprised by keeping outfielder Sem Parilla, who was acquired as a free agent. Parilla is hitting .222 for the spring games. Last year, however, he hit .383 with 85 RBI and 28 home runs in the Class A Carolina League.

Champion had a 5.00 ERA in 23 appearances for the Phillies last year. James spent most of last season with Eugene in the Pacific Coast League.

Allen, the brother of St. Louis slugger Rich Allen, played at Reading in the Eastern League in 1969 where he hit .300 with 25 home runs and 97 RBI. Gamble was obtained along with pitcher Dick Szyma in the trade that sent John Callison to the Chicago Cubs.

Cheerleaders Set Squad Tryouts

Tryouts will be held for two weeks starting April 5 in the Ice Pavilion to fill vacancies for two women and five men on the cheerleading squad.

Instruction in Penn State cheers will be given from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the week days with two optional practices on the Old Main lawn April 11 and 18.

There will be two preliminary cuts on April 9 and 14 with finals at 7:00 p.m. April 19 in the HUB Ballroom. The public is invited to attend.



Edwards Returns

FORMER ALL-AMERICAN attack man Ken Edwards returns to action with the Penn State lacrosse team this season. Still hampered by the injury that decked him all last season, Edwards will be forced to play midfield this season.

LaXer Coach Pencek: 'Anyone for Tennis?'

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Collegian Sports Writer

When the weatherman decided to extend the winter season without prior notice, he did more than to help make Route 322 an elongated parking lot. He helped in changing the physical makeup of lacrosse by banishing the practice sessions from the soft green grass of the fields in deference to the hard black top of the tennis courts.

And considering the speed with which the snow is dissolving itself off the good earth, lacrosse may have a better chance of being played in Rec Hall or on University Drive for this season.

Since the Lion LaXers haven't been getting the full benefit of university facilities, their tuning up for the coming season has been somewhat hampered.

"We need practice on a field, not on macadam," said coach Dick Pencek. "I went down on that field and the best thing I could say about it was that it was unbearable. The problem is that we're so darned young a team that we need the full practice field to prepare for the season."

In terms of experience, this year's team is still in the first stages of infancy. When the Lions open the year sometime in the distant future, there are definite possibilities of having up-

wards of seven or more men taking their respective varsity positions for the first time, at Penn State.

As it stands now, sophomores Chris Alex, Rick Smedley and Al Neffgen will man the attack, and Bill Cappell and Barry Farrell will start on defense.

Don Stone was switched from defense to goal, but the biggest change will be the transplanting of All-American attack Ken Edwards from his former position of attack to the midfield.

Two years ago, Edwards scored 33 goals and assisted on 45 others to be among the nation's leading scorers in lacrosse. An off-season knee injury forced him into being a reluctant spectator last year so this season is a test for him to prove himself again to the team. And, unfortunately, he failed the first part of it last weekend.

"I was physically forced to the midfield because my leg won't hold up to play attack," he said. "In the scrimmage I re-injured the knee, not badly, but enough to know that I can't play attack. I played midfield in high school though so it won't be that much of a change. I'll learn certain things as the season develops but right now I'm at about 80 per cent."

Juniors Dave McKeever and Lance Silver has been termed by Pencek as having "that nasty instinct," a must for 20-year-old midfielders who weigh 200 pounds or more.

Silver is also stout, not to mention a good scorer. Look for some action from this trio.

One big plus for this year's young squad is the size. This year, there are 40 bodies out learning the finer arts of contact, a far cry from the 17 of a year ago. If anyone gets hurt, there is the possibility of a replacement coming from the bench.

Last year if anyone received a death blow, Pencek would cast Shanghai eyes at any large, vibrant spectators for recruitment.

This year's chances for success will be in doubt until the opening clobber. Last year's team was to be perhaps the greatest in the school's history, but injuries turned it into an also-ran. And some of the best of that squad in the forms of Bob Schoepfin, Gerry Curtin and Jim McGuone have gone the way of all Penn State seniors. So this season is one big uneducated guess.

"It could be a good year if the sophomores really develop," Pencek summarized. "They'll have to carry about 90 per cent offensively. The problem is that it's a tough burden to put on young kids."

Some of those young kids may come through as the attackmen are a highly touted unit. They'll all have to check, score, run, pass, count tickets, pray for rain against Maryland and other national powers. Their young recklessness, though, could make it an exciting season.

"We'll give you some good ballgames," Pencek advertised.



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Three Gymnasts In NCAA Meet

The NCAA gymnastics tournament begins at Temple today and three Lions will be trying to bring home titles for the Lions. Marshall Averner will be competing in the all-around competition, plus the long horse, parallel bars, high bar and side horse.

Jim Corrigan will be shooting for a trophy in the long horse while Scott Bresler is entered in the still ring competition.

Today's competition will be compulsory exercises, with the optionals scheduled for tomorrow. The team title contest takes place tomorrow and Saturday.

The eight teams competing for the team title are Temple, LSU, Michigan, Iowa State, New Mexico, California, Air Force and Southern Illinois. Penn State coach Gene Wettstone predicts that Iowa State, Michigan, and Temple will battle it out for the title.

A.L. Pilots To Become Brewers

Seattle Franchise Moves to Milwaukee

SEATTLE (AP) — Baseball's one-year experiment, a field trial which became a courtroom contest, was to die yesterday with the scratch of a pen on papers changing the Seattle Pilots into the Milwaukee Brewers.

The action was due at 6 p.m., before federal bankruptcy referee Sidney C. Volinn.

Volinn approved sale of the American League team to Milwaukee Tuesday night. The price tag was \$10.8 million.

The only question left after Volinn announced his decision to approve the sale was when he would sign the order. Wallace Aiken, attorney for Pacific Northwest Sports, Inc., the Pilots' owner, asked for an early morning signing because the closing time on the sale was 11 a.m.

However, attorney Elwin Zarwell, the Brewers' representative, said Volinn's decision made the sale final so far as the Brewers were concerned.

Sale papers for the Pilots were signed March 28 and became final yesterday. The American League

had approved Milwaukee last week when Volinn cleared the way for owners to vote. Only Volinn's decision stood between Milwaukee and its first baseball team in five years.

Milwaukee has the Brewers, Seattle has an empty stadium and baseball has potentially big trouble on its hands.

William L. Dwyer, special assistant Washington state attorney general, said after the hearing Tuesday night the state and Seattle would press their joint \$8 million antitrust damage suit against the American League and Pacific Northwest.

Sens. Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson, both Washington Democrats, say they will introduce legislation in the Senate next week taking away baseball's antitrust immunity. Rep. Brock Adams, D-Wash., was to introduce similar legislation in the House.

Volinn approved the sale, he said, because the club couldn't meet its debts and continue to operate in Seattle. The only alternative to the sale and American League takeover—was unfair because the

league might be forced to bear deficit spending of as much as \$5 million over the next three years, Volinn added.

The referee appointed a receiver to handle the franchise during its reorganization. He also ordered that all funds from the sale be distributed to the Pilots' creditors only at the direction of his court.

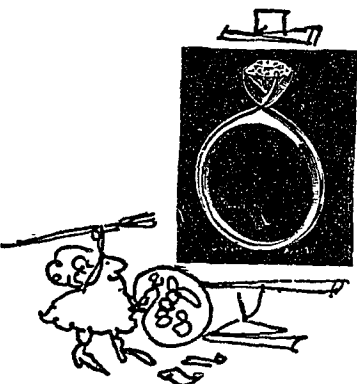
The Brewers will rent Milwaukee County Stadium for \$1 a year if attendance fails to climb above the one million mark.

If more than one million fans pour through the turnstiles, the Brewers will pay the county five per cent of gross admissions after taxes, the visiting club's share and the league's share are deducted.

The percentage rises to seven per cent when attendance reaches 1.5 million and 10 per cent for two million or more.

The Brewers also will retain all profits from concessions until the one million mark is reached, at which time the county will get 10 per cent. The county keeps all proceeds from parking.

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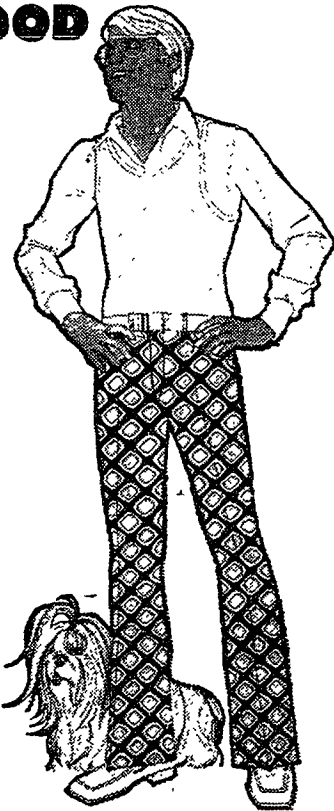
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