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In the National League, the

New York Mets downed the

Chicago Cubs 5-3, Los Angeles

tripped San Francisco 5-1,

and St. Louis outlasted Pitts-

Designated hitter Jim

Wynn crashed a tape-

measure homerun in his first

at-bat in the American

League to lead the Yankees.

and John Mayberry's three-

run shot powered Kansas

Amos Otis' two-run homer

burgh 12-6.

The Master's crowd gives first round leader Hubert Green his due. Green's fiveunder-par 67, gives him a two-stroke edge.

### Smashing debut for Toronto; Catfish, Yanks chug Brewers

First baseman Doug Ault the Chicago White Sox, 9-5. paced a 16-hit attack yesterday with a pair of home runs and drove in four runs as Milwaukee 3-0, Kansas City

League game ever, defeating innings, and Cleveland

In other games, the New York Yankees blanked the expansion Toronto Blue topped Detroit 7-4, Texas Jays won their first American edged Baltimore 2-1 in 10

Pirates ripped by Cards

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Keith Hernandez drove in four runs to lead the St. Louis Cardinals to a 12-6 romp yesterday over the new-look Pittsburgh Pirates, who made three first-inning errors in the teams' National League opener.

Hernandez rapped a two-run double and a two-run homer. John Denny and relievers Al Hrobosky and John Sutton scattered 11 hits in the successful major league debut by new Cardinal Manager Vern Rapp.

The game, played in a chill rain and occasional snow, also marked the National League debut of Pittsburgh Manager

The Pirates, revamped for speed and occasional snow, also new, striped uniforms, never recovered from their disasterous defensive start in the four-run Cardinal first inning.

Seeks first major championship

## Green leads by two at Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Hubert Green used a new driver to pound Augusta National's par five holes into submission, birdying all of them on his way to a five-under-par 67 and a two-stroke lead yesterday in the first round of the 41st Masters golf tournament.

"A very enjoyable round," Green commented of his loose-gaited stroll through a sunny, Southern spring day, then added in typical self-deprecation: "It was a very nice way to play Augusta National. I didn't have to play out of the water like I usually

The lanky Green, one of the game's more popular performers, admitted to a certain fascination with this tournament, the first of the year's four major tests of golfing greatness.

Four events, said, "this is a very important part of my life. It's a goal I want to achieve.

His four birdies on the par-five holes, a key factor in his two-shot advantage over 24-year-old rookie Bill Kratzert and old pro Don January, served as a big step in the right direction.

The 47-year-old January, the first man off the tee, pampered a chronically ailing back in his solid 69. He often had his caddy pick the ball out of the hole. Kratzert, who shared a victory in the National Team Championship that closed the 1976 season, was the last man on the course and tied Janaury in

the gathering gloom of late afternoon. He was followed by a starry group at 70 including

Green, who has yet to win one of the game's Big. leading money-winner Tom Watson, injurytroubled U.S. Open champ Jerry Pate, Hale Irwin, Tom Kite and Rik Massengale, the winner of the Bob Hope Desert Classic earlier this season.

Ben Crenshaw and South African Gary Player, the only foreigner ever to win the Masters, headed a group at 71 that also included Mark Hayes, the best of the young men who have dominated the tour this

Jack Nicklaus, hungrily eyeing a sixth Masters green jacket and another shot at the unaccomplished Grand Slam, ran into putting problems in his round of par 72. He took 37 strokes on the slow. grainy putting surfaces, three-putted twice and missed two others of four feet or less.

### Trackmen to host top field in Relays...

By RICK WEBER

**Collegian Sports Writer** The Sixth Annual Nittany Lion Relays get into full swing today at Beaver Stadium with the decathlon and 110-meter hurdles slated for 1 p.m. starts.

More than 40 university and track club teams plus nine high school teams are scheduled to compete this year in the event, which is expected to be the top spring sports attraction at Penn State.

'If the weather breaks,'' said meet director and Lion coach Harry Groves, "it will be the best track meet ever held here because of the number of good teams entered.

"If anybody interested in track is in town and doesn't bother to see it, they're crazy.''

Top teams such a Villanova, Cornell, Essex County College, Pittsburgh, Bucknell and the Philadelphia Pioneer Track Club will compete. Top individual performers include half-milers Tom McLean of Bucknell and Mark Belger and Don Page of Villanova, and Bruce Track Club's Tony Hall, the top javelin thrower in the nation. Other top stars are two-miler Mel Boyd of Pittsburgh and former Penn Staters Greg Fredericks and Charlie Maguire of the Pioneer Club.

"If the weather is conducive," Groves said, "practically every meet record will be in jeopardy. There will be no less than eight guys here who will be on the 1980 Olympic team. There'll be somebody entered in every event better than the record."

Groves expects the meet record of 253 ft., three inches in the javelin to be shattered, noting that one club has entered six performers who have thrown between 244 and 285 feet.

The meet record of 9:08.4 in the 3,000-meter steeplechase should also fall; Bruce Baden of Penn State has already recorded a sub-nine-minute time this year (it came in last weekend's Colonial Relays).

Records should be set in at least a few relay events, where Villanova, Essex C.C., Bucknell, and Mt. St. Mary's boast strong squads.

Groves doesn't expect one team to dominate the meet.

"Because of the large number of entrants," he said, it is highly unlikely that anyone will win much of anything, save Villanova which is geared toward the relay events.

Last year, Villanova won the invitational two-mile relay and took third in the invitational sprint medley

Individually, Penn State's top hopes include Baden (steeplechase),

even trying hard."

The scene shifts this Sunday

back to University Park and

the emphasis, as the name

Nittany Lion Relays reveals,

Joe Batteer (triple jump), Bill Austin (400-meter intermediate hurdles), John Sallade and Jim Greene (long jump), Gary Greaser (discus, hammer throw), and Jay Behm and Tim Bowers (javelin).

Although members of the Lion squad are entered individually, Groves said "the biggest thing is that we are still concentrating on relays rather than individual events.'

MEET MEMOS: All of today's events will be held at Beaver Stadium. Tomorrow, morning events are slated for Beaver Stadium and afternoon events will move to the eight-lane resilite track at Westerly Parkway Junior High School . . . The intramural eight-man mile relay finals, an event of particular interest to Penn State students, will be held at p.m. today. Phi Gamma Delta fraternity won the relay in a meet record time of 3:20.2 last year.

#### ...Lady Lions eye Pitt, others on Sunday

Collegian Sports Writer

City, while rookie Bump Wills singled home the winning run in the 10th inning to lift Texas. tracksters host the Nittany Cleveland's Frank Duffy Lion Relays this Sunday at charged home on Duane Beaver Stadium (yes, that's Kuiper's 11th-inning chopper Easter Sunday), the meets in the Indians' triumph over

Last Saturday's tri-meet or the times. with Pitt and Towson ended in running a few events — in- can't not count the times." doors. Outside, a steady rain

"Track meets can't be When the Lady Lion a Towson no-show and the Pitt rained out," said Lady Lion and Penn State harriers coach Chris Brooks. "They

> was falling on Pitt stadium. continued. "The kids were so that they won't count the meet wasn't scoring efficiently or

"It was a lousy meet," she will be held regardless of the Now, the Pantherettes say mad and frustrated. Pitt

is on relays Coach Brooks cited the 4 x 110 relays as one event in

which to watch out for those girls from Penn State. Four out of the following five Lady Lions will run the relay: White; Tina Leatherman; Patti Knighton;

Lea Ventura; and Cathy Bovanowski. Another relay race which Coach Brooks says will be good for the Penn Staters is the Distance Medley Relay. Donna Gardner will run the 880, Lea Ventura will follow her in the 440, Hilary Noden will race the three-quarter mile, and captain Kris

Bankes will run the last leg,

Atlanta (Messersmith 11-11) at Hous ton (Richard 20-15).
Only games scheduled.

the mile. Kathy Mills, recovering the Women's Cross Country Championships in Germany, will be back and running. She'll compete in two events, either the mile, 4 x 880 relays or half-mile.

'She (Mills) is still feeling tired," said coach Brooks. 'But she has been training

Among the other teams competing in the event are Club Keystone, Bucknell, Delaware Sports Club, Central Jersey Track Club. Youngsville, Clearfield and numerous independent runners. Some of the teams are AAU clubs.

'We're hurting for competition in the mile ar other distance events," said Lady Lion coach Brooks. "We'll have some good times in the meet. Some other times will not be so good,

because we are giving some s of our young people experfrom a bug she picked up in ience," she added.

Only games scheduled
Today's Game
California (Hartzell 7-4) at Seattle

## Snowbitten LaXers to meet Tar Heels

**Assistant Sports Editor** 

Snow in the spring time isn't one of God's

greatest gifts to mankind. You can't run barefoot through it. You can't lay on it and get a sun tan. But you can go crazy waiting for it to go away.

Lacrosse coach Dick Pencek is one such loony because he's had a tough time prepping his 18th-ranked, 0-1, squad for tomorrow afternoon's match against 11th-ranked North

"Yesterday, (Tuesday) we tried to practice in a torrential downpour," Pencek said. "Today, (Wednesday) we had to call it off because we couldn't see the ball. The snow came down so hard we couldn't see from one end of the field to the other. We haven't been able to cover anything that we wanted to cover.

One thing the Lions especially wanted to cover was their lack of fluidity on offense. Pencek had installed a new offensive strategy involving a lot of ball movement, but the plan broke down in last week's 9-7 loss to Drexel, a failure Pencek takes on his own shoulders.

"I made several errors in judgments, I guess," Pencek said. "We had done a lot of things in scrimmage, but when you get into a game it's a different situation and things don't always work the way they should.

"I looked at the films and we weren't off, functionally. It was just overall a really bad game," Pencek said. "I hope we don't throw the hall away like we did on Sunday (against Drexel). You do that against any team and they're going to beat you.'

There's no doubt a team like North

Carolina will. Last year the Lions were knocked off by the big bad boys from the South. A fair amount of that squad graduated but the void has been ably filled by junior college transfers, according to Pencek.

'They picked up some excellent ballplayers and they have a new goalie who's

Even with the new faces, North Carolina's strategy remains the same.

"They do basically what they did last year," Pencek said. "They're a real picking and cutting team. There is constant movement. They've got some very good athletes and they take a lot of shots.'

At least temporarily Pencek said he plans to abandon his new offensive strategies and return to the formula that brought him 7-2 and 9-2 records in the last two seasons.

"It'll be a little more structured and we'll rely a little more on Maut (middie Rich Mauti), Repp (middie Paul Repp), Keith (attackman McGuire) and Coop (middie Bob Cooper), in individual efforts," Pencek said.

The bitter loss to Drexel which caused the offensive changes had some good in it for it forced the Lions to figure out what caused the

"Well, we just said that you, the players, have to sit down and you got to look at yourself and find out what you're going to contribute to the team and whether or not you're trying to do more than you're capable of doing," Pencek said. "... Just try to regroup and get together as a team."

But there's no denying the road ahead, starting with North Carolina, is tough.

'We can play a good ball game and lose," Pencek said. "This is a situation where you have to play a super ball game.'



Lion lacrossemen Jack Barry (13) and Gary Alex (19) will try to help even the

#### Major league standings

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Only games scheduled New York 3, Milwaukee 0 Cleveland 5, Boston 4, 11 innings California at Seattle, night game Today's Games
San Diego (Strom 12-16) at Cincinnat

# Will interest in ice hockey team be maintained?

(Editor's note: This is the second of a two-part series on the possibility of Penn State's hockey program gaining varsity status.)

By JOE GARVEY Special to The Collegian

Proudman said he didn't think a seating capacity of 2000-3000 would bring in enough money to support the program. "If Scannell is concerned with hockey generating enough money for itself, the capacity should be 4000-5000," he said. The rink

should be able to expand to 6000-10,000, Proudman added. Scannell said that the capacity shouldn't be 6000-10,000 initially. He also said at that capacity a lot of money would have to be spent on the upkeep of the facility and that it would be a larger building than Rec Hall, which would drive costs up. Scannell said Boston University, which is a big hockey area,

has a seating capacity of 4300. Deciding on the capacity brings up another question: will hockey draw at Penn State? Hockey isn't drawing well in the pro leagues. In its Nov. 29, 1976 issue, Sports Illustrated reported that attendance at National Hockey League (NHL) games dropped 10 per cent in the last two seasons. This could in part be due to a 129 per cent rise in ticket prices over the last 10 years. Minor league teams aren't drawing well either. The Johnstown Jets, league champs last season, after a poor start

this season are struggling for their lives. Dean Scannell said attendance depends on several variables. First of all, he said there's a national phenomenon for hockey. He said he has friends in Kansas City who drove more than 20 miles at 3 a.m. to see and play in youth leagues. Secondly, he said the Flyers' success has helped. The Philadelphia Flyers went to the Stanley Cup finals last season and won the Cup, which goes to the NHL champion, the two previous seasons. Thirdly, he cited the growth of hockey in

Pennsylvania. "About 100 high schools in Pennsylvania play hockey now," he said. "Five years ago, maybe five played." He said that projecting this out over the years, there will probably be several hundred people on campus who've played hockey and several thousand who've seen a game. As this happens, a following builds, he said.

The club has drawn well over the last couple seasons. But Dean Scannell said, "There's a natural tendency to support a club — they worked hard, let's support them. But this disappears quickly, as the volleyball team is finding out this year." (The varsity hasn't drawn as well as the club did last year. Coach Tom Tait called last year's team "the best in the East" and this year's team has won about 70 per cent of its

"If we go varsity, with the team on a self-supporting básis, we would have to charge . . . . We don't feel charging for hockey is a violation of the concept of giving to the student because we're adding something to our program."

> - Robert J. Scannell Dean, College of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation

Proudman said this isn't a valid comparison because volleyball is a different kind of spectator sport than hockey. He said that "there's no way interest in the hockey program would wane" if the club goes varsity, partly because of the advantages of a heated rink and publicity that go with varsity status. He said that not having heat in the rink has held the crowds down. He also said that he thinks hockey appeals to the football fan, who likes action sports but has none at Penn State in the winter.

How well hockey will draw is vital to the club's varsity hopes. Because hockey is expensive, some of the cost would probably be passed on to the students.

"If we go varsity, with the team on a self-supporting basis, we would have to charge," Scannell said. "We have to do it with a carefully developed logic. We don't feel charging for hockey is a violation of the concept of giving to the student because we're adding something to our program

Much of this hinges on what kind of varsity Penn State has. Dean Scannell defined two kinds. One is like gymnastics, football and basketball where "we do what we have to to be the best." This means going for a national title, a national schedule and recruiting, especially from Canada. On recruiting Canadians, Scannell said, "I don't want it, the club doesn't want it. This type of commitment is "a trememdous financial drain."

The other kind of varsity is similar to fencing, which involves "doing the best we can with our resources." This means a regional schedule and no scholarships. Scannell cited Lehigh as a hockey club that followed this route. This conflicts with Kurtz's belief that given the scholarship, Penn State could compete with anybody.

Following this path would be less expensive than the other kind, which brings up the possibility of having a varsity on the basis of its own income (self-supporting). Scannell said this me ins that revenue from other sports won't go to hockey and revenue from hockey won't go to other sports.

Brownschidle said he'd like to see a program similar to the one at Notre Dame, which was gradually built up over five or six years. He said that Notre Dame played an independent schedule for a couple of years before joining a league

Luongo said he thinks Penn State should gradually build up

to Division I hockey. He said he thinks Penn State could play Division II hockey right away and the rise to Division I "could be fast, depending on how much interest in the program there is." He also said a \$100,000-\$150,000 budget is high for a Division II program, but could be that much for a Division I

Proudman said that the club wants to get to the point where the move to varsity status "is a smooth transition." He added that the program should gradually build up to Division I, not jump right into it.

Proudman also said that if the seating capacity is 2000-2500, "there's no way the program could pay for a \$100,000-\$150,000 budget." He also said that Penn State wouldn't have to recruit Canadians because of the improvement of hockey in the U.S. He said some Division I teams are starting to get away from recruiting Canadians.

The administration and the club seem to have gotten along well. Kurtz feels the administration has been fair with the club. "We didn't have a five-year program to get varsity status," he said. "We tried to upgrade the program through increasing the caliber of our players and with an attractive schedule. With that, we tried to get a following.'

But Kurtz did make moves to "stimulate interest in the administration" to go varsity. He fielded an NCAA eligible team and used publicity to let people know about the team.

Proudman said, "The University has been very generous with us. Our relationship has come 400 per cent in four years." He said the University subsidizes about 50 per cent of the club's budget, mostly through supplementing ice time. Proudman said when he was a freshman, varsity status was his immediate goal, but now he's "mellowed out" because he feels varsity status is inevitable.

Scannell said hockey is here to stay. But what form it's going to stay in, and what to do about a rink, are questions that must be answered.