Lady laxers light up West Chester

By CHRIS LINDSLEY Collegian Sports Writer

team faced a different type of oppoit showed no adverse effects under

The Lady Lions' road record now

Beth Thompson. Thompson paced Penn State Head Coach Gillian

Although the Lady Rams pro- Jane Koffenberger, who scored two shots). Discher turned aside 17 "She also contributed to the offense ceeded to tie the score at 1-1, that and one, respectively

Penn State moved out to a 10-5 lead From this point on the game was

dominated by the Lady Lions. Penn

State outscored West Chester 8-0 in the second stanza. Rattray said the but then we started to play our squad did a better job in the second game in the second half." Hoke said. "There will always be things which we need to work on, but now we are learning each other's moves. aggressive, double teaming the ball And knowing what to expect from and it made a difference in our everyone makes us more effective play.'' Rattray said. "We have been

a strong second half team all sea- as a team." ing our play (in the first half)." Also playing big roles in the Lady West Chester goalie Linda Discher. the Lady Lion offense by scoring a Lion offense, which recorded 51 Penn State took only seven less shots, were Laurie Hoke, four goals. shots to score 18 goals Saturday Laurie Gray, three goals and one assist, Marsha Florio, two goals and than it did in compiling 32 goals last four assists and Betsy Williams and week against Lock Haven (58 for them to score," Rattray said.

alignment, the Penn State offense got going in the second half and left goals anyone has scored on them attack wing Hoke said the offense is this season," Rattray said. "But the score could have been much higher if not for the play of (Discher). She

played very well and for a freshformidable job. She has started ing the offense and playing well Lady Lions might have scored more defensively are important to the if not for the outstanding play of team's success.

West Chester) and she pressure shots and Rattray said her perfor- with two assists."

"We scored consistently agains

son's halfway mark, its hitting, or lack of it, has been a major problem for Lion Head Coach Shorty Stoner. "The bottom line is that we just didn't play well," Stoner said. "We played so sporadically. Rutgers gambled a number of times and it paid off. They got those kind of breaks all day. "We do not have a lot of speed on the team so we have to rely on the hitting to make things happen. Until the bats start carrying their share of the load, we will continue to be spo-

once again, but this time the pitching

faltered as well as the Lions dropped

Rutgers by scores of 9-3 and 4-1.

By RON LEONARDI

Collegian Sports Writer

percent of the game.

Lions, who used strong pitching and solid defense as catalysts, reeled off six straight wins and found them-There's an old baseball adage that selves nestled in first place of the says pitching and solid defense are 90 Atlantic 10 Western division with a perfect 6-0 slate.

Hitting, which makes up the re-In the opener, the Lions, who manmaining 10 percent, has consistently aged just six hits in each game. taken a back seat, but it's a necessary staked Lion southpaw Jim Harry 1-1 ingredient to compliment the other to a 2-1 lead with a pair of runs in the On Saturday the baseball team Junior Roy Walker, who has been could not combine either two ingrealternating with Gary Binduga at the dients. The Lion bats were silenced

both ends of their twinbill against The Scarlet Knights, however, took advantage of some early control Yesterday's scheduled doubleproblems by Harry with a pair of runs header with George Washington was in the second and knocked him out in a big three-run fourth which iced the

"Everything that could go wrong did go wrong," Harry said. "I didn't have the good pop on my fastball but I was getting my curve over well." Harry, who exited after 3 2/3 innings, surrendered six runs on five hits while striking out none and walking three. Reliever Bob Zonts finished the game and was tagged for three In Saturday's nightcap, Penn State finally got the solid pitching but was

still without any offensive support. **25** Show you appreciation for a job well-done National Secretaries Week lunch served from 11:00 a.m.

Connors wins in 2 sets at King Classic

Jimmy Connors had some problems in the first set, but once he got on track had little difficulty beating Marc Edmondson, 7-6, 6-1 yesterday to win the \$300,000 Alan King-Caesars Palace Tennis Classic. It was the fourth Alan King singles title for Connors, the tournament's top seed, who garnered the first prize of \$62,500 with the victory in a final

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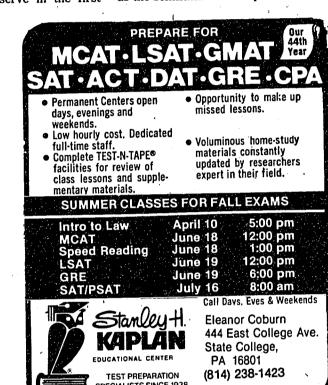
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Caesars Palace. is winning the tournaments I get involved in:"

"I enjoy playing here, I've done well here." said Connors, who beat Edmondson for the sixth time in his career without a loss. "What's important to me Connors jumped off to a quick start in the outdoor final, breaking Edmondson's serve in the first

world, came back to take the next two games, then broke Connor's serve twice as the two battled to a 6-

Connors was the only seeded player to get as far as the semifinals in the upset-filled tournament.



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Softball team drops 2

inning and then came back 4-3. It was

With the score 4-1 in the sixth inning

Pam Mowery sacrificed runners to

second and third. Christy Phillips

singled to center field scoring Al-

bright and advancing Lasorsa to

was safe at second because of an

error on the second baseman and

Michelle Turk walked followed to

Rutgers then replaced pitcher Lynn

Luckowski with Sharon Martin. Marv

Ann Cremeo popped up to the first

baseman for the second out. The next

batter, Carol Fultz, hit a ground ball

to right field and as Turk was advanc-

foot to end the rally.

ing to second base the ball struck her

The Lady Lions seemed to have a

problem keeping their intensity up

Penn State will try this afternoon to

play Ithaca for the second time this

season, if weather permits. The

twinbill will begin at 1:30 p.m. at

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after losing the first game.

a good game overall."

and GWEN FITZGERALD

Yesterday's games against the Uni-

versity of Virginia and Ohio State

were cancelled because of the weath-

Penn State Coach Sue Rankin said

despite the fact the team lost, she was

pleased of the Lady Lions' perfor-

ers game," Rankin said. "We only

had one error and it wasn't a costly

one. We came back really well in the

"We had no problems in the Rutg-

mance in the Rutgers game.

Calder Way

in 2 against Rutgers Collegian Staff Writers Warm weather, streakers, and two consecutive losses were three rarities the softball team had to deal with this past Saturday at Lady Lion Field. The weather was a surprise after a third. Geri Saya then singled to cen-

long cold spell, the Lady Lions were ter field scoring Lasorsa. Phillips delt two tough losses and as for the people streaking - that barely has anything to do with it. The Lady Lions (16-10) were handed a 4-3 loss in the first game against Rutgers (15-6) and in the second game, the Lady Lions were defeated 7-2 against Ohio State (13-18-1).

third base spot and who went into the contest hitting .172, drove in both runs with a bases loaded single.

postponed because of rain. So as Penn State enters the sea-

Baseball team falters

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Netmen edged by rival WVU in Atlantic 10

By MATT MICHAEL Collegian Sports Writer

The first Atlantic 10 tennis championship was held this past weekend at the Airport Racquet Club in Pittsburgh, but for all intents and purposes, it could have been called the Atlantic Two

played head and shoulders above the rest of the teams from the Atlantic 10 and the Mountaineers came out on top in their on-going rivalry, edging the Lions by eight team points, 57-49. In five of the six singles and all three of the doubles brackets. Lion and Mountaineer players faced each other for the second time in as many weeks. Last weekend, Penn State defeated West Virginia 5-4 en route to capturing the Mercyhurst Quadrangular at Mercyhurst College.

Ben Shobaken (No.5) won individual championships for the Lions' while Factor and Virgil Christian won the No. 1 doubles title. Second place finishes were taken by Christian (No. 2 singles), Bryan Crist (No. 4 singles) and Brad Rush and Mark Inserra (No. 3 doubles). Factor defeated West Virginia's Joey Chambers 6-2, 6-3 in the No. 1 singles final. Lion Head

his game all weekend.

"Virgil really came through for us after his Coach Holmes Cathrall said Factor was on top of

tournament," Cathrall said. "There was no question why he was the No. 1 seed." Factor had beaten Chambers the week before and he was aware the No. 1 singles player from

West Virginia would be out to get him in the Atlantic 10 championship. "He was definitely up for the tournament and he was playing a whole lot better than last week," Factor said. "I had to concentrate hard against him because he has the ability to beat me." Shobaken rode the strength of a strong serve to defeat Adam Cohen of George Washington 6-3, 6-2 in the No. 5 singles' final. Shobaken edged West Virginia's John Prokity 3-6, 7-6, 6-2 to get to the

"I think (Cathrall) saw the fact that I had a little confidence problem last week and he put lown to the No. 5 spot where I did much better,' Shohaken said. Team captain Jeff Factor (No. 1 singles) and

Factor and Christian, who are hoping to gain an at-large berth in the nationals in May, defeated Chambers and John Moore 7-5, 7-5 for their second win of the year over the West Virginia duo. Last week, Factor and Christian struggled before beating Chambers and Moore 7-6, 7-6, but the Lion doubles team didn't feel they were in danger this weekend.

long singles match," Factor said. "There was

Christian lost a hard fought singles match to the Mountaineers' Pete Perotta 7-6, 4-6, 7-6 in the No. 2 finals. Crist also lost to a West Virginia player as George Veronis defeated him 6-4, 6-4 in the No. 4 singles final.

Rush and Inserra suprised a lot of players and coaches at the tournament by reaching the No. 3 doubles final before losing to West Virginia's John Nilson and Veronis 6-3, 6-2. Dwayne Hultquist finished third in the No. 6 singles bracket by defeating Rutgers' Bob Stanicki 7-6, 6-1 in the consolation bracket after

in the second round. The Lions' No. 3 singles player, Howard Beckman, placed fourth after losing to eventual champion Nilson 6-2, 6-1 in the second round. Beckman edged Stuart Goodman of Massachusetts 4-6, 7-5,

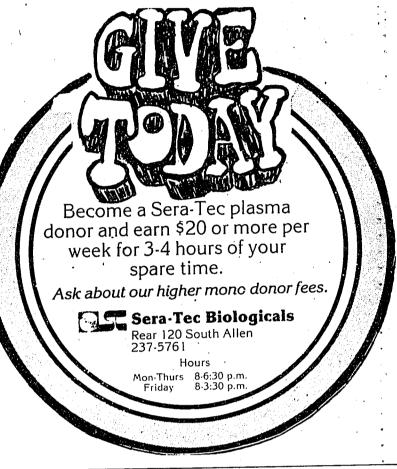
losing to Rhode Island's Mark Porter 6-3, 3-6, 7-6

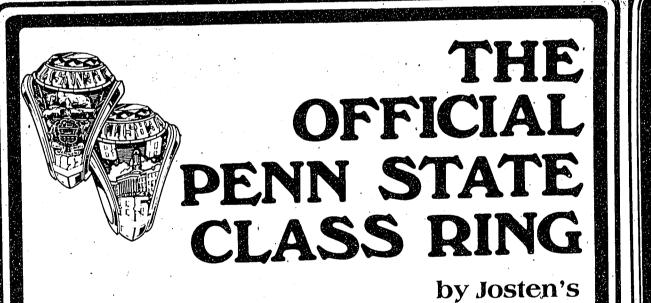
6-4 in the first round. Penn State's second doubles team, Shobaken and Crist placed third after losing to the Mountaineers' Perotta and Prokity 6-3, 6-3 in the second round. Shobaken and Crist won the consolations by defeating Temple's Andy Sorrentino and Jeff Mieskin 6-1, 6-3.

Cathrall said both Penn State and West Virginia are so evenly matched that on any given day



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