

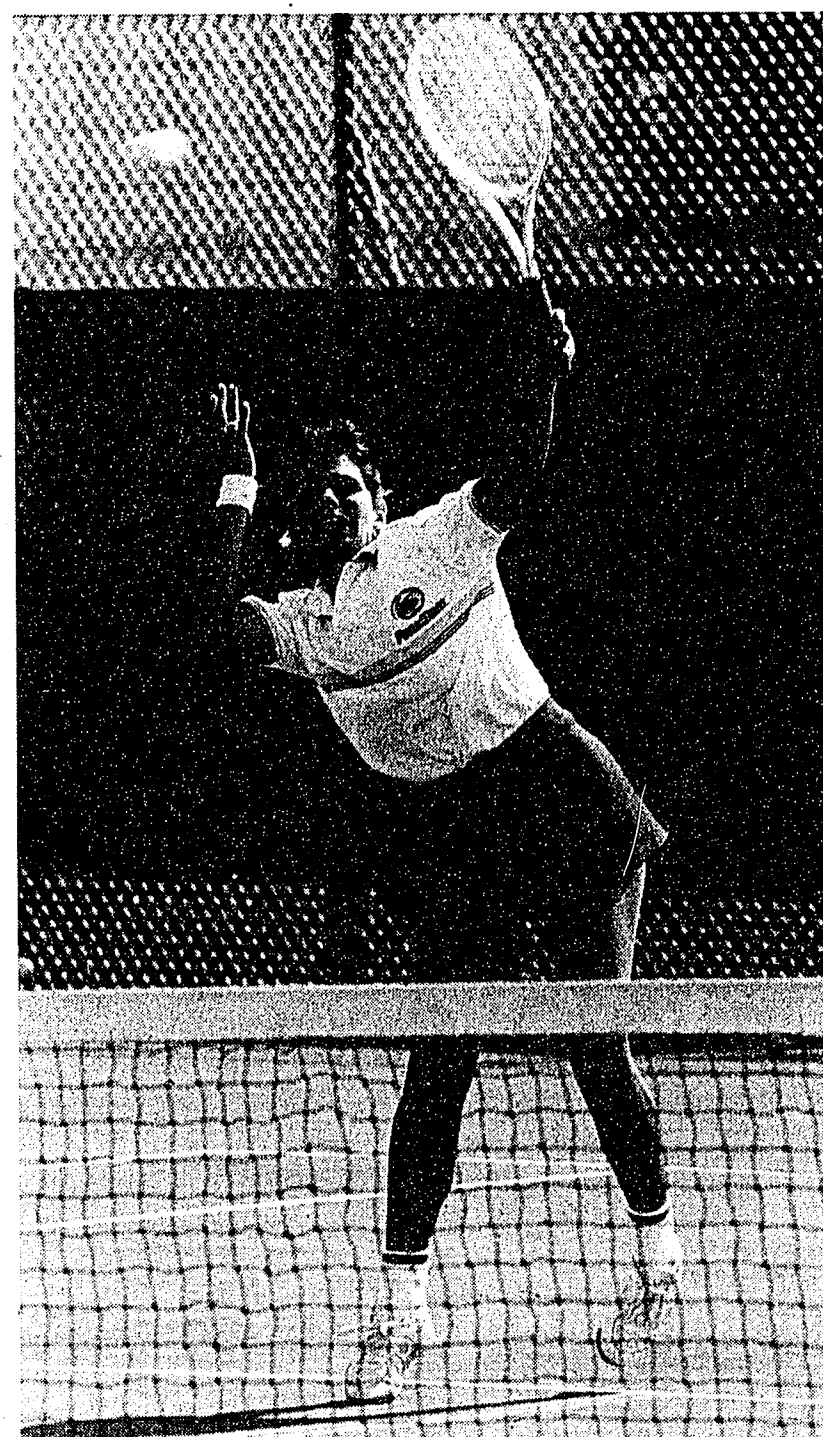
Netwomen dominant in 3 weekend wins

By LEW BOSCO Collegian Sports Writer To sum up the performance of the women's tennis team over the weekend, one only needs a single word — DOMINATING. The Lady Lions closed out the regular season at the Penn State Tennis Club by blowing away Lock Haven and West Virginia 9-0 on Saturday, and thumping Temple 8-1 Sunday morning. The team finished the spring season with a record of 10-4, 16-4 overall, and gained the No. 1 seed for next weekend's Atlantic 10 Championships at Morgantown, W.Va. Some examples of how dominant the team was: Penn State won 26 out of the 27 matches played. Out of a total of 54 sets played during the entire weekend, Penn State won 52 of them. 14 of the 52 sets won by the Lady Lions were in the score of 6-0, 12 other sets ended up 6-1.

In the match against Lock Haven, Penn State won a mere 14 minutes to the Lady Bobcats while winning 10-0. Going into the weekend matches, Head Coach Jan Bortner was concerned with how his team would deal with the test of endurance, but as the scores indicated, the Lady Lions "I think they started to get a little tired near the end of Temple match," Bortner said. "We worked really hard in last week's practices in preparation for these matches, and it paid off. They did a nice job and looked extremely sharp. We should be ready for the championships next weekend."

No. 1 singles player Claudia Karabedian, No. 2 Darnell Adams, No. 3 Romi Walker, and No. 4 Lisa Thomas started all three matches for Bortner. Karabedian, Walker, and Thomas won all of their matches in straight sets. Adams won against Lock Haven and WVU, but dropped a tough three set match to Jill Sluysman of Temple 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. Bortner said Adams will bounce back from the loss. "Darnell was a little impatient in making the shots she wanted to," he said. "I'm sure she'll lose to a much more determined player next weekend."

Thomas, who extended her personal winning streak to 10 matches, said the team is coming together when it has to. "Everyone is going out and doing what they have to do," she said. "This weekend was a good indication of what the Atlantic 10's will be like. I'm really looking forward to playing in them." Bortner juggled the No. 5 and 6 positions in the lineup between Kelly Nelson, Donna Wittman, and Christie Ellis with all three ladies coming up victorious in each of their respective outings. In the doubles competition, the No. 1 team of Romi Walker and Kelly Nelson won all three of their matches in straight sets. The No. 2 and 3 spots showed a number of combinations which included Ellis and Caroline Pierce, Wittman and Casie Siegel, Wittman and Pierce, Adams and Thomas, and Karabedian and Pierce. "I think we started to get a little tired near the end of Temple match," Bortner said. "We worked really hard in last week's practices in preparation for these matches, and it paid off. They did a nice job and looked extremely sharp. We should be ready for the championships next weekend."



Romi Walker

Jordan scores 53 in Chicago win

CHICAGO (AP) — Michael Jordan scored 53 points yesterday to break the 50-point mark for the sixth time this season, pacing the Chicago Bulls to a 116-93 NBA victory over the Indiana Pacers. The Pacers doubled and tripled teamed Jordan in the fourth quarter, and the result was several dunks to the basket. "Indiana paid the price in that fourth quarter and if a team wants to do that, then they're asking for big trouble," Jordan said. "It's safe to say that Rutgers' goal-keeper Michelle Pagnotto had very little support." Jordan said the Celtics' three-game slide was their longest since they lost four straight in November 1983. Despite the loss, there was a positive note for New York as forward Bernard King, who let a 28-point third-quarter lead slip to four, held on to break his longest losing streak in more than three years. The Celtics' three-game slide was their longest since they lost four straight in November 1983.

Rugby team posts win over Kutztown State

By DANA PENNETT Collegian Sports Writer After a disappointing loss two weeks ago in Bethlehem, the Penn State rugby club came back strong against Kutztown State on Saturday. The final score: Penn State 19, Kutztown State 4. All of the scoring was done by two players, senior Steve O'Connor and graduate student Ben Sidaway. O'Connor scored two tries (four points each), and the kicking of Sidaway tallied for eleven points one conversion (two points) and three dropped goals (three points each). "These will be the toughest games we'll play all year," Hilton said. "We're playing very well, training hard and we're very fit, but it will still be tough."

If we play next week like we did today, we have a damn good chance at the Final Four," O'Connor said. The Final Four is equivalent to the more widely known Final Four in basketball. The national champion will be decided there. This year's edition will be held in California. After the Midwest competitions, the club will have one more home game. In three weeks, the club will host the Bartolletti Cup, Penn State's annual tournament. There may be a chance, that, like the other teams that use the oblong ball, the rugby club will be hosting with a national title already under its belt. Head Coach Shorty Stoner said that

Lady laxers

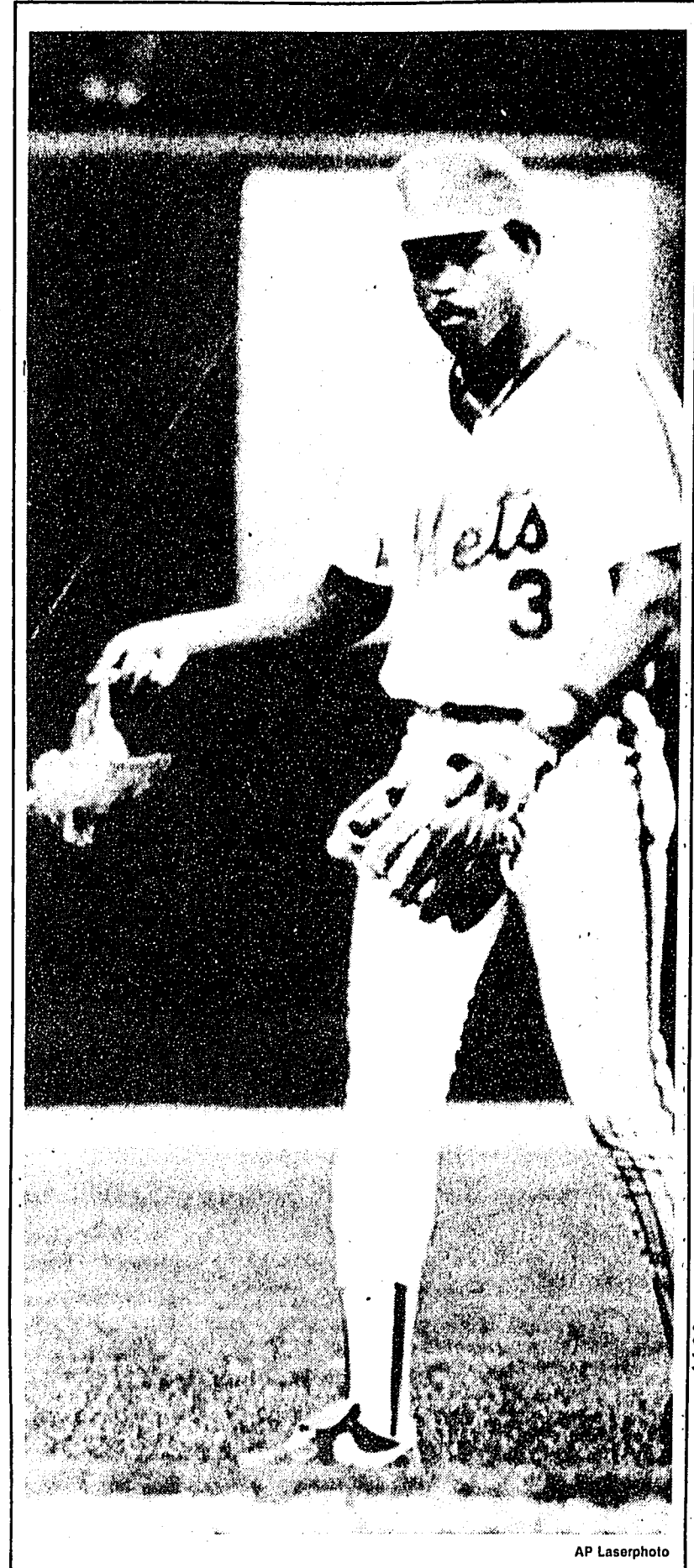
Continued from Page 11. That 12 Lady Lions picked up points in the game; 11 of the 12 scored at least one goal while the other, Lee Clough, dished out a pair of assists. "That Chris Vitale — noted for her defensive prowess — caught the goal-scoring bug and notched her first of the season just 55 seconds into the second half. "It's safe to say that Rutgers' goal-keeper Michelle Pagnotto had very little support." Vitale said. "It was kind of funny. My teammates were happy for me."

minutes later when Jeff Connor put a Jim Schmitt feed between the posts, Connor scored his second goal on the day almost eight minutes later on an assist from Makover. Makover then notched a goal of his own just 28 seconds later. The Knights ended the first stanza scoring and started it in the next to tie the score at 3-3 early in the second play. When Scarlet Knight Ed Trolan scored a pair of goals and dished out an assist, the list just goes on and on. "This was the best passing game we've had this season," Head Coach Steve Schmitt said. "It was great to see scoring outburst of the year. 'We really shut them down at midfield and our defense also caused them to'

Laxers

Continued from Page 11. "Both defenses played an excellent game," he said. "Chip played well; (Rutgers) scored on a lot of quick shots, which is their trademark, off the crease, and there was really no chance for us to save them." "I don't think we had a defensive lapse like we did at Loyola. Both teams kept coming at each other. It was like two boxers toe-to-toe; they gave us all they had and we gave them all we had."

Both clubs exchanged goals throughout the third and fourth quarters. The Knights tied it up at eight with seven minutes remaining in the game and took the lead on the short end of the stick. feed from Dent at 12:43 to lock the score at 9-9. Connor said the Lions' problems started after halftime when the offense slacked off. He also said the transition game wasn't always successful. "I thought our offense was a little off during the third quarter," Connor said. "We got a lot of fast breaks, but we didn't take them. We had a lot of four-on-three and a lot of good shots, but we just couldn't put it in."



Rafael Santana of the Mets carries a dead bird to its final resting place during yesterday's game with the Atlanta Braves in Shea Stadium. The Braves' Dion James had struck it with a routine pop fly, the first such incident since the Yankees' Dave Winfield nailed a saguaro in Toronto several years ago. The bird did not die in vain, however. James was awarded a double. Photo by Al Lasterphoto

Netmen set to meet Swarthmore at home

By SUSAN GOLDSTEIN Collegian Sports Writer Glenn Leach, the Lions' No. 5 singles player also said there will be a home court advantage. "It's our best surface indoors," he said. "Most of our games are suited to them." Freshman Ron Mercer, the No. 6 singles player, said that a lot of the Lions are from Swarthmore and the tennis courts when the team plays away. And considering the long list of away matches the Lions have played, that adds up to quite a few sets. "If we played most of the teams on our own courts, we'd have a better record," he said. Cathrill is not overly concerned about the match against Swarthmore. His team won handily last year and should win again if it plays the way it is able to, he said. But if the Lions are not playing well, Cathrill said it could be a close match. Cathrill is, however, concerned about his doul-

bles teams. He said that they haven't been able to play up to their potential. Cathrill said that doubles has always been very strong at Penn State, but he has found that the competition is adjusting its doubles games in order to defeat the Lions. Leach said that the other teams adjust to the Lions' doubles play and that the Lions are not readjusting in order to win. The Lions (11-13) had a break from practice Thursday and a lot of the players left Friday for their first weekend home in a long time. Cathrill said that his team needed a rest because of the previous road trips and the full week ahead. He also said that a few players, including Leach and Mercer have been ill.

Baseball

Continued from Page 11. In their hall of the seventh, the Lions scored two runs to win the game. Centerfielder Keith Ripka started the bottom of the inning with a walk and advanced to second on a throwing error on Tim Harley's bunt. Designated hitter Steve Edelmann advanced Ripka to third with a sacrifice fly and Ripka followed with a double to score Harley and Hurley and end the game at 5-4. Head Coach Shorty Stoner said that

he was pleased with the team's ability to come from behind to win. "It was nice to come back like that," he said. "We played good ball. It was uplifting."

Fowl ball

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