

Between the Lions with The Sports Editor

A lot of discussion has been raised about this question of scheduling as a result of the seemingly poorly matched wrestling and basketball encounters over the week-end. Especially since economy demands that schedules be shortened, the teams that are met should be able to provide interesting competition, many Lion followers have maintained. In all fairness to athletic officials, the fact that both teams were from sizeable institutions that ordinarily provide real fights must be considered. The only lasting criterion those who make out schedules can stand by is the standing and importance of the opposing school in the intercollegiate sports world. And those teams Saturday were far from representative of either Lafayette or West Virginia.

It is unfortunate that the freshman basketball team picked a week-end on which so many visitors were present to put on its worst exhibition this year. Not only were both smoothness and strategy entirely lacking, but at times the game became so ragged that most of the spectators were obviously bored. We feel there is plenty of promising material on the yearling squad. But the fiasco Saturday afternoon hardly bears out this belief.

The suggestion of the P. I. A. A. committee that its interscholastic basketball finals be staged on an "Eastern court" this year should not be taken with too pessimistic a viewpoint insofar as the possibility of the big game's being staged here again is concerned. "Eastern" is a vague term, and many factors other than those which allegedly prompted this recommendation will enter into the final selection. We still contend that Recreation hall is the logical site for the game. And we're still hoping for the best!

This and That
Only the lowest punster could pull that one about West Virginia's captain being sortet off form Saturday . . . After those two draws "Mutt" Kessler's theme song may well be "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" . . . We just can't seem to heat Faih Hahvahd nohow . . . A lot of football men are wondering if this gridiron banquet the boys are talking about is just an indication spring training is near . . . Norry McFarlane took a pat on the back in the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph . . . And Dave Thomas rated the columns of the estimable New York Times . . . These basketball Lions sure are going places . . . Yowsuh . . .

—S. H. B.

Lion Basketball Team Overcomes West Virginia Quintet, 44-to-34

High-Scoring Ace



CAPTAIN SORTET

VISITING CAPTAIN SCORES 12 POINTS

Sortet Leads Second Half Rally Of Mountaineers Against Nittany Courtmen

By W. M. STEGMUER '34

With the score leaning 31-to-8 in their favor, Lion courtmen, at the end of the first half of the West Virginia contest Saturday night, were ready to pack away the game on the well known ice. Surprisingly, however, the Mountaineers staged such a torrid second half rally that the ice began to melt. When the sound of the final gun eased Recreation hall spectators, the count had diminished to a mere 43-to-33 Nittany advantage.

Baskets fell thick and fast every minute of play. The Lion cagers stepped into the lead soon after the starting whistle and stayed there for the remainder of the contest. Coach Leslie waited until the Blue and White had piled up what seemed to be a decisive lead and then experimented with his second team. The substitutes looked good as far as floorwork was concerned but they couldn't find the hoop.

Scares Lions

It was then that Captain Wilbur Sortet of the Mountaineer school opened up and threw a scare into the Lion camp with a barrage of baskets that stunned the Nittany team. Back into the game scurried Leslie's first club but the West Virginia captain was off on a scoring spree that recalled his spectacular play in Recreation hall last year. He just couldn't be stopped!

Aided by Stydahar, Wilson, and Gower, the visitor's leader paraded down the Lion lead to ten points before the end of the game. Slats of the Gold team chalked up a point near the close of the game, and Fidler, besides playing an unusually close guarding tune, strummed the strings twice on charity shots.

For the second consecutive game, McMinn took scoring honors. Ed rang up five field goals in the opening session and managed to clear the hoop twice in the closing minutes of play. Henning had nine points according to the final reckoning while McFarlane was credited with eight. Although Stydahar towered him considerably, Wittum, who replaced Henning about the middle of the first

On Comeback Trail

PENN STATE		WEST VIRGINIA	
FIG	FT	FIG	FT
McFarlane, F.	3	2	4
Thomas, F.	2	1	1
Henning, C.	2	1	1
McMinn, M.	2	0	2
Corn, W.	1	1	1
Wittum, C.	0	0	1
Parks, J.	0	0	1
Heyson, C.	0	0	1
Byler, R.	0	0	0
Stocker, T.	0	0	0
Duskin, M.	0	0	0
Totals	19	6	12

PENN STATE		WEST VIRGINIA	
FIG	FT	FIG	FT
Sortet, F.	6	3	4
Wilson, F.	3	0	0
Stydahar, C.	2	3	4
Slats, J.	1	1	1
Fidler, R.	0	2	3
Gower, W.	0	0	0
Klar, F.	0	0	0
Totals	14	6	11

Score at half time—Penn State, 31; West Virginia, 8.
Referee—Witmer; Umpire—Schloss.
Time of periods—Twenty minutes.

Basketball Feature In Development, Progress of College Branch Schools

Basketball at the Wilkes-Barre extension school, which meets the freshman passers here Friday, has played a part in the development of that and other branch schools of the College, according to Prof. Irving C. Boerlin of the economics extension department.

Two years ago Professor Boerlin succeeded in interesting the heads of the branch schools in the project of a basketball team to represent each school. The plan was adopted by the schools and the teams met independent fives throughout the season. Last year an extension league was organized between the schools in Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, and Reading.

The league title was captured by the Wilkes-Barre entry and a trophy was presented to the team at graduation exercises last spring. Dean Robert L. Sackett, of the School of Engineering, in presenting the cup, complimented the students on their interest in the sport.

Schedules of the extension school teams have been more difficult each year and games with college and preparatory school fives have appeared on schedules for the current season. Professor Boerlin stated that the

Lions To Meet Navy Soccer Team Oct. 21

Although the Nittany Lion soccer schedule has not yet been announced officially, October 21 has been listed as the date for the game with the Navy booters, according to the schedule released by the Annapolis authorities.

The game, as listed on the service school's schedule, will be played at Annapolis, Md.

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Two hundred and twenty intramural wrestlers will meet in Recreation hall at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon for preliminary tryouts in the intramural wrestling competition, according to J. Perry Morgan '34, who is in charge of the grappling meets. The first elimination matches will be held at 4:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Approximately thirty fraternities and one non-fraternity unit have entered the annual meet, Morgan said. The largest classes are in the 135 and 145-pound weights, he added.



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