

65 Contestants Vie for Berths

Speidel Rates Wrestling Team Unknown Quantity for 1936 Season.

By TOWNSEND SWALM

Out of about sixty-five odd candidates, Charlie Speidel is busily engaged in assembling what may or may not turn out to be a creditable wrestling team. What with an extremely short practice period this year and the loss of all but three of last year's varsity, Charlie is not prepared to make any rash predictions. When questioned concerning this year's possibilities, his only response was a non-committal grunt.

Although it is still too early to see things very clearly, right at present the Lions would seem to possess a potential team which, with the exception of the 85-ers, will be strong in the heavyweights and rather weak at the bottom. Starting from the top and reading down, the heavy-weight berth would seem to be in the possession of big Joe O'David unless Carl Pohe can do the impossible and turn the man-mountain over, a feat several potential intercollegiate champs failed to do last year.

In the 75 class, Eisman and Shaffer, with the latter getting a slight edge;

State Booters Gain 4 Posts on All-American

In conjunction with four soccer coaches from various parts of the country, Bill Jeffrey, Lion soccer mentor, has picked the 1936 all-American soccer team for the Associated Press. Penn State, which is tied with Yale for the Association championship, placed four men on the first team, followed by Yale with three.

The Associated Press' all-American soccer team:	
School	Player
Penn State	Bill Jeffrey
Springfield	Smith
Yale	Washburn
Penn State	Sutliff
Penn State	Bielicki
Lafayette	Elnowski
Syracuse	Huges
Navy	Sanderson
Penn State	McEwan
Yale	Lasel
Yale	Pend

69, Kruppa and Heppler; 55, Dutcher and Calvin; 45, Zazzi and Waite, if the latter comes out, though rumor hath it that an injury will force him to remain among the non-combatants. Captain Light has the 35 class pretty much to himself; Reynolds will argue with Weimer for the 25 pound post— if Weimer comes out, and with Stogman for the not returned list; the bottom position is wide open.

Basketball Team Drills for Ithaca Tilt on Saturday

Captain Riley to Lead Veteran Team in First Battle.

Able Sophomores Will Back Starting Quintet

By DICK LEWIS

With a few scrimmage practices to break in their new shoes, Penn State's hopes for basketball glory are beginning to show signs of seasonal fervor as last season's varsity and five ambitious sophomores congregate on the court in preparation for the opener with Ithaca Saturday.

Pre-season individualists, who have been playing on the one-man team theory, have resigned themselves to teamwork. And a team, which we predict to put up the finest competition in years, is gradually being welded into a cooperative aggregation with enough individual talent to make a good showing.

Veterans May Start

Last year, Spike Leslie put out an exceptional squad, considering the lack of experienced material. This year, several of last year's doubtless are back with a year's experience and they are supplemented with good sophomore material. There are Captain Riley, Mike Kornick, Frank Smith, and McWilliams, regulars; Jim Smith, Bob Small, and Chuck Glenn, last season's squad members; and Joe Proksa, Herb Peterson, Sol Michoff, Jack Reichenback, and Rabbit Wear, the sophomores.

Coach Leslie has not announced any tentative line-up for Saturday's game, but it is probable that the starting five will consist of the veterans. In practice scrimmages, the sophomores have been showing good individual ball playing, enough to make several of last year's varsity work. Spike Leslie says that varsity men are not going to be picked from their records last year, and several of last year's freshman team may be eased into varsity positions.

Johnny Stocker, last year's captain, and Jim Hunter are the only last year regulars who are missing, Stocker being graduated, and Hunter failing to return to school.

Let's take a brief glance at last season's record. The Lions took eight out of their seventeen games. They started out by walloping Wheaton College, another of those mystery fives of "unknown strength." The second mystery five of "unknown strength" they met was Ithaca, and the New Yorkers were defeated, 39-26. The Lions apparently go after these mystery teams.

« Between The Lions »

By WALT FREUNSCHE

The office-retriever found this little gem in a recent issue of the Villanova student paper, written by a Mister Benedict Maloney. His column is called "Odds and Ends." We quote:

At this point is our pleasure to take to task a certain columnist who in some way managed to blunder into such a position on the Penn State publication.



Walt Freunsch

The columnist's name is Walter Freunsch, and heads his pillar thus, "Between the Lions."

Said Freunsch in last week's issue had the gall to print derogatory remarks about a certain Harry Stuhldreher, who we think to be one of the finest coaches in the country. However, it seems that our dear friend Freunsch is inclined to disagree. In fact, here is what he says...

"Stuhldreher is being talked of as successor to Bob Higgins. If the athletic powers here want to swap horses in midstream it's hard to believe they plan to pick 'CROW-BAIT' for the job. Moreover, as long as Higgins has brought the team, etc. . . ."

So there you have Penn State Walter's opinion on the matter. Nothing more need be said at this point, save if Walter is listening in we offer him the suggestion that he take himself off to the wilds where his ranting and raving will not publicly brand him a first-class idiot.

Usually when the small children peg their snowballs at my silk topper, I take it good-naturedly. The boys must have their fun. But when the pestilential little brats start putting rocks in their snowballs, then Penn State Walter girds up his typewriter to "join" the boys a thing or two.

Harry Stuhldreher is definitely no coach for Penn State, and no matter what they think of him where he is now, as long as there is a rumor to the effect that he might come here, this department is going to squawk!

To begin with, this department maintains that he is vastly overrated as a coach. What does he have besides the Notre-Dame shift and a toadying publicity department? His record at Villanova certainly isn't impressive in the light of the schedules undertaken and the reasonably strong opposition that Villanova players are being well taken care of for their grid feats. State players get meals during the season only.

State doesn't want, doesn't need a coach whose penchant is overpoweringly strong for getting in the papers. Our coaches are glad

to let the players take the limelight.

Another reason for opposing any form of Stuhldreherism at State is the fact that our players are accustomed to being coached by fairly likable fellows. To have a coach on the staff that would use the language emanating from the Villanova dressing room during the half in their game here — well, it just isn't in line with the Penn State code. Profanity is mighty poor psychology, as well as manners.

Just an instance of what we mean by toadying publicity department: the Villanova press bureau, after our game with them, tossed out a blurb to the effect that "anyone could see that Villanova was five touchdowns better." But what did the scoreboard say?

Our case against Stuhldreher seems conclusive enough in our eyes, and what this columnist said about him in comparing him to Bob Higgins still goes. Possibly his defenders have been reading too many publicity blow-ups to appreciate that perhaps he isn't the best coach in the world, and that any coach is subject to criticism on the grounds that he is offering his wares to the public. This columnist believes in calling a spade just that.

Personal notes to this Maloney person: "Degradatory" isn't in our Funk and Wagnalls.

It's "whom," not "who," when used as an object.

You call me a first-class idiot. Sorry that I can't return the compliment.

How much and by whom were you paid for your boost of Villanova Harry?

Phooey.

You know, yours truly is really ashamed that a columnist like Maloney could make him angry enough to deign to answer such a fanatical blast. One shouldn't don full armor when all that is really needed is a can of Phit.

Boxing intramurals are popular these days, deservedly so. Why doesn't someone interested in seeing intramurals properly emphasized do something about getting proper accommodations for spectators?

The A. A. U. has voted, by a narrow margin, to favor our entrance into the Olympic games. Why not? Will it get us anything to fight intolerance with the same type of weapon? Granted that Hitler and his Nazis have been unfair, will a U. S. boycott be fair to the hundreds of athletes in this country who want to compete for the honor of their country? There is no brief for Hitler; there is a case for the athletes who will undoubtedly bring the U. S. a championship once more, if permitted to compete.

INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

By PHIL HEISLER

Despite the fact that a basketball backstop provides the only seating accommodations to spectators, approximately 500 witnessed the opening of the second round bouts of the Intramural Boxing tournament in Rec' hall Saturday.

Already winners are being predicted and certain fighters are finding their own following of rosters. Among them are:

Quick, Independent 135-pounder, depends almost entirely on his shifty footwork as a defense and has a round-house haymaker that starts from his heels and quite frequently lands on the opponent's jaw.

Soose, Independent 145-pounder, was the winner of the Golden Glove tourney and is recognized as a most clever boxer and a potent candidate for the varsity team.

Drugatch, A. C. C. 155-pounder, gives all the color of a slug-fest.

McConnell, Delta Chi 115-pounder, because he scored the most decisive victory of the fights, it being the only real knockout yet scored.

The finals of the intramural boxing bouts will be held in Rec hall before the basketball game on Saturday night, December 14. Medals will be given the winners of first and second

places. Regular bouts will be held every evening at 4 o'clock this week.

The Intramural bowling league is continuing in popularity and aspects. Waits Hall, which was in twelfth place, jumped up to second, Delta Upsilon remained in first place, and Delta Chi, which was second, dropped to seventh berth.

Thus far, the highest average of the season goes to Red O'Hara with 193. Fritz Andrews is second with 182.

The standing of the teams:

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Delta Upsilon	20	4	.833
Waits Hall	24	8	.750
Tau Kappa Epsilon	18	6	.750
Phi Kappa	16	8	.666
Delta Tau Delta	16	8	.666
Phi Kappa Psi	20	12	.625
Delta Chi	14	10	.583
Delta Sigma Phi	8	16	.333
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	10	22	.312

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Promising Ring Talent Shown In Ranks of Freshman Class

By BOB GRUBB

While the varsity ringmen are working out daily in Rec Hall, the intramural boxing matches are revealing some real fistic talent.

Probably the outstanding boxer in the freshman class is Billy Soose, Golden Gloves champion who won a decision over Zelensky in the 145-pound class bouts Thursday night.

Soose has done a good bit of amateur boxing in the Shenango Valley region and is the idol of ring followers in that part of the state. He is listed as one of the headliners on the card of a benefit show to be given at Farrell December 23.

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