

# Speidel Faces Re-training Of Grapplers

## Interclass Wrestling Meet Scheduled For Saturday.

### Contests Open to All Students Interested

By TOWNSEND SWALM

Now that Christmas vacation is merely a thing to look back on, wrestling coach Charlie Speidel is faced with the arduous task of trying to counteract the effects of late hours, Christmas candy, egg nog, and other things representative of the holiday spirit which have all conspired to undo what progress the State grapplers had made before vacation set in.

An opportunity for drug store and beer garden wrestling experts to form first-hand opinions of the prospects for the coming wrestling season is afforded next Saturday at 2:30 in Rec hall when the finals of the annual all-College interclass wrestling meet will be run off. Eliminations are now under way in Rec hall and will continue throughout the week.

The interclass meet, which is not to be confused with the intramural meets which will be held later, is open to all students without restriction and will serve the dual purpose of establishing which of the four classes is superior on the mats and will serve as a means of selecting the varsity men who will meet Michigan here January 18 in the first meet of the season.

**Upsets Probable**

Although it seems probable that favorites, last year's varsity and freshman team members, will dominate the competition, upsets may occur; in fact if past performances mean anything, several unknowns should be on tap when the final votes are counted. Last year's competition was marked by several upsets, particularly Reynolds' defeat of Clark in the 125-pound grouping.

An interesting little story of New Deal red tape has developed in connection with this year's wrestling team. It seems that it has been a sort of precedent in past years for all Penn State wrestlers to have had little or no previous experience in the gentle art before coming to College. Last year, however, this condition seemed doomed to extinction when a Shamokin-High School wrestling captain in the person of Robert Weimer, signed up for the freshman class.

Coach Speidel watched with incredulity, amazement and some degree of satisfaction this lad's development into a first-class freshman wrestler in the 125-pound class, thinking no doubt that he would supply good material for the team this year. This year, however, although practice was announced through various media and had been under way for some time Coach Speidel noticed that day after day Weimer failed to report for practice, and an investigation ensued.

**To Engage In 9 Meets**

It seems that in addition to carrying a pre-med curriculum, Weimer also does NYA work in order to stay in college. This in itself is not unusual (consider the case of many of our football players), however, (unlike our football players) Weimer must do his NYA work every afternoon from 3 to 5 during which time wrestling practice occurs.

It's all very complicated and no one seems to know what to do about it. Ex-wrestler Weimer has been to see various individuals about getting his

### Dangerous Opponent



THOMAS MICHIGAN—135 POUNDS

hours changed to a time which won't avail. One of the higher-ups in the interclass with mat work, but to no avail. One who spoke to one even higher up who talked to one who was quite high up with the same result. It is thought probable by those in a position to know that governmental interference is necessary—although others hint that Mr. Bezdek might be able to do something.

Whether or not Weimer would make the team anyhow is problematical; as things stand now, though, he doesn't even have a chance to find out.

As the ninth and final competition which the Nittany grapplers will participate in this season, following the Eastern Intercollegiate to be held at Princeton March 13 and 14, the national intercollegiate wrestling tournament and semi-final tryouts for the United States Olympic team will be held at Washington and Lee University on March 20 and 21.

### 5 Lettermen Bolster Varsity Fencing Team

Although the first meet is more than a month away, Penn State's varsity fencers are starting intensive training five nights a week under the tutelage of Coach Neils Walke in an effort to equal last year's undefeated record.

In addition to five lettermen, headed by Captain Dick Allen, and five non-lettermen, more than thirty freshmen are working out. Several of them have had previous experience at military academies and a freshman round-robin tournament will be started in a week or two.

After a schedule of four dual meets, opening with Johns Hopkins here on February 22nd; the team will meet the N. C. A. A. A. A. meet in New York on March 27th and 28th. The dual meets are with Syracuse on February 28th and Cornell the next day away, and Rutgers at home March 7th.

### Cooper, Roy Schuyler Honored by Villanova

Two Lion gridmen, Roy Schuyler and Bill Cooper, were selected by the Villanova college eleven for places on their All-opponent team. Schuyler won the right tackle position while Cooper gained the fullback post.

In the honorable mention list four Lion men gained positions. In the backfield Weimer gained a position, and Weber was selected for tackle. Cherundolo was picked for center and Lou Barth for the guard position.

**The Mohammedan Year**

The Mohammedan year is a lunar one, about 31 days shorter than the Christian.

# Balanced Boxing Squad in Danger If Donato Leaves

## Failure To Find Work May Force Him To Withdraw.

### Varsity Ringmen Start Training for First Meet

By BOB GRUBE

The possibility that Sammy Donato, sophomore welterweight, may be forced to leave school at the end of the semester has darkened Coach Leo Houck's hopes for a well-balanced Lion ring squad as the opening meet with Western Maryland looms less than three weeks away.

Coach Houck had looked for great things from Donato this year, but the 145-pounder's failure to obtain work may result in his leaving school. The 145-pound class will not be left entirely vacant, however, as Dick Flenniken, returning to the ring after a year's absence, is showing fine form in training.

Saturday saw the beginning of intensive work-outs and the Lion mentor had several of the veterans in the ring. Flenniken showed up the best of all in Saturday's boxing. Captain Russ Criswell, Lou Ritzke, Izzy Richter, Bob Donato, Johnny Sawchak, and Frankie Goodman were among the others who boxed Saturday.

**Foster Suffers Injury**

Dave Foster, a junior who has not been in the ring since his freshman year, will probably not be a contender for either the 155 or 165-pound classes due to an injury suffered while playing basketball.

While interclass ring activities will occupy the spotlight throughout this week, the varsity will continue the intensive training pace started after the end of the vacation period. The Lion unitmen open their 1936 schedule a week earlier than last year when the Green Terrors come here January 25.

A large number of candidates for the freshman team reported to Coach Mike Zeleznock yesterday afternoon. The freshmen will work out every afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 o'clock. Last year Coach Tommy Slusser tutored the freshman ring aspirants in night sessions, but the new hour was thought to be more satisfactory.

Among the freshman candidates is the usual quota of Golden Gloves champions, and amateur fighters of varying fame. Some, such as Billy Soose, Al Tappman, Johnny Patrick, Bob Shaw and George Faber have had enough ring experience to provide the nucleus of a well-balanced team.

### 1200 Students Enroll In Extension Classes

More than 1200 students are enrolled in the eighteen extramural class centers directed by the engineering and arts and science divisions of the extension services, according to Millard T. Rummel, supervisor of class centers. A total of 46 different subjects is being taught to the different community groups which making use of the educational opportunities being offered by the extension services.

Many of the present programs are offered cooperatively with the local school districts and the State Department of Public Instruction, under the supervision of W. P. Loomis, chief of industrial continuation education.

Among the centers in which plans have thus far been formulated are: Oil City, Sharpville, Sharon, New Kensington, Jeanette, Monessen, Clairton, Donora, South Fayette Township at Morgan, Butler Township, Ridgway, Emporium, Altoona, Philadelphia, State College, Hanover, Brackenridge, and Rockview.

**Many Antelopes in South Africa**

A great variety of antelopes are found in South Africa, ranging from the diminutive blue buck or mippiti to the eland.

- Dance Programs
- Invitations
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October 10	Villanova	State College
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October 31	Syracuse	State College
November 7	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh
November 14	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia
November 21	Bucknell	State College

# Nittany Passers To Meet Quakers Away Tomorrow

## 4 Casualties Weaken Team; McWilliams May Not Play.

By DICK LEWIS

Tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, a crippled Lion basketball team leaves State College for Philadelphia to take the floor against an impressive Penn team in the Palestra at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. Four men are injured and may not be able to see action, one with little chance of recovering sufficiently to make the trip.

The casualties: Captain Bar Riley, Jim Smith, Mac McWilliams, and Jack Reichenbach. Scrimmage over Christmas vacation resulted in sprained ankles for McWilliams and Reichenbach, Blue and White hopes for center; a sprained back for Bar Riley; an infected foot for Jim Smith.

**Proksa May Jump Center**

There is a possibility that Reichenbach may be able to play, and some hope that Riley's and Smith's condition will be sufficiently improved to allow them to enter the game, but McWilliams' sprained ankle will probably keep him out of the game, Spike Leslie says.

It will be a limping brood of Lions that Spike Leslie uncages in the Palestra tomorrow night. With the possibility that both McWilliams and Reichenbach both may be out of the line-up, the team faces a crisis on the eve of its first real test. There is Joe Proksa to jump center, and his fine work in the Ithaca game makes the situation easier, but his ability at the jump has not been tried this season.

**Squad Uncertain**

Sophomores Weir, Miehoff, and Peterson, as well as Pomerantz, transfer student, form reassuring reserve material for Bar Riley and Jim Smith. It was this reserve material that pulled the Ithaca game out of the pan, when the varsity romped around behind an Ithaca lead one Saturday night in 1935, and when Leslie in desperation showed in a complete new squad of sophomores who had never stretched their jerseys in a varsity game.

Leslie is uncertain as to those who will make the trip as this gloomy account goes to press; it is doubtful what shape the injured men will be in when the team starts travelling.

**What Goes On Down There**

Down in West Philadelphia, Coach Lon Jourdet primes his boys for the tilt with five of last year's lettermen and one last season regular ready to go. The Quaker line-up will be picked from lettermen Bradford, guard, Hauze, forward, Hanger, six-foot-two center, Engblom, forward, and will be headed by Captain Francis T. Murray, a junior, who is the only regular from last year's team. Others who may face the Lions are Barrett, guard, Samter, center; Menzel, forward, and Dougherty, forward, both sophomores, as well as Gentino, guard, Hamilton, guard, Melamed, forward, Ricketts, center, Stanley, guard, and Steinman forward.

### Women in Sports

Drexel Institute, the University of Michigan and Louisiana State are among the eighteen schools the rifle team has scheduled post-card matches with.

The regular team is not picked until the end of the season as seventy-eight women are out for this sport. The girls having the highest scores each week during the practice play the matches scheduled.

Major V. L. James is now coaching the squad every Tuesday and Thursday in the Armory from 4 to 5:30 o'clock.

Class basketball games started last night at Rec hall when the freshmen played the sophomores at 7 o'clock. The seniors met the juniors at 8:30 o'clock.

### INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

**By PHIL HEISLER**

With the intramural boxing tournament completed, plans for the annual interclass boxing bouts are under way. All those desiring to represent their class in the bouts should weigh in Tuesday or Wednesday at Recreation hall.

Elimination bouts will begin Thursday at 4 o'clock. Bouts will be held for each class and eliminations will continue until there are eight fighters remaining to represent each class. Finals will be held Saturday.

Intramural basketball and wrestling will begin within the next two weeks. See Sunday has been appointed basketball manager while Don Householder will manage wrestling. All entries should be made immediately at Miss Keller's office in Recreation hall.

Bowling is continuing in popularity as the race for first place tightens. The next games will be held tomorrow night at the Dux bowling alleys.

George Haines, Delta Upsilon, while practicing to get in trim from over the vacation, had the weird experience of getting fourteen pins on one roll. Placing all the power that he could muster behind the ball, Haines sent it down the middle of the alley. He not only got a strike but one pin was knocked over the partition separating the alleys and knocked down four pins in the adjoining alley. There was considerable discussion as to how he was to mark the score.

**Library Receives Map**

An old map published in 1861, showing the location of the Farmer's High School from which the College developed, was recently presented to the College library by N. B. Maritz of Linden Hall. The map which gives no indication of the town of State College but does of the surrounding communities of Boalsburg, Linden Hall, Oak Hill and Pine Grove Mills will be added to the Beaver collection of Pennsylvania material.

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What Is Bundling?

### The Record Crop

From the reviewer's cuff: "Bass Street Blues" has been grooved so many times by good hands that we can't give such a high rating to the Clyde McCoy version (Decca-620). The pop coupling of "I'm Gonna Play in the Varsity Band" is slightly better, and there are some effective choruses now and then.

Tom Dorsey, using Joe Haynes' old outfit, is coming along nicely in spite of the fact that they make him put some soupy commercials on the wax. "Alone" (Victor-25191) is a neat enough job of its kind, and there's an easy-going ballad about "Two Hearts Carved on a Lonesome Pine" on the other side. Not enough trombone marks these for us.

Bob Crosby and his orchestra trip lightly through the strains of two favorites, "No Other One" and "A Little Bit Independent." They are great for dunsappation if lacking in the finer points of syncopation. The Crosby vocal in the latter is the best part of the disc, although the band tries to dirty it up a bit in the last few choruses. It's a Decca-629.

"Yankee Doodle Never Went To Town"—but Benny Goodman does and how, aided by Krupa, King-pin of

the rhythm section, Benny's clarinet gives and gives. Heien Ward's vocal is plenty torrid, too. "No Other One" on the other side is swung as it should be, and Victor can be proud of this platter, 25193 by number.

While Eddie Nichols will be more authoritative in his discussion of this next record, he can't be more enthusiastic. It is the Goodman Trio's version of "Whoa," with Goodman's clarinet, Taddy Wilson's piano, and Gene Krupa on the drums. Gene's drum "solo" may sound odd to those accustomed to the lady-like run-tum-tum of the commercial bands, but it's a real treat to listen to someone who knows how to use the sticks for honest job of its kind, and there's a "Someday Sweetheart" (Victor-25181) is on the other side, and get a load of the piano in this one.

Ray Noble has the finest commercial band of any within our ken at present; if he has deserted the field of such numbers as "Izzy Rag," we can still be thankful that he brings such smoothness to the sweet numbers. Such a case in point is his recording of "Dinner for One, Please, Ladies" and "Where Am I?" (Victor-25187) Bowly vocals, romantic piano, and the Noble tendency to pep up the last chorus, or so make these numbers must selections.

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