

Nittany Courtmen Score 31-to-26 Surprise Victory Over Penn

Undefeated Lion Passers To Bombard Navy Quintet Away Tomorrow Afternoon

Frank Smith Stars Against Quakers as Nittany Basketeers Take 2nd Game of Season; Team Leaves for Annapolis.

By DICK LEWIS
After pawing Penn to a 31-to-26 defeat in Philadelphia's Palestra Wednesday night, for State's first victory over Red and Blue quintets since 1923, the Lion basketball squadron weighs anchor this afternoon and sets sail to bomb the Navy at Annapolis tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

A glimpse from the crew's nest reveals that the Naval Academy quintet has played two games this season and steamed to victory in both of them, as have the Lions. Saturday, Navy swamped the University of Baltimore 38-to-25 and Wednesday night defeated without much difficulty the Virginia Military Institute 37-to-23.

Rough Weather Ahead

The Navy crew, with two big scores on the chart, presents one of the toughest propositions the Lions have faced so far. In both games the midshipmen regulars withdrew near the end of the game so far in the lead of their opponents that even with a second-string team on the floor, the game was in the hold.

Navy, this year, however, finds its most aggressive aggression in its sophomores, who make up the ballast of the regular combination. Threat of the contest is enormous Frank Lynch, who plays center, whose specialty is backboard shots. Against V.M.I., Lynch bucketed 13 points; five

Coach Higgins Traces Pro-Football History

Tracing the history of pro-football, Coach Bob Higgins addressed the Ludwig Athletic Club of Greensburg Tuesday. The Ludwig club is an amateur organization made up of recent high school graduates who have not entered college because, for the most part, of lack of finances.

Many members of this club were famous high school athletes, particularly in football. Because of their love of the sport, they banded together in order that they might continue playing the game. Coach Higgins was invited to speak inasmuch as members of the club are interested in going to college, many preferring Penn State. Former Ludwig members of the present crop of football players are Danny Demarino and Paul Enders.

Quoting "Its Ups and Downs" by Dr. M. March, a book on the history of pro-football, Coach Higgins mentioned that western Pennsylvania was really the birth place of the pro game. The first professional football game took place in Latrobe in 1885, and after that saw the development of the many phases of modern football, although much of the old pro game has been since barred.

Call for Skiers Issued After Invitation to Sports Carnival

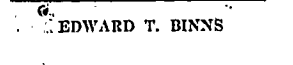
With the invitation to compete in an intercollegiate winter sports carnival at Cornell January 17-18, the demand for a ski team here has increased to the point of becoming a reality.

Max Dercum, an instructor in forestry, has issued the call for students who have had skiing experience. Backed by the School of Physical Education and Athletics, Mr. Dercum is working out daily with a group of enthusiastic skiers and if plans are completed and more candidates turn up, Penn State will be on the way to a regular winter sports schedule.

Skiing has recently become one of the outstanding sports at several colleges in the country. With the many surrounding mountains, including especially Bald Eagle and Nittany, this particular district can boast of having one of the best territories for the sport.

At least five colleges will be represented at the Cornell meet: These include, besides Cornell, Dartmouth 'B' team, Williams, Princeton, and Harvard. The events scheduled and in which this college would compete are: downhill racing, slalom and cross-country. Slalom is a quarter-mile race conducted along flags for the purpose of demonstrating turning ability and other skills. For the first time in the history of the sport, a short wave radio will be used as a timing device.

Leading the movement for a ski team here is Mr. Dercum, former Cornell winter sports star, who has had much experience skiing in the White mountains and in the mountains of California. Mr. Dercum is planning to write a handbook or a series of papers giving those interested many fine points about the sport. He will also include a bibliography from which beginners may find the key to further information.



EDWARD T. BINNS

field goals and three free throws. Smith Stars at Penn
Frank Smith led the Nittany passers Wednesday night with four field goals and one foul throw which netted the Lions 9 points. The combination which Spike Leslie released on the floor consisted of Jimmy Smith and Sol Miehoff-at forwards, Kornick and Proksa at guards, and Captain Bar Riley at center. Riley tipped in place of McWilliams, whose injured ankle made it impossible for him to play. Frank Smith was substituted at guard in the first half.

At the end of the first half, the Lions ploughed 5 points in the lead, the score 18-to-13. The Nittany combination managed to maintain its lead throughout the game, as both teams flipped baskets alternately. A few minutes before the final gun, Kornick dropped a foul and Jim Smith pocketed a field goal to build the score up to 31-to-26. State marched off the floor with a fairly good idea of what it can do, which was what Spike Leslie wanted to know.

The best possible combination seems closer to fulfillment and presents a line-up including last year's varsity strengthened with a sprinkling of sophomores. Tomorrow's game with Navy will present another opportunity for Leslie to discover just what this combination can do.

Followers of the Blue and White basketball teams had to dig far back into the records to discover when a Penn State team last defeated Pennsylvania. They found the last victory was scored 13 years ago in 1923 when the Lions triumphed, 30-23. Further emphasis was placed on last night's victory when a further check revealed that it was but the sixth triumph for the Lions in their 26 game series with the Quakers since 1901.

Penn	Goal	Foul	Pts.
Menzel, RF	4	0	8
Hauze, LF	0	2	2
Engelholm, RF	0	0	0
Stanley, LF	0	0	0
Hanger, C	4	2	10
Murray, RG	0	2	2
Dougherty	0	0	0
Bradford, LG	1	0	2
Barrett, RG	1	0	2
Totals	10	6	26

Penn State	Goal	Foul	Pts.
J. Smith, RF	2	0	4
Miehoff, LF	1	0	2
Glennon, RF	1	0	2
Riley, C	2	0	4
Kornick, RG, C	3	1	6
F. Smith, RG	4	1	8
Proksa, LG	1	1	2
Totals	14	3	31

Free throws missed: Menzel 1, Hauze 1, Hanger 1, Murray 3, Miehoff 1, Riley 2, F. Smith 1. Referee, Jimmy Rumsey; Umpire, Jimmy Osborne.

Between The Lions

By WALT FREUNSCH

Having served as radio columnist, record reviewer, and movie columnist without being embarrassed by his ignorance of those matters, the writer doesn't hesitate at all to try his hand at book reviewing. This book isn't, like most books, a hard job to review. It's a meaty book, with much to recommend it. Perhaps its chief interest is that it was written by H. Ridge Riley Jr., former editor of this paper and now sports editor of the College news service.

It's the first appearance of an "N. C. A. A. Official Boxing Guide," and it represents an enormous lot of work on the part of prognosticator Riley. The book ought to be in the hands of all spectators that want to have an intelligent understanding of the ring sport. In addition to the rules governing intercollegiate boxing it has a section of information for the spectator. Records of collegiate boxing during last season for all important schools and conferences are included, as well as a great many pictures of boxing squads all over the country. Other pictures show two scenes of the tournament here last spring, and the members of the N. C. A. A. Boxing Rules committee, which is headed by Director Hugo Bezdek, of this school.

Mr. Riley is to be commended for this effort, and for a pioneer production it has surprisingly few faults. Copies can, we understand, be purchased at one of the local book stores for a nominal sum.

Tennis Schedule Lists 8 Matches

Bucknell, Syracuse, Dickinson, Cornell Compose 1936 Home Program.

Eight matches have been scheduled for the 1936 varsity tennis team, it was announced today by Manager Sidney Z. Levy '36. With the exception of Johns Hopkins, all the teams played last year are again represented.

The home matches will be with Cornell on April 25; Syracuse, May 2; Dickinson, May 8; and Bucknell, May 9. The remaining four contests, which are to be played away, include: Gettysburg, May 15; Navy, May 16; Carnegie Tech, May 22; and Pitt, May 23.

Five regulars from the highly successful team of last year, which won seven matches and lost only two, Navy and Cornell, have been graduated. They are Captain Nelson Green, Harold "Pip" Block, John McGann, Jack Heyison, and Miss Dorothy Anderson. Miss Anderson, one of the few women ever to participate in a varsity sport, had a great year, winning all but one of her matches.

Coach Harold "Dink" Stover looks forward to a successful season, having on call several tried veterans in addition to some promising newcomers. Captain Jimmy Smith leads the veterans and he will be supported by Dick Campman, Bob Morgan, and Paul Massey. Massey is a transfer student of excellent ability. Outstanding among the new prospects are Whitney Anderson, Art Berman, Curt Beerman, Jay Miller, and Fred Smith.

Kiwanis Hear Gauger

Dr. Alfred W. Gauger, of the department of fuel technology, addressed a meeting of the Kiwanis club at Bellefonte on Tuesday afternoon, using "Research and Progress," as his subject.

Trackmen Start Winter Season; Aim at Olympics

'Chick' Werner Issues Call For Freshmen, Varsity Men.

By JOHN BRENNEMAN
With one eye on the 1936 Olympic tryouts, together with the most intense season that a track team here has had for the past five or six years, Coach Charles "Chick" Werner has issued a call for all freshmen and varsity candidates in that sport. Practice started this week and will continue every night, but no extensive work-outs are planned for some time.

While the winter indoor track schedule has not been officially released, it will probably include a meet at West Virginia, either a dual or relay affair; the annual Intercollegiate; and possibly the Butler Relays at Indianapolis. A freshman team will probably compete in all of these meets and a yearling medley relay team will be sent to the Intercollegiate.

Although rather hard hit by graduation, the track outfit here looks to be the best in a number of years since it will be strengthened by several outstanding members of last year's freshman squad, along with a number of upperclassmen who last spring were ineligible for varsity competition.

Jim Redmond, captain of last year's freshman team, who broke the local high jump record as well as starring in the hurdles and broad jump, is perhaps the most welcome addition, since State teams have been weak in these events for the past few years.

Ian Murphy, a transfer from the University of Puerto Rico last year, will be eligible for competition. Last spring he won six events in the Intramural meet and should greatly strengthen the weight events. Pete Olesky, undefeated in cross-country this fall, will help to make up for the loss of Harvey and Alexander from last year's team.

Four dual engagements and three other meets are scheduled for the team this spring. The season will open against West Virginia here, the week prior to the Penn Relays. Syracuse will also be met here, while the team will compete against Army and Pitt away. Men will also be sent to the Eastern and the National Intercollegiate meet. The freshman team will meet Cornell and Pitt in dual competition and several men will probably be sent to the Penn Relays.

The loss of Harry Sigel by graduation and the failure of Dick Stewart to return to school leaves Werner with a weakened set of sprinters. The weight events look strong, with Captain Bill Miller and Koon, a sophomore, in the hammer, Emmett Brown in the shot, and Murphy in all of them.

Agriculture Enrolls 51

The School of Agriculture has the largest enrollment in its history for the winter course. Fifty-one students are enrolled in the various courses offered.

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INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

By PHIL HEISLER
The Interclass boxing tournament, which, it is reported, will make the Intramural boxing tournament look like a parlor game of Monopoly, will be held in Recreation hall on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Entries for the Intramural basketball tournament must be in Miss Keller's office in Recreation hall no later than 5 o'clock, January 15. There is an entry fee of \$1 and the names of entries and class must also be stated.

The race for the Intramural bowling championship is rapidly approaching neck-and-neck characteristics as the teams swing into mid-season form.

The Delta Chi bowlers advanced to second place by defeating Delta Tau Delta, last year's champions, 8-to-0. Outstanding was the bowling of Dick Bachofner who captured the high score of the week with a score of 551 for three games. Delta Upsilon and Watts Hall are tied for third place.

Apology: Hink Haines did not get fourteen pins on one roll; it was a mere twelve.
Leading teams:
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Delta Chi702
Delta Upsilon678
Watts Hall678
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Phi Kappa Psi503
Delta Tau Delta450
Delta Sigma Phi450
Grazier Club292

Fletcher to Preside

Dr. Stephen W. Fletcher, head of the department of horticulture, will preside over the session on growers' experiences and the question box period at the Pennsylvania State Horticultural association meeting. The session will be held at Harrisburg in the State Farm Show building on January 20 and 21.

Ring Contenders Exhibit Promise; Richter Improves

Freshman "Pro" Proves Worthy Opponent For Veterans.

By BOB GRUBB
As Coach Leo Houck speeds up his workout schedule, contenders for the Lion ring team are showing up in true form, the daily bouts revealing some interesting facts.

It is plain to be seen, for example, that Izzy Richter is looking a great deal better so far this year than he did last year. His sparring partner, Kociubinsky, a freshman, is giving him good workouts in the ring nightly and the effects of his religious adherence to training are plain to be seen.

A newcomer to Lion fight circles this year is Bill Cooper, Nittany full-back, who made his debut in the Intramurals and is now a leading contender for the 175-pound class. Dick Livermore, another newcomer, will have to show some stuff before he can be regarded as in the running in this class.

Sam Donato To Remain
Bob Donato, 125, squared off with Captain Russ Criswell, 115, the other night and both boys looked in top-top shape. Criswell is also sparring with Al Tappman, freshman intramural titleholder, who is looked upon as Russ' most likely successor next year.

Sammy Donato, who has secured work which will insure his remaining in school, is working out with Dick Flenniken. Anyone else will have trouble breaking into the running in the 145-pound class.

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Women in Sports

By REGINA RYAN
Fencing activities began on Monday and the lists are now closed. Sixty-eight students have scheduled two hours a week.

With the advent of snowy weather and hosts of ski suits from Christmas, winter outdoor sports are becoming very popular. Equipments for snow sports are now available at the W. A. A. office in Mac hall. Those desiring to use them must sign up for a definite time.

BASKETBALL

The junior class has won new laurels in the interclass basketball tournament with their defeat of the freshman on Wednesday night, winning 22-to-18. On Monday night the juniors defeated the senior five by the score of 18-to-6. The sophomores defeated the freshman quintet 15-to-12.

The Word "Buccaneer"

The word "buccaneer" is from the French word "boucanier," meaning a hunter of wild meat.

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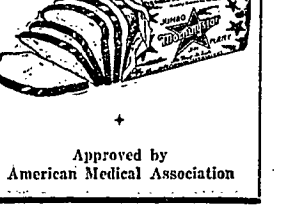
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