

Nittany Basketeers Nose Out Syracuse 34-33; Face Pitt Tomorrow

Women in Sports

By REGINA RYAN
The sophomores defeated the freshmen by a 17-to-15 score at Rec hall Monday night at 7 o'clock. The juniors, keeping up their lightning-like work, scorched the seniors by a 40-to-4 victory at Rec hall Monday night at 8:30 o'clock.

The seniors won a close victory over the freshmen by a 29-to-28 score in the Armory Tuesday night. The first year squad took a 33-to-16 trimming from the juniors last night.

The final game of the second series in interclass basketball will be played when the sophomores meet the seniors in the Armory Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Marie Haidt, women's physical education director, Mary Lou Clippinger, head basketball manager, and Betty Springer, president of W. A. A., will select the best women basketball players of the three upper classes for the Army-Navy teams, who will meet at Rec hall Monday at 7 o'clock, January 20.

Dot Hennicke '37 gave numerous senior life saving tests at the Glennland pool Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. They will be completed next Tuesday at the same time. Because of the strenuous nature of the test, a Red Cross ruling requires that they be taken in two separate periods. About 18 students who have completed a training course are trying for the senior life saving badge.

Gym Team to Oppose Freshmen Tomorrow

Preparing routines for the first meet against Illinois three weeks away, the varsity gym team will meet a representative freshman squad at Rec hall tomorrow at one o'clock.

Entered in the various events are: ropes, Captain Pete Lektrich and George Turwillinger; rings, Ervin Rohrbach and Sam Beck; parallel bars, Turwillinger, Beck, and Ed Burger; horse, Rohrbach; tumbling, Ray Matten; and horizontal bar, Turwillinger and Beck.

Seven yearlings will compete against the varsity. The meeting, however, will be a severe test for the upperclassmen inasmuch as the freshmen constitute one of the strongest teams in the history of the sport here.

State Quint To Enter 1st League Game

Panthers Have 7 Wins In 13 Contests; Game at 7.

Penn State's 1936 basketball team, conqueror of Penn and Syracuse, swings into Eastern Intercollegiate basketball conference competition when it meets the Pitt Panthers in Recreation hall tomorrow night at 7 o'clock.

When the Pittsburghers arrive in State College tomorrow from Washington, where they play Georgetown tonight, they will have thirteen hard games behind them. The Panther five has seven victories; six defeats. They defeated W and J 41-to-35; lost to Northwestern 38-to-0; wrecked havoc in the west with Iowa 3-to-22; and floored Butler and Xavier.

Against Vanderbilt, the Panthers ran up a score of fifty-seven points to the victim's thirty-two. They ravaged the South, defeating Tulane 48-to-25 and Louisiana State 52-to-47. The Carnegie Tech Tartans stopped them 34-to-29, and Carnegie is another league member State will face.

Pitt's Starting Lineup
When Doc Carlson brings his quintet into the Lion's lair, he brings an aggregation made up for the most part of sophomores. Pitt's starting line-up will probably include Captain Roderick, Zelesnick, or Jesko at forwards; Pete Noon or Joe Garcia, at center; and Bob Johnson and Ed Spotovich at guard positions.

Let's take a look at this gang. Ted Roderick is a fast, aggressive forward and starred last year. He is reputed a smart floor leader. Zelesnick is a 6-foot sophomore and Bill Jesko has had a year's substitute experience with the team. Pete Noon is another 6-foot-5 center who graces the local boards in the space of four days and Joe Garcia, one inch shorter, still has an inch or two advantage over Proska, Peterson, Riley and Reichenbach, any of whom Spike Leslie might start at center. Johnson and Spotovich are

League Opponents



EDDIE SPOTOVICH - PITT GUARD



MILES ZELESNICK - PITT FORWARD

sophomore guards, both having made a good showing this season. In view of Pitt's record, we predict a close game. The Panthers have behind them a line of victories and defeats which give them the edge on the Lions in experience this year.

For the Conference Cup

Penn State	Pld.	W.	L.	Tot.
Riley, f (c)	2	2	0	6
J. Smith, f	0	0	1	0
Peterson, f	3	0	0	6
Proksa, c	0	0	0	0
Reichenbach, c	3	1	2	7
Kornick, g	2	1	1	5
Miehoff, g	2	1	1	5
F. Smith, g	1	1	0	3
Totals	13	8	14	34

Syracuse	Pld.	W.	L.	Tot.
Curran, f	1	0	0	2
Leavitt, f	0	2	3	2
Gorecki, f	0	0	1	0
Markowski, f	0	0	0	0
Belenski, f	1	0	0	2
Sonderman, c	4	4	6	12
Scott, c	0	0	0	0
Simonaitis, g	1	2	2	4
Guley, g (c)	1	3	4	11
Totals	11	11	18	33

Cubs Will Battle Pitt Tomorrow in Opener

The freshman basketeers open their season against the Pitt yearlings tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in Recreation hall.

The starters will probably be chosen from the following ten: Harrison, Lang, Mitchell, Painter, Chalmers, Thompson, and Prosser, assorted forwards and guards, and Corbin, Kaiser, and Sutton, centers.

Coach Everhardus is not optimistic about the Lion Cubs' chances, because they are facing a team which already has several victories to its credit, including a win over Carnegie Tech's plebes. In addition, Everhardus is having trouble with an unwieldy squad of thirty-five which has already been cut once.

The remainder of the freshman schedule is as follows: February 8, Bucknell; 14, Kiski; 22, Carnegie Tech; 29, Wyoming Seminary; March 6, Bucknell, away; 7, Wyoming Seminary, away.

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Late Attack Nets Victory For Lion Five

State Quintet Breaks Opponent's 7-game Winning Streak.

By DICK LEWIS
Driving into the lead in the final eight minutes of the struggle, the Lion basketeers clawed their way to a 1-point victory over a mighty and previously undefeated Syracuse five by a score of 34-to-33 before a roaring mob in Recreation hall Wednesday night.

And the Nittany Lion passing combine gave ample indication that it is a power to watch in the race for the Eastern Intercollegiate basketball crown.

Invaders Score First
For the balance of the game, the Penn State passers tagged behind the enormous Orange team, which swarmed down from New York hills with seven impressive big-score victories behind it. And an eighth victory was in sight for the gigantic invaders until the Nittany men rocketed eleven points in nine and a half minutes to conquer one of the strongest teams in the East.

Six-foot-six Ed Sonderman, Syracuse center, took the leap on the first toss-up from Joe Proksa and the battle was on. Two minutes later, the Orangemen cut the first gash with a foul throw. A minute later, the invaders made good another free toss. Then Bar Riley, on four from Curran, Orange forward, sent two shots into the hoop to even the tally.

Sol Miehoff supplied the fire to lift the Lions out of a slump of scoreless minutes, when, after Sonderman had poked one out of two free throws, he dashed through the Syracuse giants and down the entire length of the floor to net a field goal. Reichenbach meshed a foul, followed by two more points on fouls by Guley. At half time, the score stood State: 11; Visitors: 14.

The Second Half
That second half will go down in State basketball annals as one of the most significant comebacks the Lions have displayed against a winning opponent.

Miehoff started it off with a spectacular race the length of the floor. Unable to shoot, he passed to Bar Riley who slipped the ball between the cords for the opening score. Guley potted a field goal on a long side shot and Frank Smith plunked a free toss. Sonderman began to widen the net. Syracuse lead with another basket, and fouled as he took the shot, made good an awarded throw.

With Syracuse leading State's score of 14 by five points, Leslie put Kornick in for Riley. Kornick pocketed a field goal. Bainsky and Sonderman replied with a basket-apiece.

State Begins to Gain
State gained when Miehoff took another dive through the entire Syracuse mob and netted two points. Peterson, on a pass from Miehoff, cut through the Orange defense and arched another field goal. Guley eradicated the Lion defense men in the same manner and rolled the ball into the hoop. The score stood 23-to-27 with the Orangemen still four points toward a victory.

Syracuse Weakens
There were 9 minutes, 45 seconds of opportunity left of the game as the Nittany barrage broke. Mike Kornick took a set shot from near mid-floor and arched the ball squarely into the hoop to bring the Lions thundering up within two points of the invaders' lead. A few seconds later Reichenbach shot true. And for the first time in the course of the game, the Lions tied the score.

The Orangemen saw their victory fading and tightened their defense, but Frank Smith dived through that mountain defense and spun the ball into the net. The State score mounted to 32-to-29, with four minutes to go. Frank Smith plugged a foul throw to make it 33-to-29 with Lions bounding four points in the lead.

The Orangemen shot wildly when they could get the ball, but their shots thudded off the backboard. Captain Guley, standing on the center of the floor arched a long shot into the bucket for 31 points. Kornick converted a foul toss into 34 points for the winning Lions. The Syracuse men desperately bombed the basket every time they had a chance, and Guley plugged a field goal with 35 seconds left to play.

With the Orange fighting desperately one point behind, the crowd stood up and thundered for a State victory. One field goal for the Orange and the game was theirs. But they never made it. The Lions still kept possession of the ball as the final gunshot cracked.

INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

By PHIL HEISLER
I. M. GOSSIP: Shoaf, athletic director of the Penn State club, plans to have intramural tournaments among the districts of non-fraternity men. There were poor turn-outs for the first meeting but the plans will be completed within a few weeks. Wrestling will begin within two weeks. Handball tournaments have been postponed indefinitely. The S. A. E.'s basketball team is practicing in order to keep the basketball championship. The R. O. T. C. floor may be available to fraternity teams for practice.

Bowling

Delta Chi moved up to tie for first place with Tau Kappa Epsilon in the bowling tournament with Delta Upsilon in the bowling tournament with Delta Upsilon a close second. The P. K. E.'s lost six games to the Phi Kappas who won 11-to-2, while Delta Chi collected six games from Watts Hall. The D. U.'s took all eight games from the freshman Civil Engineers, who replaced Alpha Sigma Phi in the tournament.

The highest single game was scored by Locke who rolled a 237. High scorer for three games is Borda, Phi Kappa, with 519.

Standing of the leaders:

Tau Kappa Epsilon785
Delta Chi785
Delta Upsilon720
Watts Hall625
Phi Kappa625
Delta Sigma Phi542
Phi Kappa Psi536
Delta Tau Delta500
Grazier Club357

Agricultural Conclave To Close Here Today

Today marks the end of a conference held here and attended by the county extension representatives and agents of the School of Agriculture. This annual conference began Wednesday.

President Ralph D. Hetzel was one of the speakers. Dr. Frederick P. Weaver, of the department of agricultural economics, spoke on "Agricultural Credit."

Freshman Welterweight Pro Aids Boxing Team in Workouts

By BOB GRUBB

Working out daily with Coach Les Houck's Lion mitmen is a boxer who has made quite a name for himself in professional ring circles around Pottsville.

He is John George Sayers, freshman Physical Education student from Shemandoah, and he takes time off from his scholastic endeavors every now and then to engage in a bout in the hard coal regions. At the same time he is keeping in trim, he is serving as a sparring partner for Frankie Goodman and others in the lightweight and junior welterweight divisions.

The youthful pro's most recent fight, staged at Pottsville last Tuesday night, found him on the short end of a close decision after going eight rounds with Joe Stranges, Camden welterweight. It was his first fight in seven months and Sayers' timing proved ineffective against his opponent.

Sayers' ring career began at the

age of sixteen, when he fought an Army man. Losing both this and his second fight, he decided to give up the boxing game, but a year later went back into the ring.

In the several years he has been in pro circles, Sayers has fought forty-five bouts, with thirteen knockouts to his credit. He lost eight fights, but claims to have won back most of these in subsequent meetings with his opponents.

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