

Boxing Team To Meet Western Maryland Here Saturday Night

Two sophomore sluggers will be making their debut with the Lion varsity when Coach Leo Houck's lads go into action against Western Maryland here Saturday night in the opening meet of the 1936 ring season. They are Bob and Sammy Donato, featherweight and senior welterweight mitemen, respectively.

Bob, who starred on the freshmen team last year and has put up a great front in workouts this year, is definitely the starter in the 125-pound class, while Sammy has been moved up from 145 to 155. Saturday night's opener will also mark the return to Lion ring circles of Dick Flanniken, who has the starting assignment in the 145-pound class.

Freshman Gym Team Nosed Out by Varsity

Handicapped by the absence of Captain Pete Lektrich, the varsity gymnastic team barely nosed out the freshman team, 28½-to-24½, in a practice meet Saturday. The purpose of the competition was to prepare routines for the Illinois meet, which will open the varsity season February 8.

The varsity was only able to win two events, while the yearling gymnasts were victorious in three and tied for first in the fourth. Leading the freshman parade of victories was Stanley Haigh, who scored in the ring event and the rope-climb and tied George Turwillinger of the varsity on the horizontal bar. Other winners were: Ray Mattern, varsity tumbling star; Sam Beck on the parallel; and Norman Pascual, winner for the '35 men on the horse.

Following Mattern in tumbling were Beck, who was second, and Burger, varsity, and Rankie, freshman, who tied for third. Rohrbaugh of the varsity finished second to Haigh, while Rankie followed Beck on the parallel bars. Rohrbaugh also tallied for the varsity by placing second on the horse and second in the rope-climb.

Captain Russ Criswell will meet an old rival in Bennett, Green Terror 115-pound slugger. Bennett was given a somewhat questionable decision over Russ in the dual meet last year, but the latter won the nod in a bout on his way to the Intercollegiate championship in that class.

Goodman To Box at 135
Frankie Goodman, who boxed at 145 last year, will be the 135-pound starter, while Lou Ritzke, 155-pound Intercollegiate champion in 1935, is moving up to 165. Johnnie Sawchak is the 175-pound selection.

In the wind-up bout of the evening, Izzzy Richter will meet Tom Pontecarvo in what promises to be the attraction of the meet. Pontecarvo won a decision over Richter in the dual meet and got the nod in the Intercollegiate finals to win the eastern title.

In announcing his selections, the Lion ring mentor is cognizant of the fact that there is some good reserve material which he does not intend to overlook. And there may be some changes before the opening meet, too. Freddy O'Neill may replace Sawchak at 175. Leo recognizes promising material in Ed Focher, sophomore welterweight; Ed Ricketts, junior 145-pounder; Charlie Teller, sophomore middleweight; and Joe Korsak, sophomore welterweight.

"Whitey" Rhoda has been working out for the past few days and may be able to break into the 175-pound class. Bill Cooper, who suffered a broken rib on a skating party recently, also is expected back for workouts soon.

The University of Chicago has established a new chair of comparative law. Prof. Max Rheinstein, Nazi exile, was given the post.

Lion Quintet To Encounter Bucknell Here

Play Bisons Tomorrow After Losing Tilt To Pittsburgh.

Crushed to a 45-to-23 defeat by a fast, aggressive Panther five Saturday, the Nittany Lion passing combination prepares to meet an unimpressive Bucknell squad in Recreation hall tomorrow night at 7 o'clock. The Bisons thunder across the mountains to face the Lions with a long list of defeats, illuminated by several victories this year. They managed to down Susquehanna, 37-to-34, defeat Muhlenberg, 45-to-41, and edge Lafayette out of a tie by 38-to-37 points.

Reviewing the Opposition
Coach Mac Musser's aggregation lost to the Lion courtmen last year by a score of 41-to-32. There is little reason to suspect that the Bisons will come back with any overwhelming strength this year, in view of the fact that the squad which will figure in the lineup is made up of three men with zero years of varsity experience. The Bisons have the unenviable record of twenty-one straight defeats in the last two years.

The probable line-up includes Joe Deegan and Bill Foltz, forwards; Bob Summers, at tip-off position; and Herb Bowman and John Filer, guards. What this combination can do against the Blue and White tomorrow night we will know tomorrow night. Looking into our crystal, which was slightly shattered Saturday night, we predict only good entertainment.

What Happened Saturday Night?
Nothing happened to the Lion basketballmen Saturday night. We don't think it's necessary to become the official apologist for the State basketball team, but adverse critics of Saturday's night debacle should concede the Nittanyman a right to a few defeats now and then, since that is also the prerogative of our opponents. And talking about grandstanders, we advise the witty boys whose cow bell lent such a sallow salute to Penn State's traditional sportsmanship on Saturday night, to go back to the high school and grow up.

Pitt vs. State was the old tale of woe which arises when a good, fast big man works havoc on a good fast little man. The Panthers gave an exhibition of lightning basketball; they set the pace too fast for State to match.

The Panthers fired into the lead in the first two minutes of the game when Jesko, Pitt right forward, alone and unguarded, took a pot at the bucket and scored. A minute later Jesko duplicated, and thereafter the invading crew led the Blue and White around the floor as the Nittanymen tried vainly to approach the Panthers' lead and never quite succeeded.

At halftime the Panthers led, 24-to-9. In the desperate minutes of the second half the Lions scrambled for the ball, but succeeded in scoring only fourteen additional points to twenty-one tallies for Pitt.

High scorer of the game was Frank Smith, at guard, who compiled nine points for the Lions with four field goals and one free throw. Joe Garcia, Panther center, tallied seven points on three field goals and one foul shot. Sol Michoff, who was substituted intermittently at forward, reaped the impressive record of four points on four foul shots, a feat that has not been duplicated here for some time.

INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

By PHIL HEISLER
The intramural basketball tournament has again been postponed until the second Sunday in February, according to LeRoy M. Sunday, manager of that sport. Games will be played on Sunday and Wednesday nights.

Sixty-eight optimistic teams have already registered. This number includes more non-fraternity organizations than have ever been registered for a tournament.

The tournament will again be run according to past arrangements. The preliminaries will consist of leagues of four teams, each playing every team in that league. The team with the most victories will then play the bracket games.

Outstanding contenders in the tournament are Sigma Alpha Epsilon, last year's champions with their championship team intact, and Delta Upsilon, who, according to Jim Armstrong, trainer, has three freshmen on the team that have taken positions from last year's regulars.

The Delta Sigma Phi and Beta Sigma Rho have inaugurated what shows promise of becoming a favorite interfraternity game, namely, throwing snowballs at the window panes of the opposing house.

The intramural wrestling tournament will begin within the next two weeks while the swimming meet will not be held until the basketball tournament is completed.

Wrestling Team Outscores Michigan Grapplers 19-11; Waite Gets Only State Fall

Wolfson, Light, Waite, Krupa Victorious While Shaffer Wins by Default; Joe O'Dowd Thrown by Wright.

By TOWNSEND SWALM
Showing only occasional flashes of the brilliancy and drive that characterized last year's wrestling team, State opened its wrestling season by defeating a crippled Michigan squad, 19-to-11, in Recreation hall Saturday afternoon.

Easily the outstanding bout of the afternoon was Sully Waite's tossing of 145-pound Wally Heavenrich, Michigan captain, with a reverse chancery and body hold in 9:03. From the referee's command to wrestle, Waite rushed his more experienced opponent, maintaining the offensive continuously. However, the initial 2 minutes having elapsed with neither man being forced to the mat, the coin was tossed, Michigan winning and electing the defensive.

During the first 4-minute period both men fought stubbornly with Heavenrich ending up about 10 seconds to the good in time advantage for the period. Sully was able to hold to his advantage for about a minute and a half, almost gaining a fall several times, with Captain Heavenrich finally breaking into the neutral position, standing. After about 45 seconds of jockeying, Heavenrich's dive took Waite to the mat, gaining the advantage from which Waite broke away, only to be taken down again as the period ended.

In the second 4-minute period, by securing a hold on his opponent's leg, Waite avoided being thrown several times and finally broke into the neutral position on the mat. Then followed a swift exchange of advantages, first Waite securing the advantage and getting behind, then Heavenrich going top, then Waite again, securing his throwing hold and pinning the Michigan captain's shoulders to the mat for the required 2 seconds. Thirty-five hundred spectators roared in approbation.

Light Shows Good Form
Lion Captain Jack Light showed some of the ability which earned him his Intercollegiate crown last year by defeating Earl Thomas, Michigan sophomore, by a time advantage of 4:24. Light had the upper hand for the duration of the match, Thomas spending most of his time in a successful attempt to keep from being thrown.

Only time advantage gained by the Michigan representative was from offensive position taken at the start of the second 4-minute period; Light broke away after about a minute and neither gained advantage after that. This bout was marred by an accident

in the opening 2-minute period when Light's face collided with Thomas' head, injuring both, and necessitating a 3-minute rest period. The crowd laughed, whether at the pain which the two contestants were undergoing or something else, could not be determined.

Heavyweight Joe O'Dowd, after showing decided superiority over Tiny Wright, his 250-pound opponent, allowed the only fall gained by Michigan. Joe showed much improvement over last year and had secured a time advantage of 4:15 when he was thrown. In trying to roll Wright over in order to press his shoulders to the mat, Joe was himself caught and ended up on his back, with the heavier Wright keeping him in that position for the required time.

Michigan 175-pounder Defaults
Sophomore Ross Shaffer, Lion 175-pound representative, had no opportunity to show his ability Saturday, due to an injury received by Michigan's light heavyweight, Masomuskus when the Big Ten team topped Franklin and Marshall, 18-to-16, Friday night.

For the most part, the remaining bouts were rather drab, run-of-the-mill matches, with only occasional flashes of color. Sammy Wolfson experienced little difficulty in securing a time advantage of 5:38 over Johnny Speicher, Michigan 118-pounder.

Ed Slacum, who wrestled on the Michigan varsity last year, defeated a determined Ray Brooks, sophomore newcomer to the Lion squad, by a time advantage of 2:54 in the 126-pound class. Franky Bissell, Michigan 155, was awarded a referee's decision over Johnny Calvin in extra periods. During the main bout, both

men fought evenly and as Bissell had less than a minute advantage when the bell rang, the extra periods were called for. Both men showed signs of weariness and the better condition and aggressiveness of Bissell during the extra periods gave him the decision.

Krupa Has Difficult Task
Joe Krupa, faced with the difficult task of filling last year's captain and national champ Howard Johnston's shoes, came through to defeat Bill Lowell, Michigan 165, by a time advantage of 3:48. Joe displayed great aggressiveness throughout the match and was never in danger of being thrown, although he pressed Lowell dangerously near to that position on several occasions.

As a whole, the bouts on Saturday revealed two things: First, that State has a bunch of very competent wrestlers who should develop into top-notch performers as the season advances and they gain experience. Secondly, the driving pace that Coach Charlie Speidel was forced to set for his charges in the all too short training period preparatory to the Michigan match has taken its toll. With the exception of Jack Light, who stood up well under the strain, all of the grapplers showed the effects of overtraining and were slightly off condition.

"While the two forthcoming meets with Temple and Pittsburgh cannot be classed as breathers, nevertheless they will not present as tough opposition as Michigan did, and in the interval before the Lehigh encounter on February 15, much intelligent attention will be spent in getting the boys into top-notch condition," Coach Speidel said after the meet Saturday.

Grow '38 Establishes New Ski Jump Record

Competing under the colors of the newly formed Penn State Ski Club, Al Grow, sophomore, established a new record for the ski jump as he won the annual Buffalo Ski Club winter sports carnival at the Allegheny State Park, N. Y., Sunday morning.

Grow, an experienced jumper, who won the American Junior championship in 1932, set a new mark of 207 feet for the jump. He succeeded in breaking the old mark of 194 feet which he hung up last year. In addition to his record-breaking leap, Grow gave an exhibition in which he turned a double-flip off the jump. Because of the snow storm, conditions for the carnival were very bad.

At the time the COLLEGIAN went to press, the two members of the ski club who went to Cornell for the carnival there had failed to return.



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80 Trackmen Prepare For First Time Trials

With his squad of about eighty freshman and varsity track candidates gradually getting into shape after three weeks of easy workouts, Coach Charles "Chick" Werner is hoping to start time trials sometime this week.

Just whom the team will compete against before the spring season opens is a difficult problem to solve. A meet at the University of West Virginia was pending, but that school announced last week that they were discontinuing track. If there is enough good material to warrant it, Werner will probably send some men to the Butler Relays at Indianapolis and to the A. A. U. meet in New York. Both of these will be held in March.

When the weather permits the squad is working out on the small outdoor wooden track. Otherwise the indoor track is used. A schedule of training for the first two weeks in all track and field events has been posted for those reporting late for the sport.

Additional sophomore candidates for second assistant manager of track should report at the Locker Room in Recreation hall at 4 o'clock.

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