#### BETWEEN THE LIONS

By BOB GRUBB

For the past three years COLLE-GIAN sports editors have had to "view with alarm" decisions of the Eastern Soccer Committee in failing to recognize Penn State's supremacy in this field. And so, for the fourth consecutive year the cry of "We wuz robbed" must be raised.

A story in another column of this paper gives the latest decision of the committee, which this year decided not to single out any one team for championship honors, but to divide the mythical title among four schools. The honor of being selected "among the outstanding teams in the east" is a somewhat dubious one. As far as we are concerned, the committee might just as well have left State out of the list and declared West Chester the conference cham-

pions.

Last year the title went to Yale after the committee had invoked the four-game rule against the Lions. Undefeated the Lions were, but Penn State had not played four league games, so the title was ceded to Yale. Two years ago, Coach Jeffrey made the mistake of giving his loves a trip to Scotland during the boys a trip to Scotland during the summer. Because the coach and an otherwise ineligible man had played on the team in Scotland, the com-mittee ruled that they could not be considered in he running for the Eastern title.

Still the achievements of a great coach and a great team go unno-ticed—unacclaimed by the outside world. Everyone on this campus and those on the outside who are familiar with the situation are aware of Penn State's standing in the field, even though they are not officially hailed as champions.

We are not well enough acquainted with the set-up of the league's ruling body to suggest a solution to the problem, but we do feel that such decisions unfavorable to a championship team year after year should not go by without protest. The protests of a coach and his team are not enough. The cry should come from those higher up.

After disappointing their followers by dropping the season's opener to Penn, the Lion five came through to Penn, the Lion five came through with a smassing though unimpressive victory over Susquehanna. The large turnout witnessed a different game of basketball than has been played here in some time. They saw Coach Lawther's system applied by first, second and third string teams to give the visitors a shellacking. However, there are kinks to be ironed out before the Lions meet stiffer opposition in the coming conference opposition in the coming conference tilts and too much cannot be expected of them so early in the sea-son under a new regime.

Realizing the need for drastic revision of touch football rules to guard against serious injuries, the Intramural Board is determined to take definite action now so that the disastrous consequences of last sea-son may be avoided next year, A number of recommendations have already been made and the Board is

ready been made and the Hoard is seeking others from the student body before drafting the final rules. It may seem unseasonal to talk of football, but the Board is determined to act now so that next year's ac-tivities may be opened with a defi-nite set of rules. The appalling number of injuries in the past

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# CAGERS TO MEET LAFAYETTE TOMORROW NIGHT

## Swim Team To Open 2nd Season Sat.

Penn Lineup Selected With Bunk, Welsh In Lead Roles

Penn State's swimming team will

#### Sophomores Defeat **Junior Court Team**

The inter-class basketball season opened in the Armory last Tuesday night with the sophomore-junior game, resulting in a 27-to-15 slide for game, resulting in a 21-00-10 shate vite the sophomores. The mighty seniors won a 28-to-12 triumph from the freshmen Wednesday night with Gin-ney Goodman, senior star of the con-test, "basketing" 21 points.

The freshman-sophomore game on

Thursday was a climax to the week's competitions ending in a close 13-to-10 win for the sophomores, the deciding points being made by "Bertie" Wright during the last three minutes. The juniors bowed to the seniors with their 37-to-11 scoop Thursday foll the freshman-sophomore battle. following

prompted some to ask for abolition prompted some to ask for aboutton of touch football as an intramural sport here. However, in view of the fact that touch football offers recreation to large numbers who do not engage in athleties during the fall, the Board felt that it could not inteffelly about the country of the country o fall, the Board felt that it could not justifiably abandon the sport. Instead, it has decided to sound out student sentiment and invite suggestions for revisions of the rules to make for a safer game. The Board, through this column, invites suggestions along this line.

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### Junior Grapplers Easily Cop I.C. Wrestling Championship

Stegmaier, Brooks, Reynolds, Shaffer, O'Dowd, Zazzi, Calvin, Bachman Top Divisions

By FRANCIS H. SZYMCZAK

The junior class, taking five first places, one second place, and scoring seven falls, cinched the interclass wrestling title with an overwhelming score of 35 points. The seniors scored 17 points; the sophomores, 14 and

Individual title winners of the eight weight classes are Fred Stegmaie '38, 118 pounds; Ray Brooks '38, 126 pounds; Robert Reynolds '38, 132 pounds; John Calvin '37, 155 pounds; Don Bachman '39, 165 pounds; Ross Shaffer '38, 175 pounds; and Captain Joe O'Dowd '37, unlimited.

Penn State's swimming team will open its second intercollegiate season Saturday when the Lions face the strong Penn mermen at Philadelphia.

Conch Bob Galbraith, former Ruttgers diving champion, will present a veteran team, strengthened by the addition of two sophomores, Ken Bunk and Charlie Welsh.

Although the starting lineup has not yet been selected, it is probable that time trials tomorrow and Thursday will determine the opposition for the Quakers.

Welsh in Sprint
Welsh will probably be used in the fifty yard freestyle sprint, along with Al Betchtel, another sophomore. The competitors in the 100 yard freestyle will be chosen from Welsh, Bechtel, Bunk, and Bill Helreigel.

Bunk will be joined by Captain Jim Cumming in the 220 yard freestyle event. In the quarter-mile freestyle, Bob Dewalt, returning to the tank team after an intramural football-injury, Bob Holdren, or George Henderson will be used.

The entrants in the fancy diving event have not yet been determined, but it is likely that either Marty Hart, Luther Iloy, or Ray Parks will be the final choices of Coach Galbraith.

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Sophomores Defeat

the freshmen, 11.

Individual title winners of the eight pounds; John Calvin '38, 175 pounds; 38, 175 pounds; 38 a foot injury. Reynolds match; the sophomores scored three; and the freshmen came through with of 9:20 over MacMullan.

By CAROLINE TYSON

The coed "Water Carnival" will
mark the debut of our prospective
nautical professionals, at the Glennland Pool Tuesday January 19 at 4
o'clock. The evolution of the bathing
suit with styles of many eras, will
open the program. Modern suits will
be modeled by Marcia Morfing, Peg
Moyer. Helen Clymer, Doris Stewart,
Jane Rumig and Mary Elizabeth Fry
while the styles of "long ago" will be
worn by Babs Wells, Janet Story,
Beatie Lowe and Molly Pugh.

The diving family will make their

The diving family will make their first personal appearance together with Mollie Evans, the father, Rachel Bechdel as Mother and Jean Giddings and Barbara Lewis, the young ones The family will meet today at 4 o' lock for practise.

Mary Anne Rhodes, an uprising freshman form swimmer will display her technique, followed by a life sav-ing rescue with Betty Springer, Mar-ia Weber and Dot Hennike the vicia Weber and Dot Hennike the vic-tims, A diving exhibition will include three junior veterans of the Glenn-land waters, Lou Sutton, Sally Sal-berg and Ruth Edgar. Practice for this event will also be today at 4 'clock.

an umbrella race in which the contestant to swim with the two objects in one hand. The third of these unique requirements will be a candle race in which the contestant to swim with a lighted candle in one hand.

## Freshmen Start 9th

With their opening game stil two weeks away, thirty freshman basketball candidates trot into their ninth week of intensive pre-season training at Recreation Hall this afternoon, under the guidance of Glenn "Nick" Thiel. Approximately 125 courtmen reported for the initial practice late last October. ast October.

Laying particular stress upon the fundamentals of the Lawther system, Thiel is attempting to break the candidates away from the varied high school systems to which they have been accustomed.

Outstanding in the tune-up sessions have been Philip K. Blough, Ebensburg High flash, and Willard A. Doehnert, Kenmore, N. Y., star. Others showing considerable promise are El-mer A. Abahazi, Milan Buchan, Frank lin J. Dumm, Joe Hetra, John M lin J. Dumm, Joe Hetra, John M. Hoffman, and Sanford M. Kranich.

tage of 4:04 to win the 126-pound

Robert Reynolds '38 piled up a time advantage of 8:55 to defeat Frank Craighead '39; while Samuel Mac-Mullan '37 won through a default over Joseph Myers '40 who suffered a foot injury. Reynolds won the 135 championship with a time advantage

Aldo Zazzi '38 threw Ralph Clapp '39 in 2:40; while Ray Gensler '40 scored a fall in 6:06 over Tom Sherwood '37. Zazzi won the final of the 145 class with a time advantage of

Lloyd Smith '40 defaulted through injury to Steve Priolo '38: John Cal injury to Steve Prioto 38; John Calvin topped Victor Gentilman 39 with a time advantage of 8:37. Calvin won the 155 championship with a time of 7:17 over Prioto.

points.

Results of each weight bracket follow:

In the semi-finals Charles Edwards 140 defeated Seymour Wattenberg 37 by a fall in 9:11 minutes; while Fred Stegmaier 138 pinned Joe Nunger Hess in 7:50 to win the 165-title.

Joseph Krupa '37 won by a referee's decision in an overtime battle with Ernst Bortz '40; Ross Shaffer '38 pinned Charles Mott '39 in 3:18. Shaffer threw Krupa in 5:12 minutes to assume the 175 championship. Joe O'Dowd '37 totaled a time a

vantage of 6:48 to defeat Walter Ell-wood '38; Dean Hanley '39 threw Charles Miller '40 in 5:23. O'Dowd won the unlimited crown with a time advantage of 3:58 minutes over Han-

ley.

Mat Notes: Stegmaier defeated his roommate, Charles Edwards, to win his championship. Under the tutelage of Freddy, Edwards has picked up enough wrestling to win the semifinals... Joe Krupa, lacking training because of his practice teaching, participated in the 175 class and lost to Ross Shaffer by a fall ... The varisty will swing into intensive training this week in preparation for the "Tigers" of Princeton on Saturday.

## Coach Glasser Views

tumbler in the east," so said Coach Julian Glasser still discussing the coming season's prospects with the opening meet just one month off. Mattern, captain of the gym team is one of the few veterans that Glasser has to work with.

A practice meet with the freshmen has been arranged for Saturday, and from the results Glasser will choose his varsity—three men to each piece

All freshmen who place in this meet will get their numerals, as well as those who show up well later on in the season. The freshmen who will compete are: M. Beck, Chedsey, Ep-Week of Court Drills Stein, Feldman, Firestone, Gordon, Jones, Kennedy, Shafer, Shmulker, Streator and Zern.

#### Blue Key Holds Dance

Members of Blue Key, junior activities honorary, held their annual formal dance at the Sigma Nu house Saturday night. Bill Bottorf's orchestra played.

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'Outstanding' Rating

Penn State's undefeated soccer team was declared "among the out-standing teams in the east" at a meeting of the executive meeting of the Eastern Soccer Committee Sat-urday. Other, teams named were Princeton, Syracuse, and West Ches-ter Teachers College. This marked the first time the ruling body did not select a cham-

ruling body did not select a cham-pion. It is the fourth consecutive year that Penn State's undefeated record has gone unnoticed in the championship ratings.

#### 4 Soph Boxers Make 1st Team

Sopchak, Tapman, Kociubinsky Soose Join 4 Champions For Terror Battle

By JERRY WEINSTEIN

That eminent philosopher and psy-chologist, Dr. Leo Florian Houck will present a paradox to Penn State ring fans when the Lion boxers open their 1937 season with Western Mary-land Saturday. Although there will be four sopho-

Although there will be four sopno-mores on the team, Nittany fight ex-perts predict one of the most success-ful seasons for the mitmen. The ar-swer to the paradox is simple. The four veterans are champions; the four newcomers are among the best ever to enter Penn State at one time.

ever to enter Penn State at one time. It is the first time that four sophomores made the first team.

Coach Houck expects to use Alex Sopchak and Al Tapman at the feather and bantamweight positions. Both sophomores are in excellent shape, although in sparring with Ben Nieble, Sopchak received a cut on the forchead that required three stitches, and Tapman had his teeth loosened. and Tapman had his teeth loosened Soose Outstanding

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Veterans—National and Eastern
champion Frankie Goodman and Eastern titleholder Sannny Donate—will
amply take care of the 135 and 145pound classes. The third sophomore,
Billy Soose, will enter the ring at
155 pounds. Soose, a veteran in amateur ranks, is probably the outstanding prospect the good Doctor has ever
had here.
Captain Lou Ritzie, again displaying the form that earned him the 155pound Eastern crown in 1935, will
fight at 165 pounds. To complete the
newcomers' quartet, Nestor Kociubinsky, a killer if there ever was one,
will represent the Lions at 175
pounds. In the heavyweight division,
Eastern champion Izzy Richter will
begin defense of his title against the
Green Terrors. Green Terrors.

Gym Team's Outlook

"Ray Mattern is potentially the best aumbler in the east," so said Coach fullian Glasser still discussing the forming season's prospects with the seming season's possible seming the seming accounts of the boys behind the scenes — the sparring partners who work daily to condition the regulars for the bouts on Saturday . Penn State ring fans owe a vote of thanks to Johnny Sopression boxer who is a seming seming seming the seming seming the seming se

. Dick Shaw and Ben Nieble are the sparring mates for Sopehak and Fapman . . . In the heavier weights, Ritzie and

In the heavier weights, Ritzie and Soose and Richter and Kociubinsky put on daily exhibitions that are more interesting than the coming dual meets will be . . . Both pairs are nearly evenly matched, with either one or the other having the advantage on different days . . At times the boys pull their punches, but sometimes they don't . .

Lions Lose to Penn; Defeat Susquehanna By Score of 52-to-19

> Lawther Sends 3 Teams on Floor in Invasion Against Crusaders; Miehoff Leads Scoring for State Quintet

> > By WOODROW W. BIERLY

After bowing to an undefeated Penn quintet 41-to-33 and then wallop-ing a weak Susquehanna outfit, 52-to-19, the Lion cagers will meet the Lafayette courtmen in Recreation hall at 7 o'clock tomorrow night.

It will be the eighth contest between the two teams in a series that started in 1916. Only twice did the Leopards overtake the Lions and that was in 1931 when State lost, 27-to-16, and 1919 when Lafayette won 33-to-25. The last game between the two teams was in 1933.

The Leopard quintet won only seven of their sixteen games last year, but Coach Mike Mechalski is expecting a better showing from his boys this year. They lost to the Penn five last month in the Red and Blue's initial

engagement by a mere six points, the score, 28-to-22.

Among the Lafayette players is a guard, Sargent, who saw action against the Lions when the Williamsport team lost to them, 43-to-22, on December 20. Other players on the Easton team are Gordon Rositer and the score at 29-to-8, Lawther sent co-Vernon, guards, Pete Blank, center, captains Frank Smith and Mike Korand Bill Wild and Johnny Cooper, inck, Bill Voehl, Charley Prosser and Iforwards. Cooper is one of the Leoplards' most dangerous scoring threats. Wild, short-statured sharpshooter, is the only regular on this year's team, who did not play in the first line-up last season.

Counts on Same Line-up engagement by a mere six points, the core, 28-to-22.

Counts on Same Line-up

Coach John Lawther expects his cagers to meet a strong and fighting team tomorrow night. He plans to use the same line-up as he did against the Crusaders. Sol Michoff and Joe Proksa will probably be playing the forward positions, Jay McWilliams, center, and Max Corbin and Jack Reichenbach, the guard posts.

Refere a crowd of 5000 the Line Refere a

wen the thirteenth of the thirteen-game series which started in 1904. A glance at the results of past years shows that the Lions broke no records with their 52-to-19 victory, for in 1919 the State team defeated the

Michoff High Scorer

Michoff again led the team in scoring by tallying thirteen of the Lions' twenty-nine points that were scored while he played. Corbin, although appearing a little hesitant at times, contributed his share of points with no less than nine.

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Only once did Coach Stagg's men see a ray of hope and that was at the start of the game. The score stood at 3-to-1 in their favor. Mc-Williams tied it and Fredericks boosted the visitors' figure to a five Michoff and Corbin raised the Lions' score to six and Herr tied that.

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They played the remainder of the game.

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Played Well on Defense "Penn State looked better in defeat is year; than the team that wen

this year than the team that won over Penn last season," was the comover renn last season," was the comment of a Philadelphia sports writer, who discussed the game played at the Palestra in Philadelphia last Wednesday night in which Miehoff and Roy Menzel, Penn center, shared scoring

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