

Between The Lions

With BOB WILSON

Random notes, plaudits, thoughts and what-have-you's on the late departed Penn State winter sports season:

Honor Roll

Mike Cooper, 127-pound titlist and Frankie Goodman Trophy winner of Penn State's EIBA champions and Baltimore Sun Trophy-takers.

Ernie Bortz, undefeated 175-pound captain and lone Lion mainman to win an Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association championship.

Johnny Barr, play-maker, new all-time high scorer and author of most Penn State basketball successes this season

Jimmy Lewis, third-round comeback artist par excellence and winner of the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association 165-pound diadem

Barney Ewell, IC4-A 60-yard dash and broad jump champ, holder of the 50-yard dash record, winner of a score or more other honors and No 1 advertiser of the name "Penn State" from coast to coast.

Bill Kirkpatrick, sprint star and new captain of Penn State's swimming Lions

Larry Lightbody, outstanding defense star for Penn State's ice hockey Lions and leading Pennsylvania Collegiate League goalie.

Jack Kerns, 230-pound freshman wrestler who in three bouts registered three falls in the total of nine minutes and 30 seconds, or exactly 30 seconds longer than one regulation bout; handled the heavyweight assignment for the Lion boxing cubs in their last meet; and who will be a promising Lion football candidate in the Fall.

No Superstition, But—

Until Larry Lightbody, brilliant sophomore goalie, chucked the number 13 jersey he had worn practically all season, Penn State's ice hockey Lions had not won a single game

Just before the Lehigh tilt Larry removed the jersey and the Lions won, 8-2, to hang up their first victory of the season. A week later they blanked Carnegie Tech, 4-0, and closed their campaign last week by trouncing Lafayette, 7-2, to tie for second place honors with Hershey in the Pennsylvania Collegiate League.

Meanwhile, removal of the jersey failed to jinx Larry's standout play at the goal. The mighty mite has averaged about 28 saves per game for State this season. Which is just about tops in the league

Reflection

Following the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association tournament here a week or so ago, Jerry Weinstein, CDT sports writer, asked: "Where is the 'box' in college boxing?"

"Sluggest, brawl, and street fight are a few of the terms which have displaced boxing in the college ring dictionary," Weinstein wrote.

"If college boxing is more than a sport for the spectators," he went on, "if it's an activity to teach a boy how to box, we think it's missing its purpose."

Ditto Between The Lions

Suggestion Dept.

To EIBA officials, coaches and patron saints: Before the Intercollegiate next year, why not cede the best four men in each class. This way any edge that drawing a bye might provide would be eliminated, and each man would need fight only twice at the most.

Eliminate the third place. As it is now that one point for third is thrown away with what appears to be reckless abandon. Truth of the matter, those points are carefully aimed before they are fired.

To Neil Fleming, graduate manager of athletics: The Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association has decided to form, in addition to their annual tournament, a league for dual meets.

The move was made to create interest in wrestling throughout its regular season. Why not begin agitation now for a basketball league next year? The sport here needs it.

Tain't So!

A full page picture of Billy Soose, former Lion ring great, appeared in last week's issue of PIC magazine. The undercut had this to say about him:

"While attending Penn State, Billy Soose was asked by the dean to stop boxing before he injured someone." Dean Warnock pleads not guilty.

Riflemen To Fire In NRAI Matches

Col. Stevens Will Select Five-Man Team For Meet

Penn State's varsity rifle team is preparing for national competition this week with a record of 25 victories, in 27 matches.

A five-man squad will go to Washington, D. C., March 30 to fire in the National Rifle Association Intercollegiate and shortly afterwards the squad will fire here in the War Department Intercollegiate which are conducted by mail.

Only defeats suffered by the squad so far were in a postal match with the University of Florida and in the postal Third Corps Area Intercollegiate. In the latter the State marksmen placed behind Maryland and V. M. I.

Most recent victims of the Lion riflemen, all in dual meet postal matches, are Pitt, Indiana, V. M. I., and the U. S. Marine Corps.

Beat Marines: Squad members who fired in these matches with their individual scores are: Bill Funk, 380; Bob McCoy, 378; Miles Altimus, 377; Captain Ben Stahl, 376; Co-captain Gilbert Gault, 373; Noah Getz, 369; Bill Leaworthy, 368; Bob Ramba, 367; C. L. Martin, 366; and Robb Cuthbert, 358.

All but two of the 27 matches the squad has fired so far have been postal Rock Springs and Warriors Mark were both defeated in shoulder-to-shoulder firing.

DG's And ZTA's Win Intramurals

Share Crown With 19 Points Each; Thetas 3rd

After six hard-fought weeks of Women's Intramurals, Delta Gams and ZTA's emerged dual champions with 19 points apiece. Thetas were forced to third place by one point.

Ath West, a new entry this year, placed third with 14 points by winning first places in swimming and badminton and tying for first in ping pong. Chi O's, last year's champs, although garnering firsts in basketball and volleyball, were fourth.

Other teams receiving final points were Phi Mu who led bowling, AEPH who tied for the ping pong championship, Philotes, and Mac-Grange.

Delta Gams tied Thetas for first place in Spring Sports 1939 to receive ten points; placed second in basketball for three, and third in bowling for one. Five additional points were awarded for no defaults.

ZTA's scored ten points for second place in Spring Sports, three for volleyball runner-up, one for basketball third place, and five for no defaults.

Lion Boxers Bow To Wisconsin, 6½-1½

'43 Athletes Outshine Varsity In Winter Sports Competition

With the 1940 Winter season over except for a few straggling intercollegiate tournaments that will carry over into Spring, the mathematicians took stock of things yesterday and found that Penn State freshman athletes have done far better than the varsity.

Three out of five freshman teams went undefeated and the cubs rolled up a combined percentage of 833. The varsity percentage was 598 with the combined record at 641. No varsity teams went undefeated.

The records, which include only dual meet participation, are given below:

Spot	W	L	T	Pct.
Rifle	25	1	0	.965
Boxing	5	2	1	.687
Wrestling	5	2	1	.687
Basketball	15	8	0	.652
Fencing	4	5	0	.444
Gymnastics	2	4	0	.333
Hockey	3	7	0	.300
Swimming	2	7	0	.222
Skating	0	2	0	.000
Indoor Track	0	1	0	.000
Total	61	39	2	.598

Kappa Sigma, Varsity Hall Win Basketball Titles

Phi Sigma Kappa, BRB Defeated In Close Games In Intramural Finals

Kappa Sigma and Varsity Hall are new intramural basketball champions in the fraternity and independent leagues respectively. The Kappa Sigs nosed out Phi Sigma Kappa, 18-14, and the Varsity Hall lads dethroned the defending champions, BRB, in a close contest, 23-20, Thursday night.

Dick Stebbins and Ralph Sapp paced the Kappa Sigs to victory as they ruled the Phi Sigs throughout the entire tilt. Never during the game was Kappa Sig behind. Scoring was well distributed for both teams, but Stebbins was outstanding on defense.

The Kappa Sig lineup included Sapp, Stebbins, Jack Baker, Emil Axelson, Bill Lewis, and Harry Thompson. The Phi Sig lineup included John King, Bob Furlong, George Hunt, Don Hart, and Neil Reagan.

Varsity Hall exhibited a tight defense and sure-shot forwards to top the defending champions. Their lineup included John Conte, Leon Bailey, Sam Kopach, Bob Cunningham, and Tom Vargo. BRB used Joe Kyle, Charley Romane, Bob Mengle, John Chilcote, Jack Hess, and Harry Price.

It was announced yesterday that the finals in intramural wrestling will be held after Easter vacation. Most of the semi-finals have been played.

Ping pong intra-league playoffs will be completed tomorrow and the finals run off after the holiday, as will the competition in volleyball and handball.

75 Football Candidates Report For Spring Work

While managers shoveled snow from the field, outdoor Spring football began two weeks late this year when 75 turned out in response to Coach Bob Higgins' call on Wednesday.

Bad weather kept the squad indoors on "skull practice." The indoor workouts included a study of plays and viewing of motion pictures of State games last season.

Spots	W	L	T	Pct.
Basketball	8	0	0	1.000
Wrestling	3	0	0	1.000
Gymnastics	2	0	0	1.000
Boxing	1	2	0	.333
Swimming	1	1	0	.500
Totals	15	3	0	.833
V & Fr. Totals	76	42	2	.641

The mathematician left in his wake a lot of things he couldn't use.

In Intercollegiate the boxers won their seventh Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association championship and retained the Baltimore Sun Trophy; the wrestlers tied for fourth place in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association tournament, the indoor track team did better than any Penn State team before it and placed third in the national IC4-A's, the skiers played host to the first All-State Ski championship and won the state title, the ice hockey team tied with Hershey Cubs for second place in the new Eastern Intercollegiate Hockey League, the freshman gym

team put on record-breaking performances that marked it as one of the best in the country and promised a strong varsity next year.

Two individual athletes emerged from the ranks. Capt. Mike Cooper at 165 pounds won EIBA boxing titles. Capt. Ernie Bortz went through the wrestling season undefeated and won the EIWA 175-pound crown. John Barr set a new Penn State scoring record of 231 points during the basketball season. The fleet Barney Ewell emerged as the greatest of them all as he set an unofficial world record of 5 seconds in the 50-yard dash, carried off the 60-yard dash and broad championships at the IC4-A's and made newspaper headlines every time he moved.

Three Hockey and skating as informal sports gained such popularity that they will be put before the students at the all-College election for official recognition as varsity sports.

Penn State experimentally participated in its first box lacrosse meet at Yale and won.

Three Grapplers Carry Lion Hopes In Nationals

Bortz, Gleason, King Will Wrestle In Collegiate Championships At Illinois On March 28 And 29

Three Nittany Lion wrestlers, Ernie Bortz, Frank Gleason, and Midge King, will carry the Blue and White colors of Penn State in the National Collegiate Wrestling Championships to be held at the University of Illinois at Champaign, Ill., on March 28 and 29.

Eastern Intercollegiate champion Ernie Bortz is one of the favorites in the 175-pound division. Besides winning the Eastern crown, the Lion captain scored a smashing upset over Michigan's Don Nichols in a dual meet. Previous to his match with Bortz, Nichols was undefeated in 19 engagements.

Frank Gleason, Eastern title winner in 1939 and runner-up this year, will rate with nation's outstanding grapplers in the 136-pound class.

Midge King will remain at 121 pounds, the same weight in which he wrestled at Syracuse. King was undefeated in dual competition this season.

Lehigh's Eastern Intercollegiate championship mat machine will enter five men in the Nationals, including two Eastern champions, Harold Masem and Don Schrader.

Although the official campaign is over, Coach Charlie Spindel is holding regular sessions in Rec Hall every Tuesday and Thursday for anyone interested in wrestling. Instruction is optional and regular attendance not required.

Lowenstein, Kutz To Lead Fencers

Swordsmen Lose To NYU, 20 To 7, In Closing Match

Elmer R. Lowenstein '41 and Lester W. Kutz '41 were elected captains of the 1940-41 fencing team, succeeding Captain Paul Fiebringer, immediately following this season's closing meet with N. Y. U. in Rec Hall Saturday, which ended in a 20-7 defeat for the Lions.

Fencing a team defeated only once this year and with five intercollegiate wins.

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Loss Ends Dual Slate But 3 Boxers Enter National Tournament In April

Scally, Lewis Account For Only Nittany Points As Badgers Outpoint State Before 16,000 Fans

By BUD SMYSER

With their dual meet season ended unfortunately in a 6½-1½ defeat Saturday night from Wisconsin's 1939 national champions, Penn State's varsity boxers have only the National Intercollegiate ahead of them before they wind up action for 1940.

"I just remembered when I was Captain Mike Cooper, 127-pound Eastern champion, Jim Lewis, 165-pound Eastern champion who salvaged a draw at Wisconsin, and Paul Scally, 175-pound Eastern

BULLETIN: Frank (Red) Stanko '41 was elected captain of the 1941 varsity boxing team yesterday. Stanko won eight fights and lost three as a 135-pounder this season, placing second in the Intercollegiate held here.

runner-up who was State's only winner at Wisconsin, will represent the Lions at the national tournament in Sacramento, Calif., on April 4, 5 and 6.

A 16,000 crowd at Madison, Wis., watched the Badgers roll up their third straight victory over the Nittany Lions Saturday night and increase their edge in the four-year-old series to 3-1.

Paul Scally, State 175-pounder, scored the only Lion victory over Stan Kozuszek, who fights like American Wojcieszkes, Syracuse brawler who beat Scally in the Intercollegiate final. Scally used the same left jab he flashed against Wojcieszkes and won easily.

Jim Lewis, Eastern 165-pound king, fought beautifully against Billy Roth and staged another of his sensational finishes but could do no better than draw. In the hard-fought meet Capt. Mike Cooper at 127 and Frank (Red) Stanko at 135 both lost close decisions. Stanko floored his man with a left hook in the first round.

Paul Mall, at heavyweight, fought the best round of the night in the first setto with Neck Lee, national runner-up last year. Mall left-jabbed Lee and never took a solid blow himself. The second round was only 25 seconds gone however, when Lee brought up a right that set Mall dreaming.

Bob Baird was rallying against Woody Swancutt, Wisconsin's national 155-pound champion, when their heads bumped in the second round and the fight was stopped. Swancutt took the decision on his first round edge.

The summaries: 120 pounds—Bob Sachtisdale, Wisconsin, decisioned Vic Fiore. 127 pounds—Clay Hogan, Wisconsin, decisioned Captain Mike Cooper. 135 pounds—Warren Jollymore, Wisconsin, decisioned Captain Mike Cooper.

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