

Between The Lions

WITH DICK PETERS

Disappointing isn't the word for the Lion basketball debut Saturday night. Rather, I'd say it was ominous. Ominous for future foes of the Lawthermen. Experience was what licked the Nittany cagers, not lack of ability. Remember that four of the eight men who saw service for State were sophomores. Also you might blame it all on How Tidrick, the W&J captain. Tidrick, held to a measly field goal all evening, blitzkrieged the Lions with four points in the last minute and a quarter of the game. If what we saw of Scot Moffatt without practice means anything, what will the red-head do after a couple weeks of workouts. Sepaking of Moffatt, some witty lad slipped us the best nickname yet for the Lion sharpshooter—"Little Miss" Moffatt. The Lions made 11 goals out of 56 shots attempted for a slightly poor average of about 19.5 per cent.

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Surprising as was the basketballers showing against the Presidents, the biggest one of the weekend was furnished by Art Davis' hockey lads. Handicapped as they are by lack of practice facilities, the Lion icemen should have a pretty fair season with lads like Dufford, Gates, Wolbert, and De-long who have been around since the hockey team was a plot in someone's mind. As soon as they get around to finishing the tennis courts for skating, the puckmen can get a little practice at home, instead of toting their skates, sticks, and equipment to Johnstown to rehearse.

Ski Team Holds First Time Trials

With Max Peters starring, the ski team held its first time trials of the season Saturday afternoon on the trail at Tussey Mountain. With the twentieth annual college invitation meet at Lake Placid less than three weeks off, Coach Max Dercum is trying to get together a winning team. The time trials were held in two events only—downhill and slalom contests. Competition was not held for cross-country or jumping. The latter two count three-fifths of the score in the Lake Placid meet, and will be an important factor for a victorious combination. The summaries: (The time, in seconds, is the average of two attempts in each event.)
Downhill: Peters, 26.2; Crabtree, 26.8; Smith, 27.1; Mendenhall, 30.8; Goldmann 32.3; Thurston, 34.6.
Slalom: Peters, 22.1; Smith, 31.7; Goldmann, 33.4; Thurston, 34.3; Stull, 34.6; Mendenhall, 36.2.

Nine IM Fighters Pass Third Round

Ben Snipas scored a technical knockout over Robert Wasser to win his second victory in the Independent 165-pound division as eight other aspirants in the third round of the Intramural Boxing Championships took decisions over their opponents before a crowd of 500 fans who packed the north-east balcony in Rec Hall yesterday afternoon.

Captain Laverne Shiffel and Lieut. John Weske acted as judges with Danny DeMarino and Joe Miller alternating as referees. In the 165-pound fraternity class, Bill Dorsworth brought the fans to the edges of their seats as he floored Bill Ciccarella in the second round. Ciccarella retaliated in the third round when he knocked Dorsworth down. Dorsworth won the decision.

Today's Rec Hall 12-bout card begins at 4 p. m.
 The summaries:

Fraternity Division

127-pound class: Frank Perna, DU, decisioned Frank Schneider, TKE; Charles Chalfant, Sigma Nu, decisioned Bill Piper, DU.

145-pound: Howard Merrill, AZ, decisioned Merle Homan, AGR; Bill Charles, KDR, decisioned Dick Barton, Lambda Chi.
155-pound: James Levine, Kappa Sig, decisioned Bill Illuminati, Alpha Phi Delt.

165-pound: Dorsworth, Phi Gam, decisioned Ciccarella, Sigma Phi Sigma.

Independent Division

145-pound: Ernie George decisioned Joe Pelick.

155-pound: Stan Marcus decisioned Levon Stapleton.

165-pound: Snipas TKOed Wasser.

Varsity Swimmers Down Frosh By Big Margin

Coach Bob Galbraith's varsity tankmen exhibited plenty of spark Saturday afternoon as they downed the frosh swimmers, 43½-22½, in the first intersquad meet of the year.

The freshmen gave the veterans a run for their money in more than one event, with John Miller and Howard Showdon proving their mettle by winning firsts. The '44 mermen also took the 150-yard medley relay.

Varsity Captain Bill Kirkpatrick outclassed his opponents to win his special events, the 50 and 100-yard freestyle, with times of 25.1 and 57.8 seconds respectively.

Also annexed by the varsity was the 200-yard relay with Dick Sartz, Bill Knight, Ed Clauss and Kirkpatrick as the winning quartet.

New York University has formed a separate department of higher education, which will train graduate students to teach in colleges and universities.

Cagers Lose To W&J, Meet Bisons Away

Wash-Jeff Wins, 31-30, In Last Minute Spurt

The Lion cagers will have an opportunity to make up for Saturday's heart-breaking 31-30 loss to Wash-Jeff when they battle Bucknell's Bisons at Lewisburg tomorrow night.

However, the courtmen won't have an easy time breaking into the win column for Malcolm Musser, Bucknell coach, will choose his team from 10 veterans who played on the 1939 Bison aggregation which squeaked State, 44-37.

Howie Tidrick, W & J captain, was the main reason for the one-point Nittany downfall in the season opener. Tidrick threw in the first basket of the game after 45 seconds of play but went scoreless from then until the last minute and a half.

With only that last minute and a half to go the Prexies trailed, 28-27, when Tidrick, intercepting a Nittany pass, dribbled half the length of the floor to tally. Scotty Moffatt knocked a rebound in to put State, back in front 30-29. Then, with only 30 seconds to play, Tidrick was awarded two free throws and coolly capitalized on both to earn the deciding points.

Until the last five minutes State was ahead during most of the ball game. Wash-Jeff got off to an early lead, but lost it soon after the start of second quarter. Halftime score was State 17, W&J 15, and at the three-quarter mark it was State 24, W&J 19.

Biggest disappointment to most Nittany fans was the play of Captain Johnny Barr who was far from top form. Herk Baltimore, Scotty Moffatt and Dick Grimes were the backbone of the team which, except for shooting, looked better than expected.

In a preliminary to the varsity game the Jay Vees easily trimmed Lock Haven, 45-19. Bob Batchelor with 10 points, Fran Farris with nine and Herb Currie with nine led the Lion scoring spree.

Penn State	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Barr, f	2	0	4
Silan, f	0	2	2
Baltimore, c	3	0	6
Grimes, g	2	1	5
Gross, g	0	2	2
Moffatt, f	4	2	10
Linde, f	0	0	0
Ramin, g	0	1	1
Totals	11	8	30
W. & J.	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Tidrick, f	2	2	6
Reece, f	1	0	2
Reynolds, c	4	6	14
Giessler, g	0	2	2
Kettlewell, g	3	1	7
Hartman	0	0	0
Falva	0	0	0
Totals	10	11	31
Penn State	9	8	7
W. & J.	10	5	4

Bowman Recovering

Roland D. Bowman '42, stricken with pneumonia, was reported last night as "very much better." He became ill and was taken to the Infirmary last Wednesday.

30 Freshman Candidates Vie For Basketball Posts

Thirty eager freshmen basketball candidates were under the watchful eye of Coach Nick Thiel yesterday as the yearlings went through their paces in Rec Hall. Several practice games are planned before the quintet engages in its first contest in January with the Bucknell frosh at Lewisburg.

Some boys on the squad who have looked good thus far are Dave Hornesteine, Ed Kochis, Sid

Cohn, George Pittinger, Larry Gent, Whitey Von Neida, John Turcaso, Tom Sloan and Bill Smith.

Fletcher Addresses FFA

Dean S. W. Fletcher of the Agriculture school spoke to the monthly meeting of the Penn State chapter of Future Farmers of America last night on "Getting a Job." Following Dean Fletcher's talk, 19 members were initiated into the organization.

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