

Between The Lions

WHY DICK PETERS

Leftovers and warmups on the sports menu:

In case you were worried, the glasses worn by Carnegie Tech's Patton the other night were specially-made, unbreakable optics . . . Speaking of the Tartan game, reminds us that Johnny Barr's parents were in the stands, per usual . . . The Lion captain's folks haven't missed too many of the State games this winter . . . They were on hand when the Nittany cagers trounced NYU and Temple . . . Joe Bedenk's baseball men are out already, some inside and some out of the gym . . . Something like 24 pitchers have reported, one dozen of which are of the left-handed variety . . . Things are going to be a little quiet around here tomorrow, but the three major Lion sports teams will have their hands full abroad . . . Penn State hasn't beaten a Syracuse cage team at Syracuse since 1924, so you know what that means for the Lawthermen tomorrow night . . . Cornell shouldn't be too rough for Leo Houck's boxers, if there's a little improvement in the heavier weight positions . . . If Wade Mori makes out as the new State unlimited mit-tosser, watch for more action than a greased pig in a department store . . . Mori's last ring appearance is still ringing in Rec Hall . . . That was last year when the big football guard kayoed Jack Kerns, now in the wrestling racket for the Intramural heavyweight boxing championship . . . We remember at the beginning of the season, when we asked Chirpin' Charlie Speidel what the toughest match of the season would be for his grapplers . . . The Chirper answered, "Navy" . . . Tomorrow is the day the Lions meet the Middies . . . One thing we'd like to be around to watch next year is this frosh boxer, Nick Ranieri . . . We liked the 175-pound kid's first appearance against Syracuse . . . He's got possibilities, and plenty . . . The little entanglement which Scotty Hamilton, West Virginia basketball star got into at Pittsburgh the other night is still mystifying to us . . . Hamilton, when he showed here last week, seemed to be one of the easiest-going guys you could find on the hardwood . . . Yet in Pittsburgh he got so aroused he slugged Pitt's Eddie Straloski . . . We've heard other things about Pitt basketball games which made us wonder whether they have referees at the Pitt Stadium or not.

'44 Mitmen Seek First Victory Against Cornell

Cornell's "Little Red" boxers will play host to local frosh mitmen tomorrow, when Danny DeMarino's boys attempt to slug out their first win of the season. Although the line-up is not definite yet, Johnny Turcaso, a new-comer, will be holding down the 127 pound slot. Pat Conlon, the lad with the boxing family, will be at 155, and little 108-pound Bill Knauff will fight 120 again.

Trackmen To Vie In Tri-Meet Away At Syracuse Tomorrow

Double trouble faces Penn State's winter track Lions when they meet Cornell and Army in a triangular meet in West Point's huge field house tomorrow. Ewell and Co. will go into action against comparatively unknown quantities except that the Cadets dropped a close meet to Harvard on the same track last week.

Barney Ewell, the unpredictable ebony flash, will attempt to make stop watches quiver in the 60-yard dash. In addition to Ewell, Coach Chick Werner will enter Sophomore speedsters Don Dolbin in the dash.

Both the 60-yard high hurdles and the 80-yard low hurdles events will find Bob Plesser and Bob Hutchings providing Cornell and Army timber toppers stiff competition. Norman Gordon and Chet Snyder in the mile and Al Bourgerie and George Harrison in the two-mile will form the distance quartet.

Two relays will be held in the huge field house with Ewell, Dolbin, an Hartman, and Bob Fast traversing the shorter route of 1200 yards and Jim Williams, Pat Kjellman, Jim Sykes, and Gordon dividing the 3600-yard run.

In the field events there will be Joe Bakura and Bob Noll in the pole vault; Jim Sykes, John Glenn, and Orvis Krug in the high jump; Ewell plus the high jumpers in the broad jump; and Frank Platt and Saul Hanin in the shot put.

Big Red Pointing For Lion Boxers

Reports from the shores of Lake Cayuga indicate that Allie Wolff, Cornell boxing coach and former Penn State intercollegiate champ, is working his Big Red mitmen into a white heat in preparation for tomorrow night's meet with the Nittany boxers at Ithaca, N. Y.

Wolff will send a full lineup into the ring for the first time this season. In Cornell's only previous meet, which Syracuse won, 4-3, the Big Red lacked a 120-pounder. Wally Venier, a newcomer to the Cornell ring, will handle this assignment tomorrow.

Penn State's lineup still has not been definitely announced by Coach Leo Houck, will probably look like this: 120-pound, Vic Fiore; 127-pound, Bill Mazzocco; 135-pound, Captain Frank Stanko; 145-pound, Homer Hoffman; 155-pound, Bob Baird or Bill Richards; 165-pound, Les Cohen; 175-pound, Al Blair or Paul Mall; unlimited, Paul Scally.

Nine Frosh Cagers Leave Today On Toughest Test

The freshmen cagers will meet their toughest opposition of the season when they match tosses with a Kiski outfit at Saltsburg today, according to Coach Nick Thiel.

Nine yearlings leave today on the first leap of a two game schedule. After the Kiski test today they will move into Pittsburgh Saturday for the second game when they meet a frosh quintet of Carnegie Tech.

Big And Husky



Although ordinarily a stand-out performer, Gene Berger, husky 195-pound Syracuse center, was almost completely shackled when the Orangemen lost, 44-25, to the Lions in Rec Hall on January 15. However, Berger will have a chance to redeem himself tomorrow night when the local five tackles Syracuse away.

Stahley '30 Gets Brown Grid Job

J. Neil (Skip) Stahley '30, a star athlete while wearing the Blue and White, added his name to the growing list of famous Penn State sons yesterday when he received the appointment as head football coach at Brown University. Only 32, he becomes one of the youngest big-time collegiate gridiron coaches in the country.

A native of Lebanon, Skip was a very popular athlete while at State, winning letters in basketball and lacrosse in addition to starring as an end on the football team. He played in the first East-West game in San Francisco, the only Penn State gridders except Leon Gajewski to be thus honored. Both are members of the Delta Upsilon fraternity.

Stahley replaces Tuss McLaughry who recently accepted the head coaching position at Dartmouth. He's been active in coaching since graduation, having served as assistant coach under Dick Harlow at Western Maryland for three years, as head coach at the University of Delaware for one year and backfield coach once more under Harlow at Harvard.

Crippled Lion Gymnasts Will Face Chicago Team

Coach Gene Wettstone is having more than his share of troubles these days. His gym team meets one of its toughest opponents of the Year in the University of Chicago in Rec Hall tomorrow afternoon and two of his most reliable performers are evidently out of the meet with injuries.

Lew Bordo injured his back while winning the Lions' only first place on the parallel bars in last week's Army meet and it's doubtful whether he will see action against Chicago. The other casualty is Ed Trybala who has been bothered with water on his knee all week. Warren Beck has missed the last two meets because of a bad back injury and is not expected to perform for the remainder of the season.

Grapplers Leave For 'Climax Tilt'

Coach Charlie Speidel and his Lion grapplers left at noon today to battle in what he calls "the climax match of the season" against a powerful Navy grunt-and-groan squadron in the Midshipmen's MacDonough Hall tomorrow.

The Lion matmen will not only be fighting a 14-12 jinx by which Navy, Michigan, and Princeton have beaten them during the past year, but they will be seeking their 14th win against a team which is led by Jack Harrell, former Oklahoma A&M national intercollegiate heavyweight champ.

With triumphs over Maryland, Syracuse and Lehigh State's most ancient mat rival, and a loss to Princeton, the Nittany wrestlers need another victory to insure a successful season, Speidel said.

No more than an even chance can be conceded the Lions, Speidel intimated, with State's balance of power resting in the lower weights, while the Midshipmen boast of solid strength in the heavy divisions.

The grapplers who will battle against Navy are: Captain Frank Gleason, Clair Hess, Charles Ridgenour, Glen Alexander, Joe Scalzo, Chuck Rohrer, Joe Valla, and Jack Kerns.

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The Lion cagers will have two opponents at Syracuse tomorrow night — first, the Orangemen themselves, and second, a jinx which has kept State passers from winning at Syracuse since 1924.

In fact, records show that Nittany basketball teams have triumphed only twice on the Syracuse floor, in 1923 and in 1924.

The game tomorrow will be the second this year between the two teams. The first was in Rec Hall in January and the Lions overwhelmed the Orange, 44-25.

However, Syracuse wasn't at full force that night as evidenced by the recent defeat they administered to the same Georgetown team which downed State, 28-24.

The Orange team tomorrow will undoubtedly be composed of the same five men who battled the Lions here. This will put Paul Kartluke and Danny DiPace at forwards, Gene Berger at center, and Stan Krouse and Chris Kouray at guards.

Lion Tankmen Aim For Pitt

Facing the Pitt swimmers with more power and more balance than ever before, this year's Nittany tankmen are given a better than even chance to squelch the Panthers when they come here tomorrow.

Although both Bill Knight and Al Bertram have been absent from the Lion lineup this semester due to academic deficiencies, the substitute splashers have been able to carry the burden with little difficulty.

In last year's Smoky City meet the Panther's Joe Orloff nosed out Lion Captain Bill Kirkpatrick to be the only man during the entire season to defeat the Nittany sprint star in the 100. Coach Bob Galbraith is optimistic, however, and feels that the loss of several former Pitt stars and the better balanced State team will combine to bring about the downfall of the heretofore unbeatable Panthers.

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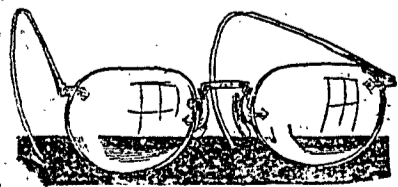
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