

## Between The Lions

WITH ROSS LEHMAN

Charlie Speidel, splinter-scarred from nervously riding the Penn State coaching bench for 15 years, refused to climb out on a limb yesterday. "Take the intercollegiate wrestling title at Columbia this weekend?" he answered: "Why, Navy, Princeton, Lehigh, and undefeated Penn, still play ball in our league."

And the little man who wrestles eight bouts on the bench in every dual meet has a right to be cagey.

Although the Nittany grapplers this year were upset by Princeton and defeated Maryland, Syracuse, Cornell, Army, Navy, Lehigh, and Michigan, a do-or-die dog fight threatens to shake the rafters of Columbia's gym in the battle for first place.

To double-check on Speidel's hesitancy to "call his shot," Dick Voliver, EIWA grappling referee from New Jersey, remarked that he'd rather toss a coin than decide both individual and team champions this year.

Still, a tell-tale glint has appeared in Charlie's eye, a light which shone brilliantly back in 1937 when Penn State copped its last EIWA championship in a blitzkrieg attack led by Captain Jack Light and four other Lion champs.

Penn State's three mat musketeers, Captain Frank Gleason, Joe Scalzo, and Little Charlie Ridenour, form one of the classiest grappling trios that the "Doc" has ever produced, and in these mat artists, Speidel places his hope of returning home with the EIWA trophy in the bag.

"We may not get the trophy," Charlie concluded as a parting shot, "but you can count on our not holding the bag—for Penn."

## Elected Captain



Roman Pieo, pictured above, was elected captain of the Penn State gym team for the coming year at a banquet held at Princeton Saturday after he had placed first in six events in a triangular meet with M.I.T. and Princeton.

## Upsets Mark Volleyball, Basketball Intramurals

Nine intramural basketball games were played at Rec Hall last night with the following scores: In the Fraternity League Delta Upsilon 27, Phi Kappa Psi 13; Phi Kappa Sigma 23, SPE No. 2 9; SAE 15, Triangle 9; Alpha Sigma Phi forfeited to Sigma Pi No. 1; Beta Sigma Rho 16, Alpha Phi Delta 8; Lambda Chi Alpha 9, Alpha Zeta 8; Phi Kappa 16, Sigma Pi No. 2 10; and Delta Tau Delta 18, Acacia 11. In the Independent League B.R.B. No. 1 22, Pioneer House 12.

Intramural volleyball results since Monday in the Fraternity League are as follows with winners named first: Phi Epsilon Pi-Delta Tau Delta, 15-19, 15-10; Alpha Zeta-Theta Chi, 15-3, 6-15, 15-0; SAE-Sigma Chi, 7-15, 15-13, 15-6; Beta Theta Pi-Phi Gamma Delta, 15-12, 15-12; Kappa Sigma-Phi Kappa; (forfeit); Phi Delta Theta -TKE No. 1, 15-6, 15-3; Alpha Chi Sigma-Delta Theta Sigma, 15-11, 15-6; Delta Sigma Phi-Sigma Pi-No. 2, 15-4, 15-7; and SPE-KDR, 15-0, 15-11.

## Nittany Matmen Depart For EIWA Title Matches

### 11 Squads To Compete At Columbia Tomorrow

By ROSS LEHMAN

Proving that he is a "tough nut to crack," 128-pound Clair Hess left today for New York City with Coach Charlie Speidel's grapplers to compete in the Eastern Intercollegiate after he had suffered a slight head injury in a Tuesday practice bout.

Captain Frank Gleason will lead a contingent of Nittany Lion wrestlers against a strong array of eastern mat rivals when 11 teams take to the mats tomorrow and Saturday in Columbia's gym.

With undefeated Penn seeded as the number one team and Penn State probably listed second, followed closely by Lehigh, Princeton, and Navy, there will be a tight battle for top honors.

Each team will enter eight men in an effort to wrest the title away from the Lehigh Engineers, defending champions who have garnered three EIWA championships in a row. The Engineers will be seeking their 12th title with the Lions bidding for their ninth championship.

Only two defending champions remain from last year. Captain Bob Eberle, Princeton 128-pounder, and Bill Levering, Penn 136-pounder. Both face tough opposition and are conceded only an even chance of repeating.

Joe Scalzo, who had been stymied for two years by Lehigh's former Captain Harold Masem, is considered one of the favorites to cop the 145-pound title, while Captain Frank Gleason aims to repeat his 136-pound sophomore title win by trouncing Levering, who defeated the Nittany captain in the finals last year.

Charlie Ridenour will handle the 121-pound assignment, a spot where he has been undefeated this year. At the 155-pound post, Speidel will place Glen Alexander, who moved up one step to let Scalzo wrestle at his natural weight.

In the 165-pound division, Chuck Rohrer will get his final chance at the championship. Senior Joe Valla, 175-pounder, and Jack Kerns, heavyweight, complete the grappling roster.

## 3 Cagers Refuse Play-Coach Offer

Three Lion basketball seniors have refused, at least for the present, an offer of a combined playing-coaching job at Catholic University in far-off Santiago, Chile.

The three cagers are Captain Johnny Barr, Scotty Moffatt and Bob Crowell. The offer was made through Roberto Balbontin, a Chilean taking special courses in dairy husbandry at the College.

The catch in the proposition and the main reason why none of the players have accepted is that the man taking the job would have to leave sometime this week. In Chile, winter comes when it is summer in North America and basketball season is just about to start.

Strictly speaking, a fellowship, not a job, was the offer made to the three men who recently completed their last basketball season at Penn State. It was done in this way so that the person accepting could play on the team as well as coach it. He would continue his education at Catholic University and be graduated there.

The fellowship is for 2,000 pesos, about \$300. In Chile, however, prices are low and \$300 is equivalent to much more than it is in the United States.

Evidence that human beings witnessed formation of Crater Lake thousands of years ago is under study by University of Oregon scientists.

## Boxers To Meet Michigan State

A remodeled Nittany Lion boxing team will leave tonight or tomorrow morning for East Lansing, Mich., where they will box against Michigan State in the last dual meet of the season.

His eye not quite healed from a cut suffered in the intercollegiate last week, Vic Fiore, Leo Houck's dependable 120-pounder, will probably be out of Saturday's picture. Bill Stanley, 127-pounder who took Bill Mazzocco's place, will move down to 120 if Fiore is unable to box.

Milt Dixon, a newcomer to the Lion squad, may take the 127-pound post. Jesse Fardella is also being considered for this assignment.

Chuck Peters, Lion football star, may make his intercollegiate boxing debut at Michigan, taking over the heavyweight spot.

If Peters is given the heavyweight job, Paul Scally will move back to 175, the weight in which he defeated three-times EIBA champion, Rico Woyciesjes. Paul Mall will probably scale down to 165 in this case.

## Quiz Show Carded For Drydock Saturday Night

A big quiz program will be the feature attraction at Drydock Saturday night, Leon Rabinowitz, the night club's entertainment manager, announced yesterday.

The floor show will also include songs by Joyce Stroupe, Thespian star, and a skit on Henry Aldrich by Jim Ambandos. Rabinowitz will be master of ceremonies.

## Devises Tests

Prof. Amos E. Neyhart, head of the Institute of Public Safety, is aiding in devising road skill tests for the Examining Board of the New York State Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

## DID YOU KNOW

that the Penn State Boxing team failed to win an individual title this season for the first time since 1924, when the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association was organized?

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1. All entries must reside in the State of Pennsylvania, or be attending a college within the State, other than the Pennsylvania State College.
2. Entries must state in 25 words or less "Why I want to come to Penn State for Interfraternity Ball Week-end."
3. All entries must be post-marked not later than midnight, March 29.
4. All entries must be addressed to Interfraternity Ball Committee, % Student Union.
5. The winner will be announced April 3.

## Nationals Draw Distant Entries

Early entries in the seventh annual National Collegiate boxing tournament which will be held here March 27, 28, and 29, have indicated that the event will draw college ringmen from every section of the country.

First of the colleges from the far west to file entry blanks was the University of Idaho, last year's unofficial "national champions."

Coach Louis August, Idaho ring master, has entered six members of his crack team. Two were national champions last year and another reached the semi-finals.

Ted Kara, Idaho 120-pounder, was a member of the American Olympic team which went to Berlin in 1936. He has won the N.C.A.A. title for the last two years and will be striving to be the first college mittman in history to win three consecutive national championships.

Laune Erickson, 165-pounder, is Idaho's other defending champion. Frank Kara, entered in the 127-pound division, was a semifinalist in this class in 1940.

Entries from Syracuse University, eastern champions, and the University of Wisconsin, mid-western leaders, have assured the tournament of representation from all the outstanding sectional champions.

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