

Between The Lions

WITH DICK PETERS

Sneak Preview

In the best Hollywood colloquialism, it's going to be the most stupendous, most colossal, most magnificent, most colorful production of the year. We speak now of the National Intercollegiate boxing tourney which will show in Rec Hall next weekend. Here's some first-hand propaganda concerning the affair which shows why it will be:

Take between 80 and 90 of the top-notch leather-slingers in the country and throw them together in one ring over a three day period and you're bound to have some action.

Add four 1940 champions returning to defend their titles against some upset-minded boxers from other schools. On deck will be Johnny Joca, University of Florida's 135 pound titleholder; Ted Kara of Idaho, defending 1939 and 1940 NCAA winner; Laune Erickson, also of Idaho, who will be out to retain his 165 crown; and Nick Lee, Wisconsin 175 ace who will move up to the unlimited weight this year.

Mix in an undefeated team from Southwestern Louisiana Institute, victors in seven consecutive dual meets this winter, including the 1940 NCAA team champs from Idaho. The boys from Louisiana look like the best bet to gain National honors in Rec Hall, though Idaho will be out for revenge and in there to save their title.

Stir in boxing teams representing 14 states and the District of Columbia, coming from as far as Washington State College and San Jose State College on the Pacific Coast.

Sprinkle around a pinch of colorful individuals like Frank Garro, Bucknell's sensational lone entry who, after fighting his first season in varsity competition without a defeat, will be the Bisons' 145 pound hope. Then there's the brother combine, co-captains Ted and Frank Kara of Idaho who will be present, and Leo Houck, Jr., son of Penn State's ring mentor, who will fight at 175 for Catholic U.

Bake well over three days and you have a show that's tough to beat, though we wish there could be more flavor added by the Nittany Lion entries.

Matmen Depart For NIWA Finals

After being buffeted by bad luck at the Intercollegiate last weekend, Captain Frank Gleason, Joe Scalzo, and Chuck Rohrer departed today for their final fling at wrestling when they compete in the national tournament beginning tomorrow at Lehigh.

Accompanied by sophomores Charlie Ridenour and Jack Kerns, these three senior warriors will close their mat careers with a final bid to climb back to the mat prominence.

Gleason will attempt to wrest away the 136-pound title and better his 1939 intercollegiate championship. Scalzo, who was national runnerup and victor over Intercollegiate Champ Harold Masem of Lehigh in that same year, is gunning for the 145-pound crown.

Undefeated Oklahoma A & M will be defending their national team championship against such unbeaten mat squads as Penn, Temple, Haverford, and Lock Haven State Teachers College.

Practically all NIWA teams have sent entries with the Middle West teams composed of Minnesota, Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue, Iowa, Nebraska, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio State, and others.

IM Wrestling Finalists Grapple On Saturday

Basketball Eliminations Scheduled For Tuesday

Eight more semi-finalists in intramural wrestling won last night at Rec Hall to qualify for the finals on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. which were originally set for Monday.

135-pound: Herb Jennings, SAE, pinned Jim Kramer, SAE, 1:55.

145-pound: Bob Roy, Phi Kappa Sig, pinned Ed Greist, Alpha Chi Sig, 1:30.

145-pound independent: Dick McNaull decisioned Frank Yeagle, Jordan Hall; and John Metzler pinned Francis Kavanaugh, two year Ag, 4:30.

155-pound: A very Kearney, Alpha Chi Sig, pinned Bill Horst, Delta Chi, 2:30.

155-pound independent: Harold Baylow, Penn State Club, decisioned Len Fruchter, Watts Hall.

165-pound: Ed Phillips, Tau Phi Delt, decisioned Joe McCormick, KDR.

165-pound independent: Herm Snyder, Penn State Club, decisioned Morris Stern, Watts Hall.

Basketball
Intramural basketball tapered off last night with five playoff games to decide winners in their respective leagues. Final standings will be released tomorrow, with single eliminations slated for next Tuesday night.

In the fraternity league Pi Kappa Alpha forfeited to Beta Theta Pi; and Delta Theta Sigma broke a league tie with TKE No. 1, 10-7. Independent results are Nittany Co-op 17, Hornets 16; Penn State Club 11, Penn State Forestry Society, 6; and Zephyrs 27, Watts Hall Whites 21.

Volleyball
Fraternity: Sigma Nu defeated AGR, 15-0, 16-14; Alpha Chi Sigma over Alpha Chi Rho, 15-8, 15-9; Alpha Sigma Phi beat Beaver House, 15-11, 15-11; Beta Sigma Rho decisioned Lambda Chi, 15-1, 16-14; Sigma Phi Epsilon trounced Sigma Pi, 15-9, 15-5; and Phi Sigma Delta downed Sigma Nu, 13-15, 15-10, 15-7.

Independents: Phys Ed Majors downed Pioneer House, 15-9, 15-2; Fairmount Hall beat Colonial Hotel, 15-5, 15-13; and Watts Hall defeated West House, 15-5, 15-13.

Lacrosse Team Built Around Nine Veterans

Hoping for a break in the weather to permit outside practice, the Nittany Lion lacrosse team is drilling hard for its opening tilt with Navy at Annapolis on April 12.

Despite the loss of 16 men by graduation and 4 men by ineligibility, Coach Nick Thiel has nine veterans to bolster the team. He also has six outstanding sophomores who will probably be active this year.

The veterans are Captain Warren Dattlebaum, Jimmy Riddell, Jim Ritter, Al Blair, Bill Henning, Mort Saler, Bill Ziegenfus, John McHugh, and Mark Singley. Potential sophomores are Bob Koch, Bob Thorpe, Wayne Bitner, Jim Götwallis, Jim Henderson, and Jack Santmyers.

Dattlebaum, Riddell, and Blair will be keymen in the attack, and Henning and Ziegenfus will act as defensemen.

Webb Elected To Captain Natators In 1942 Season

Elmer Webb, varsity back-stroker, was elected yesterday to succeed Bill Kirkpatrick as captain of the Lion swimmers for the 1942 season.

Johnny Miller, freshman tank-er, was chosen honorary captain of the cub swimmers.

Idaho Enters Six In NCAA Tourney

One of the strongest teams entered in the seventh annual boxing tournament, starting here next Thursday, is the six-man squad representing the University of Idaho, winner of the mythical 1940 national intercollegiate boxing championship and 1940 Pacific Coast champions.

Heading the Idaho list are Ted and Frank Kara, co-captains of the Vandal team. Ted was 127-pound National king in 1939, 120-pound titleholder last year. He also captured the 1940 Pacific Coast title. A finished boxer with a wicked left hook, Ted was captain of the 1936 U. S. Olympic boxing team. He is undefeated in 67 collegiate matches.

Frank, Ted's youngest brother, Pacific Coast 127-pound champ last year. Married, he has been defeated only once in 37 bouts.

Laune Erickson, 165-pound six-footer, won a double National and Pacific Coast title last year in his first varsity season. A hard hitter with either hand and noted for his aggressiveness, Erickson hopes to repeat his 1940 triumph in Rec Hall next week.

Two Vandal football stars, Chace Anderson and Vito Berlus, both ends, are entered in the 175 and heavyweight classes respectively. Norm Jensen, 135-pound sophomore, earned his place on the Idaho squad with his strong left.

Cold Weather Limits Lion Baseball Practice To Rec Hall Workouts

That perennial weather jinx has cropped up again this year to keep the Nittany baseballers indoors until a few days before their first game on April 11, with practice confined to "pepper practice" in Rec Hall and limbering up of pitchers' arms under the Beaver Field stands.

Although Coach Joe Bedenk hasn't issued a call for fielders, some candidates are loosening up afternoons in Rec Hall in preparation for the outdoor practice sessions.

Pitchers hold the center of baseball activity now. Twirlers Chuck Medlar, Jimmy Richardson, and Bob Robinson form the nucleus of the pitching staff with Al Mauer, Wes Smith, and Ed Tuleya building the prospect of a well-balanced Nittany mound crew. Richardson, Mauer, and Tuleya are left handers.

Only veteran infielder is Captain Eddie Sapp. Bill Debler and Peany Gates supply experienced outfield material.

Five Lions Enter Title Gym Meet

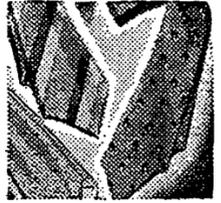
Five Lion gymnasts are rounding in perfect condition for their assault on the star-studded entry list which will gather in Boston on Saturday for the Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastic League.

With the dual meet season successfully completed, Coach Gene Wettstone's cohorts still rue that narrow 28-26 defeat by Temple and an upset at hands of the West Point Cadets, the only teams to finish ahead of them in league standings. The opportunity to reverse some of the individual setbacks will be presented to the boys on Saturday and from all appearances the Owls and Cadets are in for stiff competition.

Roman Pieo's finger injury has been coming along, and while still far from excellent shape, the Lion ace is hoping to score heavily in the all-around competition. The other State entries will be Lew Bordo, Sol Small, Johnny Trybala, and John Teti, all sophomores.

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