

Between The Lions

With DICK PETERS

They Work, Too

If you're attending the NCAA bouts this weekend, you're probably most interested in the actual warfare which goes on inside the squared circle, and we don't blame you, because that's what you're paying for.

But on the sidelines, and in the dressing rooms, there's a group of guys as great as the mitt-flingers you see crawling through the ropes. They're the coaches of the NCAA, and they're here for business, too.

Take for instance, Leo Houck, Penn State's pride and joy, whose boys may not be faring too well in their fistic encounters, but who himself is as rabid a fan for this leather business as you'll ever find.

Rules On His Mind

Leo, today at a coaches meeting, will propose that the NCAA mentors offer their services to the United States government in planning and sponsoring boxing programs in the nation's Army camps. The good Doctor Houck is, by the way, president of the National Collegiate Boxing Coaches Association.

A resolution of this type, backed by the NCAA, would be definitely a feather in intercollegiate boxing's hat. And intercollegiate boxing, believe it or not, can use a few feathers in its bonnet, even though the tournament now in progress is a decided spur in its favor.

Possible Repeal?

One more thing is on the Doctor's mind. Saturday morning he will go before the rules committee on the NCAA and ask that the rule which knocked Billy Mazzocco out of intercollegiate fistic warfare be repealed. It was at Houck's suggestion that the rule was adopted several years ago.

So far as we know, the only college which has been found guilty since the rule was enacted has been Penn State! And the good Doctor is sick of seeing some of the other getting away with almost professional members on their teams.

As the rule is stated, it is almost up to the individual college to enforce it. Penn State has complied with the law. We could name others, now entered in the present tournament, who have broken it beyond any stretch of the imagination.

If Leo Houck, who has the college game down deep in his fighting heart, wants the rule rescinded, we think it must be for the best. Other coaches must feel the same way.

They're the coaches who are working along the sideline, in the dressing rooms, to make intercollegiate boxing a sport, not a racket.

Intramural Volleyball, Basketball Tournaments Wind Up Next Week

Intramural basketball and volleyball tournaments wind up their seasons next week in both fraternity and independent brackets.

Volleyball

Intramural volleyball tournaments in both fraternity and independent brackets end next week, manager Jim Williams '42, announced last night.

Scheduled games are as follows:

Independent

Finals:
Fairmount Hall vs. Phys Ed Majors (last year's champs.)

Fraternity

Quarter-finals:
Sigma Phi Epsilon No. 1 (last year's champs) vs. Phi Sigma Delta.

Beta Sigma Rho vs. Beta Theta Pi.

Sigma Phi Epsilon No. 2 vs. Alpha Chi Sigma No. 3; winner meets Phi Delta Theta.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Delta Chi.

Tau Kappa Epsilon No. 2 vs. Phi Sigma Kappa.

Alpha Chi Sigma No. 3 meets winner of Alpha Sigma Phi vs. Phi Kappa Psi.

Handball

For three consecutive years, Bob Robinson, Phi Sigma Delta, has won the fraternity league singles championship.

Ping Pong

In recent play Arthur E. Stern, Phi Sigma Delta, defeated Burnett C. Carlton, SPE, 21-15, 21-15; Curtis E. Wallace, Alpha Chi Rho, beat James H. Kramer, 21-6, 21-15; Harry H. Fields, Beta Sigma Rho, defeated Paul B. Gensemer, Alpha Zeta, 21-7, 21-7; Martin J. Fulton, Phi Kappa Psi, eliminated James E. Spellman, Lambda Chi Alpha, 21-14, 21-15; Stern also won over Fields, 21-19, 21-19.

Further results: Gilbert C. Anthony, AGR, over Lamond,

Phi Gamma Delta, 14-21, 21-16, 21-13; John D. Durain, Phi Kappa, over Harold C. Romberger, Delta Sigma Phi, 23-21, 21-16, 21-13; Rodney E. Sachs, Sigma Nu by forfeit from Ralph B. D'Iorio, Sigma Pi; Richard S. Hutzinger, Pi Kappa Phi, by forfeit from Arthur R. Thorman, Delta Chi.

James B. Brooks, Theta Chi, by forfeit from George H. Hocking, Phi Mu Delta; Moylan C. Hull, DU, by forfeit from Louis M. Gabel, Beaver House; Frank Stevenson, TKE, by forfeit from Edward J. K. McLorie, Theta Xi; William W. Heim, Pi Kappa Phi, over John H. Jackson, Beta Theta Pi, 23-21, 21-15; Jason H. Shapiro, Phi Sig Delta, over Richard E. Jenks, SPE, 21-14, 21-15.

Coaches, Rules Group Meet Today, Tomorrow

The NCAA Boxing Coaches Association with Leo Houck as president will meet for luncheon in the Sandwich Shop at noon today and follow its session with a business meeting and election of officers in Recreation Hall.

At 9:30 a. m. tomorrow, the coaches will meet with the NCAA rules committee to present their suggestions on new rules for 1942. The committee has been meeting regularly, but will take no action until Saturday.

Members of the rules committee are I. F. Toomey, California Agricultural College

Puckmen Close Season Tonight

A return match with a strong Georgetown University team at Johnstown tonight will close the Nittany Lion hockey squad's second season, the first as a recognized varsity sport.

A 4-4 tie in an overperiod game three weeks ago marked the first match with the powerful, undefeated Hoyas. Tonight's meet will be one of the highlight games of the Lion season.

Handicapped by lack of practice ice, the hockey men have had daily conditioning sessions in Rec Hall. The nearest ice rink, at which the Lions played all "home" games, is the Schaefer Ice Palace at Johnstown.

With the exception of the goalie position, usually filled by Larry Lightbody, but now filled by Wayne Bitner because of Lightbody's illness, the lineup probably will remain unchanged.

Cancelled Tufts Match Delays Tennis Opener

A recent announcement from Tufts cancelling their match with State's tennis team on April 5, gives the Lion racquet wielders two additional weeks to prepare for their first competition with the West Point Cadets here on April 19.

According to Coach Ted Roethke, the team is better balanced than last year's aggregation, but this year's schedule is tougher. Taking these factors into account, Roethke predicted yesterday, "if we break even this year, we'll have a good season."

The team is stressing a more aggressive type of game which means taking the net more often. Last year the team put more emphasis on doubles playing, and the results it brought in several matches makes it advisable to repeat the same practice this season.

As for State's schedule, Roethke can see no soft spots on it at all, with Pittsburgh and Gettysburg rated as the two weakest opponents.

B. B. Higgins made Grantland Rice's "All-AME" team during World War I.

Nittany Riflemen Leave For National Tourney

Lion Golf Candidates Delayed By Weather

Delayed by a snow-covered course from beginning early practice, Coach Robert B. Rutherford's golfers are reporting daily in an effort to toughen-up for intensive practice prior to a home match with Army on April 10.

Training is still in the exercise stage with the men getting their hands in shape. About 15 varsity and 12 freshman candidates are reporting for general practice.

Permanent teams for intercollegiate competition will be selected by play-offs among the candidates.

An incomplete listing of those reporting for varsity instruction includes Captain Jack Brand, Bill Smiley, Charlie E. Seebold, Albert Baginsky, Donald Hart, Paul Whitmoyer, Bill LaPorte, Jim Kraemer, Don Leyden, and Bob Wallace.

Werner Seeks Sprinters For Track Relay Team

Coach Chick Werner issued a call for additional track candidates yesterday. With hopes of finding a fourth man for a sprint relay team.

If favorable weather continues, Lion trackmen will probably start workouts on the Beaver Field cinder track within a week or 10 days the Lion coach commented while putting the aspirants through preliminary conditioning on the outdoor board track.

The Penn Relays, April 25 and 26, marks the opening of the Lions' track season.

Visibly fatigued, the two ringmen battled a grueling third round, pounding at each other's heads. Lewis finished strong with three sharp left jabs to the head which rocked the LSU boy but Belaire took the decision by a slight edge over the three rounds.

West Virginia will have five 1939 all-star high school players on their squad in 1941.

General Manager... National matches... Nittany Lion Riflemen will leave today for Washington, D. C. to participate in the NRA championship on the NRA range in Washington, D. C. Matches will be fired Saturday morning and afternoon.

Accompanying Capt. Arno P. Mowitz, coach of the team, and James Coover, manager, will be Co-captains Ben Stahl and Gil Gault, Bob McCoy, Hal Yeunt, Dick Cuthbert, and alternates Bill LeWorthy and Fran Richwine.

The Nittany men must face seven other teams in their heat Saturday morning. Of these teams Penn State has decisively beaten Columbia, Pitt and Cornell in their regular season. Lehigh outshot the Lions by one point, while Virginia Polytechnic Institute defeated them by a 19-point margin. The other two teams are George Washington University and Georgetown which the Lions have not met.

Co-captains Ben Stahl and Gil Gault who have led the Blue and White most of the season will probably enter competition for All-American honors, if they shoot well in the tourney. From the leading team scores a few individual scores will be chosen by NRA officials and awarded All-American rating.

Last year Bob McCoy was given the All-American ranking for his high score in the matches.

With a season record of 16 varsity victories and five losses against five ROTC triumphs and one reverse, Penn State also garnered third place in the Third Corps Area matches and a second berth in the Hearst Trophy ROTC contest.

While the Washington match is being shot, other teams will meet on the West Coast and compete in the NRA matches. Their results will be telephoned to Washington. Close competition is expected from Washington, California, and possibly Iowa, 1940 champs.

The latest Lion triumphs were gained over Ohio University by an ROTC tally of 1884-1869 and a varsity win over Pitt 1892-1856.

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