

Between The Lions

With PAT NAGELBERG

Compulsory Training

Acting on the notice from Army and Navy authorities that curtailment of athletics at this time would seem detrimental, the National Collegiate Athletic Association at its recent meeting at Detroit recommended a wide program to encourage mass participation by college students in the spectator sports.

The coaches and bigwigs abandoned the usual petty squabbles over rule changes and such to consider the effects and implications of the war on football and other collegiate sports. After hearing the message sent by John B. Kelly, the U. S. Director of Physical Fitness, in which he urged college leaders to readjust curriculums immediately to meet the needs of the emergency, they departed to their individual colleges and universities to see what could be done in this crisis.

As H.O. Kriesler suggested, compulsory training might be the answer. According to the Michigan coach, participation may be made compulsory as it is logical to assume that many will not participate voluntarily.

Challenge To Athletes

Needless to say, any such broad program to encourage mass participation will be extremely difficult to carry through. To talk about it is one thing but to bring the average fan out of the stands onto the field is another story. Any recreational director will tell you that most persons have to be dragged to play games.

This is the tough problem facing the Army and Navy in their sports morale program. To insure success, a wide ranging program will have to be worked out to the last detail and organized by experienced men who know how to get their group to engage in body building games.

Here indeed is a challenge to college athletes, for they'll form the nucleus for the service's recreational set-up. If they can succeed where others in World War I failed, they will have done their duty as well as the man who shouldered a gun.

IM Grappling Postponed

Date for the opening of the annual Intramural wrestling tournament has not definitely been set this year, it was announced yesterday by Eugene C. Bischoff, head of the intramural program. The bouts are expected to be run off sometime early next semester.

To All Students

No matriculation cards will be recognized at Harry's Tavern. Only registration cards will be honored. No minors will be permitted on the premises unless accompanied by their parents.

(Signed) HARRY TANNEY

Swimmers Hold Trials Today

Penn State's varsity swimmers will hold time trials today in final preparation for their opening meet of the 1942 campaign against a strong University of Pennsylvania outfit in Philadelphia Saturday afternoon.

The untried Lions will be up against an experienced Penn squad which is practically the same aggregation that faced the Nittany natators last season when Coach Bob Galbraith's Blue and White mermen came out on the short end of a 42-33 count.

In the medley relay trials held last night at the Glennland pool, Elmer Webb, Tom Reisman, and Phil Bogatin clocked a time of 3:24. John Miller swam the 220-yard free style in 2:37.5.

Sam Chase turned in a time of 26.1 seconds for the 50-yard free style in last night's trials. In the 100-yard free style Chase again clocked the best time with 1:01. Additional trials will be continued tonight in an attempt to round out the 12-man squad which will embark for Philadelphia Saturday morning.

This meet with Penn will wind up the collegiate careers of both Webb and Bogatin, who will be lost to the squad because of graduation at the end of first semester. The second meet on the Lions' 1942 schedule will not occur until February 6, when Coach Galbraith takes his mermen to Carnegie Tech.

Ed Claus, junior free styler, may not see action against Penn because of a hand injury. This, together with the loss of Al Price before the season opened, may hamper the Lions' chances against Penn.

Price, who could have carried the brunt of the attack in the diving department, will be replaced by Dick Erwin and Mike Nockett.

Newcomers Bolster Indoor Track Team

The spirit of optimism displayed by obscure, never-say-die newcomers on Penn State's indoor track team has temporarily soothed some of Chick Werner's headaches caused by the mix-up in intercollegiate athletics.

"Our veterans such as Ewell, Gordon, Bakura, and Glenn will continue to form the nucleus of the team, but newcomers like Curt Stone, Ed Miller, and Mac Smith in the distances and Howard Kendall in the hurdles and quarter with gather the additional points that produce a balanced team," said Chick.

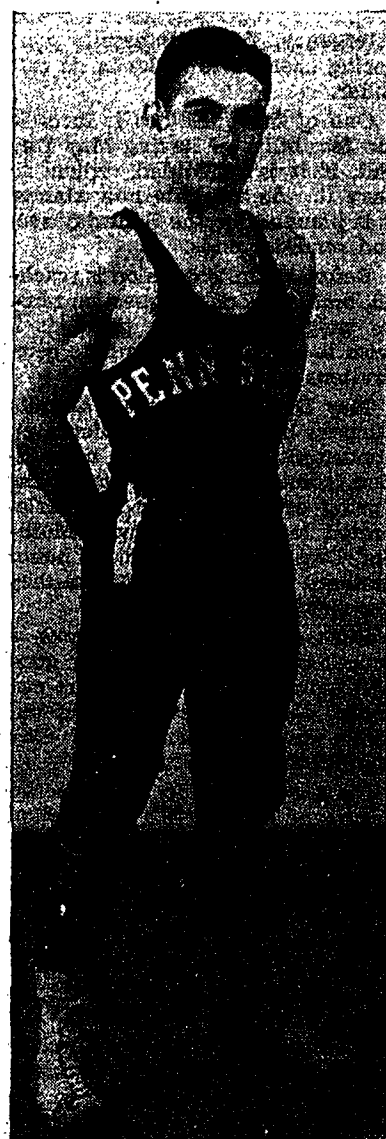
Other essential members of the squad are Barney Plesser, sprinter and hurdler, who competed in the IC4-A's last year, and Saul Hanin, competent shot putter.

Skating Rink Opens

Penn State's tennis court skating rink will open tonight at 7 p. m., Ray M. Conger, of Recreation Co-ordinated, announced today. Admission will be 15 cents per person, and the rink will be open every week night from 7 to 10 p. m. and also on Saturday afternoons and nights.

Nittany Wrestlers Leave For Opener With Michigan For American U.

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NITTANY WILDCAT—Expected to put claws in the Nittany Lion's attack on the Michigan Wolverines Saturday is peppy Charlie Ridenour, 121-pound EIWA champ last year. Ridenour scored a fall in last season's meet with Michigan which State won, 14-12.

2 Lion Booters On All-East Team

In recognition of their brilliant soccer careers at Penn State, Captain Woody King and Anibal "Gringo" Galindo were selected as the inside forwards on the All-Eastern soccer team announced yesterday by a sectional committee of the National Soccer Coaches Association.

King and Bill Guyckeson, Army captain, were the only players also named on last year's team. Penn State's Don Megrail was selected on the second team for the second straight year.

Bill Jeffrey of Penn State and Richard Schmelzer of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute were co-chairmen of the committee selected to name the all-star team. They were aided by eleven other eastern coaches.

Yale, Springfield, and Penn State each placed two men on the first team, and Amherst, Maryland, Swarthmore, Army, and Dartmouth captured one position each.

- First team:
- G Heisler, Amherst
 - RF Jarina, Springfield
 - LF Ports, Maryland
 - RH Cope, Swarthmore
 - CH Guyckeson, Army
 - LH Cummings, Yale
 - OR Smith, Dartmouth
 - IR Galindo, Penn State
 - CF Schmidt, Springfield
 - IL King, Penn State
 - OL Haines, Yale.

At The Movies

- CATHAUM: "Tarzan's Secret Treasure"
- STATE: "Tanks A Million"
- NITTANY: "Unfinished Business"

Speidel Names Squad For Match Saturday

Scheduled to face one of the strongest wrestling teams on this season's schedule, the Nittany Lions leave today to invade the lair of the snarling University of Michigan Wolverines whom they will engage in unpredictable battle on Saturday.

After numerous elimination matches and shifting of weights, Coach Charlie Speidel has selected the squad which departs for Ann Arbor, Michigan at 5 p. m. today.

Charlie Ridenour, last season's 121-pound EIWA champ, will wrestle that weight against the Wolverines. Sam Harry will fill the 128-pound position while Clair Hess, actually 125-pounds, will be grappling far over his weight in the 135-pound division.

The 145-pound slot will be defended by Gardner Lindzey, a sophomore. Allen Crabtree, who was also battling for this position, is out of competition with an ankle injury sustained at practice.

Captain Glen Alexander will continue in the 155-pound weight. Ralph Sayre is expected to put up a good fight in the 165-pound division although he will be wrestling with a pulled chest muscle which may hamper his movements.

Sophomore Bob Morgan will fill the 175-pound spot left vacant by the graduation of Joe Valla. Hardworking, Mike "Double-Bubble" Kerns will start in the unlimited class.

Not too optimistic about the outcome of Saturday's matches, Coach Speidel last night stated that the Lions are not yet at their best. "I think that we will get stronger as we go along, because right now we have too many men who aren't sure just what weight they belong in," he explained.

Heavy Wrestling Card Postpones Class Bouts

Action in the inter-class wrestling tournament has been temporarily suspended according to an announcement by Coach Charlie Speidel recently. With three varsity meets scheduled within a period of two weeks, Coach Speidel stated that the grapplers will concentrate on preparation for these contests.

Interclass bouts, which saw considerable action before Christmas vacation, will be resumed after the heavy portion of the varsity schedule has been completed.

Preparing to resume their court wars following the long Christmas vacation layoff, Penn State's Nittany cagers will be gunning for their fifth victory in six starts when they battle American University in Washington, D. C., Saturday night.

Although John Lawther's courtmen have not tasted intercollegiate competition since they defeated Syracuse on December 17, the Lions have been drilling steadily since their early return to College following the holidays.

Beginning with the game against American University, the Nittany basketballers will face one of the most gruelling road trips in Lion cage history. Coach Lawther's aggregation will play seven games away before returning to home soil to encounter the Temple Owls on February 11.

Against the Eagles of American University, Lawther will probably start the same outfit that carried the brunt of the attack in the first five games early this season. Last year, the Lions defeated the Eagles, 32-17, in the only game on record between the two colleges.

Following the tilt in Washington, D. C., the Blue and White will have successive away games with West Virginia, Pitt, Army, Temple, Navy and Carnegie Tech, before returning home to play the second of the two-game series with Temple this season.

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