

## Wrestlers Clash With Syracuse In Home Match

With a 19-year habit of defeating Syracuse matmen, Penn State wrestlers will seek their 20th consecutive victory over the Orange when they clash on the Rec Hall mats at 8 o'clock tonight.

As Coach Charlie Speidel reshuffled his starting line-up last night he seemed confident of the Lions' ability to squeeze the Orange. "Syracuse is not a serious threat," he observed, "but their wrestlers are always strong boys."

Boasting no individual stars but relying on combined strength to add up points, the Syracuse squad will enter four of last year's varsity men.

In a battle of midgets, Co-Captain Nelson Samson and Nittany Lion Charlie Ridenour of the 121-pound division are expected to start the program with a bang.

Ronal Chrisman will represent Penn State in the 136-pound class where he will meet Daniel Cerio who lost his last week's match when Syracuse bowed to the Leopards, 16-14.

John Henry will fill in the 145-pound slot for which there was not enough time for extensive elimination matches. Allen Crabtree who is an outstanding applicant for this weight is still bothered by an ankle injury.

In elimination matches last night, Irvin Thompson defeated Jim Bachman to get Coach Speidel's nod for the 165-pound assignment.

The probable line-up:  
121-pound class: Charlie Ridenour vs. Co-Captain Nelson Samson, Syracuse.

126-pound class: Sam Harry vs. Robert Jacobson, Syracuse.

136-pound class: Ronal Chrisman vs. Daniel Cerio, Syracuse.

145-pound class: John Henry vs. Norman Wiedersum, Syracuse.

155-pound class: Captain Glenn Alexander vs. Bertram Husch, Syracuse.

165-pound class: Irvin Thompson vs. Lyle Bogart, Syracuse.

175-pound class: Bob Morgan vs. Frank Mazejko, Syracuse.

Hywt. class: Mike Kerns vs. Co-Captain William Mozur, Syracuse.

## Freshmen Schedule Servicemen Cagers

In a preliminary to the varsity wrestling match with Princeton on January 31, the freshman basketballers will face a team from Aberdeen, Md. testing grounds. It was announced yesterday.

Several former College cage captains, including Heller, University of Syracuse star, sprinkle the service boys' lineup. Temple Frosh's lone defeat was suffered at the hands of the Aberdeen quintet.

## Scrappy Frosh Outpoint Sophs In Customs Bouts



**PUGILIST POLITICO** — Jack Grey's victory in the 120-pound class was not sufficient to stop the victorious tide of freshmen, who swept to a 6-3 win over the sophomores in the annual customs scrap.

## Courtmen Prepare For West Virginia

Bolstered by the return of three veterans from last year's varsity squad, West Virginia's Mountaineer courtmen will provide plenty of opposition for the visiting Penn State quintet when the two teams meet in Morgantown, W. Va., Friday night.

Both teams are evenly matched as far as records are concerned. Coach John Lawther's Lions have rung up victories in five out of six contests this season, while Dyke Raese's proteges have been successful on four out of five. The lone Mountaineer defeat was administered by a strong Duquesne University five last Wednesday evening.

West Virginia's prospects for this season might have been considerably brighter, however, if they had not lost the services of Jimmy Ruch. Ruch, who would have been a senior this year, did not return to College. During the past two basketball campaigns, he was top scorer for the Mountaineers, and last year he broken the modern West Virginia single-season scoring record by ringing up 288 points.

The Mountaineers' four victories this season have been scored on Geneva, Maryland, Youngstown College, and the most recent—a 48-40 win over the Carnegie Tech Tartans Monday night.

Last year West Virginia defeated the Nittany cagers, 35-29 in the only court game played between the two colleges in 1940-41.

## Stickmen Open Season Against Hershey Cubs

Penn State's ice hockey six will open their 1942 season of competition tonight as they meet the Hershey Cubs in an exhibition match at Hershey. Coach Arthur Davis is hoping for the first win for the Nittanymen over the Cubs in four years.

At the goalie spot for the Lions will be Captain Larry Lightbody, with Bert Anthony and Tom Goodwin at the defenses. Mike Feddock and Earl Johnson will fill the wing spots and scoring ace, Johnny Dufford, will be at the center position.

The stickmen will tangle with Carnegie Tech at Johnstown on Saturday and will follow with contests with Cornell, Colgate, Penn, Georgetown, and F. and M. More games will be scheduled if they can be arranged.

## At The Movies

CATHAUM: "Kathleen"  
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## Moriarta, Davis Lead Class To 6-3 Victory

By BOB FALOON '44

Ties, dinks, and fists flew last night as the freshmen pounded out a 6-3 victory over the boxers of the sophomore class in a Tribunal-sponsored customs scrap at Rec Hall last night. This victory permits the frosh to doff their customs.

Outstanding victory for the '45 pugilists was the TKO scored by Web Moriarta, as he floored Hal Calvert with a terrific right hand wallop at 38 seconds of the first round in the 175-pound scrap.

Jack Grey, sophomore class president, started the '44 squad off with a victory in a closely contested bout with Cy Ivory, intramural finalist in the 120-pound class.

Following this bout, the freshmen stepped out to a commanding lead of four to one as Hawthorne, Graf, Hoffman, and Davis scored victories over Walsh, Fardella, Flock, and Bryant, sophomore representatives.

Hawthorne was the aggressor throughout his fight and won a unanimous victory over the southpaw. Johnny Graf won the "bout of veterans" when he outpointed his experienced rival, Jess Fardella.

The closely contested welterweight bout saw Jack Hoffman upset "Chug" Flock by taking the aggressive during the three rounds.

Al Davis, frosh footballer, punched his way to a TKO over Harold Bryant, sophomore forester, in one minute of the first round to put his class within reaching distance of the coveted exemption.

Ted Maier postponed the final victory for the freshmen by labeling Larry Doyle with the TKO sign at 1:45 of the opening round. Doyle bounced from the canvass swinging wildly, almost hitting Danny DeMarino, who wisely stopped the bout.

The frosh victory was clinched by the Moriarta victory as the 175-pound Irishman continued his string of successes.

The unlimited battle between Bill Laughlin and Howard Kendall was stopped at the end of the second round by Dr. Griess after Kendall suffered a cut over his left eye.

## Tough Life Fails To KO Pugilists

A story about the 1942 Penn State boxing squad is one of sacrifice, perspiration, and perseverance for the contestants must contend with tough curricula, lack of pre-college experience, and irregular training hours due to the time consumed in working for meals or as leaders in College activities.

Few of the men have had any pre-college boxing training as is exemplified by Homer Hoffman and Irv Jontow. Hoffman made his ring debut in the "spacious gym" at Mont Alto while Jontow put gloves on first in the 1940 intramurals. A victim of close decisions in the top flight bouts, Jontow has trained hard this season for a varsity spot.

Jack Grey, sophomore class president, is working for his board, devoting time to politics, and retaining a high college average, but may be found training diligently in Rec Hall every day. Another class officer, Bob Baird took time out from his post as All-College president to don the gloves for the Nittanymen last season and is expected to make a repeat performance this year.

Bill Knauff, sophomore chemical engineering, is pushing Grey in the 120-pound class and still retaining above-average grades. Knauff weighed 98 pounds last year when he won his laurels on the frosh team and tips the scale at only 115 now.

## Between The Lions

With PAT NAGELBERG

### Soose No Heavy

We noticed that our Billy Soose, the lad who waged a four-year plan for the world's middleweight championship and when he won it never had a chance to defend it because of the overweight bugaboo, fought in Cleveland last night in his quest for the light-heavyweight title.

Since abdicating his middleweight title, Billy is being built up as a future heavyweight contender, supposedly having put on 20 additional pounds on his lanky young frame with prospects of gaining additional poundage in the near future. In addition to, listing his weight as 180 pounds, hardly sufficient to trade punches with the big boys, newspapers also give his age as 23.

We wish Soose all the luck in the world, but we can hardly visualize him as a heavy threat. First of all, the ex-Lion boxer is somewhat older than the press releases would have us believe. In fact, taking into account the many amateur fights he participated in before coming to college, Billy can be called quite a veteran and hardly an up and coming young boxer. Second, considering that he weighed in at 160 for his title bout

with Ken Overlin only eight months ago, it is hardly conceivable that the 20 pounds he has gained since is solid, fighting flesh. Even so, that is hardly enough to weather the heavy blows of the dreadnaughts.

Now go ahead and make us look like chumps for writing all this, Billy!

Speaking of boxers, two other former Lion mittmen are now saying it with their fists for Uncle Sam.

Johnny Patrick, ex-'39, who starred as a halfback and boxer during his undergraduate days, has been assigned to the U. S. Naval base at Long Beach, Cal., as a physical instructor. Patrick is a licensed pilot as well as physical instructor, and coached football at Franklin Township High School last year.

Paul Mall, who saw action in the 175 pound and heavyweight divisions during the past two years, has been made corporal and boxing instructor at Camp Lee, Va.

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