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## Matmen Top Navy; Lion Boxers Out-punch Idle For 2 Weeks Terrors, 42-32, In Opener By HERB ZUKAUSKAS

It was a disappointed Navy force that limped for home port after Coach Charlie Speidel's matmen outmaneuvered the Middies on the Rec Hall mats, for a 16-14 victory Saturday. The Lion grapplers must now face a schedule lay-off until January 31 when they tangle with Princeton.

Interclass wrestling and a long period of conditioning will prepare the Penn State grunt-andgroan artists for the home meet with the Tigers. The season's record now stands at one defeat by Michigan and two triumphs over Syracuse and Navy, all in an eight day period.

. Early falls in the 121 and 128pound classes started the Nittany scoring which reached the 16 total via decisions in the 145 and 165pound divisions. Navy captured one fall in the 175-pound berth and three decisions.

Expert Charlie Ridenour scored SWEET VICTORY-Varsity boxhis third straight fall as he pinned ing coach, Leo Houck, saw his class, sent a continual flurry of 121-pounder John Gano with a fistic team hand Western Mary- lefts and rights to the face of body scissors and half-nelson in land a 41/2-31/2 defeat Saturday Frank Faughman from the first floor. 5:03. He repeated a fall in 2:05 of night in the opening match of his bell. recorded two falls in downing Charlie Joslin, Middie 128-pounder.

With Ralph Sayre, Nittany 165- 43 Gymnasts pounder, holding only a 41 second time advantage over Gilliland as the third period ended at 5-5, the bout went/into two extra 2-minute periods. Sayre scored three points in the first of the extra periods and then piled up a time advantage to make the final bout score 9-7.

Midshipman Earl Buckwalter, member of the 1938 Nittany freshman cross-country team that became IC4-A champion, dealt his former Alma Mater a strong blow Saturday in the season's openers. by out-pointing Ronal Crissman in the 136-pound weight. played host to Chicago in the first

In the heavyweight contest, Mike Kerns, following instructions, held Swift of Navy to a decision which permitted the Lions to retain the lead for the meet treated Minnesota in the same victory.

The summaries:

121-pound class: Charlie Ridenour, PS, threw John Gano, body scissors and half-nelson, 5:03.

128-pound class: Sam Harry, PS, winners in several events. threw Charlie Joslin, leg split, 4:29

136-pound class: Earl Buckwalter, Navy, decisioned Ronal Crissman. 6-2.

145-pound class: Allan Crabtree, PS, decisioned Jim Hallaway, 8-1.

155-pound class: Mickey Bennett, Navy, decisioned Captain Glen Alexander, 3-2.

165-pound class: Ralph Sayre, PS. decisioned Gilliland, 9-7, in p. m. Call Williamson, 756. extra periods.



Win Class Meet

The juniors eked out a 37½-35

victory over the sophemores in Rec

Hall Saturday afternoon in the an-

nual interclass gym meet. The

Last year, the varsity team

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manner with a 291/2-231/2 score.

**Rides Wanted** 

## Hoffman and Fardella **TKO's Highlight Bouts**

By DICK STEBBINS

Jack Grey, Jess Fardella, Homer Hoffman, Ernie George con-Saturday night when the varsity boxing team heralded in Coach mentor at State with a 41/2-31/2 win over Western Maryland.

The match was "greenness pitted against inexperience," for the Houckmen, with the exception of Richards and Hoffman, were untried and the Western Maryland team was made up of all sophomores except for Captain Baker.

Homer Hoffman and Jess Fardella were impressive in their victories by both scoring TKO's in the second rounds of their bouts. Hoffman, in the 135 pound

Weakened by terrific left istered the finishing touches.

Jess Fardella just kept "pecking 41-22. away" with left hand body blows with rights. His opponent's face Pittsburgh he tallied 11. was carmin when the bout was

stopped in one minute-fortymeet was held to aid Coach Eugene eight seconds of the second round Wettstone in picking a nine-man of the 127 pound match. varsity contingent to travel to the Ernie George admirably re-University of Chicago and the Uniplaced Captain Bob Baird in the versity of Minnesota Friday and

145 pound class when he gained a decision over Howard Hall by virtue of a strong third round comeback. The match was very close and George had trouble in penetrating the weaving style of ter whipping the Chicago team attack with his powerful left soundly 29½-15½, the Lions mis- hand.

Jack Grey was outreached by his opponent John Alexander in The junior class team, made up the 120 pound tilt, but he weakof Philadelphians, barely edged ened him with right jabs to the the sophomore, "PIAA champs", midsection and crossed lefts to with but a few points deciding the his head that spelled defeat for the Marylander.

Sophomore Harold Zimmerman Probably the most disappointset the pace for the gymnasts by ing bout of the night was the Bill Pitt ......20 10-30 placing first in Tumbling and the Richards-Charles Godwin draw. Parallel Bars. Lou Bordo, captain Both men started fast and the Parallel Bars. Lou Bordo, captain Both men started fast and the Tech Puckmen of the Philadelphians, was out- 5,000 fans howled as they mixed standing by capturing second is up during the first two rounds. places in three events, Horizontal The fight was very close and both Bars, Parallel Bars, and Tumbling. boys were dead tired when the bell ended the match.

In the liability colum, however, Bob Halpin was KO'ed in 56 seconds of the second round by Sig skated to an easy 7-0 victory over RW — Pittsburgh — L. Fri. 2 Jensen who scored 3 knockouts on last year's frosh team. Jenson Carnegie Tech squad at Johns-175-pound cless: Captain Bill RW—Phil. Leave Fri. 3:30 p. was in bad shape early in the

## **Cagers Overcome** Pitt Jinx, 34-30

One-half of a double jinx was broken by Penn State's varsity basketeers over the weekend when they split even in their court wars with West Virginia and Pittsburgh.

After suffering one of the worst defeats on record on Friday night tributed victories in Rec Hall when they were decisively trounced by the West Virginia Mountaineers, 58-33, the Nittany pass-Leo Houck's 20th year as fistic ers suddenly hit their stride and took advantage of a desperate last-half rally to defeat the favored Panthers at Pitt Stadium, 34-30, Saturday night.

The unbroken half of the jinx was credited to West Virginia, which still held its spell over visiting Penn State quintets. The 58 point total scored by the Mountaineers was the highest ever tallied against a Lion team coached by John Lawther. The second highest, 54, and the third highest, 51, have also been administered by West Virginia—and all three times these high point records occurred on the Mountaineers'

The spell that was broken came the third period. Sam Harry also 20th year as mentor at Penn State. jabs, Faughman was floored by about at Pittsburgh Saturday an uppercut just before the bell night when the Lions won their ended the first round. It was just second triumph in six years at a matter of 50 seconds in the sec- Pitt Stadium. The only other ond round when Hoffman admin- triumph was in 1939 when the Nittanymen upset the Panthers.

> Elmer Gross was top scorer for during the first round of his bout the Lions in both weekend enwith Frank Zeigler and then counters. Against West Virginia, switched his attack to the face he registered 12 points, while at

Summaries of Pitt game:	
Penn State (34) fg	f-ft tot
Gent, f 3	0-26
Gross, f 5	1-111
Hornstein, c 0	2-42
Ramin, g 0	0-0 0
Baltimore, g 4	0-0 8
Grimes, g 2	3-37
Totals14	6-10 34
Pitt (30) fg	f-ft tot
Artman, f 1	1-43
Lohmeyer, f 0	0-00
Paffrath, f 9	2-320
Matthews, f 0	0-0 0
Ziolkowski, c 1	0-02
Malarkey, g 0	0-20
Shubert, g 2	0-0 4
Egan, g 0	1-1 1
Totals13	4-10 30
Score by halves:	
Penn State 9	25 - 34

every member of his squad of 17. Captain Larry Lightbody again turned in a standout performance at the goalie spot with a total of 15 saves for the game.

This weekend the puckmen face a tough assignment when they take on strong aggregations from Georgetown and Catholic University in Washington, D. C.



