

Nittany Cagers Defeat Navy On Fouls, 29-25

Gross Takes Honors With 12 Points

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ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 4.—Superior foul shooting again proved to be a victory margin as Penn State's Nittany basketball team continued their winning stride by sinking the Navy courtmen in a close 29-25 battle on the Academy floor here this afternoon.

Marred by ragged court tactics and poor shooting, the game was a see-saw affair until the last three minutes when the visiting Lions forged out in front with a timely rally. Although both aggregations tallied 11 field goals, Penn State's quintet earned its winning advantage at the foul line, just as it did in defeating a fast Temple outfit in Philadelphia Saturday night.

Elmer Gross, senior co-captain of the visitors, continued to carry the brunt of Penn State's current four-game victory streak, as he took high-scoring laurels with 12 points. Little Larry Gent, Lion sophomore forward, closely trailed Gross by tallying 10 markers for second honors.

Navy's midshipmen jumped to an early lead following the opening tip-off, but Coach John Lawther's proteges slowly worked themselves back into the running, and finally forged ahead, 14-12, as the first half ended.

Led by Gross, who looped in two one-handed field goals, the Lions came back strong in the second half. After five minutes, Navy had still been held scoreless, and the Nittanymen widened the margin to 18-12.

Busik and Zoeller retaliated for the Middies, however, and Navy went ahead momentarily, 19-18. But the Lions regained the lead on two foul tosses, and from then on the visitors were never headed. In the last three minutes, Larry Gent and Herk Baltimore rallied and widened the victory margin to 29-25.

Wellstone Hopes For Gym Victory

With Captain Charlie Senft nearing record time in the rope climb and the return of Eddie Anderson to the tumbling mats, along with the rapid improvement of several of the varsity men, gym coach Gene Wellstone looks toward the initial league tilt against Princeton in Rec Hall Saturday night with a spark of optimism.

Senft has reduced his time on the rope to 4.4 which is but one-tenth of a second over the mark set by last year's ace Lion climber, Roman Pieo.

Wellstone believes the entry of Anderson in the tumbling event will clinch many points for the team this year and expects him to team with Harold Zimmerman, who is undefeated so far this season, to assure the Lions of first and second positions.

Commendable progress has been made by Charlie Lebow, Sid Rudman, Sol Small, and Ed Trybala this year and the gym mentor says they have exhibited better form this past week than any time in their college careers.

The Summaries:

Penn State 29		Navy 25	
	FG	F	Tot
Gent, f	5	0	10
Gross, f	4	4	12
Baltimore, c	2	1	5
Ramin, g	0	1	1
Grimes, g	0	1	1
Egli, g	0	0	0
Totals	11	7	29
Navy 25		Penn State 29	
	FG	F	Tot
Lacy, f	2	1	5
Zoeller, f	4	1	9
Patrick, c	1	0	2
McIntyre, g	1	0	2
Busik, g	3	0	6
Huntener, f	0	1	1
Totals	11	3	25
Score by halves:			
Penn State	14	15	29
Navy	12	13	25

Alumnus Boxer Returns As Coach

Rec Hall will be a familiar sight to Mike Ronman, the North Carolina boxing coach, when he brings his team to our campus to challenge the Houckmen Saturday night.

When Ronman rose from the intramural ranks in 1933 and donned a blue and white uniform under the tutelage of the Nittany mentor, Leo Houck, he probably never expected to return to the campus with a team of his own and pit it against that of his former coach.

The Carolina coach fought several bouts in 1933 and kept gaining experience along with the Houck style of boxing. A plugger and a hard trainer, Ronman adopted an aggressive technique in the ring and combined it with clever left and right jabs to start a commendable career.

Ronman lost only three fights for the Nittanymen in his boxing career, topping his fistic record off with intercollegiate championships in 1934 and 35.

He boxed in the 127 class throughout 1933 and 34 and although he was short and retained his same weight in 1935, he filled a gap in the 135-pound division when he captained the mitmen in his senior year.

His first love was boxing but Mike was also a music enthusiast. A member of the glee club and an annual performer in Thespian productions, he would sing anywhere and at any time if someone made a request.

Lion Swimmers Face Two Weekend Meets

Penn State's varsity swimmers will attempt to gain their first victory of the year when they clash with the Carnegie Tech and Pitt natators in an important double bill this weekend.

After dropping their season's opener against Penn on January 10, the Lion mermen have remained idle. Tomorrow afternoon the Nittany tankers will get back in stride when they meet the Tech Skibos, who were one of the only two teams to be defeated by Coach Bob Galbraith's proteges last year.

Saturday afternoon, the Lions face a strong Pitt squad.

Millrose Entrants Practice Outdoors

While Barney Ewell, Don Dolbin, and Norm Gordon continue to point for the Millrose Games in Madison Square Garden Saturday night, the remainder of the track squad is preparing for time trials at 3:30 p. m. Saturday.

With last night's slight letup in the weather permitting the thin-clad squad to move for the first time in ten days from the sharp-cornered Rec Hall track, the whole team ran through a stiff workout on the temporary outdoor board track on New Beaver Field.

Ewell and Dolbin practiced starts in preparation for the 60-yard dash event in the Garden's initial winter track extravaganza and then finished their last heavy workout before the meet with a fast one-lap sprint over the tenth of a mile track.

Gordon ran two separate quarters as his final stiff tuneup before he starts in the 100-yard event in New York against the top distance runners of the country.

The weekend time trials will serve as an elimination meet to decide the members of the squad which Chick Werner, varsity coach, will take to the Penn A. C. meet in Philadelphia February 13.

Tentative plans call for eliminations in the half-mile, 440-yard dash, and the 50-yard high and low hurdles. Aspirants for the two-mile relay event, in which a four man team runs separate 880's, are Mac Smith, Max Peters, Curt Stone, Alex Bourgerie, Herm Goffberg, Ed Miller, and Bob Hazel.

Entrants will also be made in three field events, the pole vault high jump, and shot put. Joe Bakura, varsity track captain, has been leading in the vaulting trials with vaults of 13 ft. 6 in., but is being pushed by Bob Noll, another senior vaulter.

Orvis Krug and John Glenn will probably head the high jumping contingent, while Saul Hanin, Stan Goldberg, and Ken Schoonover will compete in the weight events.

Frosh Cagers Engage Bisons

Rec Hall will be the stamping grounds for the Little Bisons when they meet the Penn State freshman quintet at 8 o'clock tonight. Having decisively downed the Bucknell yearlings twice last year, the '45 cagers will try to keep the Lewisburg courtmen out of the win column.

Coach Nick Thiel announced he will start Big Russ Eckert in the center slot, Jim Lawther and Jack Weber at the forward posts, and Bob Beck and Jack Pfirmian at guards.

Cal Clements, who was one of the main cogs for the frosh in first semester battles, will not be available for the remainder of the season. He left school.

Any freshmen who have recently enrolled or who are second semester students are eligible to try for the squad, Coach Thiel said. No players will be cut.

When the Cubs take on Kiski, a prep school from Indiana county at 2 p. m. Saturday, they will be matched against the only team which holds a victory over the freshman squad last year. The lone defeat was suffered on the Kiski floor.

IM Entry Deadline Nears

Deadline for entries in intramural basketball and wrestling tournaments has been set for noon Saturday. Participation fees are 25 cents for grappling entrants and \$1 for cage squads.

Sports Calendar

Today
Frosh basketball, Bucknell, Rec Hall, 8 p. m.

Tomorrow
Ice Hockey, Cornell, Away.
Swimming, Carnegie Tech, Away

Saturday
Frosh basketball, Kiski, Rec Hall, 2 p. m.

Gymnastics, Princeton, Rec Hall, 7 p. m.
Boxing, North Carolina, Rec Hall, 8:30 p. m.

Basketball, Carnegie Tech, Away.
Swimming, Pittsburgh, Away.

Fencing, Navy, Away.
Ice Hockey, Colgate, Away.
Wrestling, Temple, Away.

Puckmen Take Road To Meet Colgate, Cornell

Penn State's varsity hockey team will resume rink competition tomorrow and Saturday in a double road engagement against Cornell and Colgate. The puckmen have been idle since their 5-3 defeat at the hands of Georgetown two weeks ago in Washington, D. C.

Coach Art Davis' boys renewed intensive drill on Wednesday, which was the first day the ice on the tennis courts has been usable since the week of the Georgetown tilt. New equipment and uniforms have been purchased and were issued to the players yesterday.

Stiffest competition on the road-trip will probably be encountered with Colgate, rated one of the best collegiate outfits in the east, and winner of the Lake Placid hockey trophy in the round robin tournament there last December.

Not to be underrated, however, is the tilt with Cornell tomorrow afternoon. The Big Red were runners-up in the Lake Placid competition, and are expected to provide plenty of trouble for the Nittanymen. The meet will be held in Ithaca, N. Y.

Coach Davis will take a squad of 15 players and two managers on the trip. The starting lineup will be virtually the same as that which saw action against Georgetown.

At The Movies

CATHAUM:

"Son of Fury"

STATE:

"The Baker's Wife"

NITTANY:

"Keep 'Em Flying"

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