

# Cagers Prepare For Crucial NYU Tilt; Boxers Will Meet Spartans Tomorrow

## Lions Hope To Snap 3-Meet Losing Slump

An undefeated Michigan State boxing team will arrive on campus today with high hopes of extending their record to four straight when they tangle with the Lions in the 7 o'clock opener of the sports double-header in Rec Hall tomorrow night.

Leo Houck's punchers will be attempting to break their three-meet losing streak and also to keep the records with the Spartans free from losses. The colleges began hostilities with a tie meet in 1939 and Penn State copped the '40 and '41 battles 6½-1½ and 4½-3½.

Michigan State rolled over West Virginia 5½-2½, Purdue 6-2, and a strong Florida team 4½-3½. All three meets were held at East Lansing, however, and the road trip may tell on the middle-west team.

In the 120-pound class, Ed Gunderson, who has won one and lost one, or Johnny Mathews, who lost at West Virginia, will oppose either Jack Grey or Jack Reitz. Grey received a muscle injury in his right arm at Syracuse that may keep him out of the match. The team physician will decide on the seriousness of the injury today.

Milt Dickson or Jess Fardella will meet a formidable opponent in Bill Zurakowski who drew at Virginia, won a decision at Purdue, and TKOed his Florida foe.

"Hammering Homer" Hoffman will meet another tough 135-pound puncher tomorrow night when he enters the ring against Captain Harvey Trombley. The Spartan star TKOed his West Virginia enemy, and won at Purdue, but was barely edged by Johnny Joca in the Florida tilt.

Ed Wood, who floored his West Virginia foe and won a decision at Purdue, will tangle with Captain Bob Baird of the Lions. Wood switched to 155 pounds for the Florida meet with Beryl Salisbury. Wood lost while Beryl gained a decision.

The 155-pound Spartan, Salisbury lost his West Virginia and Florida bouts.

Two more "switch boxers" are Bill Warringer and Charlie Calkins who alternate in the 165 and 175-pound divisions. Both men have won two matches while each received one setback.

George Radulesca will not win a forfeit from Aldo Cenci tomorrow night as he has in two meets this season. The Spartan is to be watched, however, having TKOed his foe at Purdue.

## Little Engineers Play Host To '45 Grapplers

In their final match of the year, Penn State's freshman wrestling squad will travel to Bethlehem tomorrow to meet the Lehigh yearling squad.

Having lost their first two meets to Wyoming Seminary and Cornell, both by close margins, the '45 grapplers will attempt to gain their first victory at the expense of the Little Engineers.

Last year Lehigh brought a strong freshman squad to Rec Hall only to be surprised by the Lion Cubs who garnered a close 19-16 victory, the match being decided by the last bout.



**MEETS OLD FOE**—Sam Harry, Nittany 128-pound grappler, will face the wrath of Roy Zackey, promising Lehigh matman, who seeks revenge for a close defeat handed him by Harry in freshman competition last year.

## Lehigh Matmen Threaten Lions

Lehigh, with much to gain and little to lose, will make its bid to stop the conquering Nittany Lions from completing a successful season as the two traditional rivals meet for the 26th time at Bethlehem tomorrow.

The Penn State grapplers who leave at noon today, are expected to take the seventh consecutive meet of the season and the 20th victory in the team series. Since relations began in 1911 the slipstick matmen have added up only 4 wins and 2 ties.

Coach Charlie Spidel indicated a healthy respect for the unpredictable Engineers as he pointed out last night that Penn State had much to lose in the meet which will undoubtedly be marked by high inter-college tension.

Outstanding threats in the Lehigh line-up will be, Captain Dick Brenneman, 175-pounds; Whit Snyder, heavyweight; and Roy Zackey 128-pounds. The Penn State team will probably be composed of the same men that started against Cornell last week.

Nittany Lion Sam Harry will renew hostilities with Zackey, whom he narrowly edged out in freshman competition last year. Both men have impressive records and both scored decisions against Cornell's Nickerson, rated as a formidable 128-pounder.

Tom Bannan, two time state interscholastic champion in the 105 and 115-pound class, will be primed to meet undefeated Charlie Rideour. Captain Brenneman who clashes with Bob Morgan in the 175-pound division has lost only to Dick DeBattista, national champion of the University of Pennsylvania.

## Game Will Follow Varsity Boxing Meet

Although Penn State's cagers were highly successful in upsetting the West Virginia Mountaineers Wednesday night, the Lions still cannot afford to breathe easily, for tomorrow night New York University will invade Rec Hall immediately after the Nittany-Michigan State boxing meet is completed.

Again Coach John Lawther's proteges will be facing one of the top basketball powers of the East. The Violet courtmen have lost only 3 games in 16 starts this season and are also in the running for an invitation to the same Metropolitan New York tournament that is becoming of increasing interest to Penn State.

Last year the Lion basketball team accounted for one of the biggest upsets in the East when they defeated NYU on the Violets' home court, 47-34. Two years ago, the visiting New Yorkers topped the Nittanymen, 35-29, for the only court victory over Penn State in Violet basketball history.

While Penn State was chalking up its tenth straight victory of the season in the West Virginia game, Herk Baltimore was also regaining the individual scoring leadership with a total of 149 points for the current campaign. Co-captain Elmer Gross holds second honors with 145, and little Larry Gent completes the century group with 119 markers.

**Individual Scoring**

	fg	f-ft	tot
Baltimore	63	23-40	149
Gross	50	45-56	145
Gent	49	21-39	119
Egli	35	14-23	84
Ramin	30	14-23	74
Hornstein	24	9-21	57
Grimes	21	11-18	53
Silan	2	0-0	4
Smith	2	0-0	4
Cohen	1	0-1	2
Totals	277	137-221	691

## AAU Meet Draws 4 Lion Trackmen

Entered against a field of the nation's top athletes, four Nittany trackmen will compete at the National A.A.U. meet at Madison Square Garden in New York this Saturday, according to "Chick" Werner, varsity cinder coach.

Norm Gordon, Barney Ewell, Johnny Glenn, and Joe Bakura are the Lion athletes definitely scheduled to compete in the open competition, while Saul Hanin, Orv Krug, and Don Dolbin are still possibilities.

Pitted against a classy field in the 100-yard event, Gordon is listed in the second heat with Campbell Kane, Indiana's Big Ten half-mile champ, and Les Eisenhart, former Ohio State star. Entries in other heats of the event include John Borican, Jim Kehoe, and Don Burnham, 4:13 sophomore miler from Dartmouth.

Ewell will seek to continue his domination of the AAU sprint titles in 60-yard dash. Barney's success in the AAU 100-meter event last July and his repeated victories indoors this winter makes him the outstanding contender in the field of college and unattached sprinters.

The two field entrants, Glenn and Bakura, will get most of their competition in the college field from Dick Morcom, New Hampshire junior, who vaults over 14 feet, and high jumps in the vicinity of 6½ feet.

**At The Movies**  
 "The Shanghai Gesture"  
 STATE:  
 "Roxie Hart"  
 NITTANY:  
 "Johnny Eager"  
 "Cowboy Serenade"



**ROPE ARTIST**—Hopes for victory in the rope climb event when the Lion gym team clashes with Army tomorrow were brightened yesterday afternoon when Captain Charlie Senft registered a four seconds flat climb in practice.

## Army Gymnasts Hold 9-Year Jinx

The EIGA league lead and a jinx that has seen nine Lion gym teams submit to defeat since rivalry began in 1932 are faced by the gymnasts when they depart for West Point today to tangle with the Army Cadets.

"I don't know of any team that has beaten the Cadets at West Point in the past 12 years," Lion Coach Gene Wettstone gloomily emphasized last night. "If we were to meet them here it would be a different story."

The Cadet records reveal that their teams have never lost more than one meet in any one year they have competed. Army was defeated in 1932, '33, '34 and '38 and won the intercollegiate in 1938. They also tied for the intercollegiate title in 1936 and 1937.

The Cadets are coached by Tom Maloney, who was a star in high school. The civilian mentor was hired as head gym coach immediately upon graduation and has registered a commendable record at the service school.

One bright light in the Lion lair

## 10 IM Wrestlers Advance To Finals In Tourney Bouts

Twenty intramural wrestlers fought last night in Rec Hall for positions in tournament finals which are scheduled for either Monday or Tuesday. With the completion of the last semi-final bouts, ten more wrestlers entered the finals. A complete list of finalists will appear at a later date. Results of last night's competition follows, (winners are finalists):

128-pound — McCracken decided DiMozo, 9-5.

136-pound — McCauley, Phi Gamma Delta decided King, Phi Sigma Kappa, 2-0; and Coleman, Delta Chi, decided Posner, Gamma Sigma Phi, 2-1.

145-pound — Yeaple, Triangle, decided Mendenhall, Beaver House, 5-4; and Catanoso, PSC, decided Kean, 3-2. Griffith decided Yackle, 7-0.

155-pound — Charles, KDR, decided Sutherland, Beta Theta Pi, 3-2; and Weidman decided Heller, 3-0.

165-pound — Wilson, Forestry Society, forfeited to Morford; and Snyder forfeited to McLaren.

**VOLLEY BALL**  
 Yesterday's results in the IM volley ball league gave Delta Chi a victory over Phi Sigma Kappa No. 1, 15-5, and 15-12. Other games had Sigma Nu No. 1 defeating Alpha Zeta No. 1, 15-13, 15-4 and Beta Sigma Rho losing to Delta Tau Delta, 5-15, 7-15.

No games were scheduled for Friday by Walter T. Cummings '44, volley ball manager, because of Senior Ball decorating activities. IM basketball games scheduled for today were also cancelled by the Miller invasion of the Rec Hall courts.

was the four-minutes-flat time that Captain Charlie Senft registered in practice yesterday afternoon. Senft has been steadily knocking seconds off his climbs this season and hopes to chalk up a first place against the Cadets.

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