

# BETWEEN THE LIONS

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In addition to a topnotch football team which may yet peddle itself to some bowl sponsors somewhere before the post-season appearances are all billed, Penn State again has another cross-country team that can stand on its record with the best in the nation.

In winding up another dual-meet season with no defeats Coach Chick Werner's boys took second in the IC4-A's behind Rhode Island State for their best showing since 1930, and then went on to tie much puffed Indiana for first in the Nationals last Saturday, at the same time showing Rhode Island State down to third.

Several big "ifs" kept the Lion thinclads from making the victory a solo affair. If Mac Smith could have knocked a tenth of a second off his time somewhere along the line, State could have edged Indiana by a point. If the last man in the race, a fellow from Cornell College (Iowa), had not finished—like he almost didn't, State could have edged Indiana on that basis. But of course there's a lot more to winning a cross-country race than just running.

This fellow Hunter of Notre Dame who breezed to first place in the meet really won the hard way. First of all he lost some of his lead when forced to slow down for a locomotive at a railroad crossing.

Out in front again he guessed wrong at a fork in the road and took in several hundred extra yards of unnecessary Michigan countryside before back-tracking to the same fork again to find the rest of the boys trotting by on the other road. Blessing himself back into the lead, he then went to win the jaunt and clip 11 seconds off the course record in doing it.

Speaking of victories—Bill Jeffrey's unmentioned-ables—in the newspapers, anyway—are seven games on the way to another victory era. Saturday's meeting with Temple—and they're tough—is the only tussle remaining between them and another undefeated season.

Come to think of it, our football mis-adventure in the W. Virginia mountains was our sole varsity defeat in Fall sports this year, which isn't bad at all as records go.

Incidentally, Bill Dutton did not gain two yards against State's line Saturday as appeared in yesterday's column. My friends, the proof readers, happened to let the bar down before the 2 during the night and next morning Bill was subsequently credited with a plus instead of a minus 2 yards net.

Kenny Schoonover, State's stellar tackle, who made a specialty of raising hob in enemy backfields all season, finally gained the attention of the Big Boys when he received a bid to play in the annual North-South classic in Montgomery, Ala., December 26.

Several more of the varsity gridders have been mentioned as possible prospects for the tilt and may receive invitations this week.

About the bowl situation—all's quiet so far at this end of the line. The College still has not received an invitation.

Things are looking up, though. I noticed that several of the press association boys are finally coming around to mentioning State as a possible contender for some "minor" bowl. And Tennis Coach Ted Roethke tells me that Ted Husing slowed down long enough while announcing the Michigan-Ohio State game to say that the State win over Pitt should make us a definite bowl prospect.

Anyway the Pittsburgh and Philadelphia writers are still out beating the drums for us—and that's a good sign.

## Lion Cagers Open Schedule With W&J December 5

Penn State's winter sports season will get under way next week with the opening of a 21-game basketball schedule December 5 at Rec Hall.

Opening rivals for the Lions will be the formidable Washington and Jefferson quintet, who has thrilled basketball fans in the opener of the last two cage seasons.

The Presidents threw a scare into Lion rooters last year when a forward sunk a score tying mid-floor shot just a split second after the whistle blew. Penn State won 32-30. The previous seasons, the Prexies won a close 31-30 contest in the last minute of play.

Although this encounter is the initial game of the Red and Black schedule, they have been playing many informal contests with Pittsburgh independent teams and other nearby college fives.

Probable starting lineup for the Presidents will have Big Huck Hartman at center, Tom Mears and Ted Mishtal in the forward slots with Ray Forquer and Paul Konyha the two guards.

In an effort to give the second team more practice under game conditions, Lion Coach John Lawther took five men to Lock Haven last night to scrimmage with the Teachers. Those making the trip were Jack Biery, Perk Stabley, Lee Reinheimer, Sid Cohen, and Jim

## Fencing Squad Begins Practice

Already practicing for a period of three weeks, Penn State's fencing team is getting into shape for its first meet with Cornell here January 23.

Coached by "Doc" Arthur H. Meyer, who in daily life is an assistant professor of forestry, many fencers from last year's squad have reported for practice sessions.

Among the foilwielders who have returned to this season's team are Capt. Wally Reilly, Bernie Hankin, Jim Montgomery, George Gimber, and Tim Reed. Intra-team competition to determine outstanding candidates for the team will take place in Rec Hall December 7.

Lawther.

After the opener next week the Lions will meet two other state teams the following week. Susquehanna will travel here on December 9 and Bucknell meets the Nittany at Rec Hall on December 12.

Only additions to the Penn State schedule this season is a pair of contests with Colgate and a fray with the North Carolina Naval Pre-Flight Cadets.

# Soccermen To Meet Temple At Philadelphia In Finale

## Lions Aim To Complete Tenth Unbeaten Season

For the last time this season a sleek Penn State Lion goes down from the Nittany hills to battle, when the undefeated College soccer squad travels far up Philadelphia's North Broad street to boot it out with the once ruffled Temple Owl.

Coach Jeffrey predicts the toughest game of the season for his soccermen in the finale with Pete Leanness' Temple proteges.

The Lion soccer team has had a three week rest following their uphill 1-0 win over the Middies from Annapolis at the Severn service school. Jeffrey has applied his usual, and highly successful formula during the past weeks' practice sessions—scrimmage foreseveral good long periods, then scrimmage some more.

Practice this all-important pregame week has been hampered by rain and gluey underfooting—but it takes more than natural conditions to kill the booters' practices.

An intersquad game matching the freshmen against the varsity is scheduled for Thursday afternoon's practice at 3 p. m.

Sixteen players will make the trip to Philadelphia, Coach Jeffrey stated. Though the complete list has not yet been made up the following will probably be included: Johnnie Struck, goalie; Bill Deitrich, Hap Freeman, fullbacks; Dean Hartman, Sammy Schure, Boyd Eiters, halfbacks; and Smiley Williams, Jose Lombana, Bill Prichard, Don Rider, Paul Bender, forwards.

Temple's record now stands at three victories, one defeat, and one tie.

Just as in football, soccer black can be proved white by comparative scores. Leanness' boys did a manhandle job on Bucknell, 7-0, while Penn State was forced to push through two last period goals to outdo the Bisons, 3-1. On the other hand the Lions laid a 2-0 defeat on the West Point doorstep while in their most recent skirmish Temple and the Pointers fought four extra periods to a futile 2-2 deadlock.

In this three hour contest the Owls appeared to have things their own way when they took a halftime lead of 2-0.

## Fraternity Bowling

Acacia—	Total	
Ennis .....	119 171 122-412	
D. Kenney .....	107 110 112-329	
M. Keeney .....	135 130 126-391	
Bolin .....	101 .....	101
Bair .....	111 120 14-372	
Lorell .....	125 126-251	
Totals .....	573 656 627 1856	
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Allee .....	126 140 .....	266
Gruver .....	174 .....	136-310
Watkins .....	151 .....	106-255
Meade .....	183 178 .....	160-521
Fellows .....	112 85 .....	197
Everitt .....	119 163-282	
Lauer .....	129 199-328	
Totals .....	746 651 764 2161	

Delta Upsilon—	Total
See .....	143 179 143-465
Christman .....	168 152 141-461
Brétheric .....	114 155 98-367
L. White .....	135 163 233-531
K. White .....	153 143 124-420
Totals .....	713 792 739 2244

Delta Upsilon—	Total	
Burge .....	193 157 156-5506	
Olewine .....	150 180 179-509	
Bolce .....	127 151 139 417	
Kowitch .....	125 169 115-409	
Fairchild .....	115 .....	168-283
Cleeland .....	138 .....	138
Totals .....	710 795 757 2262	

Morrisdale—	Total
Francis .....	121 140 168-429
Arsons .....	122 140 128-390
Felder .....	83 88 93-264
Wunz .....	179 175 146-500
Wareham .....	123 127 114-364
Totals .....	..... 1947

# Four Fighters Gain IM Decisions

Starting off the evening with the heaviest class featured this year, two 175 pounders taxed each other's skill last night in a three round marathon in Rec Hall. Derbyshire of Phi Kappa Sigma rocked Phi Kappa Tau Borges' head until it looked like an open and shut bout for Derbyshire, but a spurt in the last round played his opponent down and Borges copped the bout.

## Contestants Prepare For Final Round Of IM Boxing

Eliminating one contestant after another, IM crown prospects are warming up for the finals to begin next week. Each participant will be priming his own peculiar eccentricities in an effort to cop the final round.

With such prospects as Muchlitz and his power packed two fistedness and such fraternity contenders as Maloney and Mattern, the finals are bound to be hard contested. Ridenour, who has proven his ability in the ring as well as on the mat, by his TKO over Grimes will vie for a key position next Wednesday afternoon when the bell rings, while Hean with his successive victories taken with ease in the last few weeks has a high rating.

Catanoso, independent standout, with his series of victories over Moyer and Whitten, has earned a name for himself by his particular fighting technique built on lunging drives coupled with powerful left hand blows.

Wright, rated as one of the shiftiest boxers in the IM contests this year, is reputed by the officials as one of the sure bets in next week's fracas.

Good, Phi Kappa Sig entrant, put up an impenetrable guard that kept McCormick from scoring. Being on the defensive throughout the match, McCormick conceded the fight to Good.

A power house right hand that always seemed to step up at the right time kept Russel, Sigma Nu, guessing in his encounter with Mattern, Phi Della Theta slug-master. Regardless of Russel's attempts to guard his head, Mattern caught him napping for a second and crashed through what guard Russel could offer.

Adding life and stamina to the bouts, Compton matched Starr in a three round encounter in the 121 pound class. Playing a tightly cocked left to Compton's jaw, Starr kept his opponent on guard, but in the third round when he began to tire, Compton opened up with rights and lefts that toppled the fight right into his lap.

In a second meeting for Krug and Ashenfelder, since their former battle resulted in a tie, Krug stole the decision in an evenly-matched fight. Greenly bowed out to Maloney in the last fight of the evening.

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