

## BETWEEN THE LIONS

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West Virginia's back again. The Mountain Boys, who've kicked around on the cellar floor in some very disappointing games earlier in the season, have started upstairs again and are currently riding high in a new victory streak.

West Virginia has dropped four contests so far this season, and so has Penn State. Both saw their post-season tournament hopes sag earlier in the season, recovered, and are now crossing their thumbs again.

Both teams lost to N. Y. U. and to Pitt. The Mountaineers lost to W & J and W & J lost to the Lions. The Lions lost to Georgetown but Georgetown doesn't meet West Virginia. Temple lost to the Mountaineers by two points last Saturday and to the Lions by a much larger score in January. And then of course the Lions lost to the Mountaineers—in Morgantown—several weeks ago. So what have you? Danged if I know.

Anyway, the winner of tonight's scrap figures on going places from here on—in the way of invitation tournaments, I mean. The Mountaineers figure they're going to win and the Lions figure they (the Lions) are going to win. And I'm from Penn State.

Ken Hamrick, sports editor of the W. Va. student daily, figures that the Mountaineer win over Temple in Convention Hall last Saturday puts them back in the swim for the National Invitation Tournament in Madison Square Garden when it opens at the close of the season. (The Mountaineers won the thing last year, you remember.)

I suppose he now figures that a win over the Lions tonight will practically dump them on New York's 8th avenue. (This figuring is a great game.)

Taking up from there, however, I figure that a Lion victory would be just as great a tonic to Penn State as the above situation would be to W. Va., and consequently the Lawthermen (if they win) should find themselves in demand at the Garden Conclave instead of the Baricmen.

The latter situation looks much more probable to me than does the first, for the Lions' comeback surge is just as impressive as that of the Mountaineers—and was made under conditions more trying than those which face Flash Gordon every Sunday morning.

Last weekend the Lions played Georgetown, North Carolina Pre-Flight, and Navy in their own back-yards on three successive days. They covered more than 500 miles in that time, stopping off at each place long enough to play a regulation game while someone held up a train for them.

If they'd been forced to go into over-time in any one of those games, their whole road trip schedule would have been knocked out of kilter. But it wasn't; and they lost only to Georgetown which has a top-notch team.

And after a tiring jaunt like that the Lawthermen not only were able to smile at the breakfast table upon their return, but are now playing better ball than they have all season.

Egli, Baltimore, and Hornstein found themselves during the series and are now doing great work in the scoring department. If they can keep it up, and VonNieda can shake off his sickness, they stand an excellent chance of beating W. Va.

Tonight's game is going to be a real hoedown.

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## Hockeymen Win From Drexel Tech In Season Opener

### Cauuffman Paces Lions, Scores Half of Goals

Led by acting Captain Ted Cauuffman, the Penn State varsity ice hockey team smashed its way to a 4-0 victory over the Engineers of Drexel Tech, Monday afternoon at the Philadelphia Arena.

Cauuffman, playing at the left wing position for the Lions, twice pushed the puck past Drexel's goalie, Bell, in the second and third periods.

The opening period started out with both teams on a par until sub Don Steva was able to slip in a shot after 18 minutes of the period had been played. The assist was awarded to Fred Bernbaum.

The Nittany skaters went ahead 2-0 at seven minutes of the second quarter when Cauuffman, assisted by Fred Bernbaum, scored the second goal. The Engineers made a feeble attempt to score during this period but several fine saves were made by goalie Jimmy McKechnie.

The Lions took complete charge of the situation in the final period when Ted Cauuffman, assisted by Art Gladstone, scored his second goal of the game after four minutes of play.

Coach Art Davis then substituted freely in the final ten minutes, but sub Bill Levy scored another Lion goal unassisted to put the game on ice for the visiting Lions.

Drexel will again meet the Lion puck-chasers Tuesday night at the Hershey Arena. The Engineers are practicing every morning before classes in the hope of evening the count with the Lions.

#### SUMMARIES

Pos.	Penn State	Drexel
G.	McKechnie	Bell
LD	Bitner	Sanders
RD	White	Burrows
C.	Gladstone	Kestler
RW	Bernbaum	McGuigan
LW	Cauuffman	Bach
Penn State	1	1
Drexel Tech	0	0

Spares: State—Skuta, Drumheller, Yocum, Steva, Herr, Sussman, Levine, Bacher, and Williams. Drexel—Fife, Snador, Umberger, Oliver, Catason, Levine, and Wentworth.

Penalties: Drumheller, 1st period; Sanders, 2nd period; Bitner, 2nd period; White, 3rd; Catason, 3rd. (All were for board checking.)

## Campbell May Change Mat Squad Lineup For Meet with Navy

Readying his team for their bout Saturday with the midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., Coach Paul Campbell may make some changes in the wrestling lineup for the squad's fifth meet of the 1943 season.

Campbell may drop Co-captains Charlie Ridenour and Sam Harry back into their 1942 weight slots, Ridenour at 121 and Harry at 128. Reason for the change is the fine showing which 136-pounder Joe Steele, a newcomer to the State squad, is showing in practice sessions.

Steele, wrestling against Harry yesterday afternoon, scored eight points to the experienced Harry's 10, a fine performance for an inexperienced grappler.

The rest of the Lions' lineup will probably remain the same, with Fred Conrad returning to his 175-pound bracket after being out for a week due to an injury suffered in the Princeton meet.

## Virginia's 5-Year Record At Stake in Match With Lions Saturday

"For the honor of the South, Suh," and to keep intact a five-year record that shows but one defeat in dual meet competition, the Cavaliers of Virginia will prepare to do battle with the Nittany boxers in Charlottesville, Virginia, Saturday night.

In preparation for the bouts with the Northern invaders, the Cavaliers have already captured three dual meet victories.

The Virginians have conquered North Carolina and Michigan State, both by a 4½-3½ score, and they also took an easy victory over their southern neighbors from the University of Maryland.

They defeated the same Michigan State team that two weeks ago held the Lions to a 4-4 draw in East Lansing, Michigan.

Virginia tripped the Houckmen 5-3 last winter in Rec Hall, and despite all that is said for "Southern hospitality" the gallant Cavaliers are planning to make it very uncomfortable for Leo's boys Saturday night.

Bantamweight starter for the Cavaliers will likely be Maupin Massie, who lost by decision to Michigan State's Billy Zurakowski. One hundred-twenty-pound Jackie Grey, in turn, has scored a victory over Zurakowski.

At 127 pounds, Jimmy Miragliotta, with three victories to his credit, will meet Glenn Hawthorne, also accredited with three wins.

Twice-loser Tom Green is the lightweight starter for Virginia. He will meet James Cassidy who made his first appearance in collegiate circles Saturday night.

Co-captain Willie Barnett, who last year fought at 135, has moved up a weight. Barnett has three

## Lion Cagers Face Strong Mountaineer Five Tonight

With season's records between the two teams even at nine wins and four losses, Penn State's basketball team will meet the West Virginia Mountaineers in Rec Hall at 8 o'clock tonight.

Trying to avenge the loss they suffered at the hands of the Mountaineers a week and a half ago, the Lion team will go into the game with a special job to do. They will have a strike or two against them in the Mountaineers' win.

The regular starting lineup, Hornstein at center, Co-captains Baltimore and Egli at guards, and VonNieda and Gent at the forward spots, will start tonight's game. VonNieda's leg injury, suffered by a crash into the bleachers at Annapolis Saturday, will not be sufficient to keep him on the bench, even at the start of the game.

At the starting posts for West Virginia will be the regular lineup which has brought Mountaineer victories in the last four games against Penn State, Army, Fordham, and Temple. They will be under the directorship of acting Coach Rudy Baric, star of last year's Mountaineer team, winners of the Madison Square Garden Invitation Tournament.

The only man from last year's squad who will be playing here is Captain Scotty Hamilton, ace play setter-upper for the Mountaineer scorers. Hamilton's associate in

technical-knockout wins on his 1943 record sheet.

Bob Finley, junior middleweight, will tangle in the 155-pound bout with Captain Billy Richards.

Other Virginia starters include Jack Camblos, 165 pounds; Bob Laurault, 175-pound division, and Co-captain Milton Parlow in the heavyweight class.

the scoring line for the team is blond guard Joe Walthall.

Walthall, who has set the scoring pace for the Mountaineers all season, reached a high in the team's first game against West Virginia Wesleyan when he chalked up 32 of the team's 60 points.

The records of the teams come as near to being equal as they could. With 13 games under each of their belts, they have hung up nine scalps apiece, losing to two of the same teams, Pitt and NYU. All of the losses by both teams have been on floors away from home, leaving unstained records on home courts of 12 for the Mountaineers and 17 for State.

One point at which the records differ is the calibre of the teams which the two have met. One of the teams which the Lions took comparatively easily, Washington and Jefferson, beat the Mountaineers 44-42 several weeks ago. The other West Virginia loss was to Duquesne, 52-36.

Lion Coach John Lawther stated last night that his team will have no excuse to offer if it is beaten tonight except that they are playing a good ball club. It will be the team, he said, which beat a much better Temple team than the Lions beat four weeks ago.

## 53 Initiates Attend Penn State Club Meeting

Fifty-three initiates were present at the Penn State Club's first initiative meeting, James A. Casey and Edmund R. Koval, co-chairmen, announced last night. Initiates may get their ribbons and cards at the Penn State Club room, 321 Old Main, between 1 and 5 o'clock this afternoon, Koval stated.



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