

Houck Launches Campaign For Boxing Show

Jack Dempsey May Referee Round-Robin Service Bouts

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Leo Houck, coach of the Penn State boxing team, was today laying the foundation for one of the biggest pugilistic carnivals under College supervision in the history of the ring sport as he completed plans with military leaders on the campus for a round-robin boxing tournament among the ASTP, Navy, Marine, and advanced ROTC men who have been stationed here for advanced training.

After conferring with Lieut. Thomas Coleman of the Navy and Colonel Edward D. Ardery of the ROTC department, Houck pushed correspondence to the U. S. Coast Guard Station in New York to obtain Lieut.-Comdr. Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight champion of the world, as referee for the finals, which will be held on New Beaver Field at 7 p. m. Saturday, August 21.

Under present plans, an outdoor ring will be constructed on New Beaver Field to seat an expected capacity crowd of servicemen and civilians, according to a statement released by Pvt. Ben Leaman, former manager of the Lion boxing squad and present cadet in the advanced ROTC group, who is working in collaboration with Houck and the Naval and Army officers in mapping details for the event.

Any man who is stationed here with the ASTP, Navy, Marine, or advanced ROTC is eligible to enter the tourney, but he must hand in his name, and the weight in which he will box, to the leader of his barracks by next Friday, August 6. Managers of the different military units will then contact the house leaders for a complete list of the competing men from his group the next day.

Boats will be held in the 120, 127, 135, 145, 155, 165, 175, and heavyweight classes, and in case any of the service groups enter more than a full team, proper eliminations will be held within that unit by its manager, under the supervision of the Lion coach. Drawings for the semi-finals will be held August 9 by Houck and the various managers. These fights will be held in Rec Hall at 2:30 p. m. August 14. Winners in the bouts will advance to the finals the next weekend, which are expected to be refereed by Dempsey.

Early next week, announcement will be made in the various barracks regarding the selection of a manager from each unit, and specific rules as to overweight and qualifications can be discussed with him. Meanwhile, however, Houck urges all men who are going to participate in the tourney to give their name to their barracks leader immediately.

The drawings may pair either the Marines against the ASTP, and the Navy against the ROTC for the August 14 bouts, or some other scheduling system, but Houck wants all semi-finals to be fought on one afternoon, to speed the show to the finals the following weekend.

Houck made it clear that although all four men in one weight class will box on August 14, no man will have to fight twice that day, as he merely wants to eliminate the field down to two men in each class. For these fights, the boxing mentor is expecting to bill Al Pyle, the professional referee, who has been the third man in the ring in many of Billy Soose's bouts throughout this section.

McKain Calls Cheerleaders

Male students interested in cheerleading should report in front of Old Main at 6:30 p. m. Monday, according to Pvt. Frank R. McKain, head cheerleader. Since most of the former squad has been lost either through graduation or to the armed forces, an almost entirely new group will have to be selected.

Plans Service Series



HOUCK
LEO HOUCK, Penn State boxing coach, is the originator of the round-robin boxing tourney among the servicemen stationed at the College. He is now trying to bring Jack Dempsey here as referee.

COLLEGIAN SPORTS

Marines There First

Marine reservists are holding down six of the nine positions on the Penn State baseball team this summer.

Ohio Boys Set Pace

Ten Navy V-12 boys on the Penn State baseball roster this summer call Ohio their home state.

Influx of Athletes

About 25 of approximately 100 native Ohioans assigned to Penn State under the Navy V-12 training program are seeking berths on Lion athletic teams this summer.

Lions in Minority

No more than three Penn State hold-overs have played with the Lion baseball team at any one time this summer. Most of the regulars are products of the Navy V-12 program.

Prolific Writer

Leo Houck, veteran boxing coach, is one of Penn State's most prolific letter writers. He writes to dozens of former Lion athletes now in the armed services.

Nittany Trackmen To Battle Cornell In Season's Opener

In their first dual meet and only scheduled home meet of the Summer semester, the Lion trackmen will battle Cornell at New Beaver Field at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Coach Ray Conger will field a team composed mainly of Navy and Marine V-12 trainees with only a handful of the former Penn State squad competing.

Old holdovers from last year's squad are Johnny Dibeler, Jim Ziegler, Lou Borges, Sidney Cohen, and Cecil Deuschle. Coach Conger revealed that a former Lion fieldman, who is now training at Cornell in the V-12 program, may compete against his last year's teammates. Dick Stouffer, who high-jumped 6 feet and 2 3/4 inches last year, is expected to star for Cornell if he meets V-12 eligibility requirements.

Four Half-Milers Compete

Dibeler will run the quarter and half miles with possibly three other Congermen competing with him in the half. Saulnier, V-12 contribution, who ran a 2:01.0 half in high school a year ago, will be started in that distance although lack of practice is expected to slow him down. A V-12 man and former University of Cincinnati trackman, Shellenberger will compete in the half and also perform in the high jump event. Other half-miler is Deuschle who will also run the mile.

Lion milers besides Deuschle will be two V-12 trainees with former college experience. Don Stoff, coming from the University of Dayton, and Hans Hermanies, a University of Cincinnati product, who will also carry the Lion hopes in the two-mile run.

Lions Enter Field Events

Borges and Cohen, two remaining Lionmen, will perform in the field events, Borges throwing the javelin and Cohen handling the javelin, discus, and shot put. Borges placed fourth last spring in the IC4-A javelin throw. Roemer, V-12 trainee, has been entered in the shot put and discus events, and may join the javelin competition if needed.

Only Lion broad jumper is Ferd Fischer, freshman, while Shellenberger is the only high jumper entered for the Nittany squad.

Squad Acquires Champ

Outstanding V-12 contribution is Rowan "Tubby" Crawford, Navy, pole vaulter and former Ohio University star. Crawford vaulted 13 feet in the Central Intercollegiate at Milwaukee last spring to tie DeField of Minnesota for the title.

Nick Kalivoda, former Penn Stater back in the V-12 program, will perform in the high hurdles, with Frey from Pitt competing in both the high and low hurdles.

Bedenk Baseballers Meet Sampson Naval Trainees

After scoring a decisive victory over a weak and punchless Lehigh nine last weekend, Joe Bedenk's Navy-Marine injected baseball club will drop anchor this afternoon in the Sampson, (N.Y.) Naval Training Base, where they will meet the tars of the fleet in Penn State's first game on their away schedule.

Bedenk will start his only regular-student players in the battery, with Captain Mike Wardrop, winner of last week's contest doing the hurling, and Ed Haller, freshman player last spring, on the receiving end.

Returning to first base, after playing one game at shortstop to fill in a vacancy created by the absence of regular Jim Bartlett, is Bill Smyth, towering batter from the University of Cincinnati. Jim Graham will again hold down the Keystone sack, and Bill Early, hard-hitting third sacker returns to the hot-corner. Last week Early smashed out a line-drive home run with two mates aboard.

Both Jack Castignola and Jim Bartlett will return to the line-up this afternoon, after missing the Lehigh fray. Castignola will guard the left field gardens, fully recovered from a vaccination infection which sent him to the Col-

lege Hospital for several days last week. Bartlett is slated to do the ball-chasing around the short stop position.

Terry Reichwein and Chuck Traeger fill the remaining spots in center and right field respectively.

Last Saturday, the Sampson squad unleashed a fury of hits to drown Cornell, 7-1, allowing the Big Red but one hit. Stationed at Sampson is Johnny Mize, former first-sacker for the New York Giants, who may take over the same position against the Lions this afternoon.

Jordan Downs AEPHI In WRA Tournament

This week's round of softball found the tournament gathering momentum as 14 teams met on the field.

ChiO and KAT took their respective games by defaults, the former over KKG and the latter over Phi Mu, Tuesday. Playing Tuesday's only game, Jordan defeated AEPHI by 10 to 4.

Chi Omega played Ath West and Watts met Jordan on Wednesday, while yesterday's games included SDT against Ath East and Freshmen against AEPHI.



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