

Lion Five To Meet Plaid, Then Pitt

With hopes for a quick trip up the comeback trail temporarily shattered by a well-drilled Temple five on the Convention Hall floor last Saturday, Coach John Lawther's Nittany Lions will try to pick up where they left off after the NYU game, when they face Carnegie Tech and Pitt in two tussles over the weekend.

The Skibos, an all-civilian outfit, lost their captain by graduation in mid-December when Hugh Smith left school. Joe Kelly and Jack Sherman are the other two returning lettermen who form a nucleus for Coach Max Hannum's inexperienced Tech forces. Kelly plays at forward while Sherman will anchor the backline.

Teaming up with Kelly in the other forward slot when the Carnegie team meets the Nittany Lions tonight, will be Charley Hathaway, a sophomore. At center Hannum's nomination will probably be Jack Shott, 6-3 soph ball handler. Howie Levy, a freshman playing his first season with the Plaid will be in the line-up at the other guard position.

Panther Has Claws

Boasting only a win over their inter-city rivals, Carnegie Tech, in four starts, the Pitt Panther court squad may try to sneak in a surprise victory to upset the State appalcart.

Only yardstick between the two rivals is the NYU team, which took a 54-40 decision from the Smoky City five but were humbled by the Lions in a close 37-36 tiff.

After their NYU defeat, Pitt lost to Westminster by a 82-64 count, but turned around and beat Carnegie Tech to the tune of 63-33. In a tussle last week they bowed before Ohio State 59-38.

According to plan, Bill Ciepley and Capt. Walt Jones will be the Pitt nominations for the forward positions. However, Jones wrenched his leg during an early season game and may not see 60 minutes of action.

Long May Team With Curran

Bud Long may team up with Capt. Joe Curran on the Blue and White forward line against the Skibo quintet. Long pocketed 19 points against the Owls Saturday and may start instead of Monty Moskowitz.

The remainder of the Penn State line-up will probably be the same that faced off against Temple with Mac McNary at center, and Buck Barron and Ed Czekaj at the forwards.

Army Air Corps mental exam, now conducted bi-weekly, will be given in 401 Old Main, 9 a.m. January 21.

Lieutenant H. S. Batdorf, USNR, has sent word to the College confirming the close of classes V-7 and SV-7 of the Naval Reserve.

Swimmers Off To Annapolis With Inexperienced Squad

Coach Bob Galbraith is counting on four former schoolboy aces, three of whom are V-12 trainees, for a successful season this winter, and especially for a win over Navy at Annapolis tomorrow afternoon, when the Nittany Lion tanksters make their 1944 watery debut.

Galbraith's hopes for victory tomorrow are pinned on Leigh Woehling, 1943 PIAA backstroke champ from Norristown High School, freshman Johnny Milan in the 200 yard breaststroke event, Navy Bluejacket Pete Fries in the sprints, and Pvt. Ed Meyer of the Marines in the 100 yard freestyle event.

In the distance events, two other V-12 trainees, Seaman Bob Zuzman, and Pvt. Jack Martin, will carry the hopes of the Lion swim team. The medley relay team, according to tank mentor



BIG FACTORS in the success of the Lawther-trained cagers over Carnegie Tech and Pitt this weekend will be Mac McNary, 6-5 center for the Lions, and Capt. Joe Curran, 5-10 backline ballhandler. McNary leads the Nittany Lions in individual scoring with 58 tallies to his credit, while Curran holds the team together with his smooth work in back court.

Pucksters Get Home Arena; Open To Students Tomorrow

Coach Art Davis' dream of nearly half a decade is coming true. Penn State will have a regulation outdoor hockey rink for the first home game in their intercollegiate career when they meet Colgate on January 29.

Under the supervision of Dean Carl Schott, Neil Fleming, and Ike Gilbert, Davis has had workers hard at work this week flooding the tennis courts across from Rec Hall, and varsity pucksters tried their skates on home ice for the first time in history Monday night.

In anticipation of one of the largest crowds this winter, college authorities are formulating plans for seating spectators along the wire fence surrounding the former tennis courts. It is possible, according to Davis, that bleachers may be constructed for the season's schedule. Three foot boards will also be built in the next few days around the 200 by 85 foot outdoor arena, and goals will be placed in the end zone.

Following the tilt with Colgate this month, the rink will be opened after the game for fans. Meanwhile, Davis will experiment with opening the gates to students and military men tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 p.m., when skating will be permitted until

7:00 p.m. Only persons in uniform or with a matriculation card will be admitted tomorrow, the Nittany coach said.

Squad Likes Ice

Davis is not the only person in Rec Hall who favors the new rink, however, for the squad appears much enthused over the new development, and warn Colgate's Red Raiders that they will be out for a victory to christen the new ice this month, regardless of the impressive record the New York state squad boasts.

Captain Art Gladstone, returning letterman from last year who is stationed at Penn State with the Marines, praises the work of Gene O'Donnell, Canadian born student, and Pvt. Jack Foley, former Carnegie Tech athlete, in the defenses. O'Donnell scored two of the Lion's four tallies in the game with the Hershey Junior Bears last month.

Also shining on this week's scrimmages are Tubby Crawford and Roger Nelson on the forward wall. Although Crawford will be lost to the squad early in February to accept an invitation to pole vault in the Millrose events in Madison Square Garden, Davis expects plenty of action from this Marine star in the Colgate inaugural.

Paul Ameal, labeled as one of the best goalies in Nittany skating records, is again expected to blanket the nets this month. Seaman Frank Ranier, Navy trainee, has improved in practice sessions this week, and should see action in the Red Raider's raid in two weeks.

"Colgate is a big obstacle for us to hurdle," said Davis, "but the boys say they are going to win, and that is the way I want them



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Lion Fight Team Goes Into Opener

Penn State's boxing machine, which has been moving steadily into condition for the past month, will go into high gear today, since athletic officials have scheduled a surprise bout for next Saturday afternoon with Army at West Point.

Originally, Coach Leo Houck's mittsters were to inaugurate the 1944 card on February 12 with Virginia, thus the new starting date shortens the training period by nearly three weeks. However, Houck feels that his squad is ready for action, and will benefit by this early meet from the freshness standpoint.

With daily workout continuing at fast pace since Christmas vacation ended, Houck believes that the new Lion fistic edition is a fairly conditioned organization. **Will Shift Weights**

At a conference last week in New York City, the Eastern intercollegiate coaches decided that if some teams were unable to enter men in every weight class due to the manpower shortage, several fights could be held in the same class.

And that may happen on the Lion squad, for in the 135-pound class, Seaman Billy Cochran appears to have bottled the starting nod, with other good prospects in the same class, including Frankie Segaro, and Naval trainee Roach without a spot. One of these extra fighters in Cochran's class may be able to drop to 127, where the field is practically vacant, under the new setup.

The Marine Corps is being counted on by Houck to handle many of the other tasks on up the weight ladder. At 145 pounds is Pvt. Bill Maloney, a lightning-fast slugger from John Carroll University in Cleveland. Also coming from this same school, is Pvt. Mike Sweeney, who will fight for the 175-pound spot, after taking that title in the All-Service boxing tourney here last summer.

Pvt. Cass Sisler is rounding into condition, after a two-month lay-

Paul Derringer, now pitching for the Chicago Cubs, annexed 10 victories last season to join the select circle of 200 game winners in the National League.

off from football practice. Expecting to give Sisler tough competition, however, is Seaman Mannie Herman, former CCNY intramural boxing champ, who may determine who fights the peak of the card in the heavy-weight class. Also entering into the light-heavyweight picture is Pvt. Bill Zeffiro, a former student from Penn State, now stationed here with the Marines. Zeffiro never boxed before this winter, but Houck commends his work, and points to him as a possible starter in either of the last two weights.

At 155 is Claude Horton, former University of Pennsylvania boxer, now stationed here in the Navy program. Horton is the fighter who boxer Lion coach Leo Houck several weeks ago, to mark the first time the rugged Nittany mentor had boxed in 16 years.

Foul Shots

Don McNary leads the Lawthermen in individual scoring with 58 points for six games. His best night was against the Violet when he sank 19 counters. Monty Moskowitz is in second place with 43 closely followed by Bud Long with 41.

Temple Coach Josh Cody attributes the Owl win over the Lions to good scouting and a tricky defense. He scouted the Nittany five at the Muhlenberg and NYU tussles and worked out an intricate compromise between a zone and man-to-man defense to counteract the State plays.

The Owl mentor also gives a lot of credit to lanky John Kiszonas who did the plurality of the scoring against the home team.

After their brief sojourn in the Smoky City, the Lawthermen come back to State College for what should be a thriller with the Colgate Red Raiders who beat the Lions to knocking off NYU. Army is next on the card with a tussle at the Point, after which Juniata will try their luck against the home forces on the Rec Hall floor.

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