

3 Returning Lettermen Report to Coach Bedenk

Only three hold-overs are numbered among the approximately 55 candidates that have reported to Baseball Coach Joe Bedenk. The Lion mentor is drilling battery candidates under the east stands while infield and outfield contestants practice in Recreation Hall.

Two of the three veterans are 18-year-olds who may be inducted into the armed services before the season opens. Art Bohard of Fracksville was unbeaten in two starts on the mound last summer. Ivan Kline, Frewsburg, N. Y., was his battery mate.

The third hold-over is Glenn Smith, Mt. Carmel ex-serviceman, who played in the left field last summer. Smith captained the wrestling team and won the Eastern intercollegiate 155-pound championship.

"Of the 55 candidates," Coach Bedenk says, "50 percent are Navy trainees, 25 per cent are freshmen, and 25 per cent are ex-servicemen. None of them have had any previous experience."

The Lion nine will face their first opponent when they travel to Annapolis to play the Middies April 28.

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Coast Guard Wins Intercollegiates

A favored United States Coast Guard Academy team captured the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Association championship at the 22nd annual tournament at New London, Conn., Friday and Saturday by annexing five individual titles and two runner-up posts.

The final scores were Coast Guard, 31; Army, 24; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 6; and Penn State, 3.

Only Lion performer to qualify as a finalist was Capt. Paul Smith who upset Army's Albert Alfonso in the 136-pound class but bowed to Coast Guardsman Al Pearce.

Although pressed by a strong Army team which recorded three individual titles and three seconds, Coast Guard clinched the crown with Wright and Richardson taking the 175-pound and heavyweight bouts respectively. Richardson reversed a decision lost to Lion Larry Luhrs earlier in the season. The victors placed Thistle in the 120-pound class, and their Brian O'Hara replaced

Runners Drill For Relays

Three of last year's regulars, Al Lang, Dino Taccalozzi, and Paul Smith, are the only veterans reporting to Track Coach George Harvey this season. Lang and Taccalozzi both throw the javelin, while Smith runs the half-mile and mile.

The Lion runners will enter their first competition April 27 and 28 at the Penn Relays in Philadelphia.

Out of the 59 who reported for practice, said Coach Harvey, only about eight or nine have had previous track experience. Those few who have had experience are mostly in the V-12 unit.

Civilian candidates are Stanley Beals, Casimir Borowy, Herbert Bortek, Melhart Chelosky, Richard Dottermusch, Harold Dixon, Raymond Edwards, Leon Erdman, Richard Glickman, Willard Gottschall, Robert Helford, and Donald Holtzman.

Joseph Kurlansik, Mervin Jacobs, William Lambertson, William MacDonald, Lawrence Marcella, Stanton Roth, Wilbur Schnopp, John Senior, Elliot Shapiro, Paul Smith, and Joseph Styer.

V-12 trainees who are candidates for the track team are James Anderson, Lee Boyd, Stuart Brownell, Archie Craft, James Deeslie, Joseph Eastlack, Thomas Einbecker, George English, Robert Gernand, Raymond Holmes, Walter Hopper, and John Ireland.

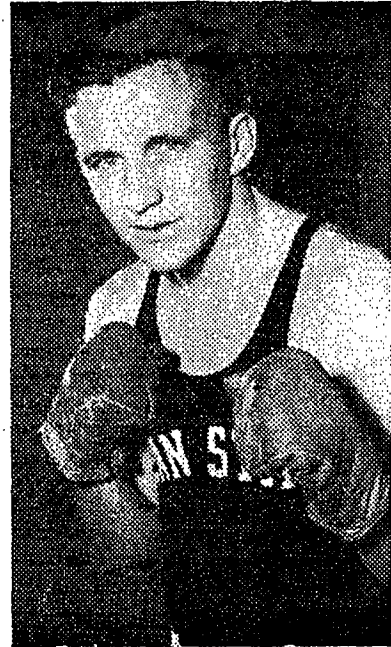
Richard Light, Francis Martin, Leonard Miller, Ernest Nugent, Walter Paroby, Robert Rea, Thomas Sankey, Kevnal Shan, Ralph Smith, Robert Steed, Philip Walter, Charles Willing, and Fred Ziesenheim.

Penn State's Frankie Serago as featherweight king.

John Castle, Army, placed first in the 165-pound division. Cadet Amos Jordan replaced Virginia's Finley as the 155-pound titlist and Steve Conner took the welterweight bout for the Cadets.



GLENN SMITH



PAUL SMITH

Unrelated Smith Twins 'Moider' Mat, Ring Victims

They're third semester phys ed majors; they're ex-servicemen; they're outstanding Lion athletes; their name is Smith. Yes, Glenn and Paul have taken all honors in winter sports at the College; and despite the fact that their names are Smith, they never saw each other until they came to Statef.

Glenn, who won the Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling title in the 155-pound division, began his grappling career six years ago at Mt. Carmel High School where he won the District 4 championship. At that time he was a 165-pounder and he was entered in the same division when he took the National Prep School crown for Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, in 1940.

Entering Penn State in September, 1941, the wrestler won his numerals for freshman matwork. Uncle Sam interfered, however, and it wasn't until March, 1944, that Glenn returned to his favorite sport. When the past season opened, the champion again entered the 165-division.

"How did I lose enough weight to become a 155-pounder? It's simple. I drank hot tea instead of water and didn't eat white bread or drink much milk. Many times I didn't eat at all on Friday," Glenn said.

He recalled the time he spent in the sweat box at Lehigh University before the intercollegiate bouts. "I jumped rope for 40 minutes," he said, "and I came out weighing six pounds less."

One event Glenn will never forget is the day he pinned Jack Rakoski, Cornell, with whom he had wrestled at Mt. Carmel High School. He also pinned Clark of Columbia in the title bouts. Smith suffered only one defeat during the season. That was to Navy's Fletcher which he retaliated a week later.

Glenn holds the same title as his coach, Paul Campbell, won in 1930. The Lions have been without a 155-pound champion in the interim.

Gaining 24 pounds since the close of the season, Glenn is again seeking an outfield position on the Lion baseball team.

Paul, the other Smith, captained the Nittany boxers and was runner-up in the Eastern Intercollegiate 135-pound title. He has been named winner of the Frank J. Goodman trophy awarded annually to Penn State's most valuable mittman. The Hollidaysburg youth holds a medical discharge from the Navy and is the

Lacrosse Squad Books 6 Contests

60 Candidates Train; Veteran Smith Returns

Approximately 60 men, a majority of them Navy V-12 trainees, are vying for positions on the Nittany lacrosse team since daily workouts began last week, according to Coach Nick Thiel. The stickmen's mentor is trying to shape a starting team from the inexperienced group which includes only one returning letterman, Tom Smith.

The Lions have six meets booked this season. Dual meets are scheduled with Navy and Cornell and they will face Swarthmore at home and the 1944 national champions, Army, at West Point. The opening contest is slated against the Middies at Annapolis April 28.

Civilian students competing for posts are: James Ameel, Charles Appleman, Richard Blakely, Grant Davis, Eugene Davidson, Karl Erdman, Lee Gaumer, Fred Herbline, George Jones, Dean Kissell, Bronco Kosanovich, Glenn Martin, Keith Norman, John Nehoda, Marvin Schimmell, Edward Striffler, James Stewart, George Sample, Tom Smith, and Mervin Snyder.

Bill Tucker, Samuel Weinberg, Harold Widdowson, Jim Worley, John Young, Jim Yetter, and Savino Vesco.

Navy trainees are: Ben Adelstein, Edward Bauer, John Bellis, F. J. Cairns, Michael Ciaramella, Bill Davis, Eugene Hannum, Bill Hengstenberg, G. A. Juneau, Larry Klepper, Joseph Kress, Kenneth Kerwin, Robert Kennedy, Joseph Lenzi, David Landig, George Locotos.

George Meeker, John Nolan, R. F. Northrop, Stanley Rubin, Bob Rust, Jack Reid, R. Rocha, R. W. Stratton, Lee Schlagel, Walter Stevens, John Sullivan, E. Soza, Frank Tiedemann, C. Howell Taylor, Burton Tysinger, and Thomas Young.

sixth winner of this award.

Paul is again a candidate for the Lion track team.



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