

Campbell's Matmen Grapple Coast Guard

Highlighting the Penn State - Coast Guard wrestling match tomorrow night at Recreation Hall will be a battle between two former Intercollegiate wrestling champions. Captain of the Penn State matmen, Sam Harry will meet Hal Gershkroff, captain of the New London team, in the second bout of the evening. Both men were champions in the 128-pound class, Gershkroff in 1944 and Harry in 1942, before entering the service.

An extra feature of the match will be an exhibition bout between two Penn State graduate students: Chariic Ride-nour, former National A. A. champion, who will wrestle Clair Hess. This bout will start at 6:45 p. m. and the team matches will begin at 7 o'clock.

In the opener of the evening, Sawyer or Marple will grapple against Faloon of the Lions in the 121-pound class. The 128-pound class will follow between the team captains, Gershkroff and Harry.

The Coast Guard team will start Rynick, Stiffey, and Clune in the 136, 145 and 155-pound

classes, while Coach Campbell will send Steel, Greene, and Dixon or Wynn on the mats in that order.

The Lion coach is undecided on who he will start in the 165-pound class against Clough of the Guardsman. It will be up to Dixon, Wynn or Chamber, depending on the weight of the men at match time. Chambers started the Navy match last week and has the advantage.

The 175-pound class will be an evenly matched bout between McKeeby of State and Langabeer, Coast Guardsman. In the heavy-weight division France will clash with Starr of the Coast Guard's team.

Mountaineers Nip Rally To Shade State

A spectacular fourth quarter rally by the fighting State quintet failed to produce the needed punch to overtake the fast and deadly West Virginia five Wednesday evening at Recreation Hall. The Virginians 48-45 victory was the tenth straight win for the top team from Morgantown.

Coach Lee Patton's boys took the lead from the first minutes of play and never relinquished it to the outplayed Lion team. The Mountaineers held the crowd of 3000 packed in Rec Hall breathless with their fast passing and breaking down court to drop in shot after shot through the hoop.

Johnny Rusinko, who had just returned to the squad, sparked State's last period rally and sank four field goals. Wally Hatkevich continued to be high-scorer by dropping in six from the boards and three from the foul line to pace the team with 15 points.

To Face Colgate
The Penn State basketball team will face a tough opponent this Saturday when they travel to Hamilton, N. Y., to play Colgate. A powerful Army team lost a one-sided game to Colgate last week.

IFC Courtmen Continue Play

The interfraternity basketball tournament has been running along smoothly for three weeks. The contest is divided into three leagues. Each team plays every other team in the league, and the winners in each league will play for the championship. The winning team and the high scorer of the tourney will get awards.

In more recent games, Phi Sigma Delta downed Sigma Chi, 22-11; Phi Kappa defeated Theta Chi, 31-22; Alpha Tau Omega edged out Sigma Phi Epsilon, 29-28; Tau Kappa Epsilon squeaked out a 22-20 win over Delta Tau Delta; Phi Kappa Sigma beat previously undefeated Phi Delta Theta, 19-13; and Beta Sigma Rho swamped Phi Kappa Psi, 29-5.

High points of the games were Phi Sig Stan Seigal's 22 points in one game, SAE Clay Zundel's 20 points in another game, the Delta-TKE game which went into an extra period before the TKEs pulled it out of the fire, and the Sigma Chi-Delta game which took up two overtime periods, the Sigma Chi's winning on Legs Erdman's field goal.

The standings up to Wednesday follow:

LEAGUE I		
Team	W.	L.
Alpha Chi Sigma	2	0
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	2	0
Phi Delta Theta	2	0
Delta Chi	1	1
Phi Sigma Kappa	1	1
Alpha Phi Delta	0	2
Pi Kappa Alpha	0	2
Pi Kappa Phi	0	2
LEAGUE II		
Phi Kappa Sigma	3	0
Beta Sigma Rho	2	0
Phi Delta Theta	2	1
Chi Phi	1	0
Lambda Chi Alpha	1	1
Delta Sigma Phi	0	2
Phi Epsilon Pi	0	2
Phi Kappa Psi	0	3
LEAGUE III		
Phi Sigma Delta	3	0
Sigma Pi	2	0
Sigma Chi	2	1
Tau Kappa Epsilon	2	1
Alpha Tau Omega	1	2
Delta Tau Delta	1	2
Phi Kappa	1	2
Sigma Phi Epsilon	0	2
Theta Chi	0	2

Barracks 37 Holds Top In NROTC League Race

Still holding the lead in the NROTC basketball competition is Barracks 37 with six wins out of six starts. Runner up is the five from Barracks 9 with three quarters of their games won.

Third place is a tie between Barracks 13 and Barracks 26, each with an even number of wins and losses. Fourth place is also a tie with Barracks 22 and the mixed team from 13 and 37 fighting for position. The band, Barracks 36, is in last place, only winning one out of five.

High scorer in the last two games played was Bob Gernand, sparkplug of Barracks 22, who ran up eight points in their close victory over Barracks 13. In the last 30 seconds of play he scored the winning two points. Nolan of 37 and Honig of 9 each held high scorer position for their respective teams with seven points apiece.

Barracks	W.	L.
37	6	0
9	4	2
13	3	3
26	3	3
22	2	4
13 and 37	2	4
36 (band)	1	4

Thiel Calls Lacrossemen; 65 At First Workouts

Coach Nick Thiel has begun winter workouts for his lacrosse squad. Approximately 65 men have turned out for the first week of training. At present the squad is getting into shape by daily workouts in Recreation Hall. If the weather stays clear, Thiel expects to have them practice outside to get experience in stick-work before the squad begins field practice.

Fifteen men from last year's squad are out and with the others that practiced this summer Coach Thiel hopes to bring the team up to its pre-war standard. There are 20 NROTC men practicing with the eight others from last year's squad. As no one has more than one season of lacrosse experience the mentor said that everyone has a chance to make the first ten before the opening game.

Nine games are scheduled, with five home contests. The season opens against the power-packed Army team, defending Intercollegiate champions, on April 13 at State.

Correction

... the wrestling score of the Penn State-Navy match last Saturday was reported incorrectly in the last issue of Collegian. The final score was 23-13, Navy.

Famed 82nd Division Stars Former State Courtman

Playing his usual great game, leading the scoring with 15 counters, although the recently-arrived Eighty-second Airborne Division basketball team dropped the 49-39 exhibition tilt at West Point last week, was a member of Coach John Lawther's '43 cage squad, Sgt. Stan "Whitey" Von Nieda of Ephrata, Pa.

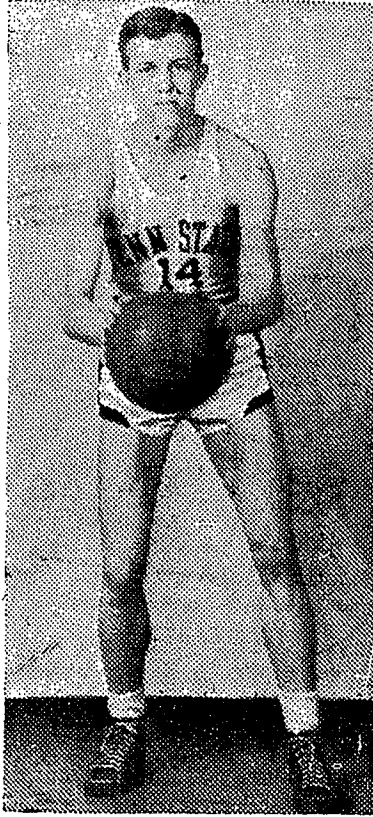
The former Lion, known only as "Whitey" to his teammates, was first-string forward for the '43 team and also one of Coach Lawther's best shots. Through his speed and sharpshooting ability, "Whitey" was one of his team's consistent scorers, usually pouring 8, 10, or 15 counters through the hoops every game.

In the spring of '43, "Whitey" entered the armed services, and some months later was sent overseas. He was transferred to the 82nd division, where he joined the division's quintet and soon earned a starting berth.

As a basketball unit in the European theatre of operations, the 82nd was undefeated. Many of their games ran well over 100 points.

But their biggest test came in the Berlin tournament of service teams, when they came through like the champions they are, copping the tourney with eight straight decisions.

And through it all rose "Whitey" Von Nieda as the sparkplug and star of the 82nd. "Yes, "Whitey" deserved his fame," his former coach, John Lawther, said. "He really was an aggressive ball player with a good



"WHITEY" VON NIEDA

eye, and continuously was one of the high Lion scorers."

Joe Bedenk, who joined Colgate's Eppie Barnes in founding the American Association of College Baseball Coaches, will attend the organization's first annual meeting at St. Louis, Mo.

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