

## Between the Lions

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Last Saturday saw a strange thing happen in Rec Hall. A decision awarding a fight to a Penn State boxer was protested by an audience composed of Penn State students. It was because the fans did not understand the scoring methods used in college boxing that this happened.

After the bouts were over, Referee Bill Gadsby explained that the Penn State boxer (Jack Tighe) had received two points for his third round knockdown which gave him the round and the fight. Gadsby also stated that Tighe had landed more clean blows throughout the fight than his opponent. The round scores in the Tighe fight were 10-10, 10-9 (W. Md.), and 10-8 (PS).

### REFEREE SOLE JUDGE

In dual meets in collegiate boxing, the referee is the sole judge in the matter of awarding points to the boxers. Always, this referee is a veteran of the ring. As in officiating any athletic events, the referee will not call every decision the way the crowd wants it. However, he is the closest to the two boxers and the most qualified to make a decision.

The referee awards points to each boxer for each round. Seldom will he give one contestant less than four points but instead will stop the fight if it is that one-sided.

### POINTS AWARDED

Ten points are awarded to the winner of a round, or to each opponent in case a round is even. A proportionate number of points less than ten is awarded the contestant who loses the round.

Points are awarded for clean and effective blows, for aggressive action, for well delivered partial hits, for blocking and parrying, and for making an opponent miss followed by a counter-attack.

At the end of the third round, the round scores are totaled and the boxer with the highest number of points is declared the winner. In dual meets a draw may be awarded.

### KNOCKDOWN 2 POINTS

Each knockdown is weighted as two points and is added to the score of the round in which it happens. This must not result in the winner of the round receiving more than ten points for the round. Points may be deducted from a boxer's score for fouls committed.

College boxing has for its purpose the development of better boxers rather than heavier sluggers. Those who are accustomed to professional fights must remember that it is not always the boxer who throws the most blows that wins the decision.

## Phi Psi, Sigma Nu Gain IM Playoffs

Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Nu topped their opposition Monday night to gain their respective League Nos. 3 and 6 crowns and the right to represent these loops in the final playoff for the intramural championships which began last evening.

In chopping down Phi Kappa Sigma 27-19, Phi Psi was greatly aided by Joe Bastain's sterling court work. Accounting for seven of his team's points, Bastain excelled both offensively and in back court play.

Nip and tuck was the encounter between Sigma Nu and Beta Theta Pi, with Sigma Nu emerging a 14-13 victor. The Betas swished into the lead with an early basket, but Sigma Nu evened the score, forged quickly ahead, and maintained a lead throughout the tussle.

With just a minute and a half to play, Sigma Nu led 19-9, but Beta Theta Pi quickly closed this

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## Swim Captain

Clyde Bell, breaststroke ace from the 1942 squad, was elected captain of Penn State's first civilian swimming team since 1943 shortly before the opening meet with Carnegie Tech Saturday.

Bell, married Air Force veteran from Huntingdon, holds the 200-yard breaststroke title of Egypt which he won while a member of the championship Air Force swimming team in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations. He also swam in exhibition meets in England.

## Lion Track Stars To Compete At Philadelphia, West Point

Penn State will be well represented in this weekend's track events with no fewer than 15 Wernermen competing in three meets — the Inquirer Invitation Track and Field Meet on Friday night and the West Point Relays on Saturday night in Philadelphia, and the Knights of Columbus meet on Saturday in Boston.

In the Inquirer affair, Coach Chick Werner has chosen Gerry Karver and Don Longenecker for the one and two mile distances, respectively, while Charles Will-

ing, Mill Stemler, and Emory Brown have gotten the nod for the pole vault competition. Dennie Hoggard, of the football squad, has also been entered in the broad jump.

In the 50 and 300 yard dashes, Convention Hall spectators will see Penn State graduate Barney Ewell who, judging by practice performances this week, may set a new world mark over the longer course in Friday's running.

### WEST POINT RELAYS

On the following night, Bill Dudek and Dick McCown will be wearing the Blue and White in the 50 yard dash at the West Point Relays, as Charlie Krug and Bill Moyer compete in the shot put event. Representing Penn State in the 3600 yard relay will be Bill Shuman, Jim Stevenson, Mitch Williams, and Gerry Karver, who will be running his second race for the weekend.

While the rest of the team is competing in the Quaker City, Curt Stone, Penn State's IC4-A cross-country champion, will journey to Boston to run in the Knights of Columbus mile being held there on Saturday night.

This weekend's events will mark the opening of the indoor season for the Nittany track squad.

### Lacrosse Team Meets

For all men interested in going out for the varsity lacrosse team there will be a meeting at 212 Rec Hall at 3:30, Monday afternoon, February 10, according to team Captain George Locotos.

Former lettermen and members of last year's squad should be present at the meeting. Positions are open for assistant managers in lacrosse. All men interested should sign up at the AA office in Old Main and report to head manager Jerry Trumper at the lacrosse room on the afternoon of the tenth.

## Two Opponents Unbeaten As Cagers Win 4th In Row

Approaching the mid-point of the basketball season, Coach Lawther's cagers have recovered from a four-game losing streak to compile four straight wins for six wins out of ten starts against top-notch opposition.

Two of the teams on the Lion card are still undefeated, a trick that less than ten of the nation's big schools have mastered thus far. Top team on the list is the powerful crew of Mountaineers from West Virginia who have run their victory string to seven.

### RATE HIGH

The Mountaineers haven't met the top opposition in every contest, but they are currently rated among the nation's top ten chiefly on the basis of two very convincing wins over Maryland 81-43 early in the season and Canisius recently 63-43.

W&J too remains undefeated in eight games. The Presidents have been facing smaller schools, but good ones. Outside of their defeat of State, however, a 58-38 win over Carnegie Tech is the Presidents' top achievement.

### MULES WIN 8

Leading the parade of beaten teams the Lions have already met is Muhlenburg. The Mules boasted an 8 and 3 record going into their

game with Temple last night. Last week the Muhlenburg boys stopped Lafayette's two-season streak at 16 with a 47-40 triumph. Other notable conquests were the 57-50 beating given Penn, and a 59-44 trouncing of hot and cold LaSalle.

Georgetown University comes up to the mid-mark with a 7 and 4 record. The Hoyas were stopped twice last week, losing to St. Louis and George Washington. But on the credit side of the ledger are wins over Idaho, Nevada, Boston College, Richmond, and Villanova.

### IN THE FUTURE

Looking ahead, the Lawthermen still have two very formidable opponents to meet. They are Navy and Colgate. The Middies have won 6 and lost 1 after a late start. The loss was to George Washington 43-38. But the Navy got going last week and moved to three victories in four days, scoring over Gettysburg 71-39, Columbia 60-50, and Princeton, currently on top in the Eastern League, 46-45.

Colgate has won 5 of 7 games so far. The Red Raiders lost a 41-38 decision to Cornell early in the season, and Saturday ran into Army to lose again, 48-41.



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