

Boxers Meet Orange Minus Injured Tighe

At the sound of the opening gong tomorrow night at 7 o'clock the Nittany Lions will be without the services of their veteran captain, "Tiger" Tighe. Jackie is on the injured list and Coach Houck stated that he is saving his protege for next week's meet against Wisconsin Badgers.

Tighe's sparring partner, Alexander Alex, will receive the starting nod in the 155-pound class. Ring-wise Alex will give no quarter when he squares off against Dick Prussin, Orange captain of two seasons ago.

Johnny Benglian, Lion 130-pound representative, will strive to bring home victory number four when he meets Syracuse's Walter Bowe. Benglian is now reaching his mid-season peak and the former Eastern 127-pound king should run into little trouble tonight.

AUCLAIR

Houck has not yet decided who he will send into the ring to meet last year's Eastern and National 125-pound king, Jerry Auclair. The scrappy little Auclair won his first match of the season when he knocked out the University of Miami representative in 52 seconds of the first round and two weeks ago, he decided Army's Quarstein.

Dynamite-punching Ray Fine, the Orange heavy, will tee off against Chuck Drazenovich. Drazenovich lost his inaugural collegiate boxing match but has improved considerably the last two weeks and the "Battle of the Heavies" should be one of the main features of the meet.

Donning gloves for the first time since he fought on the Lion '44 boxing unit will be Hal Howard. Howard, a 165-pound belter, is ready to upset the dopesheets when he steps into the ring against the veteran Syracuse slugger, Julie LeVine. LeVine will be remembered for the teeth-jarring bout he fought with Virginia's Shoaf in the 1947 EIBA's.

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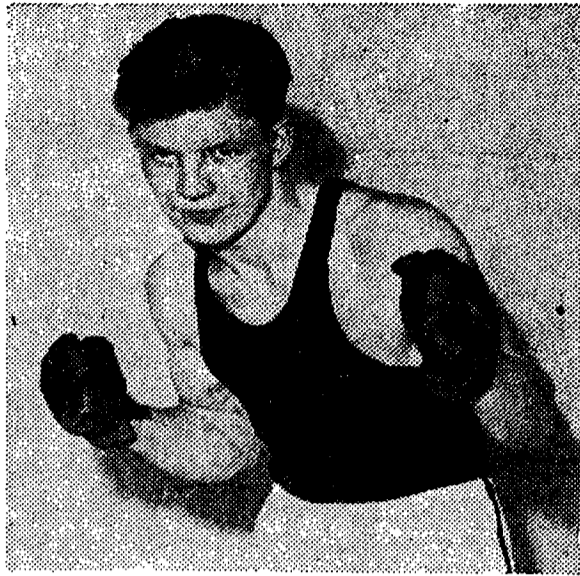
SECOND BOUT

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Captain Jerry Auclair

Tankers Engage Dickinson In Glennland Pool Match

The Nittany Lion swimmers are "up" for today's tussle with Carlisle's Dickinson College, according to Coach Bill Gutteron. After successive losses to Franklin and Marshall and to a strong Syracuse squad, the Blue and White tankers will be relying on their rapid improvement over each meet.

The contest, to be held at the Glenn Pool, 2 o'clock this afternoon, was not included in the schedule, and it was not known that it would take place until early this week.

The probable lineup for the Dickinson meet is as follows: 220-yd. free-style: Dave Hughes and either Jim Reasman, Joe Winton or Don Peck.

50-yd. dash: John McGrory and Bill Schildmacher, who placed first and second last Saturday in the Syracuse meet.

Fancy diving: Cal Folmsbee, who took first honors against the Orange, and Mike Kutsenkow, back in the lineup after a tonsil operation.

100-yd. free-style: Bill Schildmacher and Don Peck, first and second place winners last week.

150-yd. back stroke: John Bruckner and Jim Woodworth.

200-yd. breast stroke: Bob Grossman and Don Baker.

440-yd. free-style: Dave Hughes and Micky Becket.

400-yd. relay: John McGrory, Irv Tenzer, Bill Schildmacher and Don Peck, the combination which clipped eight seconds off their time against Franklin & Marshall while beating Syracuse last Saturday.

Penn State's wrestling team has a record to shoot at when it tangles with Navy at Annapolis on February 21. The Midshipmen are the holders of a string of 42 consecutive dual meet victories... Jim Maurey, undefeated 145-pounder, had a record broken in his win over Syracuse's Ken Hunte. Maurey had won all of his previous dual meet bouts by falls—10 of them at Lock Haven Teachers.

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IM Entries

Deadline for fraternities and independent groups desiring to submit entry blanks for the intramural volleyball and handball singles tournaments is 5 p.m. Monday, Eugene C. Bischoff, director of intramural athletics, said today.

Fencers Point for Win Against NYU Opponent

The Penn State varsity fencing team meets New York University in Rec Hall at 4 o'clock today.

Coach Arthur Meyer has been holding rigid practice sessions all week in preparation for the NYU swordsmen, who gained the intercollegiate fencing title last year.

Probable starters for the Blue and White will be at foil David Ozarow, Harry McCarty and Robert Hollis. At epee will be Rolf Wald, Arthur Ward and Floyd Eberts. Robert Thompson, James Stewart and Paul Younkin will probably start at sabre.

Between the Lions

By Ben French

Twenty-six years ago, the battle-scarred Leo Houck hung up his gloves and decided to quit the ranks of pro pugilists and take up the new profession of teaching the art of boxing to collegians.

It was in a Philadelphia hotel room that Athletic Director Hugo Bezdek finally talked Leo into coming up to State College. He didn't know exactly what the job of a college boxing coach meant, but he decided to give it a chance.

In those days, boxing still bordered on the edge of being vulgar in some circles and few other colleges had taken up the sport. There was much room for advancement and the Lancaster slugger rolled up his sleeves and went to work with a vigor paralleling that displayed in his ring battles with Gene Tunney, Mickey Gannon and Sailor Jack Grady only a year or two before. Always watching out for the

safety of the contestants, the veteran of over 200 pro fights helped set up the collegiate rules and even developed the glove that is used. Sometimes he looked back to his first fight in his early teens and the beatings he had taken. He was going to see to it that the next generation would have it better.

MASTER COACH

Today many of the coaches in college boxing give the champion's share of the credit for the position of the sport to Penn State's Leo Houck. The boxing that fans see in Rec Hall this year is a far cry from the matches of James Figg's day.

Last year the Houckmen met the University of Miami and it turned out that the 175-pounder for the Hurricanes was Leo Houck, Jr. Leo watched his son decide State boxer Wib Greene and send the meet into a tie which was soon broken by Miami's victory in the heavyweight bout. The Houck-Greene fight was the proudest and most exciting moment of Leo's career.

STRESSES FITNESS

Conditioning is a big thing to Leo. No matter how tired a Lion boxer may be, he always runs to his corner at the bell. The coach is soft-spoken as he watches his boys sparring. Now and then, he interrupts to explain the science of the sport, "keep your left in his face and your right ready for the opening the left is bound to create," over and over.

Houck has a habit of calling everyone "Fred" and he often gets it right back. You can tell the varsity boxers on campus for invariably they call their friends Fred.

Long words are Leo's hobby. He loves to toss around such gems as pediculous, prestidigitator and obstreperous to the amusement of his listeners.

Leo's now only a year shy of 60, but from his activity he seems to be back in his ring days. Questioned on this, he replied, "I keep fit, that's all. A daily turn in the handball court does the trick." So Leo continues to lead college boxing with a tradition behind him as strong as the Nittany Lion itself.

Delta 25, Alpha Phi Delta 20; Delta Chi 23, Zeta Beta Tau 10; Phi Kappa Sigma 30, Delta Tau Delta 18.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon 17, Alpha Tau Omega 6; Phi Sigma Kappa 19, Phi Sigma Delta 11; Kappa Sigma and Tau Phi failed to appear.

Runners Oppose West Point

The Nittany track team will play the role of both participant and spectator Saturday when it travels to West Point for a dual meet with the Military Academy and then goes back to New York that evening to root for Jerry Karver, Curt Stone, and Barney Ewell at the New York A. C. meet in the Garden.

A mutual agreement between both coaches allowed Karver, the Penn State luminary, to go to the New York meet. His loss will be counterbalanced by the Cadets' loss of John Hammack who will compete in the 600 yard run in the same tourney.

"It's difficult to say just how strong the West Point team is," commented Coach Chick Werner. "They won the West Point Relays with no difficulty, and last week scored more points in a triangular meet than the combined total of Harvard and Princeton."

WEIGHT THROW

Fourteen events are listed for Saturday's meet, although four of them will almost be gifts. No Penn State trackman will compete in the weight throw since, as Coach Werner quipped, "Ashenfelter might as well compete in the 35 pound weight throw; he has as much experience as the rest of the team—none."

Barkley Moyer and Dan Pearson will go into the shot put event, Dick Reynolds and Wilbert Lancaster in the high jump, and Charles Willing, Earl Brown, and

Milton Stemler will enter the pole vault with no previous practice.

COMPETITORS

The complete list of events and the College men slated to compete in them follows:

75 yard dash—Jim Robinson, Lancaster, Rea Carroll.

75 yard high hurdles—Jim Gehrdes, Gene Love, Steve Segal.

75 yard low hurdles—Gehrdes, Lancaster, Robinson.

600 yard run—Mitch Williams, Ike Evans, Jack Stevenson.

1000 yard run—Bill Shuman, Paul Koch, Ted Hissey.

1 mile run—Lou Nicastro, Bob Auman, Horace Ashenfelter.

2 mile run—Don Longenecker, John Bates.

Mile relay—Lancaster, Carroll, Gehrdes, John Grey.

2 mile relay—Ashenfelter, Williams, Shuman, Evans, Koch, Hissey.

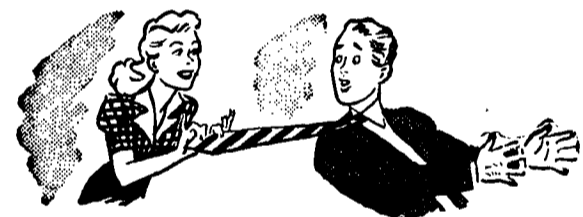
Broad jump—Lancaster, Pearson, Reynolds.

Sigma Nu Wins 6th Till'

Sigma Nu, last year's fraternity IM basketball titleholder, made a bid to annex the crown for the second straight year as they captured the fraternity league "F" championship Thursday night with a forfeit victory over Alpha Sigma Phi.

Other scores: Delta Upsilon 28, Alpha Chi Sigma 12; Pi Lambda Phi 26, Sigma Phi Epsilon 12; Phi Gamma

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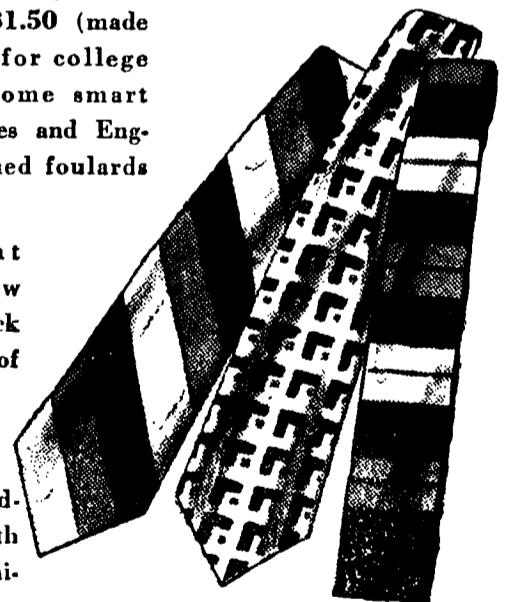


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