

Between the Lions

By Tom Morgan

Sixty banquets since December has been the lot of Bob Higgins, peripatetic football coach. On the meat-and-potato circuit the Hig has dashed everywhere from Bellefonte to Parkersburg, W. Va., from Nanticoke to Brownsville, Pa.

Nothing new to the coach, these fetes, with their attendant after-dinner speeches, have been filling the interim between the season's last game and spring practice for many years. With the present glut in the Hig's engagement book, he pulled a stunt that's unusual for him—he missed a banquet engagement for the first time. In fact, three of them.

Success of Chuck "the Shoulders" Drazenovich in the Nittany boxing ring is nothing sensational to brother Joe. Joe, a perennial sparring partner for brother Chuck, says, "I don't want any part of him. He's tough!" After his first year in the ring, Chuck is now rated the top Lion heavyweight prospect in 11 years.

Adding the Pittsburgh Steelers, Nittany Lion football players are doubling in basketball, under the name and sponsorship of the local Newman Club.

To date they've performed at Barnesboro, Mt. Union, Altoona, North Braddock, and the United States Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg.

BEATEN BY INMATES

Their record is three up and two down, one of the losses being a 57-50 decision to the prison inmates. Lewisburg reportedly boasts a crackerjack outfit which is unhampered by the usual yearly personnel turnover that plagues college and other teams.

The showing at North Braddock, hometown of Francis "Punchy" Rogel (known as baseball

"Rugs" at home) was a charity game, from which the proceeds went to help a local cager who had broken his leg. Playing before a capacity crowd of 1100 in the high school gym, the Newman quint defeated the North Braddock Rams, which included two of Rogel's brothers.

This week the Nittany Newman team, coached by Gene Klier, former cager at Notre Dame, competed in the independent Bucktail Basketball Tournament at Renovo and reached the semi-finals before being eliminated.

BUSINESS MANAGER

Leo Nobile, former Lion star and present Washington Redskins, is business manager of the group. Players who have appeared with the Newman team include Lloyd Amorim, Bill Brown, Johnny Chuckran, Joe Colone, Ed Czekaj, Chuck Drazenovich, Joe Drazenovich, John Finley, Bob Hicks, Dennis Hoggard, Bill Luther, Paul Mazza, Jack McCormick, John Nolan, Elwood Petchel, Francis Rogel, Al Russell, Bill Sherer, Jack Storer, Sam Tamburo and Bob Weitzel.

Something on the side—When Dennis Hoggard traveled to the penitentiary as a member of the Newman quint, it was the first time that a team visiting the prison included a Negro in its ranks.

Chuck Hummel, reserve tailback on the 1947 Nittany grid eleven, has left the College to try his luck in professional baseball circles. He's a pitcher and is trying out with Lincoln, Nebraska, a farm team of the Philadelphia Athletics. As a freshman at California State Teachers College, Hummel was chosen the most outstanding athlete on campus. He played football, basketball and

Fencers Idle

The Nittany Lion fencing squad will not partake in the Eastern Intercollegiate meets which are being held in New York this weekend.

Dave Osarow, Rolf Wald and Bob Thompson will fence, however, in the Nationals which are slated for Annapolis, April 3.

Nittany Gridmen Scrimmage Today

If the weather is favorable, about sixty varsity football candidates will take part today in their initial intra-squad scrimmage of spring practice.

Coach Bob Higgins plans to begin this afternoon's session at 2:30 o'clock.

This week the huge Nittany squad staged conditioning exercises, signal practice, work on the dummies, kicking sessions and ball-handling drills.

Varsity football candidates who were turned away from practice this week because of lack of locker facilities were urged last night by Coach Higgins to see him Monday afternoon in Rec Hall or on Beaver field.

He stated, "We don't want to refuse anyone the chance to try out for the team. We'll find the locker space."

Table Tennis Takes Match

Penn State's table tennis team, after winning its opening match against Altoona, will begin practices following the Spring vacation in preparation for a match, scheduled tentatively for April 3.

George Brazzel, manager of the squad, has contacted the University of Pennsylvania, Temple University and NYU in an effort to schedule meets for April and other dates.

"We're trying to build up table tennis and put it among the other intercollegiate sports," said Brazzel. "This is the first year we've organized a team. By next year we hope to have regularly scheduled meets throughout the season."

In last Sunday's meet at the Armory, the team swamped Altoona 20-7. Marty Krakauer, semi-finalist in state competition this year, and Gene Weeber went through the round robin system of play without a defeat.

Four Handballers Gain Tourney Flight Finals

Four men became eligible for the playoffs in flights 1 and 2 as a result of Thursday night's handball play. Elliot Krane defeated John Murray 16-21, 21-6, 21-7; Lew Elle over Harold Wausat 21-16, 21-10; Lee Henry over Bill Borland 21-5, 21-8; Jay Tenzer over Carl Goldenberg 21-16, 10-21, 21-20.

In independent play four men reached their respective semi-finals. The results were Edward Taggart over Hugh Hackett 21-9, 21-6; George Freeman over Joseph Minarovich 21-17, 21-13; Herbert Rossman over Norman Restaine 21-7, 21-10; Silberman over Ross Munley 21-10, 21-14.

Three Lion Runners Vie For National Track Honors

Jerry Karver, Horace Ashenfelter and company entered last night's Knights of Columbus games at Cleveland as underdogs in every event. Tonight Karver, Ashenfelter and Jim Gehrdes will run in the Chicago Relays.

For the first time since Gil Dodd, retired from indoor competition, someone other than Karver was favored to win the mile. John Twomey, ex-Illinois star, received the nod over the Penn State title holder by virtue of his mile victory two weeks ago in the New York K. of C. games.

Twomey spurred to the tape to place ahead of Tom Quinn of the New York A.C. and Karver to win the event in 4:13.1.

Other milers who started in last night's run were Bill Mack of Michigan State, Les MacMitchell, NYU alumnus, and Quentin Brelsford, Ohio Wesleyan.

SMALL FIELD

Competing in the two mile run, Curt Stone, former Nittany speedster, was favored over a small field.

Jim Gehrdes attempted to halt Harrison Dillard's string of consecutive hurdle triumphs at 48. Last week the Baldwin Wallace hurdler set a 70 yard high hurdle record of 8.5 in winning his 48th race. Dillard has not lost a race since last May.

Instead of competing in the two-mile stint, Ashenfelter, with Jim Stevenson, Mitch Williams, and Bill Shuman entered the two mile relay.

Jim Robinson opposed another former Penn Stater, Barney Ewell, in the K. of C. race. Robinson also competed in the low hurdles with Jim Gehrdes.

SECOND RACE

Three Penn State track stars, Karver, Ashenfelter and Gehrdes, will run their second race in as

many days tonight when they compete in the Chicago Relays. They all were entered in last night's Cleveland Knights of Columbus races.

Running in the two-mile event instead of the Friday night's two-mile relay, Horace Ashenfelter will oppose his former team-mate Curtis Stone. In the last encounter of these two distance standouts, Stoney won by a few yards over the Penn State runner.

Both Karver and Gehrdes, running in the mile and 70 yard high hurdles respectively, will meet the same competition they encountered in the Cleveland meet.

Tonight's meet will be the final indoor race for the Wernermen.

Phi Tau's Rap Alpha Chi Rho In IM Volleyball

After winning by a narrow 16-14 margin over Alpha Chi Rho in its first game, the Phi Kappa Tau-A team came back to win the second tilt 15-0 Wednesday night in the intramural volleyball league.

Other winners for the evening were Sigma Phi Epsilon by forfeit over Alpha Phi Delta, Kappa Sigma over Phi Delta Theta-A 15-4 and 15-3, Alpha Chi Sigma-A over Delta Tau Delta 15-7 and 15-9, Phi Epsilon Pi-A over Phi Kappa Sigma-A 16-14 and 16-14, Alpha Gamma Rho over Delta Theta Sigma 15-3 and 15-12, Sigma Phi Sigma over Alpha Phi Alpha forfeit, Pi Lambda Phi over Kappa Delta Rho 15-13 and 19-17, and Phi Gamma Delta-A over Delta Sigma Phi 15-13 and 15-8.

Thursday's results: Dorm 9 over Dorm 25-A forfeit, Anonymous 6 over Dorm 33 15-13 and 15-3, Dorm 25-B over Dorm 35 (no game), Hemlocks over the Steelers 15-0 and 15-10, Acacia-B over Pi Kappa Phi-B forfeit.

Sigma Pi Takes Lead In IF Wrestling

Eleven falls were recorded in the twenty-four intramural wrestling matches held in Rec Hall on Thursday night.

Sigma Pi took a temporary lead over Sigma Nu in the team totals, when two men, Bill Hollenback and Roberts, advanced into second-round competition. Sigma Pi has tallied 18 points to 16 for Sigma Nu, thus far. Results of Thursday's matches:

128-Pounds—Graff, Phi Psi, won by forfeit over Rosenberger, Sigma Pi; Shihadeh, Phi Kappa Sig, pinned Cooper, Phi Ep, 2:45; Lord, Phi Sigma Kappa, won by forfeit over Heim, Pi Kappa Phi; Bauer, Alpha Chi Sig, won by forfeit over Hoffman, Beta Sig.

135-Pounds—Schultz, Alpha Sigma Phi, pinned Emerson, Phi Gam, 1:31; Kurtz, Lambda Chi, pinned Emmert, Beta, 3:38; Beeter, Alpha Chi Sig, pinned Cardarelli, KDR, 4:33; Cialella, Theta Chi, pinned Weiser, Phi Ep, 1:00; Kimble, Phi Psi, won by forfeit over Dux, SPE.

145-Pounds—Shallcross, AGR, won by forfeit over Meyer, Kappa Sig; Willis, Delta Chi, won by referee's decision over Sagenkahn, Beta Sig; McClenaghan, Chi Phi, decided Heysler, AGR, 5-0; Hollenback, Sigma Pi, won by forfeit over Chase, DTD; Thomas, Phi Kappa Sig, decided Black, Lambda Chi, 7-3.

155-Pounds—Cameron, Beta,

decided Hoyt, Chi Phi, 3-1; Cantrell, DTD, won by forfeit over Snitzer, Phi Sigma Delta; Vernon, KDR, won by forfeit over Reese, Pi Kappa Phi; Van Hallyn, Delta Chi, decided Lloyd, Alpha Chi Sig, 5-2; Weil, Lambda Chi, pinned Berg, SPE, 5:20.

165-Pounds—Roberts, Sigma Pi, pinned Rothschild, Phi Ep, 1:31; Skuta, KDR, pinned Gerwig, Pi Kappa Phi, 3:46; Skinner, DTD, pinned Witman, Theta Chi, 2:15; Gronka, SPE, pinned Richards, Delta Chi, 4:2; Dohl, AGR, pinned Howard, Chi Phi, 2:20.

An informal scrimmage against Army, at West Point, April 10, will mark the Spring football drills now under way. Coach Bob Higgins said he may arrange still another scrimmage for the post-Easter period.

Down the Alley

Alpha Chi Sigma upset league leader Delta Upsilon to advance a step closer to the IFC Bowling League lead.

Lambda Chi Alpha, meanwhile, was defeating Beta Theta Pi, to remain in a second place deadlock with Alpha Chi Sigma.

High single game scores of the evening were turned in by Rodger Nestor, Delta Sigma Phi and Sam Zeiders, Lambda Chi Alpha, with 208 each.

Nestor's three game total of 573 was also high for the night.

TEAM STANDINGS

| | W | L | Pct. |
|-------------------|----|----|------|
| Delta Upsilon | 28 | 12 | .700 |
| Alpha Chi Sigma | 26 | 14 | .650 |
| Lambda Chi Alpha | 26 | 14 | .650 |
| Chi Phi | 22 | 18 | .559 |
| Delta Tau Delta | 21 | 19 | .525 |
| Delta Chi | 20 | 20 | .500 |
| Tau Kappa Epsilon | 20 | 20 | .500 |
| Kappa Delta Rho | 19 | 21 | .475 |
| Alpha Gamma Rho | 18 | 22 | .450 |
| Theta Chi | 14 | 26 | .350 |
| Beta Theta Pi | 14 | 26 | .350 |
| Delta Sigma Phi | 12 | 28 | .300 |

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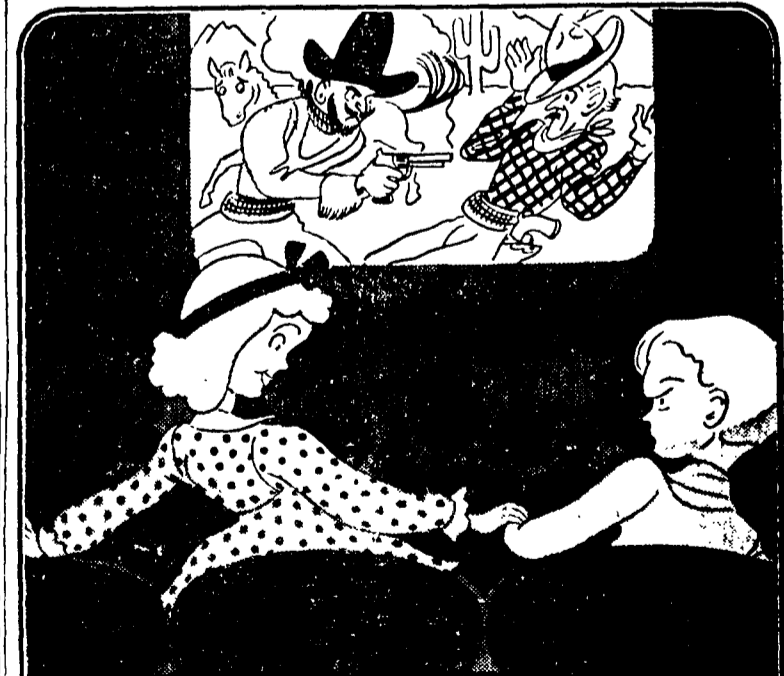
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| Lv. STATE COLLEGE | 10:45 A.M. | 4:30 P.M. | 6:45 P.M. |
| Ar. LEWISTOWN | 12:00 Noon | 5:35 P.M. | 7:50 P.M. |
| Lv. LEWISTOWN | 12:40 P.M. | 6:05 P.M. | 12:40 A.M. |
| Ar. STATE COLLEGE | 1:50 P.M. | 7:10 P.M. | 1:50 A.M. |
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