

Benglian Lone Lion Boxing Entry in NCAA Tournament

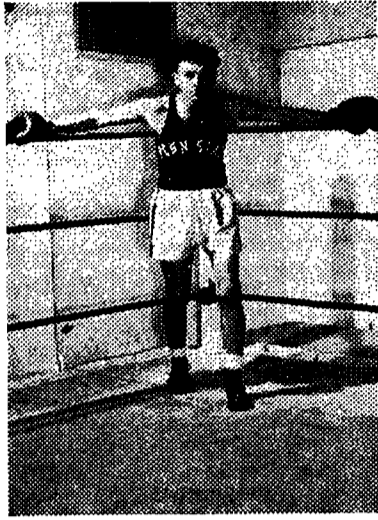
John Benglian, lone Penn State entry in the NCAA boxing tournament at Wisconsin, began his quest for the National 127-pound crown yesterday when he stepped into the ring against Catholic University's Tom Cronin.

Benglian, an Eastern titlist in the 127-pound division in 1946, sports an enviable ring record this season. Unbeaten in 7 dual meets, he lost in the Eastern semi-finals to Grover Masterson of Virginia. Earlier in the season Benglian pounded out a decision over Masterson in a thrilling Rec Hall bout.

Bob Keller, Lion 165-pounder, had been named by Coach Leo Houck to compete in the National Tournament but did not make the trip because his entry was not accepted at the last minute.

Houck said that Keller was not accepted because of his insufficient record in dual meets.

The veteran Nittany Lion coach, commenting on the NCAA's refusal to accept Keller, said, "I have a few things to tell some people about their selections when I get to Madison. I think it certainly is up to the coach to de-



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side whether or not a boy is ready for national competition."

Fred Smith, regular Lion 125-pound starter, was unable to make the trek to Madison when he could not lose enough weight to compete in the 112-pound division.

Lion Gymnasts Capture National College Crown

Reaching their performance pinnacle of the season, the Nittany Lion gymnasts annexed a sterling prize by capturing the National Collegiate Athletic Association gymnastic championship in Chicago Saturday.

It marks the first time the Blue and White has copped the National Collegiate team

crown, although two of Coach Wettstone's teams—1943 and 1945—won the National Amateur Athletic Union toga. This year's NAAU meet is scheduled for Rec Hall May 1 in conjunction with final Olympic tryouts.

Coach Wettstone hailed the Lions' achievement as "exceptionally good." He said, "In previous meets, one or two men would not be up to their best standard. But this meet caught everyone 'on' and our opponents 'off.'" He attributed the Nittany success largely to the complete confidence of the entire team.

Ray Sorensen, team captain and NAAU calisthenics champ, swept through the meet in top form, copping the National Collegiate parallel bars and all-around championships and placing in four other events. He was the lone double winner.

Greene Wins

Eastern Intercollegiate side horse champion Steve Greene gained the national title in his specialty. He tallied 286 points, the highest individual total of the meet, to nose out Illinois' Vito Zinzi in the rope climb.

Runner-up in the all-around and flying rings events was the Lions' Bill Bonsall who also placed in two other events. On the rings he was edged by a one-point margin by Temple's Wally Hayes, 267 to 268.

In tumbling, Eastern champ Bill Meade copped second place behind the defending titlist, Charles Thompson, from California.

Joe Linn executed the rope climb in 4.0 seconds to finish second to Southern California's Ken Foreman, who registered a time of 3.5 seconds.

Competing in the all-around event, sophomore Mike Kurowski finished ninth in a field of 18.

The Lions bagged the championship by compiling 55 team points, followed by Temple with 34½ and Illinois with 22½. Minnesota, Big Nine title-holder, placed fourth with 15 points; Michigan tallied 7, UCLA 5½, Nebraska 1½, Chicago and Southern California one each. Navy did not score.

Second Title

The gym diadem is the second National Collegiate title won by a Blue and White team this year. Coach Chick Werner's cross country team last fall won the NCAA championship at East Lansing, Mich.

Gym summary follows:
Rope climb (not counted in team scoring or in all-around event): 1—Foreman, Southern California, 3.5 seconds; 2—Linn, Penn State, 4.0; 3—Hoffman, Navy, 4.4; 4—Schenker, Navy, 4.7.

Free exercise (counts only in all-around scoring, not in team totals): 1—Stout, Temple, 270 points; 2—Larzelere, UCLA, 260; 3—Sorensen, Penn State, 257; 4—Bonsall, Penn State, 238; 5—Vetro, Chicago, 237; 6—Patten, Minnesota, 236.

Long horse: 1—Peterson, Minnesota, 260½ points; 2—tie between Vetros, Chicago, and Zinzi, Illinois, 258½; 4—Sorensen, Minnesota, 252; 5—Stout, Temple, 245½; 6—McKinney, Temple, 244.

Side horse: 1—Greene, Penn State, 286 points; 2—Zinzi, Illinois, 283; 3—Berenato, Temple, 275; 4—

Muir, UCLA, 264; 5—Sorensen, Penn State, 261; 6—Mayes, Temple, 250.

Tumbling

Tumbling: 1—Thompson, California, 269 points; 2—Meade, Penn State, 248; 3—McKinney, Temple, 233; 4—Patten, Minnesota, 230; 5—Fina, Illinois, 225; 6—Marcus, Temple, 222.

Horizontal bar: 1—Calvetti, Illinois, 269; 2—Peterson, Minnesota; 3—Bonsall, Penn State, 259; 4—Sorensen, Penn State, 257; 5—Stout, Temple; 6—Heiser, Southern California.

Flying rings: 1—Hayes, Temple, 267; 2—Bonsall, Penn State, 266; 3—Winnerberger, Temple; 4—tie among Greene and Sorensen, Penn State, and Stout, Temple.

Parallel bars: 1—Sorensen, Penn State, 285; 2—Greene, Penn State, 280; 3—Stout, Temple; 4—tie between Larzelere, UCLA, & Hayes, Temple; 6—tie between McKinney, Temple, and Vrettos, Chicago.

All-around: 1—Sorensen, Penn State, 1537 points; 2—Bonsall, Penn State, 1462; 3—Peterson, Minnesota; 4—Hayes, Temple; 5—Stout, Temple; 6—Patten, Minnesota.

Nittany Track Stars

To Show Their Wares

Penn State's track and field stars will assist their coaches, Chick Werner and Norm Gordon, in a two-day practice and demonstration clinic on the campus, April 9 and 10. Already, more than 75 coaches and athletes have indicated their intention to attend.

Curt Stone, the nation's top two-miler, and Jerry Karver, collegiate mile king, will join Barney Ewell and other Lion stars in the first clinic of its kind to be held at Penn State since the pre-war era. Individual instruction will be stressed in every event.

Penn State's top performers will be active during the day-long demonstrations Saturday. Stone, Karver and Horace Ashenfelter will highlight instruction in the distance field, with Ewell in the sprints, Jim Gehrdes in the hurdles, and Dave Pincus and Chuck Willing in the field events. Werner and Gordon will oversee the entire program.

Fencers Enter National Meet

Dave Ozarow, Bob Thompson and Rolf Wald will represent Penn State at the National Intercollegiate fencing matches beginning tomorrow at Annapolis. Accompanied by Coach Arthur Meyer, the trio will leave today at noon for the Naval Academy, where they will be lodged.

The Yale trophy will be awarded to the team winning the most bouts in the entire competition, and medals will be awarded to those placing first, second, third and fourth in each weapon.

Recently elected co-captains of next season's Blue and White fencing squad were Harry McCarty and Paul Younkin.

WRA Indoor—

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the volleyball matches. With the indoor program completed, women's athletics will go outdoors for keen competition in softball, tennis, and golf. As in the indoor sports, the groups will be divided into leagues and the championships will be decided about May 11 and 12.

High School and College Elevens To Play Under Common Code Rules

The rules of football were streamlined recently into a single code for both colleges and high schools under a compromise agreement on nearly 150 differences existing previously in the two sets of rules, according to the United Press.

The new code, adopted after a three-day session by representatives of the national collegiate and high school groups, will go into effect next season.

Although spectators will see few appreciable changes in the game, the work of coaches, game officials and even players will be highly simplified and their understanding of play made easier, said William J. Bingham of Harvard, chairman of the National Collegiate Rules Committee.

TEE FOR FIELD GOALS

In general, the new rules provide:

1—An artificial tee will be permitted during any place-kick. (Including try for field goals or try for point.)

2—When a scrimmage kick touches something behind the receivers' goal line, the ball will become dead immediately regardless of whether it has been touched in the field of play.

3—If the first free kick is out of bounds, it will be kicked again. If the second such kick is out of bounds, the ball will be awarded to the receivers on their free-kick line (usually the 50-yard line).

4—Penalty for any infraction of the substitution rule will be five yards.

5—Teams will be permitted twenty-five seconds for the huddle and getting the ball into play.

6—If any foul, such as an encroachment or delay of the game, occurs near the time of snap, the referee will be authorized to blow his whistle to kill the ball only when the infraction occurs early enough to give the referee a reasonable chance to prevent the snap. If the infraction is too late for this, the referee will withhold his whistle and allow the play to go through.

7—Penalties will be enforced in accordance with "3 and 1" method of enforcement. This means that the basic spot of enforcement of a foul is at the spot where the ball becomes dead. The basic spot of enforcement for a foul which occurs while the ball is loose during a kick, pass or fumble is at the previous spot where the ball was snapped or free-kicked.

CHANGE POSITIONS

8—There will be no restriction to prohibit a center, guard or tackle from changing positions with a backfield player during any down. When such a lineman takes a position one yard or more behind the line, he becomes a back and has all the privileges of any other back.

9—Handing the ball forward will not be considered a forward pass. In a pass, the ball must actually leave the hand of the passer and travel in flight. When the ball is merely handed to a teammate it is illegal in certain situations behind the line. When illegal it will carry a penalty of five yards.

10—If a forward pass touches an ineligible player, the ball will remain in play. At the end of the down, the penalty will be enforced or declined. Also, if a forward pass touches an ineligible player in or behind the line it is treated as a type of illegal pass which carries a penalty of five yards and loss of down.

11—Any number of substitutions will be permitted while the ball is dead and the clock is not running. On a dead ball, with the clock running one substitute may enter a college game and two may enter a high school game.

12—A field goal may be scored by any drop kick or place kick during a kick from scrimmage or during any free kick other than the kick-off.

13—Right to advance a recovered kick is determined by whether the kick is recovered behind the scrimmage line or beyond it.

Representing the colleges on the joint committee on rules were E. E. (Ted) Weiman of Maine; E. C. Kreiger of Columbus, Ohio, and A. R. Hutchens of Lake Wales, Fla. High school members were Henry V. Porter of Chicago, E. A. Thomas of Wichita, Kan., and Loyal Quinn of Boone, Iowa.

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