

## Fogg Seeks Replacements As Nittany Skiers Drill

Varsity skiers are drilling daily in preparation for the forthcoming ski season which opens in January.

The season's outlook at the present is dim, according to coach Sherm Fogg. Only two lettermen from last year's ski aggregation greeted Fogg during recent workouts.

The Lion ski mentor will have to select almost his entire team from a host of sophomore ski enthusiasts. Captain Cliff Carts, one of the Blue and White's top skiers for the past two seasons, may be lost for this year because of eligibility rules.

William Graf, neophyte to Lion ski circles last year, is the other monogram winner around which the '49 ski team will be built.

### SNOW

Bad snow conditions for the past few seasons have caused the cancellation of many meets, so only one dual meet is on the agenda for this year, that against Colgate's Red Raiders in the second week in January.

Once again the Foggmen will vie with the nation's best on skis in collegiate circles when they travel to the St. Lawrence Ski Carnival and the Syracuse Winter Carnival, both in upstate New York.

Unofficial team champions at the State Championships at Ligonier last year, the Lions will defend their team title on February 26 and 27.

## Collier's---

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on the Collier's galaxy since present Line Coach Joe Bedenk accomplished the feat in 1923.

Leon "Gates" Gajecki, Nittany captain and center, earned first-team recognition from NEA and Liberty in 1940 but was omitted in the Collier's ranking.

### BOASTS EIGHT

Penn State now boasts eight All-Americans, including Gajecki, six of the eight being linemen. William "Mother" Dunn first accomplished the trick in 1906, followed by Bob Higgins, from his end post, in 1919 and Back Glenn Killinger the next year. Also in 1920, Quarterback Charlie "Gang" Way won similar recognition, followed by Bedenk, Gajecki, Suhey and Tamburo.

## Four Gridmen Named to AP All-State Team

The Associated Press placed four Nittany Lion gridgers on its All-Pennsylvania first team, released this week.

The Lions completely dominated the mythical eleven by placing two backs, Elwood Petchel and Franny Rogel, and two linemen, End Sam Tamburo and Guard Joe Drazenovich, on the first team.

This is the first time since 1943 that one school has had two backfield performers awarded first team berths. Penn was the last team to achieve this when Joe Kane and Bob O'Dell won this honor.

The rest of the first squad was comprised of Bill McPeak of Pitt at the other end, Tommy Donnan of Bloomsburg Teachers and Len Modzelesky of Scranton at the tackle spots, Penn's Dolph Tokarczyk, at guard, and the All-America Chuck Bednarik, of Penn, at center. Bednarik won this honor for the third straight year, a feat never accomplished before.

Besides Petchel and Rogel, the backfield included Dan Towler of Washington and Jefferson and Billy Doherty of Villanova. Towler was a repeated from last year's team.

John Simon was awarded a second-team guard spot and Negley Norton and Wally Triplett each were named to third-team tackle and halfback posts, respectively. End Bob Hicks, Guard Paul Kelly, center Chuck Beatty and Quarterback Chuck Drazenovich all received honorable mention.

## Speidel Banks on Vets To Lead Lion Matmen

By ED WATSON

Five returning letterman bolster the hopes of Coach Charlie Speidel, Lion wrestling coach, who is anticipating a better season than that compiled by last year's mediocre team. The 1948 edition of the Nittany grapplers ended the campaign with a record of two wins, three losses and two ties.

Monogram winners back in action include Captain George Schautz, Don Arbuckle, Jim Maurey, Bob Hetrick and Bill "Spider" Corman. Schautz is the only senior in the group.

Coach Speidel will be depending on these mat veterans this season. Stocked heavily with inexperienced material last year, the Blue and White mentor plans to take full advantage of the year's seasoning in building his current squad.



COACH SPEIDEL

### SCHAUTZ

Leading the way in the 121-pound class is Captain Schautz. Schautz won three bouts and lost two during the past season. Expected to give Schautz plenty of trouble is newcomer John Reese, who also is a possibility for the 128-pound post left vacant by Harry Smith. Smith is now in pre-flight training with the Navy Air Corps.

Letterman Don Arbuckle's 136-pound position is threatened by Al Fasnacht, but Jim Maurey should reign supreme in the 145-pound class. Maurey owned the best record of any Lion grappler last season, winning six bouts, four by falls, and bowing only to Navy's Eastern Intercollegiate title-holder, John Fletcher. Maurey was also runner-up to Fletcher in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association tournament. Bill Thomson is currently faced with the task of attempting to oust Maurey.

The 155-pound division is currently wide open. Laird Robertson has been forced to drop out of school and thus leaves the weight class open to four men, Mickey Silverman, Aubrey McIlvaine, George Thomas and Lee Perna.

### HETRICK BACK

The experienced Bob Hetrick, out part of last season with an injured shoulder, leads the 185-pound class candidates, followed by Johnny Peters, who wrestled for the Blue and White as a Marine trainee.

Bob Markle and Bill Garrison will battle it out with "Spider" Corman for the 175-pound honors. Wally Chambers, Homer Barr and George Echert are the potential starters in the heavyweight division, which has a shortage of performers.

The grapplers open their schedule on January 8, meeting Princeton in an away tussle. The Speidemen will be seeking revenge for the 14-13 defeat suffered at the hands of the Tigers last season.

## Sporting News Taps 6 Lion Gridmen

Six Penn State football players were rated honorable mention in the current "Quarterback" football section of the "Sporting News".

With a Lion gridger in every position but center the Blue and White landed two backs, Elwood Petchel and Fran Rogel; two guards, Joe Drazenovich and Paul Kelly; tackle Negley Norton and end Sam Tamburo on the 1948 list.

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