SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1948

IM Bouts Move Into Finals, 50 Men Remain

Sigma Nu Leads Chase For Team Championship

When the bell's slicing clang 5 p.m., 26 out of half-a-hundred ing the past four years. remaining IM fighters will climb into the squared circle, laying The recently compl their hopes for a division cham-pionship on their battering fists and rock jaws.

The fistic game's final week of warfare moves into its semi-final and final stages, and competition

sigma Nu, last season's cham-pionship team, leads other teams this year in the number of boxthis year in the number of box-ers remaining this far in compe-tition. The defending champs have fighters still standing in six out of the eight weight divisions, losing out only in the 128-pound class, and the 175-pounders. **MONDAY** Five of these gladiators will

Five of those gladiators will have a chance to go farther along the road to fame Monday night when they meet rivals. Tom Hal-ligan will meet Edward Datz, Phi Gamma Delta, in the 135-pound class; Jack Weidenman pound class; Jack Weidenman will trade punches with John Tut-tle, Pi Kappa Phi; Lou Trioni is set to face John Lowery, Kappa Delta Rho for 155 distinction; John Stiemer will vie with Sid Manes, Phi Sigma Delta, and heavyweight John Smidansky is scheduled to clash with Newton scheduled to clash with Newton Comly, Alpha Gamma Rho.

In other bouts John Reese, Phi the Panther Stadium, the scene wasn't exactly a new one to 'big In other bouts John Reese, Phi Delta Theta, will meet Geoffrey Naylor, Kappa Delta Rho; Al Mc-Donald, Phi Delta Theta, will en-ter the ring with Clyde Skinner, Delta Tau Delta; Bob Winslow, Kappa Delta Rho, will face George Kelly, Alpha Chi Sigma; Hugh Hackett, Chi Phi, will punch and duck with Glenn Bullock, Alpha Gamma Rho. Alpha Gamma Rho. HUBER

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James Huber, Phi Gamma Del-
ta, and Bill Curtin, Phi Delta
Theta, will glare over clenchedi
fists in the 155-pound class;
George Mitchell, Lambda Chi Al-
pha, will face Herold, Pi Kappa
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at which, incidentally, he is an adept performer.Phi. is slated to battle with RonDate Mark 1000 (1000 Phi, is slated to battle with Ron Coder, Phi Kappa Sigma; and Vince Chominski, Theta Kappa Phi, will match his prowess with Dan Pearson, Delta Upsilon.

Truman Bowl Seeks Seniors

Participation of Lion Guard Joe Drazenovich and Fullback Francis Rogel in the Truman Bowl, pro-posed New Year's Day charity football game, was ruled out yes-terday on the grounds that they are juniors.

team.

In a telegram to Coach Bob Higgins, M. A. Lockhart, manag-ing director of the Bowl, indicated that only seniors would appear in

Gutteron To Choose Varsity The Nittany Realm

By Ray Koehler

Standing quietly amid the confusion and crossfire of all-Amer-ican football selections going on about him is the bruising, senior Penn State left guard, jarring John Simon, one man to whom allthe Penn State swimming team from men who are new to the collegiate tank wars. star rating is nothing new. team are new to the Lion mentor.

As the cliche points out 'you can't hide class,' and that just about portrays the football picture of the 22-year-old army vet, whose invitation to the annual East-West Shrine Game, in San clamors for action in the varsity Francisco, was received with surprise in some guarters but not to ring, Recreation hall, Monday at the Lions' opponents or to the followers of the Blue and White dur-

TAKEN FOR GRANTED

The recently completed football season has forged some out-standing grid heroes in the ranks of the once-defeated Nittany aggregation, but probably the least publicized has been Simon,

whose outstanding play in the frontlines has been by-passed and taken largely for granted by the average bleacherite.

day night. Nevertheless, the professional scouts, who are paid to produce in the play-for-pay conference, see in Simon a bond worth investing in. But the rugged guard has turned a deaf ear to their has turned a deaf ear to their in the other league, Phi Kappa entreaties, and reaching into a wastebasket. produced a stack of lucrative offers from the big. league magnates. The phys ed again Monday when 18 teams, ing field after graduation this spring. **PHI DELTS** spring.

PHI DELTS Standing 5 feet 9½ inches, the somewhat-balding upperclass-over Sigma Alpha, 21-9, Thurs-However, Gutteron is pleased with Standing 5 feet 9½ inches, the man scales 200 pounds, all of day, boosting its total under the the spirit and willingness of the which, Lion fans will attest, must be bone and muscle. His hard-faced, iron-jawed features seem ers through the hoops.

faced, iron-jawed features seem to belie his softspoken accents. In street clothes, he prefers a conservative type of suit, which makes him appear smaller than width of his shoulders, though, to len there. How the providence who dunked a dozen mark-ers through the hoops. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-to belie his softspoken accents. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-to belie his softspoken accents. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-to belie his softspoken accents. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-to belie his softspoken accents. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-to belie his softspoken accents. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-to belie his softspoken accents. Pi Kappa Phi wouldn't be out-loss in a row, the Phi Kaps kept pace in the hot race for the "B" selected on Walter Camp's team he is. One has only to look at the width of his shoulders, though, to

league diadem. In the "C" league, Phi Kappa Sigma's "iron-curtain" defense realize the bull-like strength hidden there. When Penn State last opposed the University of Pittsburgh in

Goose-eggs stared Acacia in the face at halftime, as Phi Kappa Sigma held a 12-0 lead, then clung

IM Teams Take

Needless to say, the town is proud of its favorite sons and together the three have written their names into the archives which list such Penn State favorites as 'Fats' Clarke, 'Shorty' Miller, Charlie 'Gang' Way and other former grid greats. He professes a liking for the training table steaks at the Nittany Dining Hall. John is a banana split enthusiast and avows he could eat them days, nights and even in church. Last summer he remained close to the campus, working with the construction gang on Simmons Hall. Simon is one player that Coach Bob Higgins does not have to worry about staying in shape. During the winter months the Western Pennsylvania athlete can be found almost daily at Rec Hall playing handhall or wrestling. tered Alpha Sigma Phi, 25.9; and Phi Sigma Delta overcame Phi Kappa Psi, 19-13.

SCHEDULE

The schedule for Monday follows:

customer, but when he sheds the moleskins his reservedness would do an Englishman proud. Casting aside all false modesty Simon says, "My greatest game?" then shrugging his shoulders, "I can't recall any one game, I didn't do much in any of them." But this version of his success is given littly

But this version of his success is given little credence by the 20,000 spectators who recall, on one occasion, seeing the alert guard snag a fourth-period lateral from Sam Tamburo to give the State forces an early-season 14-14 tie against a top-flight Michigan State top 10 9:25 p.m.—Privateers vs Beaver House, court one; Lions vs. V'omers Roamers, court two; Sec-tion 10 vs. Cody Manor, court three

> 10:05 p.m. - Ceramics vs. Murgas, court one; Architects vs. A.R.O.,, court two; Sigma Chi vs. Triangle, court three.

At practice, held every day at the Glennland pool, Coach Gutteron is busy indoctrinating the men in the proper stroking methods. Regular season conditioning practices will not begin until the correct strokes are learned by the new men, Gutteron said.

Swimming Team From New Men

Coach William Gutteron has settled down to the job of selecting

Virtually all of the 36 candidates now out for the swimming

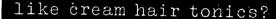
Three one-sided case skirm-The team's chances for success ishes determined leaders in frain the stroke event were dimmed ternity basketball leagues "B" by the loss of two men who are and "C" at Recreation hall, Thurs- new to the campus. The services of Paul Baker and Harry Nelson Phi Delta Theta and Pi Kappa were lost to the squad because of Phi racked up their third straight victories in the "B" circuit, while in the other league, Phi Kappa

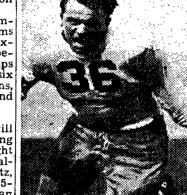
ing lettermen from previous sea-

selected on Walter Camp's team in 1906.

From 1921-1929 the receipts rom football averaged well over \$100,000 per year.







planning stage. Senior End Sam Tamburo al

ready accepted an invitation to play in the contest which will be sponsored by Washington, D.C. businessmen.

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Continued from page four light-heavyweight division. Paul Smith, last year's battler in that weight class weighed around 165 pounds and it is expected that the lanky Smith may move down to his most effective wight, 165 pounds.

Battlin' Johnny Benglian, his shoulder on the mend, should end his colorful Penn State ring career this season wi hta top-heavy win record. The southpaw went undefeated in dual meets last season and his contest against Syracuse's Gerry AuClair, in which he was held to a draw, was one of the bitterest contested ba-

les witnessed by Rec Hall fans during the '48 boxing season. BOB KELLER Bob Keller, hard slugging 165-pounder, looms to be the most ag-gressive boxer on the team and, should be improve on the dur should he improve as ha has during the past few practice sessions, he'll be number one man in the 165-pound weight ilass.

Simon contends that State football fortunes hit their peak one sunny afternoon in November, when the Lions knocked a slightly-favored Pennsylvania eleven from the ranks of the unbeaten on the game, still in an embryonic Franklin Field in the Quaker City.

When asked his opinion on the theory that overconfidence had a lot to do with the Pittsburgh defeat, the Greystone Manor resi-dent said, "Well, I'll give you a hint, it helped," but he quickly added, "I guess it just wasn't our day. Two hundred seventy-seven yards against something like 77 doesn't add up in my book." To which we added, Amen.

be found almost daily at Rec Hall playing handball or wrestling-

PARENTS BOOSTERS John's parents, who live quite a distance from the College, have

always encouraged his playing football and never miss a game over the radio. Two brothers and three sisters round out the family. To the casual observer Simon appears to be a rough-and-ready

Simon recalled the terrific play of the Spartans' one-man blitz-

krieg, halfback George Guerre, whom he tabbed the slickest back

he has seen in four years of collegiate warfare. At the same time he picked Navy's Don Whitmire as his toughest frontline opponent. Chuck Bednarik, of Penn, was "pretty good too."

PEAK OF FORTUNES

Simon believes that this year's team was not as good as the 1947 juggernaut and, encouraged by the acquiescent nods of several players seated around the room, went on to say, "You can't lose men like Suhey and Jeff (Durkota) and expect to come back just as strong the following year."





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