

Sigma Nu Wins 2nd Straight IM Team Title

Phi Delts Cop Second Grab 3 Class Titles;

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bell ended the fight in Wallace's favor.

Sigma Nu's John Stiemer surprised hard-punching Doran Lee, Alpha Tau Omega, with fast flicking right hands that packed a punch that even Lee found tough to take. Lee, who took everything George Mitchell could throw in the semi-finals, stopped a right hook in the first round last night that slowed him down for the rest of the fight.

STIEMER SURPRISES

Jumping away from those explosive bursts of the taller ATO, Stiemer reached Lee's head with ringing blow; that had Lee clinching in the late stanzas. Although Lee did most of the crowding, Stiemer's ability to beat his man to the punch payed off in the judges decision.

Slippery and hard to hit Bill Curtin, Phi Delta Theta, slid away from the wild sallies of Jack Long, Sigma Chi, for two rounds, then sewed up his decision by pounding it out in third round infighting. Long was the aggressor but most of his punches sailed over Curtin's head, and the Phi Delta trickster grit his teeth and pounded his rights, all solid hits, for the win, and the 155 crown.

SMART BOXING WINS

Sigma Nu's other winner, Jack Weidenman, outpointed Bob Blum, Phi Epsilon Pi, with smart boxing through two rounds, then suffering from a dangerous cut above the ear, he forced officials to call the fight. According to intercollegiate rules, when a dangerous injury hampers one of the fighters, the bout will be called with the man ahead in points gaining the win.

In other blood-chilling battles that kept heavy suspense in the air of Rec hall, Jack Reese, Phi Delta Theta, exploded to TKO Tom Lucas, Sigma Nu, after 40 seconds of the third round; George Kelly, Alpha Chi Sigma, pounced to a three-round decision win over Emil "Doc" Suda, Alpha Tau Omega, for the 128-pound championship; Ed Datz, Phi Gamma Delta, decisioned Edgar Loy, Alpha Gamma Rho; independent Jim Maloney outpointed Bob Briselli; and Ron Coder, Phi Kappa Sigma, TKO'd Charley Vitabile, Theta Xi.

SUMMARY

121-pound class—Jack Reese, Phi Delta Theta won by technical knockout over Tom Lucas, Sigma Nu.
128-pound class—George Kelly, Alpha Chi Sigma, won by decision over Emil Suda, Alpha Tau Omega.
135-pound—Edward Datz, Phi Gamma Delta, decisioned Edgar Loy, Alpha Gamma Rho; Olie Wallace, independent, decisioned Leo Everett, independent.
145-pound—Jack Weidenman, Sigma Nu, decisioned Bob Blum, Phi Epsilon Pi.
155-pound—Bill Curtin, Phi Delta Theta, decisioned Jack Long, Sigma Chi; independent Jim Maloney decisioned Bob Briselli, independent.
165-pound—Jack Stiemer, Sigma Nu, decisioned Doran Lee, Alpha Tau Omega.
175-pound—Ron Coder, Phi Kappa Sigma, TKO'd Charley Vitabile, Theta Xi.
Unlimited—John Smidansky, Sigma Nu, decisioned Joe Draznovich, Delta Upsilon.

First Double Winner

In 1942 Penn State became the first college to win both the indoor and outdoor IC-4A titles in the same year.

The Nittany Realm

By Red Roth

Competitive spirit, one of the most highly prized qualities in any athletic performer, rarely brings disaster to its possessor. Yet that same intense "give-your-all" drive of a Nittany cross-country and track great, Horace Ashenfelter, came dangerously close to cutting short his spectacular running career.

As it is, the Collegeville ex-GI will be lost to competition for at least the first month of the indoor track season.

BROKEN BONE

Reason for all the misfortune is a broken bone in Ash's right foot, an injury he is thought to have suffered during the last stages of the IC4-A cross-country championships last month.

He gave Rhode Island State's Bob Black a terrific fight for first place in the IC4-A's at New York's Van Cortlandt park, finishing second in a tight race.

Although he injured his foot at that time, Ashenfelter kept back news of the injury from members of the coaching staff because of his desire to compete for the National Collegiate title at East Lansing.

The Lion cross-country captain managed to keep pace with the leaders for the first mile or two, but the bad foot took its toll and Ash slipped back to finish a poor 34th in the NCAA competition. It seemed one of the poorest performances of his collegiate career.

But teammate Bob Parsons, newly-elected captain of the 1949 team, expressed amazement that Ash finished as high as he did at the NCAA meet.

SPRINTED

"He was running on his heel practically the entire race, and coming down the stretch, when the pain must have been terrific, he practically sprinted to the finish line to prevent anyone from overtaking him," Parsons said.

"I think the kid cracked the bone at New York when he tried to overtake Black in the closing stages of the IC4-A race," Coach Chick Werner commented. "He made no complaint but I knew as soon as the NCAA race started that there was something wrong with his foot."

Ashenfelter, who hopes to defend his twice-won two-mile title in the IC4-A indoor games, now has the lower half of his right foot encased in a plaster cast.

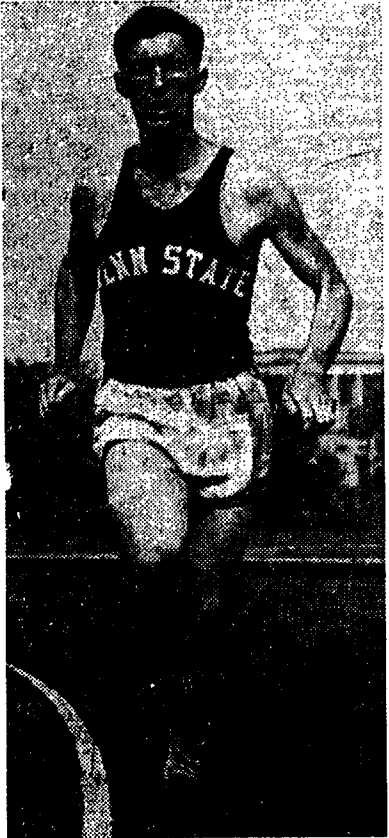
LONG WAIT

The cast will not be removed until mid-January and it will be at least a month to six weeks thereafter until he'll be ready for competition again.

The injured foot has been progressing nicely and medical authorities at the College do not believe it will materially affect his future running career.

Coming at a time when Werner thinks the boy is nearing his peak, however, it may take the fine edge from his performances later this year both in indoor and outdoor track.

Ashenfelter holds indoor and outdoor two-mile IC4-A titles and was runnerup last year and this year in the IC4-A cross-country championships. He also finished second in last year's NCAA cross-



15 IM Verdicts Drop Curtain On Pre-Holiday Cage Play

Finishing up their pre-vacation schedule, intramural basketball teams last night staged their second-in-a-row overloaded program on the hardwood at Recreation hall.

Fifteen important verdicts were pounded out in heavy action before court fans, while three teams won by forfeit.

Cage festivities will begin again at Rec Hall January 4 at 8:45

p.m., when the schedule resumes a customary nine-game program

DORM 33

Ironman Joe LaTorre was the ball of fire for Dorm 33 last

Wash-Jeff Tilt Open to Public

Faculty, staff and townspeople will be admitted without charge to the Penn State-Washington & Jefferson basketball game in Recreation Building tomorrow night, fans were reminded today. The game will begin at 8 p.m.

In the absence of students, who begin their Christmas holiday at noon tomorrow, athletic officials decided to open the game to the public. All other indoor events on the winter calendar will be closed to the public because of the lack of seating space in Recreation Building.

Lions Face—

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night, and Mestrovic will start at the forward positions; Jack Eaton, 6-foot-5-inch pivot performer will hold down the center slot, and Roy Hartman and Osso will buoy the ball-handling chores.

Lawther plans to work his combination around Tocci and Simon in an attempt to floor a winning club. The two mites will be at the guards, Costa will take the center post and Terry Ruhlman and Will Parkhill or Lamie will start at forwards.

Georgetown (49)	G	F	Pt	Tp
Culhane, f	0	1	2	1
Leddy, f	2	1	2	5
Mazziotta, c	2	5	0	9
O'Keefe, g	1	2	3	4
Corley, g	5	3	4	13
Ablondi, f	1	0	2	2
Falvey, g	1	3	0	5
Alagia, g	0	0	0	0
Kelly, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	17	16	49
Penn State (41)	G	F	Pt	Tp
Lamie, f	3	1	5	7
Ruhlman, f	0	2	3	2
Costa, c	3	0	5	6
Simon, g	4	6	5	14
Tocci, g	4	1	2	9
Bosinski, f	0	0	0	0
McKown, f	0	0	0	0
Nordbloom, g	0	1	2	1
Parkhill, g	1	0	4	2
Totals	15	11	26	41

Halftime score: Georgetown 24, Penn State 23.
Free Throws missed: Georgetown—Corley 1; Culhane 1; Falvey 1; Kelly 1; Alagia 1; Mazziotta 3; Brown 3; Leddy; Ablondi.
Penn State—Costa 1; Nordbloom 2; Lamie 2.

Basball was th first sport to make its appearance at Penn State. The first recorded game was played July 4, 1866.

Hurdler Gehrdes to Compete In Sugar Bowl Tournament

Penn State's outstanding hurdler, Jim Gehrdes, will open his quest for national honors during the Christmas vacation when he competes, unattached, in the Sugar Bowl Tournament at New Orleans.

The tournament, held every year to bring together the outstanding athletes in major sports throughout the country, will be climaxed by the Sugar Bowl football game.

Gehrdes, a junior at the College, was hampered last season by an eligibility rule that kept him from competing in most Penn State events. The Altoona timber-topper has competed against many of the outstanding

hurdlers in the country, including Jeff Kirk of Pennsylvania and Lloyd Duff of Ohio State.



Books are ideal for the reader's Christmas list. These are just a few that top the books of 1948 you'll want to choose from:

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