

Lion Boxers Square Off Against Badger Champs

By George Vadasz

Tomorrow night the nation's collegiate boxing champion, Wisconsin, will display its wares before an expected overflow crowd at Rec Hall at 7 p.m.

The Houckmen, victors in their first two outings but vanquished by one point at Syracuse last weekend, will seek to boost their battling average to the .750 mark. The Badgers will open their season against the Nittanymen.

The primary law of the accountant—for every debit there must be an equal credit—found its way into the boxing realm this week. Bob Keller, stylish Lion 165-pounder, was forced to give up the ring sport for the year due to a pulled tendon, an injury similar to that of football-tackle Neg Norton. An operation may be needed in order for Keller to participate in the ring next season.

FORMER WRESTLER

But Keller's loss was balanced when Laird Robertson, a stand-out on Charlie Speidel's wrestling team last season, turned out for boxing sessions this week. In excellent physical condition, Robertson might replace Jim Maloney in the Lions' starting lineup at 155 pounds.

Robertson is not new to Rec Hall boxing circles. The hard-punching right-hander annexed the IM-fraternity 155-title two years ago. He'll face Wisconsin's Glen Nording, winner of two fights last year.

Only one of Wisconsin's four NCAA champions of last season will compete against the Lions. It's 119-pound champ, Steve Gremban, unbeaten last year, who meets Fred Smith in the 125-pound class. In the last two meetings, the Wisconsin battler defeated Smith twice.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

The "Battle of the Heavies," between NCAA winner Vito Parisi and Chuck Drazenovich, will not become a reality. Parisi has dropped out of school. The Draz instead will square off against Bob Ranck, a 6' 2" Wyoming lad who captured the Wisconsin boxing tournament heavyweight title.

One hundred seventy-five-pound NCAA champ Cal Vernon was forced to drop boxing because of scholastic difficulty. The classy Negro will be replaced by Ted Kozuszek, loser of three and winner of none last year. The greatly-improved Lion light-heavy, Jack Bolger, will seek his second consecutive win over the Badger ring artist.

NCAA CHAMP

Former NCAA crown-wearer John Lendenski, "the boy with the KO punch," who decisioned Jackie Tighe two years ago and TKO'd Hal Howard last year, meets Paul Smith at 165 pounds. Lendenski was a quarterfinalist of the NCAA tourney last season. Lion Captain John Benglian will seek a repeat performance of last season's TKO victory over Paul Kotrodimos. John's dynamite right exploded the last two weeks for KO victories.

Dwaine Dickinson, brother of Don, last year's NCAA champ,

Heavies Clash Tomorrow ---



BOB RANCK
Badger Heavyweight



CHUCK DRAZENOVICH
Lion Heavyweight

will enter the ring to battle Houck's choice at 145 pounds, Jack Sheehe. At Wisconsin last year Dickinson decisioned Jack in a closely fought bout.

Replacing Ollie Wallace in the starting lineup at 135 pounds, Lou Guthrie will be on hand at gong-time to exchange blows with the Badgers' all-college boxing champ, Dave Wiseman.

State Fencers Joust at N. Y. U.

Seeking a return to the winning side after last Saturday's 14-13 loss to the Philadelphia Fencing Club, Penn State's swordsmen travel to New York Saturday for an afternoon engagement against N.Y.U.

Coach Arthur Meyer has named Co-captain Harry McCarty, John Kochalka and Ralph Meier as his foil choices. Rolf Wald, Art Ward and Bill Fairchok will compete in the epee event.

Co-captain Paul Younkin, John Richards and Dick Dyer, sophomore find who turned in a triple win against the veteran Philadelphians, will wield the sabers.

ROTC Riflemen Nab Third Spot

Penn State's R.O.T.C. rifle team placed third in a four-team telegraphic match won by the University of Florida last week.

The Florida gunners, scoring 1886 points to win the match, were followed by Knox College with 1778, Penn State with 1761, and Coe College with 1701.

The State rifle squad recently

Mermen Battle Pitt, Seek Fourth Victory

By Murray Seaman

Fresh from two straight victories, Coach Bill Gutteron's mermen are looking forward to a rough afternoon Saturday when they tackle Pitt in the sixth encounter of the present campaign.

As a result of their overwhelming win over Franklin and Marshall Wednesday, the Nittany tankmen now boast a record showing three wins against two defeats. Gutteron is expecting a tougher time against Pitt.

Foggmens Trek To Syracuse Ski Carnival

By Joe Coppa

Eight skiers have been selected by Ski Coach Sherman Fogg to make the trip to Syracuse, N. Y., where the Lions will take part in the Syracuse Winter Carnival today and tomorrow. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Union, Cornell and the host team complete the roster of competing teams.

Fogg plans to use Ham Brosious, Walt Drane and Herb Wahl in the downhill and slalom; Cliff Carts, Bill Graf, Jim Raymond and Wahl in the jump, and Bud Bankert, Carts, Graf and Otto Pfefferkorn in the cross-country event.

CHANCES

Regarding the Lions' chances, Fogg feels that his team will have to fight it out with Union for fourth place, since RPI, Cornell and Syracuse are considered too strong. Where the team finishes will depend on how well the Lions perform in the downhill and slalom, their weakest events thus far this season, since the Lion squad is superior to Union in the jump and cross-country events.

CREDIT

In the two other meets in which the Foggmens took part the Lions performed creditably for a team which has had such adverse skiing conditions.

The first meet, the St. Lawrence Carnival, held at Canton, N. Y., on Feb. 4-5, found the Lion skiers taking seventh place in a field of eleven, placing before Ottawa and Toronto, among others.

Last weekend's Intercollegiate Ski Union meet, held at Syracuse, N. Y., saw the Nittany skiers take fourth place in the eight-team field, only two points behind third-place Hobart.

Two members of the Lion squad were recently elected officers of the ISU, Bankert as alternate secretary and Graf as alternate president.

competed in the Hurst and 2nd Army Intercollegiate firing matches. Scores have not yet been posted.

Firing for Penn State were: Gerard Cahuff, Dale Campbell, Richard Rogers, Joe Agosta and John Shadle.

Pitt will enter town owning a streak of victories that stretches to 13, including last year's meets. One of the men mainly responsible for this impressive record is Dick Petro, an All-American candidate in the dashes. Petro is expected to be the toughest competition that State's dash men, Vic Lynch and Cass Borowy, will encounter all year. In his last outing Petro swam a 54-second 100-yard dash which is better than the existing varsity record for Penn State swimmers.

The Panthers boast strong units in the 220-yard free style and in the 400-yard relay in which they broke their pool record earlier this season. In the meet against F&M's Diplomats Wednesday the Lion 400-yard relay team set its own record time, which promises a topnotch competitive race tomorrow.

Cal Folmsbee and Rudy Valentino, State's "Double Poison" in the fancy diving will be out to add victory number six to their season string. Cal has five consecutive firsts to his credit.

Gutteron will probably stick to the same lineup he used against F&M, which saw Captain Bill Schildmacher performing in the 220-yard free style instead of his usual dash events. His pushing of John McGrory enabled a new record to be set.

800-yard medley relay—won by F & M (Pearce, T. Appleby, R. Appleby); second, Penn State. Time 3:22.5.

220-yard free style—won by McGrory, Penn State; second, Schildmacher, Penn State; third, High, F and M. Time 2:20.0.

50-yard dash—won by Lynch, Penn State; Borowy, Penn State, Tufts, F and M, tied for second. Time 24.4.

Fancy diving—won by Folmsbee Penn State; second Valentino, Penn State; third, Magal, F and M.

100-yard free style—won by Borowy, Penn State; second, Lynch, Penn State; third, Tufts, F and M. Time 56.2.

150-yard backstroke—won by Waters, Penn State; second, Pearce, F and M; third, Conrad, Penn State. Time 1:50.

200-yard breast stroke—won by T. Appleby, F and M; second, Munhall, Penn State; third, Snodgrass, F and M. Time 2:47.0.

440-yard free style—won by T. Jones, Penn State; second, McClure, F and M; third, Holden, Penn State. Time 5:44.3.

400-yard relay—won by Penn State (McGrory, Senior, Borowy, Schildmacher); second, F and M. Time 3:47.7.

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