

Boxers Attempt Ring Comeback

By George Vadasz

Hoping to hop back on the victory bandwagon, Coach Houck's varsity sluggers board the Pullmans tonight for their invasion of East Lansing tomorrow.

The Lions, out to gain their third victory of the current boxing campaign, meet a mediocre Michigan State ring unit whose big bright spot is Chuck Davey, triple 135-pound NCAA champion. He has yet to taste defeat in four years of collegiate ring competition.

Davey, a ring natural, is one of five men ever to win a NCAA title three times. He's gunning for his fourth this year. His brother, Bert, a sophomore, filled in at the 135 slot while Chuck moved up a weight division. Both Daveys won against DePaul three weeks ago but a week later Bert suffered a pair of broken legs and other injuries at the hands of a hit-and-run driver and will be on the shelf until next season at least.

Last season's 112-pound NCAA title winner, diminutive Ernie Charboneau, is another Spartan standout. The little Frenchman

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Track Squad To Compete In IC4-A Meet

By Elliot Krane

For the first time since the beginning of the indoor season in January, Penn State will be represented by an indoor squad when it competes for the top collegiate meet of the board track season, the Intercollegiate 4-A at New York Saturday.

Although Jim Gehrdes, generally recognized as the nation's top collegiate hurdler, will be making his seventh appearance in indoor meets and his fourth in New York, the remainder of the team will be making its New York debut Saturday.

"ASH"

Captain of the Nittany team and defending two-mile champion, Horace Ashenfelter, will attempt to make it two in a row in the I.C.4-A meet but competition in the distance run will be stiff. "Ash", who broke his foot in the I.C.4-A cross-country meet last fall has been exercising since the cast was removed.

Outstanding distance runners like Bob Black, Rhode Island, Dick Church, Syracuse, Tom Irmen, Michigan State and Armand Osterberg, NYU, will attempt to wrest the crown from Ashenfelter's head in one of the featured events of the vening.

Gehrdes will have two running mates in Bob Harrison and Bob Hackman as "Jumpin'" Jim goes after the title Harrison Dillard held last year. Dillard has graduated but competition will be keen from hurdlers like Bill Mitchell, Georgetown, Paige Christensen, Michigan State and George Sylvester, West Point. Gehrdes has never lost to a collegiate hurdler in his seven tests this season and is expected to capture the hurdle title in the meet Saturday.

LANCASTER

Sprinter Wilbert Lancaster will have his hands full in the collegiate meet with two-time I.C. 4-A winner Joe Cianciabella leading the opposition which includes Ira Kaplan of N.Y.U. and possibly Lorenzo Wright of Wayne.

Johnny St. Clair will run with "Ash" in the two-mile, Vic Fritts will compete in the high jump and Doug Scherer will enter the shot put competition.

The Nittany mile relay team is three-fourths complete with John McCall, Paul Koch, Bill Lockhart, but the fourth man is still to be decided upon. George Kline, Ike Evans, Mitch Williams, Bob Bour-Jack Stevenson, Wally Schlegel and a few other runners will compete in a time trial to determine the fourth man on the squad.

SPARTANS

"Michigan State looks like the probable winner of the I.C.4-A title," said Coach Chick Werner. "They have good men in every event and judging from their times in the Michigan State Relays, they're really hot."

The Spartans cracked the distance medley relay mark set last year by Penn State at the Michigan State Relays. The foursome of Mike Rogual, Bill Druetzler, Bill Mack and Jack Dianetti raced the quarter, half, three



Chuck Davey, Michigan State 145-pounder, who is a triple NCAA-crown winner.

Gymnasts Face Midshipmen At Annapolis

Lions Seek Second Victory of Season

By Red Roth

Determined to salvage a remnant of glory from the 1949 season, the Nittany Lion gym team will entrain today for Annapolis, Md., and a dual meet with the Middies tomorrow.

If the Lions are to achieve an Eastern Conference win this year, tomorrow's tilt will probably be their last opportunity. Next Saturday the Nittanyites tangle with undefeated Temple, rated the strongest gym combine in the East, and Coach Gene Wettstone's boys are given little chance to upset the Owls.

Like the Lions, the sailors have found the competition in Eastern Intercollegiate gym circles a little too rough this year.

TRIUMPHS

Although the gymnasts from the Naval Academy can boast of three triumphs, none of them have been registered against conference foes.

In its only two meetings with league opposition the Navy team has wound up on the losing side both times. On February 5 they bowed to Syracuse, the team that snapped the Blue and White's 13-meet winning skein, and last Saturday dropped a dual meet to Temple.

Despite their mediocre record, the Middies can count on the services of two of the finest gym performers in the East in the persons of Captain Roy Grayson and Marv "Chimp" Schenker.

CONTENDER

Grayson, who placed third in Eastern Intercollegiate competition on the side horse last year, is this year's leading contender for top side horse honors. Schenker is the outstanding performer of Coach Chet Phillips' squad.

Only a second classman at the Academy, he last year annexed the Eastern Intercollegiate rope climbing championship and a fourth in the National Championships.

The rope climb, which has been bad news for Coach Gene Wettstone and his team all year, will not be brightened any if past performances of the Navy squad are any indication.

In addition to Schenker, the Middies are represented by John Green, who has already shot up the hemp in 4.3 seconds. That time is two-tenths of a second faster than the best time recorded by a Penn State performer.

BONSALL

Bill Bonsall, Nittany captain, should give the Wettstonemen an edge in his two specialties, the flying rings and the horizontal bar. Sophomore Rudy Valentino and Bill Meade, two of the finest tumblers in the East, are good bets to finish one-two in the tumbling competition.

Meade, along with Mike Kurovski, will also be a threat to naval supremacy on the parallel bars. Grayson is favored to take top honors in the side horse.

The Lion gymnasts, already

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Between Lions—

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ther-coached team is one of cautiously working the ball around for the best chance of making a shot. On the other hand, fast-breaking means trying to outrun the defense to the other end of the floor. (Penn State sometimes resorts to a form of the latter when there is a possibility of outrunning the foe, viz. Wednesday's American U. game in which playmaker-forward Joe Tocci several times streaked the length of the floor, dribbling through a maze of opponents.)

The argument between Lawtherism and the fast break is similar to that between the single wing as Penn State students see it and the "T" in football. Whereas the Lion single wing is methodical, eats up time, has little razzle-dazzle, relies on tremendous power, and is based partly on keeping possession of the ball, the "T" seeks quick scores on long gains, which, in effect means turning the ball over to the opponent more frequently.

Lawther's sliding zone—in which the players take fixed positions, guard certain portions of the court and move as a unit—has incited active protests from opposing teams and coaches.

Classic examples of this concern Pitt and Coach H. Clifford "Doc" Carlson, who has ordered his boys several times to "freeze" the ball, regardless of the score, in a last-ditch effort to pull the Nittanymen out of their zone.

The first time this happened, it resulted in a 5-2 score at halftime. Then on a vote of the players, Pitt resumed its normal style of play in the second half and lost, 32-13.

Another time Carlson staged a similar protest which allowed only five points to be scored in the first half, with a final score of Penn State 15, Pitt 12. All this in an age of racehorse basketball.

From the Morgue

Wisconsin boasts an all-time boxing meet record of 15 wins and one loss against Penn State. . . . The Badgers' John Lendenski, who decisioned State's Paul Smith last week, is a Pennsylvania boy, hailing from Natrona. . . . Lendenski was once awarded a trophy for being adjudged Wisconsin's "Fightin'est Fighter," to which "PO" Smith—a fighter himself—will attest. . . .

Tickets Available For High School Wrestling Bouts

Students desiring to attend the Bellefonte-Clearfield high school wrestling meet in Rec Hall at 2 p.m. Saturday may purchase tickets at the front window of Rec Hall Saturday afternoon or at the Commerce Club, 108 W. College avenue, until Saturday noon. Tickets are priced at 75 cents.

This meet will bring together two of the top high school wrestling teams of Central Pennsylvania. The Bellefonte Indians have a string of 21 straight victories while the Clearfield Bisons have run their victories to 37 straight. Bellefonte's string goes back to 1947, while Clearfield's has been intact since 1945.

Athletic Association tickets are not valid for this meet.

Ranks Ninth

Pitt's basketball squad, which split even in two games this year with Penn State, ranks eighth in the country in percentage of field goal attempts completed. The Panthers tried 916 and made 332 for an average of .362.

quarter and mile distances in 10:13.5, while Penn State's squad composed of Ike Evans, Bill Shuman, Horace Ashenfelter and Jerry Karver covered the distance in 10:20.3.

Penn State did not compete in the Relays this year since they conflicted with the Boston A.A. meet.

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