

Simon Breaks Record As Lions Win, 52-41

A dramatic set shot by Milt Simon in the final 50 seconds of play cracked the Penn State Rec Hall individual mark last night as an inspired Lion quintet went on to hand Temple University a decisive 52-41 defeat.

One of the smallest crowds to watch a State court fray this season saw the dynamic Simon snap back after tying the Lion record last week against American U. Previously Jack Biery set the Blue-and-White pace with 23 points in a game before the war and tied it again last year.

Between The Lions

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What's 52 Wins?

Was Soccer Coach Bill Jeffrey worrying about the safety of his 65-game spotless soccer streak (1932-1941)? Queried about his concern over Navy's recent wrestling string which reached 52, the Scot laughed and said:

"Fifty-two is good, but I was never worried. There was little danger that Navy would reach 65 straight wrestling meets without defeat."

Jeffrey, who, incidentally, will open spring soccer practice in two or three weeks, guided his teams from '32 to '41 to what is believed to be the longest skein without defeat in intercollegiate sports.

Gotta Win in Ring

Six 1948 champions will defend their Intercollegiate Boxing Association titles in Rec Hall March 11-12, but the moniker "defending titlist" doesn't faze a veteran ring tutor like Nittanyman Leo Houck.

"Don't let that fool you," Houck warns. "The championship is still won and lost in the ring."

Sidelined

Ralph Shoaf, captain-elect of this year's Virginia boxing team which hosts Penn State Saturday, can't box because of an injury incurred during the last football season.

From the Morg (ue)

From Wisconsin we hear that several members of the phys. ed. staff conducted a study of performances of certain basketball players. . . . They found, for example, that a guard on the Badger team walked 2,899 feet and ran 14,709 feet during one game . . . which shows us that basketball is a game for the fit.

First Dual Meet

Penn and Penn State were the principals in the East's first college boxing meet at Philadelphia in 1919.

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The high-water mark for all teams is 25 tallies set by Ed Brett of Colgate this season.

QUARTER EDGE

After playing a close-to-the-vest game during the opening minutes of the first period, the duel developed into a ding-dong scoring battle. Simon, Joe Tocci and Lou Lamie, who operated in pro-like fashion under both baskets, combined efforts to give the Nittanians a 15-12 first-quarter edge.

Featured by the red-hot outside shooting of Simon, who rimmed nine points in the pre-intermission period, the Lions ballooned the score to 31-18 at the half. The air-tight State zone held the Owls, averaging 58 tallies per game, to only six markers in the second period.

STARS MISSING

Sadly missing the services of the three Quaker City aces who only last week brought the Philadelphia district crown to Temple, Coach Josh Cody used frequent substitutions to halt the Lion surge but to no avail.

Missing from the Owls' opening lineup were Nelson Bobb, star forward, Ed Lerner, set shot artist, at guard, and "Ike" Borsavage, center. Bobb suffered a broken ankle in the Owls' last game, while Lerner and Borsavage are ineligible.

At the three-quarter mark the Nittany Valley five held a comfortable 42-29 advantage.

Penn State G F T Temple
Ruhlman, f 0 1 1 Graboyes, f 1 0 2
Lamie, f 3 7 13 Nelson, f 0 1 1
Coats, c 2 1 5 Gernert, c 0 1 1
Simon, g 11 22 24 Hatkevich, g 5 6 16
Tocci, g 2 0 4 Ballots, g 2 1 5
Storer, f 1 0 2 Lambert, f 1 1 3
Schlesler, c 1 1 3 Werther, f 1 1 3
Haught, f 1 0 3
Timko, c 4 0 8

Totals 20 12 52 Totals 15 11 41

7-11 Pinmen Extend Unbeaten Streak

In recent independent men's bowling games, the 7-11 Club extended its undefeated season streak by shutting out Mac Hall, 8-0.

Meanwhile, the Ale & Quail, Btyfysks, Kaufman and Tipplers clubs remained close behind the leaders in a four-way tie for second place by turning in victories. Ale & Quail shut-out Zeros, 8-0; Btyfysks won over Mets, Kaufman defeated Nittany Co-op and Tipplers triumphed over Penn State Club, all by 6-2 scores.

BEAVER HOUSE

In other games, Beaver House outscored ITK, and Cody Manor came out on the long end over Newman Club, both by 6-2.

High single game honors went to Art Schwass, Btyfysks, 201, followed by Mike Ostofy, Mac Hall, 199, and Larry Atkinson, Tipplers, 197.

Schwass also won high total laurels with 528, edging teammates Ernie Bailey, 512, and Don Dymski, 510.

Btyfysks also took high team singles with an 856 score, and high team series honors with 2415.

The team standings:

7-11 Club	Won	Lost
Ale & Quail	16	0
Btyfysks	14	2
Kaufman Club	14	2
Tipplers	14	2
Beaver House	8	8
Penn State Club	8	8
Cody Manor	6	10
Mac Hall	6	10
Newman Club	4	12
Nittany Co-op	4	12
ITK	2	14
Mets	2	14
Zeros	0	16

IM Mat, Handball, Volleyball Entries Top '48 Participation

Keeping in step with the increase in participation recorded in all intramural athletics this season, intramural wrestling, handball singles and volleyball entries dwarfed the number recorded in the three sports last year.

The intramural department signed 118 volleyball teams, 121 handball players, and 228 wrestlers for action which is slated to begin on or soon after March 8.

In reporting the jump in con-

testants, Eugene C. Bischoff, IM director, was pleased to note that 22 independent wrestlers signed this year where none saw action in 1948. Fraternity figures show 208 wrestlers this year, 157 last.

Volleyball broke down into 85 fraternity teams, and 33 indie squads this season against 70 and 10, respectively, last year. Handball players reporting from fraternities numbered 107, independent—14, as against 93 fraternity and 10 independent last season.

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Intramural Cage Quintets Meet In Initial Round of Finals

The final stage in the battle for the all-fraternity and all independent intramural cage championship begins tonight.

Independents, Dorm 25 and the Foresters on court one at Rec Hall, and the Warriors vs. Q. Quintet on court three, open the three nights of action. Taptime for the indies is 8:45.

Two fraternity battles, Theta Kappa Phi vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon, and Phi Delta Theta vs. Pi Kappa Alpha, at 9:25, round out tonight's play.

Winners of all four games will meet teams which drew byes for the semi-finals tomorrow night.

Tonight's games feature two independent and one fraternity team which went through the three-month cage season undefeated. Dorm 25 from league "F", and Q. Quintet from "A", ran up eight straight wins and Phi Delta Theta from fraternity league "B" won seven in a row to grab league titles without a playoff.

Dorm 25 meets the Foresters,

who won the league "E" diadem beating the Interrogatives, 22-19, in a Monday night playoff. Q. Quintet is just one game better than the Warriors who ended their season with seven wins and one loss.

Phi Delta Theta meets Pi Kappa Alpha, seven wins and one loss, the team that socked Sigma Chi 19-12 in a playoff Tuesday night.

Theta Kappa Phi, 6-1, and Tau Kappa Epsilon, 5-2, also opponents tonight, both won titles in Tuesday night playoffs.

Spring Lacrosse Attracts 82, 13 Lettermen Form Nucleus

With basketball gasping its final breath and both baseball and track athletics already in their preliminary training stages, one of Penn State's most under-publicized spring sport events, lacrosse, will really get down to work within the next few days.

Although actually out for the past two weeks getting the feel of the sport, Coach Nick Thiel's largely-uninitiated horde begins

concentrated practice sessions in anticipation of their initial battle more than a month hence with Penn on April 13.

With the return of 13 lettermen from a team that won six out of nine engagements last year, the somewhat balding mentor is entertaining high hopes of turning in another successful season. The squad strength at the present time numbers 82 signed players.

Approximately 38 varsity berths will be open, while the remaining players are to be snatched to the State jayvee team.

REPLACEMENTS

Thiel's main headache will be to fill the gap in his mid-field brought about by the loss of John Nolan, who was named All-American choice for the mid-field position last year. Nolan also co-captained the undefeated 1947 Nittany Lion football aggregation.

Another problem will be to find an adequate replacement for Goalie Bill Hollenbach captain of last year's squad, who was named State's outstanding lacrosse senior and whose name has been engraved on the Pittinger plaque in Rec Hall.

According to Thiel, all but one

of his returning lettermen are seniors, representing an unusually large number of lacrosse veterans to have on hand at one time at State. "Practically every varsity aspirant has never played or even seen a game of lacrosse before coming to Penn State," said Thiel, "but one of the beauties of the game is that everyone can play regardless of size or experience."

RUGGED CONTEST

But as the witty veteran of some 15 years of lacrosse warfare at the head of the Lions points out, a rugged constitution and plenty of guts helps. The game, as originally played by the North American Indians, isn't a sport for pantywaists. It is a perpetually-moving, 60-minute game involving plenty of body contact.

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