

Between



The Lions

With Elliot Krane
Sports Editor

Brawn vs. Steel

Although the clash of beef and brawn is uppermost on athletic hill, another clash, that of cold steel, will take its place in the Nittany sports schedule next week.

Intrigued by the names of common fencing terms such as epee, foil and saber, we climbed Ag Hill and visited the personable coach of the Lion fencers, "Doc" Arthur Meyer.

"You don't have to be big to fence," said the associate forestry professor. "All a man needs is good co-ordination and a strong fighting spirit."

"I can't turn out a polished fencer in just one or possibly two years, but if the man has the aggressive spirit a fencer must have, he will be able to win."

Good Example

The former Swiss fencer, still carrying a slight accent in his speech, pointed out Rolf Wald as an example of what a man can do if he has the ability to fence even though he lacks experience.

"Rolf had never fenced before coming to Penn State," he said, "and had to pick up his knowledge as he went along. But last spring he placed third in the individual competition in epee at the collegiate championships in New York."

Coach Meyer went on to describe the three events in a fencing match, the foil, epee and saber. "We rarely do well in the foil, since the foil is an instrument of skill and finesse while the epee and saber bouts can be won by a man who has a strong attack."

For the sophomore who is inclined toward athletics, but doesn't know just where his talents could be best utilized, try fencing. Experience necessary: None. Requirement: Agility and a "fighting spirit."

Here and There

Swimming Coach Bill Gutterman will take charge of the Nittany Lion junior varsity this fall. The stocky tank teacher is not new to the grid sport, having coached at Clearfield High School before coming to Penn State. Activities at Mitchie Stadium will begin at 12:50 Saturday afternoon with a parade by the Cadets. A recent releasee from the Buffalo Bills, Joe Colone, has signed with the Pennsylvania State College as a grad student. Joe, captain of last year's team, is keeping his hand in football by assisting Coach Bedenk on the gridiron.



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Sykes Sets Monday As IM Football Deadline

Entries for both fraternity and independent intramural touch football, swimming and tennis must be filed in the Intramural Office, 213 Rec Hall, by 5 p.m. Monday, October 3, it was announced yesterday by Dutch Sykes, assistant IM director.

Competition in touch football and tennis is scheduled to start at the close of next week, while swimming should commence during the week of October 10.

Single elimination tournaments, in which a defeat results in elimination, will be held in all three sports. Each fraternity and independent organization is allowed but one entry in touch football and swimming, and two in the tennis singles competition. The entry fee for touch football and swimming is \$1.00 per team, and 25 cents per man for tennis.

TOUCH FOOTBALL

All touch football games will be played on the lighted practice area at New Beaver Field between 7 and 10 p.m. The swimming meets will be conducted in Glennland Pool between 5 and 6 p.m.

The start of IM competition will usher in a year in which 16 new champions will be crowned. Last year, when Sigma Nu won the team championship with 1037 points, fraternity teams dominated the IM scene, winning all titles.

Defending the touch football laurels when the season gets under way will be Phi Epsilon Pi, while Pi Kappa Phi will attempt to maintain its grip on the swimming supremacy. Phi Delta Theta will defend the tennis singles title.

1700 CONTESTS

Last year saw better than 1700 contests played by IM teams. Changes in seasons will bring to the fore boxing, basketball, wrestling, handball singles, handball doubles, badminton, volleyball, tennis doubles, horseshoes, soccer, golf, golf-putting, softball and track.

Under the current scoring system, all organizations entering teams in touch football, tennis, and swimming will receive 25 points if they do not forfeit any scheduled games. A winning game or match is worth 5 points, while the team champion in football earns 100 points, tennis 50, and swimming 75. These points will count in selecting an all-year champion.

Lion Fencers Open Season

The Penn State fencing team, although boasting only two wins in six matches last season, is looking forward to a good season this year and will hold its first meeting tomorrow afternoon at 5 p.m. in 222 Rec Hall.

All new students interested in trying out for the team are requested to be present at this meeting. Coach Arthur Meyer stated that the candidates need no experience in order to come out for the team.

Heading this year's squad will be former co-captains Paul Younkin and Harry McCarty. Younkin competed in the saber event and McCarty in the foil.

This year's schedule will include the top teams of the country with Army, Philadelphia Fencers' Club, N.Y.U., Temple and Cornell listed for matches. Candidates for managerial posts are also requested to come for tomorrow's meeting.

Major League Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Yesterday's Results
New York 3, Phila. 1
Boston at Washington (N)
Cleveland at Chicago (N)

Standings	W	L	Pct.
Boston	94	55	.631
New York	94	56	.627
Detroit	87	64	.576
Cleveland	83	65	.561
Philadelphia	79	71	.527
Chicago	62	86	.419
St. Louis	51	100	.338
Washington	48	101	.322

Today's Games
Cleveland at Chicago
Boston at Washington (N)
Philadelphia at New York

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Yesterday's Results
Cincinnati 5, Chicago 4
St. Louis at Pittsburgh (N)

Standings	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	95	54	.638
Brooklyn	94	56	.627
Philadelphia	79	72	.523
Boston	78	77	.487
New York	76	78	.483
Pittsburgh	67	82	.450
Cincinnati	61	90	.404
Chicago	59	92	.391

Today's Games
St. Louis at Pittsburgh
New York at Philadelphia
Brooklyn at Boston

John Egli, recently named assistant basketball coach at Penn State, scored 12 points to lead the Lions to a 46-33 victory over Temple in February of 1943.

Grid Figures Emphasize Loss

That Coach Joe Bedenk's football charges have a long way to go before they can begin looking like the powerful Nittany team of a year ago was borne out by the statistics released following Villanova's convincing 27-6 victory on Saturday.

In almost every department of play the Lions fell below the averages which stamped them as one of the strongest teams in the nation just one year ago.

On the defensive end of the ledger the need for improvements is only too clear. Last year State held the opposition to only 83 yards per game, to record one of the best collegiate records in the country. The overall defensive average last season was 158 yards per game, on the ground and through the air.

209 ON GROUND

On Saturday the charges of Jim Leonard totaled 209 yards via the overland rout and 101 through the air for an impressive grand total of 310 yards.

The ground offensive was far from its 1948 pace. Last year Blue and White ball carriers lugged the leather an average of 216 yards per contest, but on Saturday the men of Nittany managed to run up but 103 yards by rushing.

PASSING

Only in passing did the Lions statistically resemble the team which last year won seven, tied one and lost one. Completions by Bill Luther, Vince O'Bara and Chuck Drzenovich added up to 91 yards, while the '48 average was 93.

Roy Shaginaw, a sophomore back, was the best State had to offer in the way of running. The 160-pound tailback rung up 22 yards in 4 tries for an average of 5.5.

The failure of Fran Rogel to move the ball up the middle can be traced to lack of adequate support. Without the aid of a parallel offensive on wide sweep-

Warm weather was listed as the official cause for the postponement of a Penn State-Cornell hockey game in February of 1943.

ing plays and through the air, Villanova was able to get away with a dishonest defense, concentrating on the middle and holding Rogel to 60 yards in 17 tries.

Rushing	Rushes	Yards	Average
Rogel	17	60	3.5
Shaginaw	4	22	5.5

Passing	Att.	Compl.	Had Inter.	Yds.
Luther	6	3	0	46
O'Bara	4	2	1	89
Drzenovich	1	0	0	0
Shaginaw	1	0	1	0
Dougherty	1	0	1	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards
O'Bara	3	52

Punting	No.	Yds.	Blocked	Avg.
Luther	4	145	0	36.2
Drzenovich	2	57	0	28.5

Pass Receiving	Caught	Yards
Orsini	1	38
Smidansky	1	22
Dougherty	1	17
Amprim	1	8
Drzenovich, C.	1	5
Rogel	1	0

Individual Statistics	Plays	Yards	Average
Rogel	17	60	3.5
O'Bara	11	86	5.3
Luther	18	37	2.0

Penn State	Villanova	
First downs	13	14
Net yards rushing	109	211
Net yards passing	91	101
Forward passes attempted	4	18
Forward passes completed	3	5
Forwards intercepted by	1	3
Yards gained, runback interceptions	2	59
Punting average	34	53
Total yards, all kicks returned	114	89
Ball lost on fumbles	0	2
Yards lost by penalties	50	100

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