



Between

The Lions

With Elliot Krane
Sports Editor

No Record???

With Marty Costa's brilliant point-producing work a matter for the records, we went over to the Athletic Office to check on some other basketball records. Browsing through the 1943 accomplishments, we suddenly stopped and took an unbelieving look at the figures on the page.

On March 6, 1943, Herk Baltimore made 16 field goals and one foul shot to score 33 points. Could Marty's work have gone for naught? Looking further, we came across another surprising figure, that Whitey Von Nedea scored 32 points against Temple in January of the same year.

Even John Egli, who was a member of that amazing team, got into the act with 13 field goals and 3 foul shots for 29 points in another game that year.

Double Check

The figures were right there on the official records, and just to double check, we raced up to Rec Hall to verify the discovery. Oscar Buchenhorst, custodian of athletic equipment in the muscle mill, produced the score book, but the figures were far from startling. Against Georgetown, Baltimore scored 17 points, not 33. Against Temple, Whitey scored 16 and not 32.

Suddenly the light dawned. Mickey Bergstein, who was the head manager that year, marked down total points in the field goal column of the record sheets. Every point total was doubled!

It's Safe

Since all of the high-scoring, doubled scores of 1943 were discounted, Costa's feat of pushing 32 points through the hoop still stands as a modern Nittany mark.

The closest any player has come to that mark within the last 20 years was Bruce 'Nick' Dieterick's 27 markers scored at Hamilton, N. Y. against Colgate. Incidentally the Lions took that game, 71-68.

The all-time, all-rule record at Penn State is 36 points, which was set by Frank Wolfe in 1919 against Susquehanna. This record was set during the era of the two-hand dribble and foul shot specialist. In those games, one man, and in this case Wolfe, shot all of the foul shots for his team-mates.

Records in Reverse

On the negative side, the lowest-scoring Penn State game was the 1944 farce at Pittsburgh when the Lions and Panthers pussy-footed to a 15-12 decision. A shooting fool by the name of McNary was high for the victorious Nittany team with 5 points. The other points were divided equally among his fellow players.

The all time low for a Penn State high scorer was three points scored by Mazes against Michigan in 1929. The Ann Arbor team won that game 32-11.

Also in that same era, Reed plunked 20 out of 24 foul shots and five field goals in 1923 to total 30 out of the Blue and White's 38 points to take Pitt 38-31.

Dry Swim

The Syracuse swimming team was all undressed with no place to swim last week. The Orangemen were scheduled to meet Fordham in New York City, but the city's water shortage forced the Rams to drain their pool and cancel the remainder of their tank contests.

Trackmen Vie in Inquirer, K of C Meets

Gehrdes Competes in Hurdles Against Top-Flight Competition

By JOE BREU

The Nittany track team will begin a full weekend of activity tonight when it meets a top-flight field in the Philadelphia Inquirer meet. Tomorrow night, nine members of the squad will travel to Boston for the Knights of Columbus meet.

Coach Chick Werner will enter either 13 or 14 men in the Inquirer meet, depending on whether Wil Lancaster runs in the 300-yard sprint. Heading the list of Lion entries is Captain Jim Gehrdes, who will compete in the 50-yard high hurdles against a high class field.

The mile-relay team will be out to avenge its heart-breaking loss to Seton Hall last week. A team made up of Wil Lancaster, Johnny McCall, Guy Kay and Bill Lockhart led the whole way only to lose out in the final step to a team that is considered one of the finest in indoor competition this season. Should Lancaster enter the 300-yard sprint, he will be replaced on the relay team by John Bristor.

2-MILE RELAY

The same two-mile relay team which finished second to Yale's strong aggregation last week will answer the starter's gun this week. Bob Parsons, Bob Freebairn and Don and Bill Ashenfelter comprise the Nittany 16-furlong unit.

Another former Lion star, Gerry Karver, will attempt to match strides with Wilt and Barry in the mile, a night's work for any man. One of the evening's top attractions, it will bring together Wilt, and Barry for the first time. In addition to these three, the mile has also drawn Sweden's Alf Holmberg, Syracuse's Neil Pratt, Browning Ross, of Villanova, and John Twomey, national AAU champ.

Vic Fritts, Owen Wilkinson, Ron Coder, Jack St. Clair and, possibly, Lancaster will be the other individual performers for the Lions. In addition, the one-mile and two-mile relays, which turned in surprisingly good performances last week in the Washington Star meet, will attempt to repeat or better their feats. The two relay teams and Gehrdes will make the trip to Boston.

HIGH JUMP

Fritts is entered in the high jump, and Wilkinson and Coder in the pole vault. Fritts finished in a tie for fourth at last week's games in Washington, clearing the bar at 6-feet, 3-inches, only an inch less than the winner's jump.

The pole vault is the only event in which the Nittany team will have double representation. While Wilkinson took fourth place at Washington, the meet will be the first of the year for Coder, Penn State's top vaulter last season.

St. Clair will compete in the two-mile run, which is dominated by former Lions Horace Ashenfelter and Curt Stone.

HARRISON DILLARD

Gehrdes will be out to dethrone Harrison Dillard, winner of the Inquirer hurdles event for the past three years. Jim "warmed up" for tonight's affair by taking the 70-yard high hurdles event in Washington last week in record time.

Mermen Seek Initial Victory Against Temple

By ART BENNING

The Nittany Lion splashers invade Conwell Hall pool at Temple University tomorrow afternoon in search of their first win of the season. Coach Bill Gutteron's proteges, still feeling the sting of defeat at the hands of Colgate and Cornell last weekend, are definitely pointing for a win over the Owls.

Bill Schildmacher, who missed the first two meets because of a hernia condition, has been given the doctor's permission to make the trip, and to swim if he feels well Saturday.

Temple won its season opener with Swarthmore, 38-37, and has since met Lehigh and Drexel, with the scores of these meets unavailable.

ONLY 8 VETERANS

Temple has only eight returning swimmers for this season, including Bernie Cheskin who placed fourth in last year's 300 yard individual medley at the Eastern Intercollegiate meet last year.

Among the newcomers that Coach John Logan is counting on to bolster the squad is John Huber, a 50 yard free stylist. Huber has won recognition for swimming at Atlantic City, N. J. and has broken several records at Palm Beach, Fla., according to the Temple News, student publication at Temple.

The news lists Penn State, along with Princeton, N.Y.U., Rutgers and Pittsburgh, as its outstanding opponents of the year. Last season the Lions eked out a 30-36 win over the Owls.

The men traveling by bus and train to Philadelphia today for tomorrow's meet are Cas Borow, Bart Bronk, John Bruckner, Ker Conrad, John D'Ardenne, Cal Folmsbee, Paul Jones, Gene Kolber, Dick Long, John Lowenfeld, John McGrory, Harry Nelson, Bill Schildmacher, Rudy Valentino, Rod Waters, Bob Wilson, and one man to be chosen from Ted Jones, Andy Harvey, Dean Groth and Revburn Wick.

You Tell 'Em Chick . . .



—Photo by Gearhart
Penn State's 2-mile relay team is pictured in the order in which they run as Coach Chick Werner gives out with some last minute instructions. Left to right are Bob Parsons, Bill Ashenfelter, Don Ashenfelter, Bob Freebairn and Werner.

Untried Gymnasts Seek Answer To Unfilled Varsity Spots

By BOB KOTZBAUER

With just one week of drills remaining before their first dual meet test with Michigan State, Coach Gene Wettstone's inexperienced gymnasts this week began competing for the unfilled second and third spots that still exist in almost every event.

Wettstone has an average of one seasoned performer in each event and will be forced to look to his untried newcomers to fill the other starting positions.

LACK EXPERIENCE

That's particularly true on the horizontal bar, the flying rings and in tumbling. Captain Mike Kurowski will be the only experienced man on the bar. Three first-year men, sophomore Earl Kerber and seniors, Harry Grieves and Ned Foster are fighting for the other two spots.

On the rings, Bill Hendrickson, a sophomore, is in the number one spot, followed by Grieves, Bill Hamel and possibly Kurowski. None of them are ready for dual-meet competition, according to the coach.

Rudy Valentino is the only experienced tumbler. The best of the new crop are Bill Sopper and Howard Mason, sophomores, and they will work number two and

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