

# Nittany Boxers, Basketeers Vie Tonight On Road

## Gross' Combine Seeks 12th Win Against Colgate

Fresh from a stimulating last-ditch win over Temple, Penn State's hardwood quintet will open its last weekend stand of the 1949-'50 basketball season tonight against Colgate and then move on to Syracuse tomorrow.

Lanky Marty Costa enters tonight's game at Hamilton, N.Y., just shy of setting a new Penn State individual seasonal scoring mark. The big guy needed 21 before Wednesday's fray with the Owls but fouled out with 10 minutes still to play and thereby hurt his chance of topping Jack Biery's mark of 260 points before a home crowd.

Colgate came out on the short end of a 50 to 48 score against Army at West Point its last time out. In winning the Cadets climaxed an uphill, last-half surge to win via a tap-in in the last two seconds. Dave Alton and Curt Norris garnered 12 points apiece in a losing cause.

### OVERTIME LOSS

Earlier this season the Red Raiders gave the Lions a 68 to 67 overtime defeat in Rec Hall—one of two home court setbacks suffered by the State forces this year. Since that time Colgate has won 4 and lost 4, while the Nittany Lions have copped 7 and lost 5. Colgate's season record stands at 9 and 6.

The New York aggregation has already taken the measure of N.Y.U., 83-78; Princeton, 76-68; Army, 61-53, and Boston U., 64-45.

### TOP-NOTCH SHOOTING

When the Nittany cagers are "on" they appear unbeatable, as Temple found the other night. Statistics reveal State shooting just shy of the 500 mark in the second-half (dropping 18 out of 39 attempts) while the first half they clicked on only 7 out of 38 attempts from the floor for an 18.4 shooting average.

Despite the mercurial tendencies of the Lions' Coach Elmer Gross, in his first year as Nittany mentor, has brought his team along until they now stand with the best cage record for a Penn State squad since 1943, the last half of the period known as the "Golden Era of Penn State basketball." That year the Lions won 15 and lost only four. The previous year they had won 17, lost 2 and placed third in the N.C.A.A. tournament.

However Gross is playing his games as they come. He well remembers State's last road trip in which his dribblers were hot on a five-game winning streak and, running into Penn, Gettysburg, and Navy, were successively iced.

### AIM AT 12

The Lions must win only one more game to fulfill pre-season ambitions which placed the finger on the twelve mark. After Colgate and Syracuse the Blue and White will meet West Virginia and wind up against Georgetown next Saturday.

Colgate's starting lineup will place the high-scoring Curt Norris and Joe Stratton at forward. The center post is now completely dominated by 6-foot 5-inch Alton, who has come along very fast in the past few weeks. Jim Moore and Ted Stacy will be at guards.

Gross is still undecided on his

starting five and will probably wait until tonight before assigning either Hardy Williams or Jay "Tiny" McMahan to a starting position.

### WILLIAMS' SHOOTING

Williams is being used primarily for his ball-handling according to Gross but of late the Philadelphia youth has been scoring well under pressure and appears the most likely claimant for a starting berth.

While not scoring as well as Gross had hoped, McMahan has posted 119 points in 19 games. His entrance when Costa fouled out loomed as one of the deciding factors in Wednesday's game. Together with Williams, the two sophomores built a wall around the Lions defensive basket with their rebounding.

Lou Lamie, whose sparkling 17 point performance netted him his second best scoring night of the season, and Joe Tocci, back on the beam with 12 counters, will start at forward. Lee Schisler opens at his usual center spot, with Costa and either Williams or McMahan at the guards.

Penn State's jayvees won over the local State College Center team 52 to 35 in the preliminary game Wednesday night.

### Probable starting lineups:

Penn State		Colgate
Tocci	F	Norris
Lamie	F	Stratton
Schisler	C	Alton
Costa	G	Moore
Williams or McMahan	G	Stacy

## Mat Jayvees Stay Unbeaten

Only one undefeated team remains on campus this season by virtue of the win the jayvee matmen gained in defeating the Lock Haven jayvees, 19-11.

Three pins by Bill Corman, Bill Barker and Lock Haven's Dick Hampson, featured the match, but Al Fasnacht of State scored the evening's top triumph when he decisioned Lock Haven's Heacock, former schoolboy champ who once defeated Don Maurey in scholastic competition.

### The summary:

- 121 pounds—Johnson, Penn State, decisioned Rinkel, 4-2.
- 128 pounds—Ganoe, Lock Haven, decisioned DeJulius, 8-4.
- 136 pounds—Hampson, Lock Haven, pinned Smith, in 8:45 with bar arm and body press.
- 145 pounds—Fasnacht, Penn State, decisioned Heacock, 8-3.
- 155 pounds—Midea, Lock Haven, decisioned, Slabonik, 18-9.
- 165 pounds—Corman, Penn State, pinned Graft in 4:00 with bar arm and chancery.
- 175 pounds—Barker, Penn State, pinned Kittinger in 4:00 with half nelson and body press.
- Unlimited—Illingworth, Penn State, decisioned Houk, 4-1.
- Referee—DiAugustino.



RED RAIDERS' who'll oppose the Lions at Colgate tonight: (l. to r.) Dave Alton, Jim Moore, Capt. Curt Norris, Ted Stacy, Joe Stratton, and Gene Cremins. Coach Howard Hartman is standing.

## State Boxers To Battle Wisconsin; Draz, Parisi Fight To Highlight Bouts

Before an anticipated overflow crowd of 15,000 at Wisconsin, Penn State's ring forces will sling leather tonight against a highly rated Badger boxing unit.

Sixteen times the Staters have opposed Wisconsin in the ring but only once have the Nittanians returned to the locker room with a victory under their belts. That was in 1937 when boxing greats Billy Soose, Frank Goodman and Izzy Richter campaigned for the State College forces.

Last year the Lions dropped a 6-2 decision to the Badgers at Rec Hall.

At Wisconsin, tonight, the charges of Acting Coach Ed Sulkowski will be after their second

triumph of the season. A win would bring their slate up to two wins, two losses, two draws.

Although the Lion's record on paper isn't an impressive one, inside the ropes they sport an aggressive unit. Had a couple of breaks gone their way, the Blue and White battlers might have an unblemished record to-date.

Wisconsin opened its season two weeks ago against Minnesota—a team that was deadlocked 4-4 by State—and after the smoke had cleared, Minnesota came out on top, 4½-3½. At home, Wisconsin has won 51 straight matches without the mar of defeat or deadlock.

Last week Wisconsin decisioned Idaho, 5-3, meanwhile the Lions dropped a close 4½-3½ count at West Point against Army.

### PQ SMITH

There'll be one change in the Penn State lineup. Paul Smith, the Lion's veteran 165-pounder replaces Bob Keller. PQ will be opposed by Dick Murphy, a battling newcomer to the Wisconsin ranks who two weeks ago decisioned Minnesota's NCAA kingpin, Cody Connel.

Highlighting tonight's battling will be the heavyweight slug duel. Chuck Drazenovich will seek his fifth win of the year when he battles Vito Parisi, 1948 National heavyweight champion. Two years ago the two battled it out at Wisconsin.

This is what a Madison, Wisc., sportscribe said about the bout: "The Pier 6 brawl came in the heavyweight scrap, final bout on the card Charles Drazenovich won a decision after he and Vito Parisi had clotted each other with everything but the waterbuckets. They both dished it out, and they both showed a willingness and ability to absorb punishment that was amazing."

### LION LINEUP

Penn State's representatives will be, John Hanby, 125; Harry Papacharalambous, 130; John Albarano, 135; Frank Gross, 145; Lou Koszarek, 155; Paul Smith, 165; Jack Bolger, 175; Chuck Drazenovich, heavy.

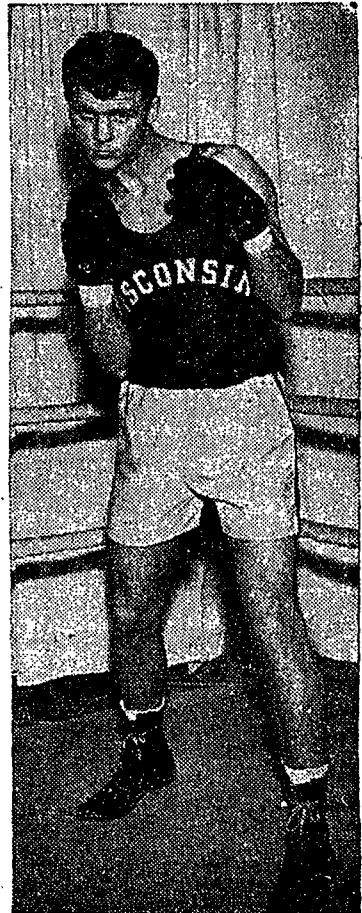
First Wisconsin battler to step into the ring will be co-captain Steve Gremban, a ringwise contestant who has won 12 while dropping but four in three years of competition.

Dwaine Dickinson, co-captain, moved up a weight and will battle at 155. Last year he was an NCAA runnerup. He also is a three-year veteran.

James Sreeran, a boxer who decisioned last year's Penn State



VITO PARISI



LES PAUL

### 1951 Title Tourney

Penn State will be host to the Eastern intercollegiate wrestling championships at State College, in 1951.

## Gilbert Lists Prices for Boxing, Gym Finals

H. R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, today announced the ticket prices which will prevail for the Eastern intercollegiate gymnastic championships at the College March 11, and also the National Collegiate boxing championships, which also will be held in Rec Hall March 30 to April 1.

For the gymnastic tournament, which will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 11, there will be no reserved seats. The general admission ticket, which will be available to students and the public alike at the Athletic Association office beginning Monday, March 6, will sell for 90 cents. Tickets will also be sold at the door on the day of the event.

Gilbert pointed out that, whereas the public is barred from regular season events because of the limited seating capacity and the necessity of honoring student athletic books at the door, championship tournaments are not a part of the regular program and therefore will be open to the public as well as the student body at prices set by the organizations sponsoring both events.

For the four-session boxing tournament, the entire balcony will be reserved whereas the first, or ground, floor will be thrown open to general admission. General admission, or unreserved, seats on the first floor will sell at 90 cents each for the first two sessions, \$1.50 for the third session, and \$2 for the

final session. A series ticket in this location will sell at \$4, a saving of \$1.30.

Reserved seats will sell at \$1.20 each for the first two sessions on Thursday afternoon and evening, March 30, \$1.80 for the Friday evening session, and \$2.40 for the final session Saturday evening. A series ticket in the reserved seat location will sell at \$5.50, a saving of \$1.10.

These tickets may be purchased at the ticket windows of the Athletic Association office, first floor, Old Main, beginning Wednesday, March 1, during the hours from 8:30 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon and again from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mail requests for reservations should be accompanied by check or money order, plus a 25-cent mailing charge.

captain, John Benglian, competes at 130 pounds. Les Paul, who was decisioned two years ago by Jim Cassidy, of Penn State, is back this year at 135-pounds.

Results of tonight's meet will be announced over radio station WMAJ as soon as the meet is concluded.

### Open To Public

Unlike Penn State's regular season events, to which only students are admitted, the Eastern championship gymnastic tourney March 11 and the National championship boxing tournament March 30-April 1 will be open to the public. H. R. Gilbert, graduate manager of athletics, explained that championship events are not part of the regular season program.

### Eyes Pro Ball

Chuck Drazenovich, the Lion's three-letter athlete, is eyeing a professional career when he finishes college.