

Penn State Swimmers Trounce F&M, 52-23

Merman Complete Dual Meet Card; Waters, Valentino Star

By JAKE HIGHTON

Penn State's swimmers closed their dual meet season with a rush by taking their second in a row with a 52-23 trouncing of Franklin & Marshall last night in Glennland pool.

Only a handful of fans witnessed the Lions display their best team balance of the season by capturing first place in every event except the two dashes and thus salvage some glory after losing their first eight of the season.

Co-captain Rod Waters made his final Glennland appearance a bright one as he led the 300-yard medley to victory with a good backstroke lead which breaststroking Burt Bronk and freestyler Dick Wilson easily held. Then Waters, in the 200-yard breaststroke with winner George Hamilton pacing for him, fought a stirring duel the entire distance before ousting the Dips from the runnerup spot.

Valentino Wins

Tumbling champ Rudy Valentino came to the rescue of Gutteron's blood-poisoned ace diver Bob Kenyon as dramatically as in any movie script. Without practice since the second meet of the season, Rudy played johnny-on-the-spot to win the one meter dive.

Seasonal observers must have doubted what they saw in the breaststroke because the Nittanians won that event for the first time all year. Soph Jim Davies is the boy who neatly pulled the trick with a 200-yard timing of 2:49.8, a mark only .7 from the Penn State record.

Threaten Record

Bob Long, Dick Wilson, Cas Borowy, and Gene Kolber failed to break the Penn State record set last Saturday in the 400-yard relay by .4 of a second despite the fact that Wilson and Borowy both ripped 100 yards beneath 55 seconds.

In the 440, Kolber and Bronk close enough for quiet conversation with Bronk going under the pennant first with Kolber next. Earlier in the 220, Kolber had a terrific fight before winning by a half-stroke.

Former Nittany Mentor Says Lamie's Eye Best Since '36

Former Penn State basketball Coach John Lawther yesterday called Lou Lamie the most accurate shot he has ever seen in a Lion uniform.

Commenting on Lamie's new one season State scoring record, of 308 points, Lawther, who came here in 1936, also praised his unorthodox style as a big factor in reaching the goal.

"Lou's style of shooting is so different that it catches the defense off guard," he said. "His fakes and hesitations confuse the men guarding him. The fact that Lou did almost all of his scoring from the inside makes the record all the more remarkable."

Lamie scored 22 points against West Virginia Monday night to eclipse Marty Costa's mark of 299, set last year. —BREU

St. John's Seeded No. 1 In Tourney

NEW YORK, March 7—(AP)—St. John's (22-3) of Brooklyn, was seeded No. 1 in the National Invitation Basketball tourney which starts in Madison Square Garden Saturday, selection committee chairman Asa Bushnell said today.

The Brooklyn Redmen were followed by North Carolina State (28-4), Brigham Young (24-7) and Arizona (24-4).

The field for the tourney was completed late last night when Cincinnati was named as the twelfth team.

Bushnell said that on Monday night St. John's would play the winner of Saturday's Cincinnati-St. Bonaventure game and that Brigham Young would oppose the LaSalle-St. Louis victor.

Wrestlers To Arrive Today; Hold Mat Seedings Tomorrow

Fifteen member teams of the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling association will begin arriving in State College late this afternoon in preparation for the 47th annual EIWA championships to be held in Rec hall tomorrow and Saturday.

The teams will all be quartered in the Nittany-Pollock area for the entire weekend.

As the teams arrive, they will go straight to Rec hall to register. Members of Blue Key, junior men's hat society, will wait for the teams at the registration booth and act as guides.

Seedings Tomorrow

Seedings for the tournament will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Nittany Lion Inn. All teams will weigh in sometime tomorrow morning.

Penn State, of the sixteen teams in the league, is the only squad bringing an undefeated record into the tournament. Only one team, Lehigh, has won more than the Staters. The Engineers have a 9-1 log compared to the Lions' 8-0 record.

Penn, according to the team records, will present the weakest team. The Quakers have won only one match, losing six and tying one. The distinction of having lost the most goes to Columbia, with a 3-7 record.

Team Records

The team records for the season:

Team	W	L	T
Army	5	3	0
Brown	8	1	0
Columbia	3	7	0
Cornell	6	4	0
F & M	6	2	0
Harvard	4	4	0
Lehigh	9	1	0
Navy	6	2	0
Penn	1	6	1
Penn State	8	0	0
Princeton	3	4	0
Rutgers	7	1	0
Syracuse	3	4	0
Temple	3	3	1
Virginia	8	3	0
Yale	5	3	1

EIWA Attraction Has 14 Unbeaten Athletes In Field

Fourteen wrestlers, none of them defending champions, will put unbeaten records on the line tomorrow when the Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling championships get underway in Penn State's Recreation Hall.

Homer Barr, Penn State heavyweight, was the last of the defending champions to taste defeat when Dick Clark, Cornell's all-East football tackle, decided him last Saturday. It was Barr's first licking in dual meet competition.

One Unbeaten Heavyweight
Bard Glass, Princeton giant, is the only unbeaten heavyweight in the field but he was stalemated twice—by Jim Hunt, of Navy, and by Art Merriman, of Yale. His most notable victory was a decision win over Don Bernat, of Lehigh, last Saturday.

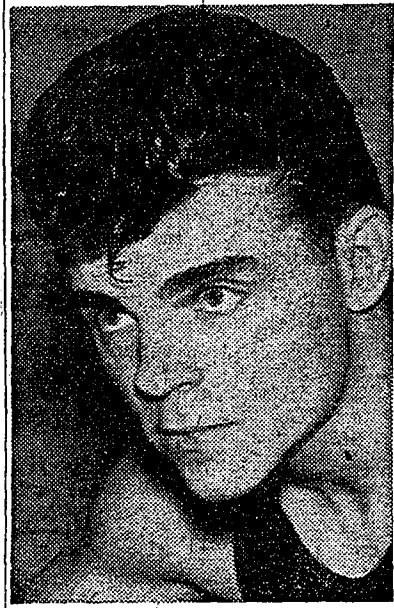
Like Barr, Syracuse's Bob Gerbino, Lehigh's George Feuerbach, and Rutgers' Emil Perona each has known defeat this season. Gerbino will defend at 123 pounds, Feuerbach at 130 pounds, and Perona at 157 or 167 pounds. Perona, beaten only by Don Thomas, of Navy, won top honors last year in the heavier weight.

Filippos Undefeated
There are unbeaten threesomes at 130 and 177 pounds, two at 123 and 147 pounds, and one in each of the other weight classes. The undefeated at 123 pounds are Mike Filippos, Lehigh, who won this crown in 1949, and John Lee, of Harvard. The 130-pounders who enter the tourney with clean slates are Lou Tschirhart, Syracuse; Cal Engle, Temple; and Dave Smith, Harvard.

Some of the 47th annual tournament's toughest grappling is anticipated in the 177-pound class, where Al Paulekas, of Army, Marc Rowe, of Brown, and Ray Vohden, of Rutgers, are unbeaten. Don Thomas, Navy, is the only unbeaten entry at 167 pounds, while Dave Michael, Brown, is unbeaten at 157 pounds. Fred Pettit, Yale, and Don Frey, Penn State, are the undefeated 147-pounders, while Bob Hartman, Columbia, claims a perfect record in the 137-pound division.

Only four coaches in Penn State history, Mat Coach Charlie Speidel included, have spent 25 years at the helm of an athletic team.

State's 167-lb. Contender



Joe Lemyre

Lion Mat Team Seeks 10th Title IN 33-Yr. Span

When the Penn State matmen step into the big blue circle this weekend, they will be seeking their tenth team championship since entering the league in 1918.

Ranking third in team titles, the Lions hold second place in garnering individual championships. Cornell is the No. 1 team with 63 individual crowns, while the Nittanians have won 57.

Of the Big Red's 63, however, 31 were taken before 1918, when the State team entered the circuit.

Lehigh Is Team Champ
Leading the 16-team league with 12 team crowns is Lehigh, a team that came into the Eastern Intercollegiate picture in 1927. The Engineers also have earned 56 individual championships since that time.

Records show that the Nittany Lions have been in the thick of the battle for team honors many times. Besides the nine first places in the tourney, they have finished in the runner-up position six times, and in third place in another half-dozen instances.

This totals 21 times that State has finished in one of the top three spots in 33 appearances.

The "Golden Era" in Penn State wrestling was the period following World War I just after the Lions entered the league. Their debut was so successful that they won the team title for four consecutive years, 1918-21.

Past Records Offer Proof Of Nittanians' Mat Strength

By BUD FENTON

Penn State's grapplers will be trying this weekend to match the performance of the first Penn State team ever to compete in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling tourney.

That first team, in the war year of 1918, entered a group that captured six out of seven individual titles. This still stands as the most decisive victory in the tourney's history.

The previously unheralded Nittany team went on to dominate the league for four years, winning the team title each year from 1918-1921.

Won Again In '25-'26
State relaxed a bit in '22 and '23 but returned to form in '25 and '26, winning two more team championships.

A slight famine then struck the Nittany valley—but things were righted again in 1936 and 1937

2 Squads Cop IM Cage Titles

Pottsville, of league E, and the Ridge Runners, of league G, won seventh consecutive victories Tuesday night to capture the crowns in their respective independent loops.

Pottsville edged previously undefeated Beaver House, 22-20, while the Runners had a much easier time walloping the Penn State Club, 43-7, as Paul Corazza rimmed 15 points.

Edinboro Wins Again
In league D, Edinboro posted its seventh straight win in the final game to smother the Gunners, 54-19. Bill Mihalich was high scorer with 14 markers. The Allentown Aces stayed one-half game behind the Radads in league C by topping Dorm 25, 22-21, when the loser's rally fell short.

Dorm 2 won over Dorm 11 by forfeit in league B, and Dorm 26 won the same way from Dorm 43 in league A.

Rubel Paces Mates
Two tilts played in the fraternity part of the circuit saw Buddy Rubel's 7 tallies lead Phi Sigma Delta to its sixth straight win in league E over Pi Lambda Phi, 18-13. In the same league, Beta Theta Pi dropped a 22-18 contest to Chi Phi.

A deadlock for first spot in this league could only come about if Sigma Phi Sigma upsets Phi Sig, and Alpha Tau Omega wins its remaining game with Pi Lamb Tuesday night.

Penn State's individual Eastern wrestling champions number 32 in 24 tournaments under Coach Charlie Speidel.

les, the first being Jack Light, now a State College physician.

Both men spread their championships between two weight classes. Light won top honors in the 135-pound class in 1935-36, but went up to the 145 division for his third championship in 1937. Ridenour won his first two at 121-pounds and his third at 128.

Should Homer Barr win his third Eastern title this weekend, he would be the first Penn State wrestler to win all three crowns in the same weight.

5th Alleged Cage Fixer Captured By N. Y. Police

NEW YORK, March 7 (AP)—A young Brooklyn button manufacturer sought for nearly two months as the "mysterious Stanley" in the Madison Square Garden basketball scandal was charged today with conspiracy and bribery.

Bronx District Attorney George B. De Luca identified him as Soll Leon Rappaport, 25.

He is the fifth alleged fixer to be accused of bribing college cage stars to "lay down" so gamblers could clean up on game results.

A detective spotted Rappaport getting out of a car in the midtown district last night.

He had been hunted since Jan. 19 when an alleged attempt to rig the Manhattan college-De Paul of Chicago game touched off the greatest scandal in college athletics.

So far investigators have arrested 13 players or former players of four local colleges and accused them of rigging the results of at least 16 Garden games during the last three seasons.

Bronx county Judge Samuel J. Foley today ordered five of the accused to trial April 9.

They are: John A. Byrnes and Henry Poppe, co-captains of last season's Manhattan team; Irving Schwartzberg and his brother, Benjamin, and ornelius Kelleher, an alleged associate of the Schwartzbergs.

They are charged with attempting to fix the De Paul game and with bribery in Manhattan games last season with Siena, Bradley and Santa Clara.

IM Handballers Continue Action

Eight fraternity and two independent matches were decided in round two play in the intramural handball tournament Tuesday night.

In fraternity games, Joseph Ruyak, Pi Kappa Phi, beat Donald Maurey, Delta Upsilon, 21-18, 12-21, 21-13; Allan Pancerev, Phi Kappa Psi, won over Robert Krayner, Delta Chi, by forfeit; Fred Levin, Phi Sigma Delta, beat Robert Sundius, Theta Kappa Phi, 21-4; 21-4; Richard Weisberg, Beta Sigma Rho, also won by forfeit.

Jack Dreibelbis, Sigma Phi Epsilon, beat Eugene Schaffer, Sigma Nu, 21-12, 21-2; Arthur Betts, Phi Delta Theta, beat John Hoover, 21-4, 21-5; Pat McPoland, Kappa Delta Rho, won by forfeit over Harry Kauffman, Phi Epsilon Pi; and Robert Kolarik, Lambda Chi Alpha, beat Richard Floum, Pi Lambda Phi, 21-1, 21-3.

In the independent action, Chester Kiesel beat Robert Mays, 21-7, 21-17; Robert Ingram beat Lewis Shallcross by forfeit.

Penn State wrestling teams won 114 meets while losing 37 and tying 8 in 24 years under Charlie Speidel.