

'ON THE BALL'



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Jimmy Da' Greek,
He's Seen 'Em All

Sauntering along a State College street the other day, our attention was momentarily arrested by the familiar clicking sound of a wooden cue delicately stroking the ivories inside a planatarium-plated Allen street building. We paused—and peered within its gloomy interior.

Inside, the heavyset, white-haired proprietor of Jim's pool room grunted as he stopped and gingerly racked-up a handful of billiard balls within a metal cubical.

Inhaling deeply we groped our way into the long, narrow, tobacco-reeking room, edged past several nondescript pin-ball machines, and hesitantly approached its dour entrepreneur, who was now leaning heavily on a glass-topped counter.

He regarded us with great effort—a slow, impeturable lifting of an eyebrow giving us the only hint of his not being the original cigar-store Indian.

"You Jimmy da' Greek?" we asked—sort of hesitantly. "Yea," came the laconic reply as a group of pool-table kibitzers, who looked like the characters one would expect to find in a Johnny Garfield thriller, regarded us quizzically. "What can I do for ya?"

Hoping to draw him out we volunteered: "Understand that when it comes to boxing and wrestling here at Penn State you're just about the No. 1 authority?" Jim, sitting down heavily on a beat-up chair wheezed proudly, "Since 1921 I've jost about seen 'em all."

"Ah-h-h," he gargled, "that was boxing back in them days. You get in there and slug it out—and when a guy was knocked down, he stayed down. Now, it's not so much action—you know what I mean? More science—what you call more "collegian."

This sturdy proponent of the blood 'n thunder ring recalled that the universal boxing motto used to be simply—"Get your man before he gets you." "Now-a-days if a man is on his knees the fight is usually called.

"And training in those days was much more strict than now," he added. Back in the old days all the athletes had only one headquarters, that was behind Old Main. They had plenty of supervision and not so much time to run around."

Although it took quite a bit of prodding, Jim reached back into the past and came up with an all-time Penn State team that includes not one Nittany boxer of the past five years.

"My favorest, I guess, is Steve Hamas, than Billy Soose, former middleweight champion, and Rags Madeira—who's dead now. Then there was Allie Wolfe, Dave Stoop, Steve Bendick, Al Lewis, the three McAndrews brothers, Wilson, and ah—what's the name of that kid on the basketball team? McMahan? That's right, his pop was good, too."

"Al Tapman, Ray Hanna, and Sammy Donato were all good. Donato was the best since Soose."

A customer hung up his stick, walked over to the cash register, pushed down the amount lever, and inserted a bill. Hardly glancing at the man Jim said, "Don't put a \$10 bill in there 'cause I don have no change.

"The most thrilling fight I ever saw?" he continued. "That'd be Rex Madeer when he was a Penn State freshman. Ole' Rex hits this Navy guy so hard that with just one punch he drops him cold."

We wondered about Jim's association with that legendary boxing figure, "Doctor" Leo Houck. "Leo was a good man," was all he had to say, but when words are uttered with such a deep feeling of respect and sincerity you cannot help but realize how deeply they are meant.

"This new guy, Sulkowski, he has good ideas for a young man. He did okay this year—I'd like to see the kid make good."

Reviewing Jimmy da' Greek's colorful background, he claims to be born in Asia Minor—Turkey—in 1895. "I was sort of a Greek refuge," he says. "My old man was a stone mason. In 1913 I come to the States to work for my uncle."

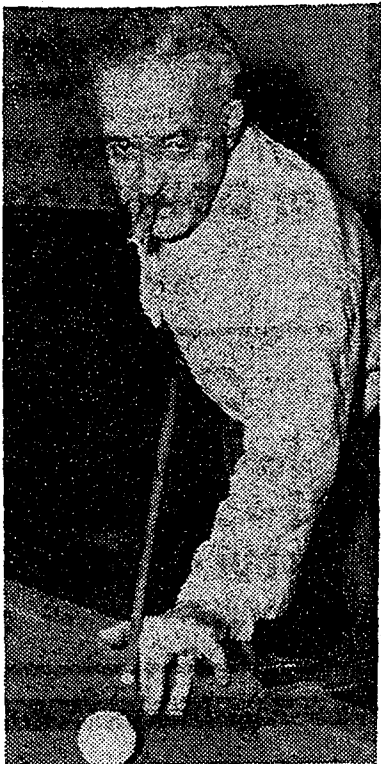
Jim then worked in Huntingdon shining shoes until he was drafted into the Army in 1917. Following his hitch he worked briefly in Pittsburgh. In 1920 he came to State College. "My pool room used to be where the telegraph office is now—right beside Grahams."

When we sat down at our typewriter to bat out this composition, we couldn't help thinking that it's good to talk to a man like Jimmy da' Greek once in a while. For here is represented the true intercollegiate sports fan—the ordinary guy who simply wants to see all phases of athletics getting a fair shake—which they're definitely far from receiving now.

Best Mat Record

Homer Barr, of Clearfield, who failed in his bid for three straight Eastern intercollegiate wrestling titles, still owns the best record

ever compiled by a Penn State heavyweight. Unbeaten two of three years, his three-year log against Eastern competition shows 33 victories as against 2 defeats.



Nittany Baseball Squad Entertains
Georgetown 9 Today, Tomorrow

By LOWELL KELLER

The Georgetown university Hoyas move into town this afternoon to open a two-game, week-end series with Joe Bedenk's varsity baseball team. The initial contest will begin at 3:30 today on the Beaver field diamond.

Mound Choice



Owen Dougherty

Joe Judge, former Washington Senator first-sacker, is the coach of the Hoya nine, who so far this season has compiled a 7-1 log. They were defeated for the first time on Wednesday when the University of Pennsylvania edged them, 7-6. The Lion's trounced Western Maryland last Saturday, 22-2, in their only start.

The Georgetown nine is deep in capable reserves, besides having a well-balanced first string. They have beaten many formidable teams already this spring which include victories over Rutgers, Navy, and Maryland. The Georgetowners also have a veteran mound staff composed of southpaws Hugh Merigh, Doc Dougherty, and right-handers Bob McNabb, Frank Mattingly, and John Waldele. Dougherty was the losing pitcher against the Red and Blue although Mattingly started on the hill.

The only changes in the starting line-up for the Lions will be Harry Little at third base replacing the injured Chris Toney, and Clarence Buss will do the catching in place of Bill Leonard. Otherwise, the outfield remains the same with Henny Albright in left field, Sil Cerchie in center, and Bill Hopper in the right garden. Stan Lagonosky will be at first base, Bill Mihalich at second, Paul Mowry at shortstop, and Little at the hot corner.

Bedenk's choice for starting hurler falls to fast-baller Owen Dougherty, who toed the rubber for six frames in the Western Maryland affair. The southpaw struck out five and walked three in his stint on the hill. Bedenk also selected control twirlers Jim Kelz, Tom Campbell, and Bill Everson for relief work over the week-end.

Dick Christiansen, sophomore curve-ball artist is likely to get the call for starting mound work tomorrow in the wind-up of the series. Tomorrow's battle is scheduled for 2:30.

Probable Starting Line-ups

Penn State	Georgetown
Albright, lf	Walls, 2b
Little, 3b	Wolfer, 3b
Cerchie, cf	Korfonta, cf
Hopper, rf	Hardiman, rf
Lagonosky, 1b	Hughes, lf
Mowry, ss	Biebold, 1b
Mihalich, 2b	Fisher or Hogan, c
Buss, c	Simon, ss
Dougherty, p	Merigh or McNabb, p

IM H-Ball Moves
Into Third Round

Intramural doubles handball action moved into round three play Wednesday night with five fraternity games being completed.

In these games, Jack Wilcox and John King, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, beat Donald Frear and Bill Hockersmith, Alpha Chi Sigma, by forfeit; Pat McPoland and Owen Dougherty, Kappa Delta Rho, beat Michael Martinez and Arthur Smith, Alpha Sigma Phi, 21-13, 21-15; Jerry Weisman and Burton Cushner, Sigma Alpha Mu, beat Jack Dreibelbis and Carmen Troisi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, by forfeit.

Dave Bischoff and Kenny Weiss, Sigma Nu, beat Elmer Feller and William McDonald, Tau Phi Delta, 21-14, 21-6; Bill Lockhart and James Clark, Sigma Pi, beat Robert Ward and Bernard Whitehill, Theta Kappa Phi, 21-9, 10-21, 21-20; Art Oberg and Harvey Emig, Pi Kappa Alpha, beat Robert Koons and James Reed, Sigma Pi, 21-11, 21-20.

The race for the independent championship became a wide open affair when William Taylor and Richard Hart and Albert Fegley and Daniel Rauscher both won their matches to throw them into a tie for second place.

Taylor and Hart beat Robert Smith and Armand Lyken, 21-5, 21-9; and Fegley and Rauscher beat Robert Heidt and Richard Biddle, 21-2, 21-6.

DU, Phi Psi, Lead
Entries In IM
Mat Tournament

Delta Upsilon and Phi Kappa Psi led the way in the IM wrestling tournament as the former placed 5 and the latter placed 6 men in the semi-finals.

The DU's, however, still have a chance to place a sixth man in the semi-finals this Monday. At that time, Bob Hamilton will engage Francis Houck, KDR.

Each house kept its representative intact in the 128 class as Phil Benedetti, DU, pinned Dave Walsh, Phi Kappa, and John Allison, Phi Psi's defending 121 champion, pinned Gil Beinhocker, Pi Lambda Phi. Other action in this class saw Jay England, TKE, pin Al Freistak, Theta Kappa Phi, in 2:48.

Harvey Wins Decision

In the 135 class, Andy Harvey, Delta Chi, took a referee's decision from Harry Rhoades, Beta house. At regulation end the score was a scoreless deadlock. Also, Jim Brashar, ACR, edged Dick Wert, LCA, 6-5, and Jim Lovett won via forfeit over John Schulze, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In the 145-pound class, Jack Beiter, Theta Kappa Phi, pinned Bill Humphreys, Sigma Nu, with a reverse nelson, inside crotch hold in 5:45. Clint Swingle, Sigma Pi, also pinned Ray Lantz, Triangle, in 2:36. The other two bouts of the evening saw Paul Eddinger, TKE, decision Bob Lucksavage, Phi Kappa, 6-1, while DU's Ed Sweeten, a strong candidate for 145 honors, won by forfeit over Jack Donnal, Phi Gamma Delta.

Pancerev Top Candidate

Another top candidate for high honors was Phi Psi's Al Pancerev who displayed top form when he pinned Jan Ernest, Delta Tau Delta, in a fast 0:26. Two other falls were also scored. Jim Miller, KDR, pinned Martin Abramson, Phi Sigma Delta, and Carl Lischowitz, ZBT, pinned Jim Gelfert, Theta Kappa Phi. Bob Pawloski, Kappa Sigma, also registered a 6-4 verdict over Fred Bigony, Sigma Nu.

Three falls and a default were registered in the 165 class. Dick Style, SAM, pinned Charlie Steeley, AS Phi; Joe Policastro, TKE, pinned Bob Burns, KDR; Dick Cameron, Beta house, Charles Rife, Sigma Phi Epsilon; and Bob Gower, ATO, won by default from Dick Dum, AGR, who had to stop because of injured ribs.

Souleret Wins

The 175 class saw Bill Souleret, SAE, defeat Larry Catanach, Pi KA, 5-0; Adam Kois, DU, pin Chris Snyder, Theta Chi; Connie Kearhney, Delta Tau Delta, pin Burt Bronk, Phi Epsilon Pi; and, in one of the best bouts of the evening, Ron Coder, Phi Sig, decision Bob Kunkle, Phi Delta Theta.

In the heavyweight class, Chuck Myers, SAE's defending 175 champion, pinned Dick Allio, Kappa Sigma. Al Schutz also won a semi-final berth when he pinned Phi Psi's Don Barney. Other bouts saw Milo Kosanovich, DU, defeat Sam Pennebacker, Sigma Phi Sigma, 5-2, and Jim Stanley, LCA, decision Ralph Clark, Phi Sigma Kappa.

Independent Action

In the independent section, Marv Heinsohn, 135, pinned Angelo Arduini, Sam Butler, 145, and Bernie Yurick, 128, scored forfeits in last night's action. In the other bout, Ferris Antoon, 128, defeated Cosmo Fazio, 5-2.

Exhibition Baseball

Boston (A)	000	020	300-5	8	0
Springfield (Int)	000	000	200-2	10	1
Hinrichs, Evans (5) and Batts: lhd, Flammini (4), Dante (6), Schneider (7), Jacobs (7), Costello (9), and Chitt					
WP—Hinrichs LP—Flammini					
Memphis (SA)	200	000	000-2	6	1
Chicago (A)	000	000	000-0	7	1
Pierce, Dorish (6) and Watkins: Kretlow, Cain (8) and Mast					
WP—Pierce LP—Kretlow.					

12 V-Ball Teams
Post IM Wins

Twelve IM volleyball teams advanced in the volleyball tournament after Tuesday night's action.

Nine games were played in the independent division. In league A the Ridge Runners are in first place as a result of an 8-15, 15-3, 15-13 win over the Nittany Co-op-A. Also in league A the Be To took the Spartans, 15-6, 15-7.

The Penn State Club and Penn Haven of league B defeated the Wildcats and the Gobs respectively, two out of the three game match.

The Marauders lead the C loop by virtue of a 15-6, 15-3 win over the Crusaders. The Spikers scored a 15-1 and 15-9 win over Nittany Co-op-B.

In league D both Jordan Hall and Beaver House-B registered wins to tie for top place honors. Jordan Hall beat the Aces, 15-7, 15-13 and Beaver House-B beat the Bees, 15-11, 15-4. Also in 'D', Altoona edged out the Warriors, 15-9, 14-16, 15-13.

In fraternity play Phi Kappa Psi-A took over first place in league G by beating Theta Xi-A, 15-6, 15-7. Also in league G, KDR-A dropped ATO, 15-8, 15-9.

Pi Kappa Alpha-B lost their second match to Tau Phi Delta by 15-11 and 15-5 scores.

Baker Meets
Brothers Tonite

NEW YORK, April 12 (AP)—Bob Baker, touted as a potential heavyweight champ, makes his New York bow tomorrow night against Elkins Brothers at St. Nicholas arena.

Unbeaten in 19 pro fights, the Pittsburgh boxer will be shooting for national recognition in his first appearance before network television cameras. The 10 p.m. (EST) 10-rounder will be broadcast by ABC and televised by NBC.

Baker, at 24, is being groomed carefully. He has knocked out 14 of 19 opponents on his way up the ladder. He still is a year away from fighters like Ezzard Charles, the champ, and Jersey Joe Walcott. But he wants to fight any of the others.

Brothers figures to be a rugged test for Baker. A swarming busy fighter who seldom takes a backward step, Brothers is at his best against big men. He is only 5-foot 9½ to Baker's 6-foot 1½ inches.