

The Lion's Lair

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With the winter season nearing an end, thoughts are turning toward the Eastern tournaments, which get underway within two weeks.

The boxing tournament comes first and it is of special interest to Penn Staters because the EIBA tourney will be held in Rec Hall, March 7-8.

Although Coach Eddie Sulkowski's boxers have yet to win a dual meet, the Lions stand a good chance of ranking right near the top when the tournament has ended. Last season, the Lions finished second in the Easterns, and the team this year is as strong if not stronger, in spite of its record.

Five Penn State boxers stand better than even chances of coping Eastern crowns this year. Johnny Albarano, defending champ at 145 pounds, has yet to lose a match in Eastern competition this season. His only loss came in the Wisconsin match, and Wisconsin isn't in the EIBA.



Lou Koszarek, defending champ at 165 pounds, has lost two matches this year but only one has come at the hands of an Eastern foe. That loss was to Syracuse's Hooksie Miller, 155 pound champion last year. Miller moved up a weight to fight Koszarek but will probably fight in his own weight in the tournament.

Incidentally, both Lou's defeats were administered by champions. His other loss came at the hands

of Dick Murphy, Wisconsin's national king.

Sammy Marino, State's 125 pounder, has yet to lose a bout in Eastern competition, although he has two draws. His toughest competition will probably come from Tommy Coulter of Syracuse, with whom he drew.

Lion 178 pound boxer, Adam Kois, will be one of the top contenders for the light-heavy crown, but he has his work cut out for him. Kois has shown plenty of punch in his first year in the ring and could be the dark horse at 178. His roughest opponents will be Jim McInerney of Army and George Kartalian of Syracuse. Kartalian fought in the heavyweight division against State but he's a regular 178 pounder.

Tony Flore is another dark-horse at 139 pounds. Flore has won three of four bouts, and seems to be improving with each match. Like Kois, Flore is a first year man.

Although they may go into the tourney with an unimpressive record, the Lions aren't to be taken lightly. Syracuse will probably take the favorite role, with Army close behind, but then Penn State wasn't a favorite last year either and it finished second.

Gymnasts Sweep Five Firsts To Rout Syracuse for 3d Win

By BOB SCHOELLKOPF

Penn State's gymnastics squad turned what was expected to be a close meet into a rout when it took five of six first places to down Syracuse, 56-40, Saturday at Rec Hall. It was the Lions' third straight home win and second straight victory.

Flashing his usual smoothness for State was Jan Cron-

stedt, who, for the third time this year, captured first places in the horizontal bar and parallel bars events. The "Flying Finn" is undefeated on the h-bar and has finished second only once on the parallels.

Cronstedt was also the high point-getter for the meet with a 279 point total on the p-bars. Bill Sabo put on his best performance of the year when he garnered 263 points, good for third place on the parallels for the Nittanies. Al Wick, back after a brief sickness, chipped in with a fourth place.

Barkal Second

Syracuse's three-event man, Johnny Barkal, nosed out Sabo by two points to finish behind Cronstedt on the p-bars. The Orange's ace in this event, Milan Trnka, broke during his performance and finished sixth.

Placing behind Cronstedt in the high bar event again was Barkal, followed by State's Mario Todaro. Barkal's 250 total was three better than that of the small Nittany gymnast.

The Lions' Earle Kerber tied Hugh Goldstein for fourth place on the h-bar, while Trnka again failed the Orange as he broke early in his exercise.

Score Two Ties

Another victory streak continued to roll along when Bobby Lawrence, State's brilliant young sidehorse specialist, registered his fourth straight triumph. Lawrence's point total of 271 was 33 points higher than his nearest rival, Barkal.

Frank Wick, with 228 points, and Dick Shaffer, eight points lower, finished third and fourth for the Lions in the sidehorse event.

With Dave Shultz maintaining a steady pace and Johnny Baffa clipping a second from his usual time, the Lions managed to score two ties against the Orange in the rope climb event. Shultz's time of four seconds tied Ferdie Fournies, Syracuse, for first place. Baffa and Ed Katzman tied for third place with identical times of 4.3.

Finishes Fifth

Jim Hazen, State's ace ringman, scored his third first of the season in his specialty with a point total of 253. Teammate Tony Procopio was at his best against the Orange and placed second behind Hazen with 248.

Karl Schwenzsfeier's 196 points gave him a fifth place in the rings event.

Syracuse's ace tumbler, Jimmy Sebbo, was as good as his press notices, as he raised the eyebrows of Penn State fans with his triple

full twist at the end of his performance.

Bob Kenyon's 240-point total was 36 shy of Sebbo's score, but was good enough for second place. Owen Wilkinson was the only other Lion matmen to place—his 214 points accounting for a fifth.

Baseball Briefs

VERO BEACH, Fla., Feb. 25—(AP)—Manager Charlie Dressen agreed that there was something to the old saying "it isn't easy to teach an old dog new tricks" after his Brooklyn Dodgers held their first batting drill today.

Gil Hodges, who has been practicing the art of hitting to right in the batting cages for several days, hit the ball only to leftfield when he faced live pitching for the first time. Most of his blasts today were of home run proportions.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 25 (AP)—Rain and chilly weather curtailed the workout of the New York Yankees today but before they took cover, both Ed Lopat and Vic Raschi took extensive workouts on the mound at Miller Huggins Field.

TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 25 (AP)—Larry Doby ended his holdout today and signed a contract with the Cleveland Indians.

The club did not announce the terms to which the outfielder agreed.

Dorm 23 Wins Sixth; League in 3-Way Tie

Dorm 23 moved into the IM cage League J's "big three" Friday night by coming from behind to hand the Hawks their second setback, 22-16.

With this victory, Dorm 23 once again threw the league race into a three-way tie for first place. Dorm 23, Dorm 36, and the Sinkers all have identical 6-1 records. In Friday's skirmish, the Hawks led at halftime, 10-7, but couldn't halt the winners' determined second half attack. Jim McGinnis led Dorm 23 with 11 points.

Palmerton, in its game with the Penn State Club, did what probably no other IM team could do. The leaders of League K entered the game with a perfect 6-0 record, were upset by a 14-13 score, and still were left with no worries about the championship of the league. The reason is that no other team in the league has less than three losses, and Palmerton has only one game remaining.

Bears Win

League K seemed to be full of upsets as McElwain Hall, 3-5, dropped Ford City by a close 20-39 margin. Ford City had entered the fray with a 4-2 slate. The Triple A's notched their fourth win by running roughshod over Dorm 41 by a 43-21 score. Dorm 41, with one game remaining, has a 4-3 mark. The Triple A's were paced by the night's high scorer, John Williammee, who tallied 19 markers.

The Bears of League B finished their season with a 6-1 record by trimming Dorm 30, 24-12, and by so doing stayed mathematically in the league race. However, the only way in which the Bears could tie for the lead is if the league-leading Crusaders, 6-0, drop their final game tonight to the Beaver House.

Win First

Dorm 28 rapped Dorm 5 by a 34-20 margin to hang up its fourth win in League K. Dick Matacia's 11 points were high for the winners. In League G, the Bagoonies ended their season play with a 33-24 triumph over Penn Haven. Both teams have 3-4 records.

The Alcoholics, after six consecutive setbacks, finally won their first game by coming from a 17-9 halftime deficit to edge the Mercuries, 29-27.

The Foxes forfeited to Dorm 24 to set the victor's slate at three wins and four defeats.

He Wears Glasses

Ron Weidenhammer, freshman basketball star at Penn State, wears glasses on and off the court.

Hal Newhouser At Crossroads Of Fine Career

LAKELAND, Fla., Feb. 25—(AP)

—Hal Newhouser, one of the great modern day pitchers, is at the crossroads of his brilliant career. In the next few weeks the baseball future of the Detroit south-paw will be settled. At the moment, he's optimistic.

"I'm going to find out real quick," he said at the Tiger training camp. "If I can't do it, I'll fold up shop and go back home. There's no use kidding yourself. I don't want to get paid for not working."

"I don't want to be a dog, winning five or six games with a bum arm and then going on relief. If I can't pitch I'll quit."

Nothing Radically Wrong

An arm injury—never more clearly diagnosed than a pulled tendon—sidelined Newhouser last season. He wound up with a 6-6 record and didn't throw a ball after July 14.

"I've had all kinds of x-rays taken. They show nothing. I've tried about every treatment there is. I know there's nothing radically wrong but I just couldn't pitch without an arm ache."

Newhouser said he first hurt his arm in New York last June. After a 20-day rest he came back to beat Chicago.

Hit 3-0 Pitch

"Four days later Red (Manager Red Rolfe) wanted me to start against Cleveland. I told him I didn't think I could make it. My arm was tender. I said I might be able to go with a couple more days rest."

"Hal White started but I had to come in to relieve with the bases full. I pitched to just one man, Dale Mitchell. After throwing him three balls, he hit the 3-0 pitch into the stands. That was it. I tried again in about a week but I couldn't pitch."

Mrs. Newhouser urged him to come to Florida ahead of the club and give his arm a good trial. So Hal took off alone Feb. 1 for his most important training trip.

Throwing Hard

"The first day I went out I didn't want anybody to see me," he said. "Bob Swift, our catcher, also was down there. So I took him out back of the centerfield fence."

"I've been throwing a little harder every day. Last Thursday I decided to throw real hard."

"The first time I reared back to let 'er go, I was almost afraid to let go of the ball. Not a thing happened. I threw for about 20 minutes, even some curves. I was throwing as hard then as some pitchers throw in the big leagues."

"When I got home I called up Charlie (General Manager Charlie Gehringer) and told him I was going to be all right and thought I could help the club."

Honor Student

Hardy Williams, co-captain of Penn State basketball, is an honor student. He's enrolled in the pre-legal curriculum.

Matmen --

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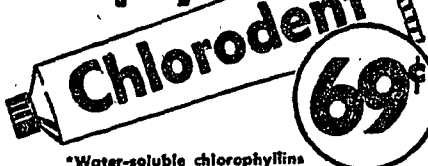
five times. Breaking a tied match in the third period with a pin, Doug Frey won his second in a row and fourth on the season against two setbacks over 157-pound Middle John Godek. Frey stood Godek on his shoulders at 7:48 to get the only fall of the match and his second of the year.

Lynn Illingworth's heavyweight replacement, Dick Waters, made his first varsity start a 6-3 winner over Middle Tod Chinn. Waters scored with two takedowns, an escape and a time advantage. Hud Samson lost his second of the year to Middle 177 pounder Pete Blair, 7-4. Only a plebe, Blair matched Samson's two reverses and won with a takedown and riding time.

Don Maurey had his season mark evened off at 1-1-1 by being held to a draw by Navy's Art Jesser, 4-4. Don lost a point for stalling in the first period, and that was enough to deadlock the score. His third period reverse and better than two minutes advantage time only squared the count.

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