

The Nittany Realm

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Well, it was the same old story in Wednesday night's West Virginia game, with the opposition's star failing to impress on the Rec Hall floor. Mark Workman's having to leave the game on personal fouls and his meager total of three points just puts him in the class with all the other stars who have come to Rec Hall and gone away without giving any indication of their true ability.

We couldn't help but think, after overhearing a bit of a conversation on the mall yesterday, that Penn State fans and sports fans in general are a strange breed.

The conversation went something like this:

"Did you see the game last night?"

"No."

"It was a good one."

"Yeah, it's about time."

It seems to us that that's an unusual reaction when one considers the few games the State basketball team has looked poor in, and the numerous times this season that they have looked good.

But some fans fail to remember the good games or the victories, and get a great deal more pleasure in criticizing an athlete when he makes a mistake or a team when it loses. Evidently some people don't call 17 wins in 21 games good.



After we referred to boxers Lou Kozzarek and John Albarano as Penn State's own "gold dust twins" in a story the other day, we got a suggestion from Lou himself that sounds pretty good.

Lou suggested that since both he and Johnny both come from the heart of Pennsylvania's soft-coal region, that instead of "gold," they should be called the "coal dust twins."

Boxing fans, who attend Saturday night's meet with Virginia, will have an opportunity to see in action a fellow who in his sophomore year has the honor of captaining his team. He is Pete Potter, captain and 156-pounder of the Cavalier squad.

The Virginia team, which is made up completely of freshmen and sophomores, had only one veteran, captain-elect and Eastern 125-pound champ, Len Coiner, returning to the squad this year. When Coiner was declared ineligible, Potter's teammates elected him captain. And so far he is living up to his team's expectations with four wins, no losses, and two draws.

Piorkowski Is Lions' Underrated Player

By DAVE COLTON

The most underrated player on the team—that's Joe Piorkowski, State's hard-working senior forward.

While other members of Coach Elmer Gross' squad get the publicity, the good looking six-three cager keeps playing his reliable, capable brand of ball for the Lions.

Joe's not a great scorer but he has had some good nights this season. He scored ten points in both the Ithaca opener and the Bucknell contest to rank as State's top scorer for the first two games. His 12 point production at Navy has been his largest this season. He has an overall total of 124 to rank seventh in team scoring.

Most of Joe's value lies in his fine defensive ability. His height



Joe Piorkowski

and agility have made him one of State's top defensive players. Joe is also a good ball handler and rebounder.

The baby-faced 21 year old has played only two seasons at State because of a year of ineligibility. He spent his freshman year in college at Wilkes, where he was a first string forward. After one year at Wilkes he transferred to the Nittany Vale mainly to see if he could play in big-time collegiate basketball. Coach Gross has never regretted this move.

Joe also had an enviable rec-

ord at Wyoming Memorial High School. He spent three years on Wyoming's court teams, and was co-captain his senior year. His junior year the Class B school advanced to the PIAA playoffs, but his senior year they were eliminated in district playoffs.

Besides basketball, Joe earned himself a reputation as a high jumper. He climaxed his school-boy high jumping activities by taking third place in the district. The 170 pounder was president of his junior and senior classes and played the bass drum in the band. He was graduated as the top male student scholastically.

IT'S A FACT In 1859 the admission

requirements for a student entering Penn State were to have attained the age of 16; tuition, boarding, fuel, light and books were fixed at one hundred dollars per session. One hundred pupils were to be admitted on recommendation of the respective County Agricultural Societies.

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Gymnastics Team Seeks 4th Victory Against Temple Squad

Penn State's rapidly improving gymnastics team travels to Philadelphia tomorrow for an expected tough meet with Temple's twice-beaten team.

Temple has lost to the two service schools, Army and Navy, but notice must be taken that the Army team which defeated Temple, 53-43, is the only team to have decided

Coach Gene Wettstone's crew this season.

Since the Army setback, State has notched wins over Navy and Syracuse to set its seasonal record at three victories as against one setback. Temple will carry a 5-2 mark into tomorrow's tussle.

Lawrence Unbeaten

Jan Cronstedt, the Lions' talented performer from Finland, will try to extend his undefeated streak on the horizontal bars in an expected close match with John Jengo of Union City, N.J. Behind Cronstedt for State will be Mario Todaro and Karl Schwenzsfeier.

Bob Lawrence, undefeated Nittany performer on the side horse, is favored to take honors along with Frank Wick and Richard Shaffer. Wick and Shaffer have been improving with every meet.

In the rope climbing, David Schultz will have to be at his best to contend with Temple's Bill Scholl who has done the climb in 4.1. John Baffa, and Norman Yu will round out Wettstone's starting trio.

Hazen Underdog

Temple's Joe McCarthy may provide plenty of trouble for State's Cronstedt on the parallel bars. Cronstedt has been defeated only once in this event. Bill Sabo will again be second man for State.

Jim Hazen will lead the Lions in the rings, but he will be an underdog although he has been beaten only once. The reason is John Galente, Temple's star performer who finished second in the NCAA tournament. Tony Procopio and Schwenzsfeier round out the Nittanies' starting threesome.

Dick Hartmeyer of Temple will be slightly favored over

Aggies Rated Defense King

NEW YORK, Feb. 28—(AP)—Basketball teams from the southwest have established themselves more firmly than ever as the top defensive outfits of major-college cagers, figures of the NCAA service bureau disclosed today.

While Kentucky's high-g geared offense still is heading for a national scoring record, six of the current seven leaders on defense are from the southwest.

Oklahoma A & M, with a 47.2 point average defense through games of Feb. 23, has been the top defensive team in the land in 12 of the last 17 seasons. The Aggies have never dropped under third in the defensive lists.

Howell to Discuss Geophysical Prospecting

Dr. B. F. Howell, associate professor in geography, will discuss "Recent Developments in Geophysical Prospecting" at 4 p.m. today in 213 Mineral Sciences Building.

The meeting is the fourth in a series of discussions being presented during the spring semester.

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