

Joe Lemyre Wins NCAA Title

Lion Cops 167 Pound Crown; Dick Lemyre Places 3d at 130

By JAKE HIGHTON

Always at his best in tournaments, Joe Lemyre upset the "smart guys" once again to win the NCAA 167 pound wrestling championship and earn himself a permanent niche in Penn State's wrestling hall of fame.

With four clearcut, almost runaway, victories in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tourney held over the weekend in Fort Collins, Col., Joe added a national title to his EIWA championship won two weeks ago.

Joe thus became the second Penn Stater in Nittany history to score a double by winning the EIWA's and NCAA's.

Only Red Johnston, oddly enough in the same 165 weight category, had ever won a NCAA title (1935). Charlie Ridenour, 123 pounder and three times EIWA champ, twice won the National AAU championships but never won in the National Collegiate. Parke Isbock, the only other Nittany to win a national mat title, copped a National YMCA crown in 1936.

Iowa State 2d

Led by Joe's six points for a championship, Penn State's three-man representatives of the EIWA champion Lions wound up in fifth place in the team standings.

Iowa State Teachers made a spirited attempt to wrest the team championship from the dominating clutches of the Sooner state, but Oklahoma successfully defended the title with its second straight one-point victory margin, 22-21. Oklahoma A&M finished in third place with 20 points and Toledo, Ohio, took fourth with 10 points.

Dick Lemyre Falls

Only Oklahoma A&M's George Layman retained his individual title at 137 pounds while two-time EIWA champion Brad Glass was dethroned of his National crown in suffering the first defeat of his college career.

State's crack sophomore, Dick Lemyre, also fell from the ranks of the unbeaten collegians when he dropped a semi-final bout at 130 pounds to Iowa Teachers' new champion, Gene Lybbert, 14-8.

McCarron Tops Homan

Dick, unbeaten since his high school defeat at the hands of State's former great, Charlie Ridenour, went on to win two consolation bouts to give him third place and the Lions' two more points.

Coach Charlie Speidel's other NCAA entrant, Bob Homan, dropped a first round match to Iowa Teacher's Jim McCarron. Bob recovered from an early slipup to assume command and ride his man for the final period but it was too late.

Beats Sonneman

En route to his NCAA championship, Joe Lemyre had little trouble as he won all four matches by four points or better.

Joe opened with a first round win over Cornell of Iowa's Warren Sonneman, 6-0, then took a 13-7 decision from Waynesburg's Ralph Schneider.

Reverse artist Joe rolled on with a 8-3 quarter final win over Iowa's Don Heaton and then hung a 6-0 loss on Michigan State's Big Ten champion Orris (Pete) Bender to bring back the 167 laurels to Penn State.

Peery Cops Crown

For younger brother Dick, his loss to the eventual champion Lybbert was his first since his high school junior year. With much of his strength drawn by a rugged quarter-final 8-6 win over Oklahoma A&M's Don Meeker, Dick couldn't cope with the champion to be.

The East's only two other champions were Pitt's Hugh Peery at 115 pounds and Toledo's Harry Lanzl, 191 pounds. Sophomore Peery's only loss of the season, came at the hands of State's EIWA champ Homan, 4-2, in the dual season at 123 pounds.

Other individual championships were won by Billy Borders, Oklahoma, 123; Clarence Weick, Iowa Teachers, 157; Bently Lyon, California, 177; Gene Nicks, Oklahoma A&M, unlimited; and the meet's outstanding wrestler, Tom Evans, Oklahoma, 147.

Nittany Bouts

- 123—Bob Homan lost to Jim McCarron, Iowa STC, 6-5.
- 126—Dick Lemyre beat Merle Dunn, Illinois, 8-2.
- 130—Dick Lemyre (quarter-final) beat Don Meeker, Oklahoma A&M, 8-6.
- 130—Dick Lemyre, semi-final lost to Gene Lybbert, Iowa STC, 14-8.
- 130—Dick Lemyre (consolation) beat Phil Duggan, Iowa, 6-5.

Lions' National Champ



Joe Lemyre

Joe Lemyre Is Week's Top Athlete

Overshadowed all season long by a sensational sophomore brother, Joe Lemyre, in winning a NCAA championship, accomplished what everyone thought his brother Dick could do but which he was conceded little chance to achieve.

For his outstanding and rare feat in Nittany wrestling history, Joe has been chosen "Athlete of the Week" by the Collegian sports staff.

Joe's NCAA title winning effort has been matched by only one other Penn Stater and is something such Lion mat stalwarts as Charlie Ridenour, Harry Light, Homer Barr and Jim Maurey have failed to do in NCAA championship matches over the past 22 years.

Fornicola Wins YMCA Championship

Larry Fornicola, early season first team 137 pounder for Penn State's EIWA champion mat team, won the Pennsylvania State YMCA 137 pound championship Saturday in Harrisburg.

Fornicola's 11-2 decision victory helped Bellefonte YMCA to a second straight title. Ken Moyer, 123, and Dave Adams, 130, also won for the Bellefonters.

Penn State starting heavyweight Lynn Illingworth was leading in the heavyweight championship when a recurrence of his rib injury caused him to default.

Nittany Bill Shawley finished runnerup for Bellefonte at 177; Penn State 157 pounder Bill Krebs lost in the semi-finals for Bellefonte; and Nittany Doug Cassel finished runnerup for Harrisburg at 123.

Jim Schulte Elected '53 Head Boxing Manager

Jim Schulte, a sixth semester engineering student, was recently named next year's head boxing manager.

He succeeds Jim Wharton. Walter Hall is the alternate, while Howard Abrams, George Richards, and Rudy Kohn were named first assistants.

- 130—Dick Lemyre (3rd place bout) beat Lew Wagner, Waynesburg, 3-2.
- 167—Joe Lemyre beat Warren Sonneman, Cornell of Iowa, 6-0.
- 167—Joe Lemyre (quarter-final) beat Ralph Schneider, Waynesburg, 13-7.
- 167—Joe Lemyre (semi-final) beat Don Heaton, Iowa, 8-2.
- 167—Joe Lemyre (championship) beat Pete Bender, Michigan State, 6-0.

Peoria Five Routs Oilers By 64-50

NEW YORK, March 31—(AP)—The National AAU champion Peoria Caterpillars broke the game wide-open with a ten-point rally in the third period and trounced the Phillips Oilers of Bartlesville, Okla., 64-50, tonight to qualify for the U.S. Olympic basketball team.

By winning tonight's semi-final tryout test before a crowd of about 10,000 at Madison Square Garden, the Caterpillars won seven places on the American team that will invade Helsinki this summer.

The other seven players will come from the winner of the sec-

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ond game on tonight's double-header program—the "dream battle" between Kansas' NCAA champions and La Salle's dark-horse National Invitation Tournament titlists.

After a rough and tumble first half in which the score was tied nine times the Caterpillars went on a scoring binge in the first four minutes of the third period to break the game open.

A head 33-29 at intermission, they increased their margin to 43-30 with a series of brilliantly executed plays and the Oilers, who represented Uncle Sam in the 1948 Olympics, were never in it after that.

The game was virtually clinched for the Caterpillars when Bob Kurland, the seven-foot giant center of the Bartlesville, Okla., team who was double and triple teamed all night, went out on personal fouls at the 12:50 point of the last half.

6 Teams Cop First Victories In WRA Action

WRA opened its intramural league playoffs last night in White Hall with six teams winning victories in bowling, volleyball, and badminton.

In bowling, Phi Mu won over Chi Omega, 1076-890. Alpha Xi Delta beat Delta Gamma in volleyball, 36-32. Kappa Kappa Gamma defeated Phi Mu, Alpha Xi Delta beat Zeta Tau Alpha, Alpha Gamma Delta won over McAllister Hall, and Atherton East beat Theta Phi Alpha.

There will be a meeting tonight of all ping pong players who have signed up for the All-College tournaments in ping pong, at 5 p.m. in the WRA room at White Hall.

The volleyball playoffs start at 6:30, with Simmons meeting Alpha Xi Delta; at 7:15 Kappa Alpha Theta plays Alpha Epsilon Phi, and Theta Alpha Phi meets McAllister Hall. At 8 p.m. Alpha Gamma Delta meets Atherton East in the badminton playoffs, and Kappa Kappa Gamma opposes Alpha Xi Delta. Alpha Gamma Delta bowls against McAllister Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Carter Risks Boxing Crown

LOS ANGELES, March 31—(AP)—Jimmy Carter risks his world's lightweight boxing title for the second time tomorrow night when he fights Lauro Salas, the California featherweight king who calls Monterrey, Mex., home.

Jimmy, the Cinderella champion from New York with a quick smile and equally rapid punch, rates the solid choice to whip his lighter foe in the scheduled 15-round.

However, Salas, a surprise choice whose scarred brows bespeak more than five years of ring warfare, figures he has a chance to pull an upset. Should he do it, he'd become the first native of Mexico to hold an undisputed title.

Midfield Big Problem For Lacrosse Team

By TOM SAYLOR

As midfielders Jack Wilcox and Paul Raffensperger went last year, so went the Penn State lacrosse team.

With this thought in mind, lacrosse Coach Nick Thiel, starting his 18th year as Penn State coach, is looking for two men to replace Wilcox and Raffensperger, who were graduated.

State will open its 40th season of intercollegiate lacrosse April 10 at Loyola (Baltimore) and Thiel will undoubtedly miss the eight goals Wilcox and Raffensperger scored against Loyola last year even though the Lions lost, 14-12.

Lion Trackmen Continue Drills For Relays

With one week of practice under their belts, Coach Chick Werner's Lion trackmen continue to lay the groundwork on the Beaver Field oval in preparation for the Penn Relays later this month.

With only a limited number of non-tested material to work with, Coach Werner's main concentration is centered around the four mile relay team.

Last season the Penn State four mile quartet won the event in championship style. The Nittany foursome of Bob Parsons, Bob Freebairn, and the Ashenfelter brothers, Don and Bill, was clocked in the fast time of 17:24.6, erasing the Lion record of 17:30.7 set in '48 by Shuman, Karver, Williams, and Horace Ash.

The Nittany thinclads have won the Penn Relay four mile event four out of the last five years, but in as much as not one man is left from last season's record-breaking group, Werner's chances of duplicating his previous feats remain a big question mark.

Some of the leading candidates for this year's combination include Jack Horner, Lamont Smith, Lloyd Slogan, John Chilrud, Bob Roessler, Bob Gehman, Don Austin, John Blood, Tom Demboski, and Allen Terill. "Although there isn't a veteran in the bunch, it (Continued on page seven)

Heart Attack Fatal to Coach

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 31—(AP)—Alvin N. (Bo) McMillin, who coached four college and two professional football teams after calling the signals for Centre College's "Prayin' Colonels" of 30 years ago, died today. He was 57.

His 35-year touchodwn run in 1921 for Centre College's "Prayin' Colonels" inflicted Harvard's first defeat in six years. He was Walter Camp's All-America quarterback of 1919.

McMillin coached Indiana University to its only Western Conference football championship in 1945 after successful coaching careers at Kansas State, Geneva College of Pennsylvania and Centenary College of Louisiana. The 1945 team was undefeated.

IM Wrestling Finals Scheduled for Thursday

The finals of the intramural wrestling tournament will be held Thursday night instead of tomorrow night. Dutch Sykes, assistant IM director, announced yesterday. The bouts will start at 8 p.m.

The volleyball games scheduled for Thursday night will be played Tuesday, May 6. The changes in the IM schedule are due to the IFC Greek Week program.

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Of the 101 goals State scored in nine contests last year, this duo accounted for 41 of them; Wilcox getting 21 and Raffy 20. Both totals were good enough to break the old record of 18 set by Cliff Sullivan in 1946.

Lost Fulton

In addition to his record breaking 21-goal total, Wilcox was named to the North squad in the annual North-South All-Star game. Raffensperger was named to the All-Pennsylvania team.

Besides Wilcox and Raffensperger, State also lost Al Fulton, who was drafted into the Army last summer, Bill Forrest and Jason Stone, both who were graduated.

Thiel has some consolation, however, in that he has four returning lettermen at that position, including Captain Bud Wolfram, who, even though he stands just five feet seven inches tall and weighs a mere 130 pounds, is one of State's scrappiest players.

Besides Wolfram, a senior, State has junior Wayne Hockersmith and seniors Tony Eagle and John Yohman.

Wolfram teamed up with Wilcox and Fulton last year to make up the first midfield trio while Hockersmith and Eagle played along side of Raffensperger to make up the second.

2d Midfield Green

With Wilcox and Raffensperger gone, Thiel has moved Hockersmith and Yohman into the starting threesome with Wolfram.

At second midfield, Thiel will have three men with no experience with the exception of Bob Pawloski who saw limited action last year. The other two are freshmen—John Steinmuller and Lucien Girard—with no experience except in high school. With all the running the midfielders do, State's second trio could be the deciding factor in a winning or mediocre season.

At third midfield, Thiel will have Eagle, Jim DeVoe and Jack Espenshade, who broke his leg in the State opener at Western Maryland last year. DeVoe is a sophomore while Espenshade is a senior.

IM Mat Semis Start Tonight

The stage was set for ten semi-final intramural wrestling matches — eight fraternity and two independent — tonight when two postponed fraternity bouts were run off last night.

Semi-final rounds will start at 8 tonight with the finals starting at 8 p.m. Thursday. The finals were originally scheduled for Wednesday night but were switched because of conflicting Greek Week activities.

In the two bouts last night, heavyweight Bob Smith, Beta Theta Pi, scored his third successive fall with a 1:22 pin of John Gazlay, AGR.

In the other match, Bob Barkley, Phi Kappa Psi, 128, took a referee's decision from Bill Walters, Phi Gamma Delta. The regulation match ended 3-3.

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