

Lions Play St. Francis In Practice Tilt Tonight

Game Will Be Climax Of Basketball Clinic

A fast-breaking quintet from St. Francis College of Loretto, Pa., will provide the Lions with their final pre-season warmup test tonight in Rec Hall.

The Frankie-Lion game will be the climax of a day's-long activity of basketball. Starting at 2 p.m. this afternoon, Penn State will conduct a basketball clinic for high school coaches, players, and officials.

Coach Elmer Gross will be in charge of the proceedings with talks and demonstrations on basketball fundamentals by John Lawther, assistant dean of the Phys Ed school and former Lion coach, and John Egli, freshman basketball coach.

Game Time 7:30

Lion trainer Chuck Medlar will also give a short discussion on the more common types of injuries that occur in basketball and an official will discuss the important rule changes for the season.

At 7:30 p.m. the Lions will play St. Francis in a demonstration game.

The Red Flashes, coached by Dr. Skip Hughes, dropped the Lions in a previous practice tilt, 85-61. This was the only scrimmage game the Staters lost, having previously defeated Lock Haven twice, and Juniata once.

Paced by their high scoring ace, Maurice Stokes, the Frankies won 23 games last year while dropping seven and as an indication of what they can do this season they defeated the powerful Quantic Marines last weekend, 84-76.

High Scorer Stokes

The impressive thing about this victory are the facts that the Marines have defeated the professional Philadelphia Warriors and have on their roster Paul Arizin, the former Villanova and Warrior ace who last year wrestled the high-scoring crown from "Mr. Basketball", George Mikan. Paul scored a grand total of 1674 points.

The Frankie offense hinges around their pivot man, Maurice Stokes. This 6-6 sophomore

poured in 505 points last season for an average of 16.8 points per game and his 24 tallies and general board work against the Marines were a major factor in their defeat. Gross rates him as one of the outstanding players in the country.

Veteran Players

The rest of the Red Flash squad will have John "Jocko" Clancey, a 6-1 senior from Pittsburgh; Gene Phelps, a fancy 6-1 dribbler; Joe Dugan, a 6-3 jump short artist; and speedster Pat Farace.

Gross will counter with a group of veteran players who won 20 games in regular season play last year while losing only four. They also went to the NCAA tournament where they lost to Kentucky and North Carolina.

Alternating at the forward slots the Lions will have Ronnie Weidenhammer, 6 foot; Ed Haag, 6-2; Jack Sherry, 6-3; and Joe Piorowski, a 6-3 senior who is eligible for only one semester of play.

Leading Scorer

In the back line will be Captain Herm Sledzik, a 6-4 senior who was second high scorer last year with 212 points, and Jesse Arnelle.

Arnelle was the teams leading scorer last season with 492 points. His total output and his 40 points in one game set new Penn State records.

The 6-5 sophomore probably won't play top performance ball tonight since he started practice only four nights ago along with the other football players, Jack Sherry, and Bob Rohland.

Records Highlight Lion Grid Season

In the highly successful football season which closed for Penn State with seven wins, two losses, and one tie, the Lion gridgers set several records and came up with a number of outstanding individual efforts.

The one that pleased Nittany Coach Rip Engle most was State's excellent coverage of punts. On 71 kicks this season, the average

return was only slightly under three yards—a tribute both to the fast coverage of the kicking platoon and the high booming kicks of Ted Kemmerer.

The Lion punt specialist averaged 36.6 yards on each of his 52 kicks. Early season kicker Don Eyer averaged 35.4 on 17 punts.

Ground gaining honors went to Berwyn Bob Pollard for the second year in a row. Trailing Dick Jones and Matt Yanosich all season, Pollard finished strongly to net 341 yards in 110 carries.

Total offense honors went to Tony Rados with 936 yards gained in 205 plays, mostly via the air lanes. Steelton Tony set many passing records this year and just missed another. Rados set a new season high for Penn State with 93 completions out of 186 throws for an excellent 50 percent average.

Tony's career total of 118 completions is also a Penn State record along with his single game completion mark of 17 set in the Purdue game this season. Only a butterfingering Nittany team on the afternoon of the Rutgers game prevented Tony from tying the Nittany record of nine touchdown passes in a season. (Tony wound up with eight TD passes).

It was largely the aerial arm of Rados which helped Penn State to outgain its opponents through the air although the Lions were bested on the ground.

Rados passes to Jess Arnelle also set another record when the tall Nittany end grabbed 33 passes this season to set a new Penn State season record.

Scoring wise, Bill Leonard and his toe led the entire team. Twenty-one conversions in 23 tries and two field goals gave Bill 27 points and the team leadership. Pollard and Jones each scored four touchdowns for 24 points. Rados scored three times, and Bob Szajna, Yanosich, and Arnelle all scored twice.

Rounding out State's utilization of the air-ways, Jack Sherry and Don Eyer each intercepted eight passes to establish Nittany highwater marks. Don Bailey,

Collegiate Chatter

West Virginia enjoyed its best football record in 15 years this season with eight won, two lost. Jack Stone ranked as one of the Southern Conference leaders in scoring and punting, Paul Bischoff in pass-receiving, and Fred Wyant in passing and total offense for West Virginia this season.

Art Lewis, West Virginia football coach, declares freshman sensation Wyant to be the best Split-T quarterback on the optional play he's ever coached. Wyant is the Mountaineers' leading touchdown-scorer as well as TD-passer. Lewis also coached the great Gil Bocetti at Washington and Lee.

Bischoff, West Virginia's All-American end candidate, has won the Pierce award for scholarship among football players for the second straight year.

The Mountaineers' four main candidates for "all" honors in football — All-American end prospect Bischoff, center Bob Orders, defensive tackle Gene Lamone, and freshman quarterback, Wyant—are all honor students academically. Bischoff is majoring in physical education, Orders and Lamone in the College of Commerce, and Wyant in engineering.

The West Virginia defensive football platoon that held Pitt and George Washington scoreless two weeks in succession is composed of two freshmen, six sophomores, and three juniors.

West Virginia will continue its practice of weekend doubleheaders during basketball season in Mountaineer Field House where South Carolina appears Dec. 22-23.

Dahle Elected 1953 X-Country Manager

Robert Dahle has been elected student manager of the 1953 Penn State cross-country team, succeeding James Rugh, Jr. His three newly-chosen assistants are Don R. Odell, Gardner P. Horst, and John F. Speer, Jr.

Wrestling Managers

Candidates for second-assistant manager of the varsity wrestling team are asked to report to Coach Charles Speidel or to the wrestling room in Recreation Hall at 4 p.m. Monday.



Ted Kemmerer
(Punting Specialist)



Bob Pollard
(Top Ground Gainer)

Lis Fourth Team

Eddie Sulkowski, a native of Pittsburgh, Pa., will field his fourth Penn State boxing team early in 1953.

Don Malinak, and Leonard also were instrumental in bringing State a new team record of 25 interceptions a season.

Low Scoring Tilts Mark Cage Tourney

Close, low scoring contests were the order of the day as fraternity intramural basketball continued Thursday night at Rec Hall.

Phi Epsilon Pi, led by Marv Freed's 12 points, managed to eke out a 22-20 win over Phi Kappa after overcoming a 16-10 halftime deficit.

Another close shave was had by Kappa Sigma who almost fumbled an 11-7 halftime lead but managed to hold on for a final 23-22 decision over Phi Mu Delta.

Sigma Nu also had to get over a 6-5 middle point to take the game 19-13 from Phi Kappa Tau.

Phi Sigma Kappa, headed by Joe Beere's 18 markers, romped over Chi Phi 41-17. The winners had little trouble in the latter part of the game after a difficult first half, which ended with a slim 12-11 lead.

John Wolfinger with eight and Wayne Hookersmith with seven points led Sigma Alpha Epsilon to a 30-7 victory over an ineffectual Theta Chi quintet.

Tau Kappa Epsilon trimmed Delta Upsilon to the tune of 25-12. Don McCormick was high scorer for the winners with a total of 11 points.

Sigma Phi Epsilon beat out Del-

ta Sigma Phi by a 27-16 final. Dave Ritchey fronted the S.P.E. attack by coming through with four field goals for eight points. High scorer of the game was Delta Sig's Don Davis with nine tallies.

The only forfeit win of the night was registered by Phi Kappa Alpha over Omega Psi Phi.

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Penn State's kicking specialist, Ted Kemmerer, of State College, averaged 36.6 yards on his 52 punts.

Cage Clinic Welcome

Ernest B. McCoy, dean of the School of Physical Education and Athletics, will welcome coaches, players, and officials of the pre-season basketball clinic at Penn State today. Elmer Gross, Lion coach, will direct the one-day affair.