

IM Boxing Tilts Enter Last Days

IM boxing exploded into the first of its final four days of the 1952 tourney yesterday at Rec Hall as 16 out of a scheduled 18 bouts were fought in the all-fraternity pairings.

Yesterday's fights wrapped up the bulk of the fraternity quarterfinals, setting the stage for tomorrow's semifinals, with the finals scheduled for Thursday night.

Delta Upsilon, leaders in team points since the opening day, won and lost. Dean Harbold, last season's 128-lb. king, ran into Jim Lewis, Sigma Chi, in the 135-lb. class and

dropped the decision, while DU Arch Kinder, lighthheavy, picked up his third forfeit win in succession to move into the semifinals. Kinder has yet to fight.

Carroll Wins by Forfeit

The defending champs, who have missed bringing home the crown only once since 1947, still head the lot with team points collected in 14 bouts, with three men left. Beta Theta Pi, with two men still in contention, advanced its twosome yesterday to cut down the DU lead by one. The Betas trail by four.

Phi Sigma Kappa remained in a tie with third place Sigma Nu when its only entrant of the day, heavyweight Harry Carroll, was presented a forfeit win from Rossey Grier, Alpha Phi Alpha. The Phi Sigs with nine team points have two men left.

Sigma Nu's defending 135-lb. champ, Stan Engle took a unanimous decision from Tom Orr, Sigma Phi Epsilon to keep the Sigma Nu's in the third place tie. Lighthheavy Jesse Moore was ousted by Don McCormick, Tau Kappa Epsilon, to reduce the Sigma Nu's still in the tourney to two.

Shopa Wins

The lone 121-lb. fight of the lengthy card found Bob Wylie, Pi Kappa Phi, eliminating Beta Bill Camp. Wylie kept on top all the way for the unanimous verdict, thus reducing the total number of Betas to two.

Kappa Sigma's Pete Shopa tacked up his second straight stopping in the lighthheavy class, this one hung on John Whitesell, Alpha Gamma Rho. Time was :17 of round two.

Whitey Messerman, Delta Chi, gathered in a split decision over Bill Ziegler, Phi Kappa Psi, in one of four quarterfinal matches in the 135-lb. division. Bruce Wagner, Beta Theta Pi, and Carl Evankovich, Phi Kappa Sigma, along with Sig Chi's Lewis, were the other 135 pounders to advance.

SPE Contender Loses

Wagner outclassed George Resh, Lambda Chi Alpha in their go, while Evankovich ousted Chuck Myers, Delta Sigma Phi.

Joe Gratson, Phi Kappa Psi, scored early and freely in his fight with Don Balthaser, Sigma Phi Epsilon to get the unanimous nod in the heavyweight division.

Beta Dick Cameron outslugged Johnny Johnson, Acacia, in their lighthheavy bout to pick up the unanimous decision.

In the 155-lb. class, Bill Matthews, Alpha Phi Alpha, and Tom Lozaw, Delta Sigma Phi, banged out decisions. Matthews beat Bob Myers, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, while Lozaw cut the remaining number of Delta Sigs by one-third

Collegiate Chatter

Spectators at the fourth annual Spartan Basketball Classic to be held at Michigan State may be looking at the national championship team for 1953.

Three teams in the tourney—Notre Dame, Kansas State, and UCLA—are rated very highly in early season polls, and any one could conceivably win the national title. Host Michigan State is the only team unrated among the nation's best in the classic, but Pete Newell's Spartans are known to be troublesome.

Coach Jack Gardner's K-Staters are currently rated third in the country behind Illinois and LaSalle, while UCLA is sixth and Notre Dame 11th. These squads are possibly the highest rated aggregations ever to appear in a tournament, with the exception of the NCAA and National Invitation Tournaments.

All four teams have gotten off to winning starts. Kansas State dumped Drake in its opener, while Notre Dame has beaten Creighton and highly regarded Indiana. UCLA has stopped Oregon State twice. Michigan State has defeated Marquette in its lone start.

Many different types of offense will be on display in the tourney. UCLA is a "race horse" team using the "run and shoot" offense. Kansas State features the balanced attack, with plenty of set plays, some fast break stuff when the occasion arises, and emphasis on pivot play. K-State boasts one of the nation's top scorers, Dick Knostman.

Notre Dame is a fast team with speedy men Joe Bertrand, Norb Lewinski and John Stephens leading the attack. Michigan State is mainly a ball control team, but occasionally resorts to the fast break.

Tied in with the classic is a two-day clinic for high school and college basketball coaches and players. The instructors, the four head coaches in the tourney, are Johnny Wooden of UCLA, Johnny Jordan of Notre Dame, Newell and Gardner.

The schedule calls for Kansas State to meet Notre Dame and Michigan State to play UCLA Friday night, with K-State meeting Michigan State and Notre Dame playing UCLA Saturday.

Members of the press and radio delegations covering the games will pick the outstanding player of the tourney for special recognition.

WRA Results

Basketball
Thompson McMaster over Coop—40-12

Women's Atherton East won by a forfeit over the Ionians.

Thompson Rojahn's over Aye-Sees—36-25

The Lionides over the Little Lions—25-14.

Ping-Pong
Little Lions over the Coops by forfeit.

Coach Holman Says Suspend Charges False

NEW YORK (AP)—Describing the fight to lift his suspension as City College of New York basketball coach as a "battle of life or death," Nat Holman said flatly yesterday the charges which led to the suspension are false.

"I've never done a dishonest thing in the game in all the years I have been connected with it," the veteran coach told the Metropolitan Basketball Writers Association at their weekly luncheon. "I have always fought hard and to the best of my ability and there is no, one anywhere who can point to a single demeaning thing ever done by Nat Holman."

Holman, Asst. Coach Harry Sand and Prof. Frank S. Lloyd, chairman of the faculty athletic committee, were suspended Nov. 17 by the New York Board of Higher Education on charges of unbecoming conduct. The charges were brought by a committee which had been investigating the 1951 "fix" scandals in which several CCNY players were involved.

when he decisioned Bob Gallo-way.

Other fraternity winners are: Bill Freed, Theta Kappa Phi, over Dick Davidson, Phi Gamma Delta, unanimous decision; Tom Hand, Lambda Chi Alpha, over Glenn Wiggins, Alpha Gamma Rho, unanimous decision; Bob Thomas, Kappa Delta Rho, over Bob Chamberlain, Alpha Gamma Rho, split decision; Bud Thompson, Delta Theta Sigma, over Russ Teague, Kappa Sigma, :32, round two.

Sports Thru The Lion's Eye

By JAKE HIGHTON
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Nittany football Coach Rip Engle has a sure-fire ulcer preventative during the season—don't read the newspapers. After the headline which appeared in a Pittsburgh paper yesterday, State's basketball Coach Elmer Gross will soon be reaching for Dr. Engle's pleasant pellet prescription.

The headline and the accompanying story which undoubtedly made Gross shudder and groan said to the effect that Penn State loomed as the best cage team in the district—which takes in the wide territory of Duquesne, West Virginia, and Pitt. Why, that kind of story is as dangerous as were those about Pitt's gridders going to the Orange Bowl.

Although looking fairly good in taking their two season openers over the weekend, State hardly qualified for the top team in any district. Physically the majority of the NCAA playoff Nittany team is back, but as yet isn't the same team. Whether or not it will prove to be the same remains in the future. At any rate, it is much too early for any team to be in NCAA playoff form.

As Gross points out, many of the answers to the present team lie in the road games. You can't begin to get any real conclusions on a basketball team until it has faced the cold, hard, five to 10 point disadvantages of away games. These conclusions are forthcoming over the holidays when the Lions engage in the All-College tournament in Oklahoma City Dec. 29-31.

This tournament harks Gross back to last year, even though State played miles and miles away from Oklahoma in the Steel Bowl at Pittsburgh in 1951. Gross recalls State's Steel Bowl championship last year because he feels it was then that the Lions found "something" and began a season which Gross still sees as only half real. For it was during that Steel Bowl tourney that State caught fire. They romped Pitt by 20 points and springboarded to a 15-game winning streak and one of State's all-time best court teams.

Even though the newspaper is wrong in calling State so good so early, discount some of the infectious pessimism of Coach Gross and look at the cage situation this way: State is unbeaten so far—which is beating par every time.

WASH & JEFF POST MORTEM: State's win over the Prexies was the first in three seasons . . . A full-court press, infrequently used by State in the past, seemed to be the biggest factor in victory . . . Captain Herm Sledzik is not only the most improved man on the squad but at present he is the only one—aside from new-found reserve strength Jim Brewer—playing at near peak potentiality.

BIG TIME? Up at Hamilton, New York, there is a college known as Colgate with a male student enrollment less than 2000. This school, despite its comparatively low number of students, has a 12-game freshman basketball schedule. Down in State College, Penna., there is a college with a male enrollment of approximately 8000. This school has an eight-game frosh cage schedule. Although eight is not too far removed from 12, junior varsity and intramural opponents are considerably removed from playing Cornell, Army, Syracuse, and Niagara as the Colgate frosh do.

BIG LITTLE MEN: Pacing the frosh cagers' bright victory over the jayvees Saturday were two sweet little players who end on end couldn't outreach the former Oklahoma A&M seven-foot giant, Bob Kurland. Frosh Coach John Egli's dandies are two of the tricky, shifty type who take some of the truth out of the adage that basketball is a big man's game.

Brunner Named Committee Chairman

Dr. Henry S. Brunner, professor of agricultural education, was elected chairman of a national committee for research in agricultural education recently at the annual American Vocational Association convention at Boston.

His job will be to coordinate work of regional groups. At the convention Brunner reported on developments in regional research in the field in North Atlantic

When Jesse Arnelle snared four passes in the season's closing game against Pitt, he set a new Penn State record of 33 receptions in one season. The old mark of 31 receptions was set in 1941 by halfback Lenny Krouse.



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