

Trackmen to Vie In IC4A's Tonight

By DICK McDOWELL

Track and field men from 42 colleges converge on New York's Madison Square Garden today, all of them gunning for honors in the 32d running of the indoor IC4A extravaganza.

Chick Werner's ten-man entry left for New York yesterday and will be off and running at 2 p.m. today when the time trials open. The finals are slated to get underway at 7:30 tonight.

The Werner men are faced with a man-sized task. Included in the entry list of the Lions' 41 opponents are not only the best college trackmen in the country, but some of the best in the world.

For a change, however, the Lions will be competing against an all-collegiate field, and although Werner, along with everybody else, feels that nobody can beat favored Manhattan, the chances are excellent for a second place finish for the Nittanians.

The Jaspers won the meet last year and have a host of top-flight material this season. Speedster Ollie Sax looks for rough competition from two Manhattan entries in the "600," Vern Dixon, defending champion, and Lou Jones.

However, the whizzing sophomore is favored to win the race. Sax has had a sensational season on the indoor boards, although not matching his 1952 record. (He won three meets last year, dropping two.)

Hopes for Grier

Jim Herb, Werner's high jump entry, is favored by many to win that event. Herb topped the bar at 6-5 1/2 in the NAAU meet last week, good enough for a third place finish. Herb will be getting major competition from Manhattan's Joe Gaffney.

Rosey Grier furnishes another bright spot in the Lion hopes. The big football tackle put the shot 51 1/2 in his best effort this season, setting a new Penn State record.

The two mile relay team, also a Penn State record holder, expecting to find the going rough. The baton bearers will face top ranking Penn and Fordham.

Ron Johnson will get his second opportunity to jump in competition in the running broad jump.

Dan Lorch, who hit 13 feet against Army, will be going after the pole vault win for the Lions. Lorch will have to better Penn's Roy Van Zimmerman, however, who has hit 13-6 this season.

Rounding out the Lion entries will be Red Hollen, running the two mile. Hollen was clocked at 9:29 in time trials this week, but will have to beat favored John Joe Barry of Villanova and Army's durable Bob Day to get a win there.

22 Baseball Tilts Listed for Lions

Penn State's NCAA District Two champions will undertake a 22-game baseball schedule in 1953.

Joe Bedenk's Nittany Lions, who last year licked Texas and Duke to cop third place in the "College World Series" at Omaha, Neb., will open the new campaign against Lehigh April 10.

Three double-headers are booked, all late in the season against Syracuse, West Virginia and Bucknell.

The schedule:
April 10, Lehigh; 11, Villanova; 14, Western Maryland; 17, at Lafayette; 18, at Rutgers; 22, American University; 23, Gettysburg; 25 at Pennsylvania.

May 1, Georgetown; 2, Georgetown; 5, at Navy; 8, Pitt; 9, Pitt; 12, Dickinson; 15, at Colgate; 16, at Syracuse (two games); 20, at West Virginia (two games); 23, at Temple.

June 6, at Bucknell (two games).

Sinkers Cop League G Court Titles

By TOM WERNER

Four teams forfeited their final games of the intramural basketball season, two of the winners thus sewing up the top spot in their loops in IM play Thursday. The Sinkers, last year's IM champs, are off again, winding up their seven game pre-playoff stint with a perfect 7-0 slate, best in league G. Their final win came through a forfeit from the Turtles, who showed up at the finish line with a slow 1-6 record.

The other squad benefiting from a forfeit to the extent of clinching a playoff position was the Bombers, who took the gift from the Gilmores. The Bombers finished with a 6-1 record, the Gilmores 3-4.

Dorm 33 Wins

Dorm 37 seemed to have spent the first half of its game with Ford City on defensive playing, as the score at the end of that time read 8-0 in favor of the Ford City five. John Badura, pushing eight of them through the hoop from the field for 16 points, led his Ford City team through a concentrated scoring drive by their opponents to come out on top at the final whistle, 22-9. Both teams showed identical 3-4 records for the season's activity in league H.

In league F, Dorm 33 made its last game of the year the second victory of the season as players tightened their collective belts and squeezed past the Beaver House, 24-23. The losers have a winning 4-3 slate to show for this season's effort.

Satan Seven Bedevils

Also in league F, the Cubs ended their activity with a win over the Huskies, 35-31. Trailing at the end of the first period, 17-7, the Huskies showed some of their muscles in a 24 point scoring second half, but to no avail, dropping their fourth of the year to pair up with their three wins.

The Satan Seven of I league trimmed the Lords in their final go, 39-23, to finish their court business with a respectable 5-2 account, the Lords with a not-too showy 1-6 slate.

Bob Jackson, scoring 12 points for his Dorm 10 quintet, led his squad to a 34-15 court mopping with Nittany Co-op. Both teams ended up with tired old 5-2 slates, also in league I.

The two other forfeits of the night had the Cats handing a free one to the Smith Hall five in E loop; the 21 Club taking an easy one from the Mustangs in league G.

State Gym Protoges

Six protoges of Penn State's Gene Wettstone are now coaching gymnastics at major colleges. The six are Ray Runke, Notre Dame; Warren Neiger, Pitt; Harold Frey, University of Illinois Navy Pier; Ray Sorensen, Duke; Bill Meade, North Carolina; and Bill Bonsall, West Virginia.

Collegiate Chatter

West Virginia's football and basketball success headlines reflect to its coaching staff. Basketball Coach Red Brown, who was named Southern Conference Coach-of-the-Year, was runnerup for state honors to Art Lewis. Lewis, head football coach, was runnerup for Conference Football Coach-of-the-Year.

The Mountaineer grid team will be loaded next year. All but one of 39 letter-winners will return to the 1953 eleven.

The year 1952 reigned supreme for the Mountaineers as they marked their most successful year in the 61-year history of athletics. Their hardwood five posted a 23-4 win and loss sheet, and nailed down the top berth of Southern Conference standings.

The gridders engineered their best season in 15 years and earned a six game win streak, the longest in 25 years, with a season card of 7-2.

Gymnasts to Face Orange Away Today

By GEORGE BAIREY

SYRACUSE — Gene Wettstone's unnoticed but also undefeated gymnasts checked in here yesterday with the idea of putting a complete halt to Syracuse's 1953 Eastern title hopes in an Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastics Association dual meet today.

The meet, scheduled for 6:15 p.m. at Archbold Gym, will be the opener of an all Orange-State twinbill, with the cagers listed in the nightcap at 8 p.m.

The men of Coach Paul Romeo have won them all this year, save one loss to last season's national champ, Florida State, 22-45, before Christmas at Tallahassee, Fla. The Orange record includes a surprising 53-43 triumph last year over the three-time Eastern defending champs, the Black Knights of Army.

Statewide, the Lions are no longer coming. They are here. Michigan State, Illinois, and Navy have already fallen. Illinois was the number three outfit in the country last year, and Navy is rated as one of the real powerhouses of the East.

Wettstone, not one to break up a winning combination, will go with the same crew against the Orange that nipped the Middies last week with just one exception. Warren Hommas will replace Bill Sopper in the tumbling event.

Elsewhere, Jan Cronstedt will work the number one spot in two events, the horizontal bar, and the parallel bars, while Captain Bob Kenyon, Bobby Lawrence, Dave Schultz, and Jim Hazen will round out the other top Nittany performers.

Kenyon will be top man in the tumbling; Lawrence, the side-horse; Schultz, the ropeclimb; and Hazen, the flying rings.

Handyman Karl Schwenzfeier will again be working in three events—the horizontal bar, the parallel bars, and the flying rings. Against Navy Schwenzfeier piled up ten points in the three events to pace the Lion attack.

Syracuse has a form of big three multi-purpose men in the personages of John Barkal, Ferdinand Fourneies, and Milan Trnka. Barkal took three firsts against Army last week. Fourneies and Trnka represent good all around performers—Fourneies especially on the rope, where he has turned in a 3.9 effort in intercollegiate play.

Jim Sebbo, the Orange's champion tumbler, will be the major single thorn that the gym Lions must counter-balance. Sebbo, who is but a sophomore, won the Eastern tumbling crown and placed second in the Nationals as a freshman last year.

Brewer's Dreams Come True

By HERM WEISKOPF

It's nice to dream . . . It's even nicer to have your dreams come true. Ask Jim Jim Brewer—his came true on the night of Dec. 12 last year.

That was the night the Saxons of Alfred University invaded Rec Hall for Penn State's first official game of the season. It was also the night that Jim played his first bit of varsity basketball at the College.

Although he didn't set any scoring records, Jim did capture the hearts of many of the fans with his heads-up play. His fancy footwork, tricky dribbling, and all-round hustle drew many rounds of applause.

Jim broke out in a broad smile when we asked him how it felt to be playing for the Lions. "It's wonderful," he said, "It's what I've always dreamed about."

A Philadelphian, he played one year of basketball for West Philadelphia High School. The next stop was Ogontz Center, where Jim played a big part in bringing the division crown home. Ogontz was runner-up in the Pennsylvania Junior College Athletic Association Tournament, losing to York Junior College. Jim was selected to the All-Tournament quintet, and the future looked bright for him as he prepared to come to the Nittany Valley in September of 1951.

Two days before coming to the

campus, Jim broke his ankle in a baseball game. He was unable to go out for basketball until late in the season, when all the positions were sewn up.

Playing for the Dorm 4 team in intramural basketball, he led his cagers to the division title and into the semi-finals. The team might have gone all the way had it not been for the fact that Jim was unable to show up until the second half of the game with the Sinkers—the eventual champs.

During the past summer Jim worked for a warehouse in Philly, but he found enough time to play for the Haddington five. The practice seems to have payed rich dividends for the modest 6-0 160 pound guard.

In one game this season Jim raised his hand before the referee even called the foul. This is a

typical example of his clean playing.

The lanky junior broke into the scoring column for the first time with a field goal and a foul against Washington and Jefferson.

He is one of those players who seems to be thinking all the time. This was especially evident when he raced from his guard position for no apparent reason in the Alfred game. After an instant all became clear, as he stole a pass from an amazed Saxon. He saw the play coming, and he broke it up.

Although Jim's dream of playing for the Nittany five has come true, he is like any other athlete in that he sets a new goal for himself as soon as one is attained. To what heights he now aspires we can only imagine, but you wouldn't want to bet against him—for it pays to dream.

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