

Harriers, Soccermen Play on Road

Jaspers' Runners Are Met Champs

Manhattan is usually a team which "arrives late," Nittany cross-country Coach Chick Werner pointed out yesterday.

State's jovial mentor was referring to the fact that George Eastment's hill-and-dalers have a reputation for improving with each meet, and hitting their peak in the IC4A championship.

Werner's words carry a great deal of weight in the light of the most recent performance by the Jaspers. The New Yorkers captured the metropolitan intercollegiate cross-country title run in Van Cortlandt Park, N.Y. recently. The Jaspers had entered the meet with an unimpressive seasonal record, but Manhattan has made a habit of winning "the one that count."

What had earlier been looked upon as sort of a breather for the Nittany harriers is now regarded as a real test of the team's abilities. Saturday's meet between the two foes will be the final dual meet of the campaign for the Lions. The race will be run over the Van Cortlandt Park layout, which will also serve as the site for the IC4A championship race later in the month.

Penn State's five-meet undefeated skin will be under fire. It is the longest winning streak by a Nittany harrier outfit since the Lions put together a nine-meet chain of victories which spanned three seasons. The latter victory road was started in 1949 against the Jaspers. In 1950 the Lions breezed through five opponents and continued the skin by knocking off Pitt, Cornell and Michigan State at the start of the next season before Army ended the Nittany reign of glory.

For the past four seasons the Jaspers have fallen before the Lions. This will be the fifth consecutive year that Manhattan has provided the Nittanians with their final dual meet competition of the campaign.

When the Lions travel to the "Melting Pot of the World" this week they will encounter a red hot Manhattan squad. The Jaspers will be out to upset the Lions' appellation, while Chick Werner's harriers will be out to keep up the "annual tradition" of defeating Manhattan in the final dual meet of the season.



John Chillrud
Nittany Harrier

Passarella Resigns

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Nov. 4 (P)—Art Passarella, a veteran of 13 years as a major league umpire, said here today that he had resigned from the American League umpire staff.

Jim Dykes Fired; Eddie Joost Is New A's Manager

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 4 (P) Shorstop Eddie Joost today was named the third field manager in the history of the Philadelphia Athletics in a move so surprising that deposed manager Jimmy Dykes knew nothing about it.

Roy Mack, executive vice president of the American League baseball club, announced the signing of the 37-year-old Joost to a one-year contract at an undisclosed salary believed to be about \$30,000. Joost, a veteran of 16 years in the major leagues, will be a playing manager, Mack said.

Mack, asked if Dykes had been fired, said he felt the little round man of Oakmont, Pa., had done a "poor job with the 1953 Athletics, and a change was necessary."

"We have a great deal of respect for Jimmy and hope he will remain with us in an advisory capacity," Mack said.



Red Harris
Lion Goalie

Over 60 Bands Expected

Over 60 bands are expected to participate in Penn State's fourth annual Band Day on Nov. 7. Musicians will number 4000. The bands will march in a pre-game street parade.

Booters to Visit Navy Tomorrow

The Nittany soccer squad will put on its traveling shoes again today, when it travels to Annapolis, Maryland. Carrying a 4-1 chart with them, the Lions will play their fifth contest on foreign soil tomorrow.

The Middies, who were the only boys who could dump Bill Jeffrey's crew last year, may be troublesome for the Lions. Coach Floyd "Glen" Warner, and his soccer eleven will be carrying a meager win chart of two, while three setbacks have been administered by the opposition.

Penn Beats Navy

One of the Middie's three losses was administered by Penn, but only after the Quakers started a three-point scoring outburst in the final quarter.

Navy commanded the situation by tallying twice in the first period against Penn at River Field. Both teams were held scoreless during the second and third periods.

The only scoring power against Penn for the Middies was the booting of Walt Shaw and George Fetterer. Fetterer, inside right, and Shaw, outside left, however, had initial assists by their center forward, Pete Fitzwilliams.

Lions Favored

Penn State will definitely be the favorite, as it boasts wins over Bucknell, Maryland, Duke and Colgate. Colgate and Maryland, however, were near stumbling blocks for the Nittanians as they narrowly won by one goal in each contest.

Coach Ken Hosterman, piloting his first soccer squad, will probably use the same starting lineup as he has employed for the past two weeks. After Saturday's win over Duke, Hosterman remarked, "I was very pleased with the positional play by the boys."

After four fourth-period scores by the Lions against Duke, the offensive's actual scoring power may be on the move again.

In just two games, eleven goals were tallied by Hosterman's men. They were slowed by tallying three during their loss to Army three weeks ago, and were almost stopped when they finally edged Colgate, 1-0.

If the same menacing machine of scoring returns to the early-season status for the Lions, it will be a vital concern for the Middies tomorrow.

Double Duty Man

Keith Vesling, a right halfback of Rip Engle's football team, is also a star pitcher on the Lion baseball team.

Fencing Continues to Hold Its Own in the World of Sports

By RON GATEHOUSE

Out of the realms of the past, from the days of Robin Hood and King Arthur, has come the ancient and scientific art of fencing, standing second to wrestling as the world's oldest sport. Although it is a sport of limited popularity in the United States today, the fact that it has carried through the ages establishes its prominence in the modern era.

Fencing saw its birth in the days when a knowledge of close combat was essential for survival. Originally, the man with a strong arm and heavy sword was the usual winner, but with the advent of the newer, modern weapons, skill and swiftness have become the deciding factor.

The secret of championship fencing is not the development of new and unusual methods of offense and defense, but rather of a high degree of technical mastery of the movements which have been developed through centuries of experience, plus perfect coordination and an almost automatic sense of timing.

In short, the expert fencer must match wits with the contestant with whom he crosses swords; he must deceive without being deceived; he must develop tactics and counter-tactics to meet lightning-fast reactions which may draw him out of position or out of time.

Down through the centuries the art of fencing has developed three basic weapons—the foil, the epee, and the sabre.

With the foil, a light and slender weapon, touches must be made cleanly with the point only. The first fencer to score five touches wins the bout. The target extends on the trunk of the body from the top of the collar to the groin lines in the front, and on the back to the tops of the hip bones. Touches outside the target area are regarded as fouls.

As in the foil, the epee has no cutting edge and offensive action is with the point only. It is much heavier than the foil and the bout is designed as nearly as possible to resemble dueling. Inasmuch as the entire body is the

target, great caution is exercised and accuracy is necessary. The touches are made with the point called "pointe d'arret," which is especially constructed with sharp points to tear threads in the jacket to leave definite evidence of the touch. Red ink is used in the point to assist in judging.

The sabre has a pointed cutting edge along the entire front and one-third of the back of the blade, so that cuts as well as thrusts may be valid hits. To be valid, however, the cut must land cleanly on the target without having its force broken. The sabre target includes all portions of the body (head, arms and hands) above the waist. As in the foil, the contestant who first scores five touches is the winner.

Thus, it can very plainly be seen that fencing, now one of our lesser modern sports, has developed over the years into an art of extreme coordination and speed, and is undoubtedly destined to continue behind the limelight with the sports of today.

IM Ring Entry Deadline is Set

All students interested in participating in the Intramural Boxing tournament may sign up now in the IM office in Recreation Hall. Each individual must enter himself as no one is permitted to enter someone else.

The tournament is open for fraternities and independents. There will be eight weight classes: 121, 128, 135, 145, 155, 165, 175, and unlimited.

All bouts will consist of three rounds, with a time limit of two minutes per round. Action will take place in Rec Hall between 5 and 6 p.m.

All entries must be in the IM Office by Friday, Nov. 13.

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