

Cagers Face 2-Game Test

Meet Eagles In Capital Tomorrow

The Penn State basketball team embarks on a rugged pre-holiday road trip tonight which will carry it south to American University and North Carolina State.

The Lions meet the Eagles in Washington, D.C. tomorrow night and then tackle North Carolina State in Raleigh, N.C., Saturday, seeking their third and fourth wins of the season.

The Wolfpack promises to be the tougher of the two games, probably the best team the Lions will face all year. However, American University is always dangerous and could give Coach Elmer Gross' cagers a real fight.

Gross pointed out yesterday that after whipping Penn, his team might ease up against the Eagles, particularly since they must play North Carolina on the following night. "American is a good basketball school, and is always tough at home," he said.

Finished Second
Last season, in finishing second in the Mason-Dixon Conference, the Eagles were unbeaten in nine home contests, and haven't tumbled in three games this year in Leonard gymnasium.

Coach Dutch Schulze has seven lettermen back this season from his 1952 team which won 15 and dropped eight, including a 69-53 loss to the Lions at Rec Hall. The Eagles finished the season as the 11th best defensive team among the nation's small colleges.

Average 10 Points
Three of Schulze's regulars averaged over ten points per game last season and have been maintaining that pace in five games this year. Forwards John Selby (6-3) and Charles Baer (6-3) were both over that mark last season. Selby averaged 13.8 per game and Baer hit for 12.8 a contest. The third man is guard Bud Daly (5-9) who hit for 11.3 points per contest. Rounding out Schulze's lineup will be center Carl Haverner (6-3) and guard Jim Williams (5-9), both lettermen.

The Eagles have a 4-3 record so far this season. They own wins over Scranton, Catholic University, Loyola of Baltimore, and Dickinson, and have lost to Manhattan, NYU, and Navy.

Ranked Eighth
North Carolina, ranked eighth in the nation this week, lost the Southern Conference championship to Wake Forest last year after dominating the league for six seasons. It is a heavy favorite to



Jack Sherry
He and Teammates Seek 3rd and 4th

win the Atlantic Coast Conference this season. The Wolfpack left the Southern Conference in the fall to join the new Atlantic Coast group.

Head Coach Everett Case lost seven of his regulars in June graduation but still leads the "team to beat" in the southlands this season. Six sophomores provide the bulk of his attack. Forwards Lou Dickman, Dave Kelly, and Phil DiNarde, center Ron Shavlik, and guards Vic Molodet and Whitey Nell—all towering over six feet—have led the Pack to four wins against one loss, averaging 87 points as a team per game.

Its only loss came at the hands of Wake Forest in an 8.-69 upset. Furman, Davidson, Eastern Kentucky, and The Phillips Oilers have all succumbed to Case's quintet.

Gross will take a ten-man squad on the trip. The Lions will be idle following the two-game set until after the holidays when they meet Syracuse Jan. 6 at Rec Hall.

WRA Results

PING PONG
Gamma Phi Beta over Kappa Alpha Theta
Kappa Delta over Alpha Epsilon Phi
Zeta Tau Alpha over Phi Sigma Sigma
Pi Beta Phi over Delta Delta Delta

BASKETBALL
Kappa Kappa Gamma 25, Chi Omega 16
Delta Gamma over Phi Mu (forfeit)
Leonides 26, Alpha Omicron Pi 8
Alpha Gamma Delta 34, Tri Vi 27

Frosh Cage Lineup Set For Altoona

Five freshman cagers were selected yesterday by Coach John Egli to start in tomorrow's battle with the University's center in Altoona.

Egli said that the yearlings "looked pretty good" in Tuesday's workout and that they had showed improvement. The freshmen have displayed a good defense, Egli said, but added that they are still having difficulty mastering the Penn State style of offense.

The five men who will start for the frosh are Bob Benson, Joe Hartnett, Jim Lysek, Sam McKibben, and Bob Ramsay.

Andy Pytel, 6-1, Ford City; Charley Stuch, a six footer also from Ford City; Hugh Cooper, 6-3, Slippery Rock; Jack Houser, 6-1, Pottsville; and Ed Kramer, 6-1, Westinghouse, will also make the trip.

Benson, 6-4, Haverford Hill, and Hartnett, 6-2, Johnstown, tied for the frosh scoring honors in the junior varsity game several weeks ago with three field goals and two fouls each for eight points.

Lysek, 5-10, Hellertown, hit for three field goals in the JV encounter. He showed some good ball-handling and a fine one-hand push shot. Six foot three inch McKibben from Punxsatawny found the range for two buckets and Ramsay, 6-7, of Munhall hit for one two pointer and two fouls.

This will be the second game of the season for the freshmen. They were defeated by the JVs in a preliminary game to the Washington and Jefferson-Penn State game, 43-42.

Graham Named Winner

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Otto Graham, the Cleveland Browns' great quarterback, was named winner of the November award today in the Hickok pro athlete of the year poll.

IM Mitt Finals List 11 Fights Tonight

By BOB DUNN

After more than two weeks of sparring, 22 Intramural boxing contestants will stake their claims to the 1953 individual IM mitt titles tonight at Rec Hall. The first bout is listed for 8:30 p.m.

With last night's semi-final fraternity fights, the situation has cleared up somewhat as to who the new fraternity champion will be.

IM Boxing Finalists

Fraternity
Weight Class
121—Pinky Friedman, Phi Epsilon Pi vs. Hilly Rosen, Phi Sigma Delta
128—Jim McGraw, Phi Sigma Kappa vs. Don Hoffman, Beta Sigma Rho
135—Nick McChesney, Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Gary Nugent, Sigma Pi
145—Don Martin, Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Joe Musial, Theta Xi
155—Buzz Pierce, Pi Kappa Phi vs. Jack Dillon, Phi Kappa Phi vs. Steve Haky, Sigma Nu vs. Jack Johnson, Acacia
175—John Lawrence, Chi Phi vs. Bob Jordan, Phi Kappa Psi
Unlimited—Roosevelt Grier, Alpha Phi Alpha vs. Harry Carroll, Phi Sigma Kappa
Independent
145—Larry Fornicola vs. Dick Wetzel
155—Bob McMath vs. Joe Antonacci
Unlimited—Phil Caton vs. Frank Della Penna

Two Way Toss-up

Five points is awarded for a win. But in the finals, an additional 15 points is awarded a champion, with the runnerup getting ten, so the issue is still very much in doubt among the top two.

Tourney-leading Phi Kappa Sigma advanced two men into the finals last night. Defending 128-pound champ Nick McChesney, faking beautifully, outboxed ATO's Bob Chambers to win a 135-pound scrap. Teammate Don Martin, used a "Joe Walcott" style in laying back for his openings, to win out over Sigma Nu battler Walt Hough in the 145-pound division.

McGraw In Finals

The Phi Sigs saw their 121-pound champ of last year, Jim McGraw, advance into the decisive round along with heavyweight Harry Carroll. McGraw turned back his 128-pound opponent, Dick Davidson of Phi Gamma Delta, while Carroll made short work of Phi Gam Frank Tussey.

Others moving in to the finals are Pinky Friedman, Phi Epsilon Pi, Buzz Pierce of Pi Kappa Phi and John Lawrence of Chi Phi, along with Jack Dillon, Phi Kappa swinger.

Friedman dealt Sigma Nu's title hopes a crushing blow in 121 class fireworks by defeating Chuck Fry. Pierce eliminated Mike Cramer of Zeta Beta Tau in (Continued on page seven)

Schoendienst Named Top Defensive 2d Baseman

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Al Schoendienst, who narrowly missed out as the National League's leading batter, was its top defensive second baseman for the third time in 1953.



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