

Cagers, Boxers Face Tests

Hoopsters Meet Colgate and Syracuse; Mittmen Tackle Wisconsin Tonight

Colgate and Syracuse, both easy victims of the Nittany Lions in early season play, provide the opposition this weekend as coach Elmer Gross' floormen go after wins 11 and 12.

The Nittanians meet Colgate at Hamilton, N.Y. tonight, then tackle Syracuse tomorrow. The two New York clubs fell before the hard charging Lions, 78-58, and 77-63, at Rec Hall in earlier contests.

The Lions carry a splendid 10-3 record into tonight's contest. Wins over both teams could conceivably open the way for an at-large bid to the NCAA district playoffs. They return home for four games beginning Wednesday, none of which should be too rough.

Real Test Expected

However, Syracuse and Colgate come first and both promise to give Gross' quintet a real test, since they will be playing on their home courts. Colgate looked very poor in their first game with the Lions but have improved considerably since.

Head Coach Howard Hartman has brought his team along in fine shape in recent games. Led by forward Frank Patterson the Maroon scored victories over Army and Connecticut. The 6-1 forward scored 22 points against Penn State in the first contest.

Arnelle Big Factor

For the Lions, success will probably hinge on the scoring antics of center Jesse Arnelle. The big junior, who has been having his best season this year, is averaging 21.2 points per contest. Jack Sherry and Jim Blocker at the forwards, and Ron Weidenhammer and Ed Haag at the guards, round out the starting five.

Both Syracuse and Colgate, particularly the Maroon, have always been tough competitors on their home courts. Gross indicated earlier this week that he expects rough sledding in both games. The Lions have failed to win, although heavily favored, for three seasons at Hamilton.

Both opponents will throw an effective fastbreak offense at the Lions and both employ a man-for-man defense. In the Rec Hall contests the Nittanians had little trouble in handling either team. Gross used his reserves considerably in both. However, neither one can be taken too lightly now.

The Lions return to Rec Hall's friendly confines Wednesday to meet Gettysburg. Rutgers follows Saturday night and then Georgetown and Temple invade Rec Hall March 4 and 6 to round out the 19-game season.

IM Volleyball, Handball Deadlines

Those wishing to turn in entries for intramural volleyball or handball must do so before Tuesday 4:30 p.m., Dutch Sykes, assistant intramural director, announced yesterday.

The handball competition will get underway March 1 with volleyball to start approximately one week later.

Triple Overtime

Penn State's triple overtime victory over Pitt reminded basketball fans of a duel nine years before that stretched into five extra periods before Temple edged the Nittany Lions, 63-60. Penn State was a 91-85 winner in the 1954 marathon game.

By ROY WILLIAMS

Coach Eddie Sulkowski has again juggled his boxing lineup for his ringmen's toughest dual meet this season against the Badgers of Wisconsin tonight.

Sulkowski's most amazing move was the selection of Joe Goleman, a junior, to replace Frank Della Penna who upset the Syracuse applegate last week with startling victory over Bruce Yancey, Coach Roy Simmons' heavyweight standout.

Goleman posted a 29-29 draw when he fought the heavyweight slot against Michigan State's Riley in the Lions' season opener.

The 193-pounder, who showed the earmarks of developing into a ring strategist against the Spartans, will face Bob Hinds. Last year Hinds, a junior, posted a 7-0 chart.

McMath Inserted at 132

In the hope of perhaps throwing the Badgers off balance, Sulkowski has dropped Harry Papacharalambous from 132-pounds to the 125-pound slot. Bob McMath was chosen for the 132-pound berth. The sophomore dropped his Syracuse opponent at 1:40 of the first round in the Lion's jayvee bout Saturday.

Pappy, owning a 1-2 chart, will face the 1952 NCAA champ from the University of Hawaii, Ray Kuboyama.

The remainder of Sulkowski's ring lineup will remain intact. But no weight class will be a breather for the Lions.

Sophomore Don Martin will seek his first win in four starts against Chuck Magestro at 139-pounds. Magestro was defeated in the final round of the Nationals last year by John Granger of Syracuse. In 1952, he was the 139-pound Northwest Intercollegiate champ.

Stokes Battles NCAA Champ

Jack Stokes and Don DeMay, both sophomores, will meet the Badger ring captains. Bob Morgan, 147-pounder has a win chart of 8-1-1 in two years of varsity meets, and was NCAA 147-pound champ in 1952.

DeMay's rival, Bob Meath, copied five wins in seven meets last year, but lost in the NCAA's first round.

Frank Breidor, Sulkowski's fourth sophomore choice, will meet Ev Chambers at 165-pounds. Chambers does not have a varsity record, but was called a "good product of the Badger's All-University pre-season tourney" by Sulkowski.

Adam Kois will meet Ray Zale, NCAA champ and nephew of Tony Zale, former world middleweight champ, for the fourth time in collegiate match. Both boxers hold a victory, while they battled to a draw in 1951. Kois defeated Zale at Rec Hall last year, 29-28, but then dropped the NCAA final bout for the 178-pound crown at Syracuse on a split decision.

STARTING LINEUPS

PENN STATE	WISCONSIN
Pap'char'l's 125	Kuboyama
McMath 132	Hunder
Martin 139	Magestro
Stokes 147	Morgan
DeMay 156	Meath
Breidor 165	Chambers
Kois 178	Zale
Goleman Hwt.	Hinds



Jesse Arnelle
Lion Threat

Sports Briefs

Salary Cuts Asked

BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Feb. 18 (AP)—Outfielder Mickey Mantle and second baseman Billy Martin, youthful stars of the New York Yankees, have been asked to take 1954 salary cuts, it was reported here today.

Sports Editor Lindy Davis of the Bartlesville Examiner-Enterprise, in his column prepared for Friday, wrote that he was reliably informed Martin had rejected a contract for \$12,000. This, the writer said, was \$2000 under Martin's pay last year.

Mantle is asking \$30,000 for the coming season, Davis reported, and has twice returned to the club contracts calling for \$17,500, a \$500 cut from his 1953 salary.

Yanks' Martin Drafted

BERKELEY, Calif., Feb. 18 (AP)—The day Jerry Coleman left for Marine duty in 1952 he gave his glove to scrappy Billy Martin with these words: "Use it, Billy, and make me proud of it."

Today—by the action of a draft board—the situation is reversed. Coleman is out of the service after many months as a Marine flyer in Korea and Martin is going in—for the second time.

Code Violation?

CHICAGO, Feb. 18 (AP)—Inquiry by the National Collegiate Athletic Assn. for possible violation of its code today was reported directed at Seton Hall, a consistent basketball power.

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By SAM PROCOPIO
Collegian Sports Editor

For many years wrestling has been the sport with enthusiasts—the only trouble was that most of these ardent persons participated on the mats. Now the fact-finding clientele are inclined to reverse their charges. Wrestling, amateur, of course, as an intercollegiate and high school sport, has recently been making its whereabouts known and has been rapidly winning the hearts of many fans.

And it isn't surprising to note that various teams are competing before 1500, 2500, 3000, and 3500 spectators at a time. Those figures may seem small, but what more can be expected when the seating capacity of most college auditoriums are such?

We feel that in the near future this sport will capture the fancy of the college and high school students to the extent that there will be a demand for larger auditoriums.

Penn State's Coach Charlie Speidel believes the unprecedented growth and popularity of schoolboy wrestling insures the future of the college sport. He attributes the sport's rapid advance to the opportunity for competition it affords the "little guy."

There have been successful attempts to win the interest of sports fans. Of those who have made the endeavor, Penn State is one.

To help the sport, a smoker sponsored by the Penn State Club of Bethlehem is one bi-annual event which precedes the Penn State-Lehigh wrestling match. The gesture is one that was inaugurated several years ago and has been a "must" on the Nittany Lions alumni calendar every other year when Penn State's grapplers visit Bethlehem for a dual meet with Lehigh. As one person said: the smoker is not a stag affair or exclusively for Penn State alumni. The invitation includes your wife, girl friend, or other friends.

Fred Nonnemacher, sports editor of the Bethlehem Globe Times, sums it up this way:

"The purpose of the smoker is not just for the Penn State team or its veteran coach, Charlie Speidel, but rather to show the true indications that this great sport of wrestling is continuing to gain in popularity, and that its rich regards are increasingly available.

"To appreciate the increase in popularity," he writes, "one really should travel the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association circuit. Member colleges that a few years back attracted scarcely more than a corporals guard are now packing 'em in, and at more meets than not, play to capacity houses."

Of course, at Penn State wrestling excited the students many years ago—like that of Lehigh—and it has held steady since. However, there is a difference. Lehigh's capacity is half the size of Penn State's.

At Rec Hall, Penn State can comfortably seat 5100. But when it's wrestling, it usually swells anywhere from 5500 to 6000—one of the sport's biggest crowds, if not the biggest.

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