

Lion Grapplers Seek 6th Triumph Today at Penn

Minus three of its more outstanding wrestlers, Penn State's defending Eastern and National championship team will seek its sixth victory of the campaign this afternoon against winless Penn at Philadelphia. The three are Bob Homan, Dick Lemyre, and Jerry Maurey.

The dual meet is slated for 3 p.m.

Coach Charlie Speidel will compete against one of his pupils in Penn's coach, Charlie Ridenour. Ridenour is a native of State College. He was thrice EIWA champion and twice NAAU titlist as a Penn Stater. He also served as Speidel's assistant before accepting

the head coaching job at Penn. The dual meet will be the 16th match between the two schools. Penn has yet to win a match. Last year the Nittany Lions pinned the Quakers, 28-0.

As he did last year, Coach Speidel will send several of his second best men to Philadelphia for experience. Wrestling his second match of the season will be Bill Cramp, 123-pounder. Cramp, who first made his appearance as a Penn Stater in the Nationals at Rec Hall last year, will be in search of his first victory in a dual meet. Last week he was pinned by Pitt's sensational matman, Hugh Peery.

Larry Fornicola was given the nod in the 137-pound class in place of Lemyre, Penn State co-captain and EIWA champion. Fornicola with a 2-2 record is expected to bring back a 3-2 record after he meets Tom Jones of Penn. Jones has yet to cop a match.

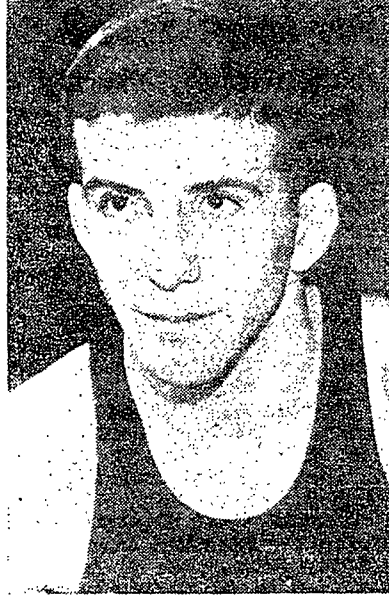
In the 167-pound battle it will be either Bill Shawley or Joe Humphreys. Shawley has yet to win a match this season but in facing two of the finest wrestlers in his class, he has made impressive showings each time.

Probable Lineup

PENN STATE	Wt.	PENN
Cramp	123	Evans
Byers	130	Jones
Fornicola	137	Shea
Frey	147	Friedberg
Krebs	157	Noe
Shawley or Humphreys	167	Down
Krufka	177	Walker
Oberly	Hwi.	Kopenhaver or Agnew



Bill Shawley
Lion 167-pounder



Larry Fornicola
Lion 137-pounder

Billiard Champ Is Challenged

PHILADELPHIA, March 2 (AP)—A group of former pocket billiards champions and challengers announced today it refuses to recognize Willie Mosconi as world's champion and will engage in an 11-day tournament here starting March 15 to determine a new champ.

The group includes former champions Jimmy Caras of Philadelphia; Irving Crane, Lavonia, N.Y.; Erwin Rudolph, Chicago; challengers Joe Procita, Brooklyn; Luther Lassiter, Washington, and Joe Canton, Watervliet, N.Y.

A spokesman said Mosconi is being "read out of the title because he has consistently refused to defend against a worthy challenger."

Grid Clinic Planned

Penn State's Rip Engle once again will be host to schoolboy coaches in a football clinic on the campus May 1.

Sigma Chi Clears Recreation Field

Sigma Chi conducted a general clean-up program at Holmes-Foster Field Saturday as its annual community work project.

Donald Reidenbaugh, chairman of the program, said 20 men spent the afternoon cleaning up the grounds, several buildings, and recreational areas. The field, at the western edge of the borough, is used by both children and adults for recreation and games.

Werner Pleased With Lions' Showing

Nittany Track Coach Chick Werner said yesterday that he was very pleased with the performances turned in by his indoor track team at the ICA meet Saturday.

"Some people," Werner said, "have come up to me in the past few days and told me they were sorry the team didn't come through. The boys didn't win the title, but they can hold their heads up high."

There were many turning points during the meet and had the Lions received the benefit of some of the breaks they might well have taken the championship. The

team tied for fourth in the meet. For example, in the two-mile run Red Hollen might have coped first had there been fewer runners in the race. Werner pointed out that it took Hollen three-quarters of a mile before he was able to break away from the large pack of harriers.

"His progress was impeded," Werner said, "by the elbowing and shoving that go along with running in a big pack. But, once he got away from the rest of the field he looked like the best runner out there." Hollen placed third in the race.

In the mile relay the Lions figured to take first or second be-

cause Penn State and Manhattan are rated as the two top quartets in the nation right now. However, the leadoff man for the Jaspers got in the way of Nittany runner Skip Slocum, slowing him down and also slowing down the winning time so much that although the Lions won this heat three other teams ran faster times in another heat.

Instead of taking first or second the Lions got only fourth and Manhattan fifth. This cost the Nittany squad two or three points and coupled with the two or three points Hollen might have picked up in the two-mile would have

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Cagers to Meet Two More Foes Before NCAAs

By DICK McDOWELL

The first of two final tests comes up tomorrow before Elmer Gross' Lion basketball team enters into NCAA tournament play against Toledo University at Fort Wayne, Ind. The floormen will face Georgetown tomorrow at Rec Hall and then battle Temple Saturday before taking on the Rockets.

But regardless of the outcome of these two regularly scheduled contests, Gross and his cagers (12-5 at the moment) are tournament bound. He and his ten-man traveling squad will meet the Rockets in the second game of a double-header at the Fort Wayne Coliseum.

Toledo is the Mid-America conference champion—not the best conference in the nation, but a good one. The Rockets finished their regular season last week with a not-too-impressive 13-9 record. In conference play they were 10-2. Significant here is the fact that they topped Bowling Green, an NIT choice, in league standings.

However, Toledo's most impressive game of the season was probably one they lost. Third-ranked Duquesne dropped the Rockets by only two points earlier in the season and had to come from behind to do it. Toledo led most of the way and still held a three-point edge with a minute and a half remaining. The Dukes' Si Green killed them, however, in the closing seconds.

The Lions' biggest job at Fort Wayne will be stopping forward Phil Martin, a 6-1 senior who collected 420 points this season for a 19-point average per game. Martin has been a Mid-American and Central Ohio All-Star selection for the past two seasons.

Behind Martin, Coach Jerry Bush has a 6-6 center, Bruce Spruce, who tossed in 357 points over the regular season, averaging 16.2 points. John Paxdzior, 6-2, with 267 points, Jim Maher, 6-1, 216 points, and Jim Ray, 5-10, 189 points, round out the first five.

The Rockets' only obvious weak point appears to be on their bench. Only one reserve, 5-8 Jack Miller has been used to any extent by Bush this season. The pint-sized guard is regarded as a top-flight ball handler and floorman.

The Lions are part of a 24-team field, incomplete as yet, which will be competing in the tourney. The winner is recognized as the official national collegiate champion.

The winner of the Penn State-Toledo contest moves into the Eastern regional playoffs at the University of Iowa fieldhouse. The opponent there will either be Kentucky, ranked first in the nation this week, or Louisiana State. The two teams are both in the running for the Southeastern Conference championship. The winner gets an automatic bid to the Eastern playoffs.

Northern Version

Baseball's already underway at Penn State, where pitchers and catchers are working out daily under the football stands.

Intramural Wrestling Entries Due Tomorrow

Entries for IM wrestling should be turned in at Rec Hall by 4:30 p.m. tomorrow according to Dutch Sykes, assistant director of intramurals. The entry fee is 25 cents per man. The tournament will begin March 17.

An organization may enter one contestant in each weight. Independent students may enter as individuals and need not be members of a team. All contestants, other than alternates, must compete in the class they enter.

IM Cage Playoffs To Begin

The independent and fraternity intramural championship series gets under way tonight at Recreation Hall where six first-round games will be played.

All eight of the independent finalists will see action while four of the six fraternity finalists will play, the other two having received byes. The drawings which decided who was to meet who were held last Friday under the direction of Dutch Sykes, assistant intramural director.

Perhaps the outstanding independent contests scheduled for tonight are the ones matching the Raiders with the Easy Aces, and the Phantoms with the Sinkers, defending champs.

The Raiders of league E and the Easy Aces, league F champs, went through their respective seven game seasons without a loss.

In the other two independent games the Spartans play the Epars and the Nighthawks play the winner of last night's game between the Forty-Niners and the McElwain Men. The latter two teams, along with the Snakes, finished their league D season in a dead heat for first place. The Forty-Niners whipped the Snakes 36-20 Monday night to earn the right to play the McElwain Men.

In a similar situation, Sigma Nu's opponent was not decided until last night. Beta Theta Pi defeated Sigma Phi Sigma, 19-15 Monday in an overtime game, and last night met Alpha Tau Omega for the right to meet Sigma Nu. Alpha Phi Alpha and Theta Kappa Phi face each other in the other fraternity game. Phi Sigma Delta and Sigma Chi, by fortune of the draw, received byes and will not play until Friday night.

Lion Baseball Season Opens On April 10

Penn State will launch a 22-game baseball schedule with a twin bill against West Virginia here April 10.

The Nittany Lions, opening their 24th season under Coach Joe Bedenk, will play 11 games at home and 11 on the road. Double headers are booked with Georgetown and Syracuse in addition to the Mountaineers.

The Lions were a contender for NCAA District Two honors last year.

The 1954 schedule: April 10, West Virginia (two games); 16, American University, at Washington, D.C.; 17, Georgetown, (two games), at Washington, D.C.; 23, Western Maryland; 24, Lafayette; 26, Dickinson, at Carlisle; 30, Gettysburg.

May 1, Lehigh, at Bethlehem; 4, Bucknell; 5, Rutgers; 8, Syracuse (two games), 11, Bucknell, at Lewisburg; 15, Temple; 18, Navy, at Annapolis; 19, Villanova, at Philadelphia; 22, Colgate; 26, Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; 28, Pitt, at Pittsburgh; 29, Pitt, at Pittsburgh.

FEARLESS FOSDICK
BY AL CAPP

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