

Lions Meet LSU In Ring Finale

By ROY WILLIAMS

In a final effort to partially salvage the 1954 boxing records, Coach Eddie Sulkowski and his squad will meet Louisiana State University tonight trying for their second victory. The Lions hold a 1-4-1 record; LSU is undefeated in five meets.

But the southern Tigers look like sure bets to hand the Lions their fifth loss. They grabbed a recent 5-3 victory from the collegiate boxing masters, Wisconsin, and hold the advantage of being at home.

And Penn State will have two men competing in their first collegiate ring match. Larry Fornicola, 139-pounder, and Dick Hayes, 155-pounder, were recently selected to take the spots of Don Martin and Don DeMay.

Coach Jim Owen will hand the Lions sound competition in 125, 147, and 178-pound classes. Cal Clary, 139-pound National Collegiate Athletic Association 1953 champ, faces Jack Stokes, one of the Lions' two Eastern champs.

At 125 pounds, Bobby Freeman meets Harry Papacharalambous who holds a dual meet record of 2-3-1. Freeman lost to Wisconsin's national champ, Ray Kuboyama, last week.

Two-year Eastern champ, Captain Adam Kois, meets Crowe Peel, LSU's top-flight 178-pounder. Peel is reported to be a strong contender to win the national crown after his split decision victory over Ray Zale, the Badger's defending champ.

At 132-pounds, Bob McMath faces John Stiglets. Stiglets has a 2-2-1 record. McMath has shown continual improvement since his first bout against the Badgers. McMath has a 1-2 dual meet record.

While Fornicola and Hayes face their first boxing opponents, Sulkowski will be counting heavily on his 165-pound and heavy-weight entries to bolster the Lion attack.

Breidor's 165-pound opponent, Ron Schulingkamp, decided Estel Nichols in LSU's opening season win. Nichols defeated Breidor when the Lion clubbed the Cavaliers for their only win, 5 1/2-2 1/2.

Louisiana's Clayton will probably get the nod over Jerry Wages for the heavyweight slot against Joe Goleman, who holds a 1-2-1 dual meet record.



Larry Fornicola
Lions' 139-Pounder

'Fight It Out,' Officials Rule

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP)—The boys can fight all they want to in the Big State League this season. President Howard Green said today the umpires have been instructed to let the players "fight it out" during the 1954 season and that the players are not to be ejected from the game simply for fighting.

"When and if any fights do start, the umpires are to stand by as spectators and not take on the duties of a referee," Green said.

"We hope that the younger players who will be dotting league rosters during the impending season will show a lot of spirit."

10 Gymnasts To Compete In NCAAs

Florida State, Illinois, UCLA, and Southern California stand as the big hurdles for Penn State's gymnasts to clear if they are to repeat as national champs for the second consecutive year.

Lion mentor Gene Wettstone will send ten of his standout gymnasts against the best the nation has to offer in the annual classic April 2 and 3 at the University of Illinois, Champaign.

Although Wettstone has several brilliant performers on this year's Lion squad, three names will stand out as being absent from his present combination.

Captain Bob Kenyon, Dave Shultz, and Jim Hazen composed the trio who had much to do with the success of last year's Lion version of all-winning gymnasts.

Although Hazen was the only Stater to place in the final round of the NCAAs, the other two added depth to the squad. He tied for third honors on the flying rings with Robin of Southern Cal with 258 of a possible 300 points.

Florida State's Seminoles were top seeded last year in the field of 23 teams, although they failed to place above the number five spot in the finals. The two-time defending champions registered 43 team points.

This year, the script is the same as last year so far as the top contenders are concerned.

7 Victories Posted In Handball Action

Seven wins were posted in handball games Wednesday night. Joe Pitoniak, Phi Kappa, defeated Dick Long, Theta Kappa Phi, 21-5, 21-10. Harry Carrol won two out of three sets from Gerry Gillespie, Tau Kappa Epsilon, 21-9, 13-21, 21-14. Frank DeSalle, Phi Delta Theta, won over Claude Profit, 21-12, 12-21, 21-16. Jay Poser, Phi Sigma Delta, beat Tony Procopio, 21-8, 16-21, 21-13.

Jim Brewer, Kappa Alpha Psi, defeated Ben Lentz, Sigma Phi Epsilon, in three sets, 21-14, 3-21, 21-14. Herb Hollowell, Delta Tau Delta, won over Bob Biggs, Kappa Sigma, 21-15, 20-21, 21-14. Morton Averick, Phi Epsilon Pi, won by forfeit from Bill Frengel, Lambda Chi Alpha.

Lacrosse Team Is Inexperienced

By EARL KOHNFELDER

Coach Nick Thiel has expressed high hope for Penn State's 1954 lacrosse team, but at the same time admitted that it is a 'green' team in the need of much practice before its opening game against Kenyon College April 10.

Last year's squad, consisting chiefly of sophomores and seniors, was dealt a great loss when the sheepskins were handed out. Thiel can't help but miss "Butch" Hockersmith, last year's captain. Hockersmith, who equalled a Penn State record by scoring 21 goals over the season, was a member of the North squad in the annual North-South lacrosse classic.

Thiel, with an assist from the weatherman, has rounded the team into good shape physically. It was a lack of practice opportunities last year that contributed to a poor season, showing only one victory.

Two Vets Return
Juniors and sophomores comprise the bulk of the team, but experience will not be lacking to a great degree as two returning servicemen, Al Foulton and Jim Reed, should bolster the team in that department.

The Lions, according to Thiel, will be weak at midfield where only Foulton, Captain Dave Arnold, and George Bickelhaupt seem to have nailed down positions.

Juniors Alan LeChard, Ronnie Youtz, and Dick Klein, along with sophomore Bob Hamel, are the leading candidates for the close attack posts.

Defense Strong
On defense, Thiel has a wider choice. Herbie Horikawa and Jim Hay, juniors, will be vying for starting assignments with sophomores John Flynn and Stephen Friedman. Also a prominent figure in the defensive pattern is Joe Collett, a senior.

Dave Bell returns to tend goal for coach Thiel after a season's layoff because of an injury. Bell, however, may have to step aside for a promising sophomore, Jack Solomon.

John Steinmuller and Lou Girard would have been able to play this season, but Uncle Sam had different ideas. Ineligibility has also played a part in depriving Thiel of some good material.

Lacotus Promising
Thiel may have a secret weapon in Frank Lacotus, a stocky sophomore with whom he has been experimenting at midfield and close-attack positions. Lacotus has an added incentive in that his brother was a former Penn State great.

The Lions will have no easy time of it in their April 10 opener on the lacrosse field. Kenyon College was last year's Ohio District Champions. The Lions will follow up their inaugural with Easter vacation games at Annapolis against Navy and Baltimore where they will face Loyola.

IM Results

VOLLEYBALL
Wednesday Night

- Scorpions over Nittany Co-Op-B, 18-16, 15-12
- Sexy Six over the Bearcats, 15-12, 15-10
- Panthers over the Penn State Club, 15-5, 3-15, 15-12
- Emanon over the Four Hundred, 15-12, 15-4
- Bruins over the Engineers, 17-15, 15-2
- Moldy Crew over the Hawks, 15-7, 15-13
- Cougars over Nittany Co-Op-A, 15-10, 15-10
- Pilgrims over the Forty-Niners, 15-2, 15-2
- Iron Men over the Squires, 15-5, 15-9
- Phi Kappa Psi over Phi Sigma Delta, 15-0, 15-3
- Alpha Sigma Phi over Delta Tau Delta, 15-2, 15-12
- Delta Sigma Phi over Triangle, 15-1, 16-14

Thursday Night

- Beta Sigma Rho-B over Delta Theta Sigma, 15-8, 15-4
- Alpha Tau Omega over Sigma Phi Epsilon, 8-15, 15-13, 15-5
- Phi Kappa Tau over Alpha Epsilon Pi, 15-4, 15-9
- Phi Epsilon Pi-B over Alpha Gamma Rho, 15-1, 15-2
- Pi Kappa Alpha over Alpha Chi Sigma, 15-12, 8-15, 15-10
- Alpha Chi Rho over Phi Delta Theta, 18-16, 15-7
- Delta Chi over Acacia, 15-8, 15-10
- Alpha Phi Alpha over Phi Epsilon Pi-A, 15-13, 15-13
- Beta Sigma Rho-A over Pi Kappa Alpha, 15-2, 15-8
- Sigma Phi Alpha over Theta Chi, forfeit
- Alpha Gamma Rho over Sigma Pi, 15-4, 15-1
- Beta Theta Pi over Phi Mu Delta, 15-9, 12-15, 15-12

HANDBALL

Five eliminations were recorded in handball games played on Thursday night. George Canaga, Sigma Chi, defeated Bill Kilmer, Acacia, 21-16, 18-21, 21-10. Norman Hickey, Sigma Nu, won over Mike Meckley, Theta Xi, 21-7, 21-3.

Tom Flemming defeated Jim Reed, Sigma Pi, in two out of three sets, 21-14, 14-21, 21-15. Vernon Sones, Acacia, beat Dan Markley, Kappa Delta Rho, 21-11, 21-6. Jack Sherry, Alpha Chi Rho, won over Erwin Lesser, Phi Epsilon Pi, 21-4, 13-21, 21-16.

The End of the 'Road'

Lemyre, Maurey in Final Competition

By HERM WEISKOPF

The end of the road is often the roughest part to travel. This is especially true in the case of two of Penn State's top wrestlers—Dick Lemyre and Jerry Maurey. The end of the "road" is the June graduation that awaits these two fine matmen and the rough part is the NCAA mat tourney which is being held this weekend at Norman, Okla.

Lemyre and Maurey will face some of the finest competition of their collegiate careers in this national championship meet.

They are under the added burden of trying to successfully defend the title which the Lions won last year.

Although Coach Charlie Speidel's grapplers failed to hold on to the eastern wrestling crown they won last year it was no fault of his two aces. Lemyre came away from the meet with his third straight eastern championship and Maurey picked up his second title in the weekend tournament at Syracuse's Barton Hall.

Lemyre finished regular season by defeating Pitt's George Matthews in a 137-pound scrap for his 19th consecutive dual meet win. Dandy Dick's record this year, including EIWA competition, is 8-0-0. In last year's na-

tional title tournament he finished second in the 130-pound class.

One of his finest performances was in the final dual meet of the season last year. The Lions were aiming for their 29th dual meet win in a row and their third straight undefeated campaign. John Eckhardt of Army was Lemyre's opponent.

It is hard enough to pin a man when he is on the bottom, and it is virtually impossible to pin him when he is on top, but this is just what Lemyre did. Late in the second period Lemyre, who had been in control most of the way, made a wrong turn and found himself underneath his 130-pound foe. Then, with his own back on the mat, he grabbed Eckhardt with what Speidel called a "back-lying cradle" and

pinned his man at 5:39.

Maurey, who will move down to the 137-pound class for the nationals, had an 8-1-1 record this season. His only defeat came at the hands of Navy's Sid King in a meet at Annapolis in which the Nittany win streak was halted at 34 straight. Maurey led going into the final period, but King scored on an escape and time advantage and won 3-2. The last two meets of the season found Maurey on the injured list.

Dandy Dick and Maurey have shared the burden of carrying the Lions through another successful season. They helped pave the "road" to many a Nittany victory and Speidel will have a tough time finding replacements for next year.

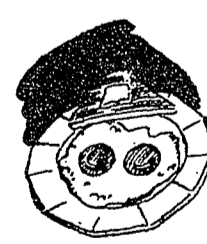
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