

Cagers, Wrestlers See Action

Navy Makes First Rec Hall Visit

Off and running again after a holiday scoring slump, Penn State battles Navy tonight in quest of its eighth basketball victory of the season. The Rec Hall contest will get underway at 8 p.m. following the preliminary game.

It will be Navy's first appearance at Rec Hall and the Lions want revenge for a 62-58 beating handed them last year at Annapolis. And a look at the records indicates that it might be Penn State's night.

Coach Bob Carnevale's quintet has won only two of six games thus far this season, and appears to be a much weaker team than the one that downed the Lions last year. However, that doesn't necessarily mean that the Middies are a weak club. Very few weak athletic teams of any kind have ever come out of the Academy, and despite its poor record this one may be surprisingly strong, and could give the Nittanians a stiff test.

Lost Stars

Carnevale was forced to find replacements for his two great stars of last season, John Clune and Phil Lang, and had trouble with his results until Wednesday when the Middies snapped a four-game losing streak by beating William and Mary, behind the sharp-shooting of guard John McCally.

The Lions, however, are probably the best offensive team to face his quintet to date. Currently scoring more than 86 points a game, John Egli's passers are running 17 points better than any previous Penn State team.

Led by center Jesse Arnette, who is cutting the nets at a 27.7 point per game pace, the Lions have swept to seven wins in ten contests.

May Top Record

The big senior has tossed in 277 points and is well on the way to breaking his single season scoring record of 507 points.

Egli said yesterday no lineup changes will be made for tonight's contest. Earl Fields and Rudy Marisa will man the forward positions and Ron Weidenhammer and Bob Hoffman will be at the guards.

The Lions play their final home game of the current stand Wednesday against Syracuse and then go on the road for five straight contests.

Outing Club Plans Ice Skating Party

The Penn State Outing Club will hold a skating party tomorrow at Beaver Dam followed by supper and dancing at the Stone Valley Forestry Cabin. The group will meet in back of Old Main at 2 p.m.

At the outing, members may sign up for the wild game banquet to be given by the field and stream division of the club at the Forestry Cabin on Jan. 16.

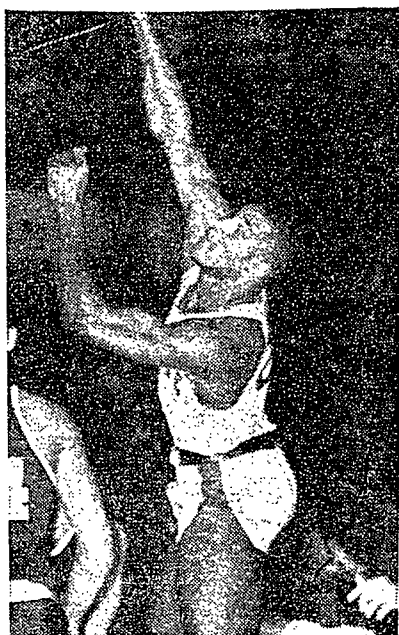
The banquet, open to all members of the Outing Club, will have for its main course wild game taken by club members during hunting season.

Reservations must be made by Wednesday. Members may sign up by calling Gordon McCartney at Adams 7-2602 after 6 p.m., or the recreation office, extension 2571.

Unbeaten Season

Bob Hicks, member of Penn State's Cotton Bowl football team, produced an unbeaten eleven in his first season as head coach at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa.

Penn State, a traditional power in intercollegiate wrestling, will launch its 1955 campaign against Cornell tonight.



Jesse Arnette Goes Against Navy

Frosh Battle Sherry's 'Stars' In Prelim Tonight

Penn State's freshman basketball team, unbeaten in three tests this season, goes after its fourth win tonight against Jack Sherry's "All-Star" quintet.

Sherry, former Penn State cager, and captain of last year's team, will pit his recruits against the frosh in a preliminary contest to the varsity game with Navy. The tap-off is scheduled for 6:15 p.m.

Sherry has gathered several former Penn State cagers for the game. Included on his squad are Harry Holm, Chuck Christiansen, Dan Radakovich, Larry Gershaman, Pete Lang, Sam McKibben, Ed Ritter, Bill Kane, Mike Hawk, and John Feuerlicht.

Coach Don Swegan's yearling cagers have beaten Bucknell and the Penn State jayvees (twice) in competition this year.



Charlie Speidel Initiates 29th Season

Lions Open With Cornell Grapplers

By ROY WILLIAMS

Coach Charlie Speidel will initiate his 29th season as Nittany wrestling coach tonight when the Lions invade Cornell under circumstances similar to those when the Lions opened their season against the Big Red at home in 1954.

Tonight Cornell will hold the advantage on the Lions as far as match experience is concerned. The Lions should get the odds in the skill department.

Cornell has a 1-1-2 record and the Lions open with a clean slate. Last year Cornell had a 2-1 record when it invaded Rec Hall, only to suffer its second loss as the Lions won their opener, 20-6.

Lineup Changes Due

Coach Eric Miller of Cornell and Speidel have one thing in common. They, like many other mat coaches, make a habit of juggling their lineups before a match.

In the Cornell-Lion match last winter, two changes appeared in the Nittany lineup while the Big Red altered its lineup in three instances.

Probable lineup for Cornell, in order, is Ernie and Rex Boda, Chuck Gratto, Rog Judd, Bob Lynch, Berkeley Briggs, Otis Keller, and Phil Harvey. For the Lions, Sid Nodland, Capt. Bob Homan, John Pepe, Dave Adams, Bill Shawley, Bob Snyder, Joe Krufka, and Bill Oberly.

Miller may depend heavily on sophomores Lynch, Briggs, and Ernie Boda—outstanding frosh last year for Cornell. At heavyweight, Phil Harvey lost his Rochester Tech and Lehigh matches; Cornell, however, has Dick Brady, outstanding sophomore, in the heavy division, who has not appeared this season. Brady is reportedly hampered by an injured knee.

Cornell Veterans

Lynch (167), Rex Boda (123), and Judd (157), wrestled the Lions last winter but lost against Bill Krebs, Homan, and Doug Frey.

Cornell, however, has 1953 145-pound champ Ken Hunte sitting on the bench plus Nazeuno Tude—who lost against Lehigh's Dave Bates 9-2—and Chuck Gratto at 137 pounds, who could be picked to meet the Lions.

Three wrestlers who have seen action for Penn State in the past—Larry Fornicola, Hal Byers, both lettermen, and senior Bill Cramp—did not win berths for the Cornell meet.

Homan, who netted a 5-1 record last year in dual meets, enters the Cornell tussle with an all-time record of 26-7. Krufka's all-time mark of 11-3 includes a 4-1 dual meet mark and a 7-2 tourney string while Shawley owns a 2-3 record.

Inquirer Games...

Attract 3 Olympians, 2 NCAA Titlists

This year's Philadelphia Inquirer Games, which will be the opening action of the season for the Nittany indoor track team, is once again taking on the appearance of a nebulous galaxy of stars. Among the outstanding performers who have filed entries so far are three Olympic Gold Medal winners and at least two national champions.

Horace Ashenfelter, Lindy Remigino, and Bob Richards all won their specialties at the 1952 Olympic Games and have formed a nucleus for this year's classic Jan. 21 at Convention Hall in Philadelphia. Ernie Shelton, University of Southern California senior and the nation's top high jumper, will travel from the Coast along with the former teammate Jim Lea, who is rated as one of the world's top quarter-milers.

The top surprise of the 1952

Olympics was Ashenfelter's victory in the 3000-meter steeplechase, and since then the former Penn State great has set a sizzling pace to become one of the best distance runners of all time. Ashenfelter will compete in the Robertson Two-Mile in the Inquirer Games. Last season Ash set the meet criterion of 8:59.2 and later went on to establish the world's record of 8:50.5 for the indoor 16-furlong event at Madison Square Garden.

A fellow FBI agent, Fred Wilt, who held the two-mile standard before Ashenfelter, has stated that he intends to win back his lost honors this year.

Also in the two-mile race will be Bob Sbarra, Manhattan's Penn Relay victor; former intercollegiate titlist Joe LaPierre; and Scottish record-holder Alex Breckenridge of Villanova.

Remigino, Olympic 100-meter king, will compete in the 50-yard sprints. Andy Stanfield won this event last year, with Ken Kave placing second and Remigino third.

Richards is once again entered in the pole vaulting competition, where his numerous 15-foot leaps have earned him many titles and the name of the "Flying Parson." His duels with Don Laz have provided a host of new records. Laz defeated Richards last season, finishing with a leap of 14' 8" as compared to Richards' 14-foot vault. However, the Parson was suffering from a foot injury at the time of the meet.

Shelton has won 50 consecutive outdoor high jump meets and is the No. 1 threat to the much dreamed of seven-foot leap. He has cleared the bar at 6' 11" with his variation of the Western roll which he has labeled the "straight-legged straddle." The world indoor mark of 6' 10 3/4" was set in 1953 by Ken Weisner.

Lea has recorded many sensational clockings in the 440-yard event, but will be running in the 600-yard race at the Inquirer Games. Among his times last year were new NCAA and AAU marks of 0:46.7 and 0:46.6. The world record is 0:46.

Hunting Safety Class Planned

A class in hunting safety will be added to the physical education curriculum next semester when the rifle range, now under construction in Recreation Hall, is completed.

Glenn N. Thiel, professor of physical education, said the course will be the first of its kind in this area.

In addition to the classes, Thiel said it is planned to open the range to the three Reserve Officers' Training Corps rifle teams.

Thiel added that requests for use of the range have also been received from the Outing Club, faculty groups and townspeople.

He said he hopes the range will be completed by Feb. 1 so it can be used for classes beginning Feb. 7.

The range is a 50-foot small bore range with nine firing points.

The Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) exercises jurisdiction in 16 different sports.

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Between the Movies

'Blank Check' Given On TV by NCAA

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP)—The NCAA convention wrote out another "blank check" recommendation for a 1955 football television program today in spite of a boycott threat from the Big Ten group.

After a lengthy and sometimes laugh-provoking hassle over the details, the delegates adopted the resolution offered by the outgoing committee, with an amendment showing the result of an informal preferential vote taken today.

The resolution says, in effect, merely that there shall be a national TV program for 1955, its format to be decided by a new committee after appropriate information has been secured.

And in spite of a vigorous effort

on the part of Notre Dame's delegate, Father Edmund Joyce, to bring about an open discussion of TV problems, there was no directive to the new committee to consider any one proposed plan.

The result left a wide open question on what sort of program the committee will formulate and whether it will be acceptable to the rebellious Big Ten and Pacific Conferences.

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