

Lion Cagers Meet 3 Future Mat Foes Hot Rod and Co. Show Good Records

College basketball's clown prince, Hot Rod Hundley, leads West Virginia University into Rec Hall tonight for the second game of a home-and-home series against John Egli's fast-moving Penn State quintet.

The Lions will be looking for their 14th victory of the season, and second against the West Virginia passers when the game gets underway at 8 p.m.

Hot Rod, so dubbed because of his clowning antics on the basketball floor, leads the West Virginia scoring, but the sophomore ace collected only 11 points when the Lions went into overtime to win the first contest, 77-68 at Morgantown.

May Break Record

Tonight's contest should mark another big milestone in the scoring career of the Lions' great center, Jesse Arnette. The big pivot-man needs only 11 points to break the Penn State seasonal scoring record which he now holds at 506. He has 496 this season. Arnette has been scoring at a 27.4 point per-game pace this season and should have little trouble eclipsing the old mark tonight.

The Lions, on the rebound after a momentary slump two weeks ago, go into the contest with a 13-5 record while coach Fred Schaus' Mountaineers carry an 11-8 slate.

No Lineup Changes

Egli is expected to start with the combination that has gathered four straight wins for him since his quartet suffered a double loss against Pitt and Carnegie Tech at mid-season. Earl Fields and Jim Blocker will be at the forwards, and Ron Weidenhammer and Bob Hoffman get the nod at the guard positions, with Arnette in the center slot.

Schaus, the former Fort Wayne Piston and New York Knickerbocker star, who took over the West Virginia varsity reigns this season, is expected to counter with sophomore Hundley (6-4) and a quartet of fine veteran performers. Willie Bergines (6-6), and Pete White (6-5) will be at the forwards. Paul Whitting (6-7) will be at the center, and Frank Spadafore (5-8) will man the other guard position.

The game marks the 46th in the series between the two schools. The Lions have won 26 and West Virginia, 20.

Fans tonight may also get a chance to see a former Penn State freshman standout, Jim Brennan, in action. He played for the Lion yearlings two seasons ago but

Baseball Meeting

Varsity pitching and catching candidates will meet at 5 p.m. today at 241 Rec Hall, according to head baseball coach Joe Bedenk.



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transferred to West Virginia after his freshman year here. He owns a fine set shot and rates as one of Schaus' best sophomore prospects.

150 Colleges Join Bidding For 'Wilt Stilt'

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8 (AP)—Wilt the Stilt, America's most prominent high school basketball player, definitely is going to college. The big question is, which one?

In case you've been sheltered from basketball news, Wilt the Stilt is Wilton Chamberlain, a seven foot lad who scores on a basketball court at a point a minute clip. The 18-year-old giant plays for Overbrook High School in Philadelphia.

At last count, Chamberlain said, he has received close to 150 bids to attend higher institutions of learning and, of course, to play a little basketball. Wilt says he hasn't made up his mind where he'll go and won't until May or June.

As a high school basketballer, the Stilt has scored 1912 points. He has seven games to play and if he continues at his 40-plus per game average can eclipse the three-year local scoring record set by LaSalle's great All-America, Tom Gola. The latter netted 2222 points over three seasons at LaSalle High. Wilt's one game high is 74, scored earlier this season.

Pennsylvania's newly-appointed State Secretary of Agriculture, Dr. William L. Henning, is a long-time Penn State sports follower.

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Dons Hit Top In AP Rating

By The Associated Press

The San Francisco Dons, who want to prove they're the best college basketball team in the nation, already have done a pretty good job of convincing the sports writers and broadcasters.

That was seen today when San Francisco was voted the No. 1 team by a big margin in the ninth weekly Associated Press ranking poll. The Dons were named first by 68 of 126 voters and polled a total of 1107 points.

Kentucky, the leader ever since the second week of this season's poll, dropped to second place with only 19 first place votes and 867 points.

San Francisco, a ball control team with the nation's best defensive record this season, made the top without the benefit of any advance ballyhoo. The Dons were not listed in the pre-season poll, when LaSalle was picked as the team most likely to succeed.

Behind Kentucky in the rankings came LaSalle, Duquesne, Utah, George Washington, North Carolina State, UCLA, Marquette, and Illinois. The Illini barely squeezed into the first ten ahead of Maryland.

The second ten: Maryland, Minnesota, Alabama, Missouri, Iowa, Dayton, Cincinnati, Oregon State, Villanova, and Vanderbilt.

Bob Hicks, who produced an unbeaten team in his first year as Juniata College coach, is a former Penn State football star.

While the Nittany wrestlers compiled a 2-1 record during the past five weeks and now are on the brink of tangling with Syracuse, Saturday, three of the Lions' four future mat foes have been sweeping Eastern competition with impressive wins.

After coach Charlie Speidel takes his eight-man squad to Syracuse, he'll return to Rec Hall to host Army and Lehigh and then close the season at Pitt—three opponents who require speculative attention from the snappy Lion mentor.

Syracuse holds a 2-1 record with a 22-8 win over Temple and a 16-14 win over Army, plus a loss to Cortlandt State Teachers College, N.Y., in the opening meet, 18-16.

Army's Record Weaker

Army, the first of two teams to visit the Lions when they return from Syracuse, doesn't have the record that the Lions boast, but has had more matches to its credit—a factor which could aid it as far as experience through competition is concerned.

The Cadets presently own a 2-3 record but will meet Yale before they visit Rec Hall. Army has defeated Columbia, 15-11, and Virginia Military Institute, 23-13.

Lost to Orange

Among Army's three losses the most important as far as the Lions are concerned was its most recent setback by Syracuse at Army Saturday, 16-14. Army's opening loss was to Springfield, 20-13. Two matches later Cornell turned the trick again with a 19-15 win (Penn State trimmed Cornell 17-10 in the season's opener).

The Lehigh Engineers, set to visit the Lions for the final home match after the Army encounter, have swept four straight matches to jump to the top in the "possible" column in bidding for the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association title.

Lehigh has stopped Cornell, 18-6, Franklin and Marshall, 26-6, Pitt, 14-12, and Yale, 20-5. Lehigh's most impressive win, naturally, is the two-point victory

over Pitt. The Panthers, along with Navy, are both considered good bets for the EIWA title with Lehigh and Penn State falling in line in that order.

Lehigh Surprises

Lehigh, not considered in the hot-stove league as being the potential powerhouse that it may be this winter, hasn't been the only team to dump the Panthers. Michigan did it two matches later, 17-9. Since then the Panthers have swept three straight wins to pull their record to 5-2 with two meets set before they host the Lions in the two teams' season finale.

After opening by defeating Michigan State, 24-5, the Panthers were set back by Lehigh. Pitt then dropped Lock Haven State Teachers College, 20-5, on the latter's mats. Michigan handed Pitt its next and last loss thus far. Pitt then tumbled Purdue, 31-2, Illinois, 18-8, and Cornell, 23-3.

Although Cornell and Lehigh are on both the Lion and Pitt schedules, the most direct attention is being focused on the Panthers' meet tonight when they travel to New York to meet Syracuse, the Lions' Saturday opponent.

Baker to Fight James

BALTIMORE, Feb. 8 (AP)—Bob Baker, Pittsburgh giant ranked No. 4 in the heavyweight division, puts his rating on the line tomorrow night when he faces Willie James of Roxbury, Mass., in a 10-rounder.

The Baltimore Coliseum fight will be televised (CBS) starting at 10 p.m. (EST).

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