

Harrier Lineup Set for Navy

Wernermen to Open At Annapolis Saturday

In preparation for its Saturday meeting with the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, first of the Centennial season, the Lion cross-country squad went through final time trials last evening to decide who will make the southern journey.

Chick Werner took his 1955 hopefuls to the Centre Hills Country Club where they were clocked over a new terrain, more difficult than their regular practice area, the University golf course.

The list of eight varsity harriers who definitely will travel to Navy includes Captain Doug Moorhead, Jim Pastorius, Paul Roberts, Don Woodrow, Bruce Austin, Ron Lewis, Norm Shoup, and Al Jones.

Gus Ormrod, a newcomer to the Lion varsity, may also make the trip.

Practice-wise, the Middies will hold an edge over the Lions Saturday. Due to the Academy academic program of year-round classes, the Annapolis harriers hold the advantage of beginning practice August 1.

The Lions have been working for only two weeks, and to make matters worse, the Nittanians have been plagued by a mild epidemic of injuries.

However, Moorhead said yesterday, "We're slowly getting back into shape."

Foot blisters and bruises which hampered Moorhead and Austin during the first few practice sessions seem to have cleared up. The Lion captain was also bothered by an injured knee, which is back to normal.

And, as has been the story for the past few years when the Lion harriers go against Navy, Saturday's meet will be a case of teacher versus pupil.

Jim Gehrdes, who pilots the Midshipmen, is a 1950 graduate from the University. During his stay in the Nittany Vale, Gehrdes, who doubles as assistant track mentor in the spring, put his name after several hurdling records, most of which still stand.

So, since Werner and Gehrdes had four years to learn each oth-

er's train of thought when it comes to coaching and participating in track events, Saturday it will probably be a case of who can outfox who—the quickest.

However, in cross-country more so than most sports, strategy has to be labeled a minor factor in establishing the winner. A coach's strategy can't mean too much if a runner fails to break the ten minute mark when his opponents are, say, covering two miles in 9:50.

Last year the Lion harriers invaded the banks of the Severn only to have the Middies snap a Penn State six-game victory streak. It was the first time in Werner's 21 seasons at the Lion cross-country helm that Navy had defeated a Nittany hill-and-dale aggregation.

The Middies' sophomore stand-out of last year, Walt Meukow, will be back to trouble the Lions again in this year's opener. He was the number two finisher in the Middle '54 win.

4 Lion Opponents Win

Four of Penn State's future football opponents won their games on Saturday, while four others sank into the loss column.

Army blasted Furman, 81-0. Navy shutout William & Mary, 7-0; West Virginia topped Richmond, 33-12; and Pittsburgh turned back Syracuse, 22-12.

Virginia lost to Clemson, 20-7; Princeton knocked off Rutgers, 41-7; V.P.I. whitewashed Penn, 33-0.

Lions 18th in AP Poll; Maryland 1st

On the strength of the 35-0 trouncing handed Boston University at Beaver Field Saturday, the Nittany Lion gridders are ranked 18th across the nation by the Associated Press college football poll.

Maryland, conquerer of top-ranked UCLA, barely beat out Michigan for top ranking.

In handing the Pacific Coast champions their first shutout in 40 games, 7-0, Jim Tatum's Terrapins rocketed from fifth to first in the weekly standings on a thumping vote from 135 of the nation's sports writers and broadcasters.

Although Michigan received the greater number of first place votes, 48 to 45, Maryland gained strength to head the list of 1113 points. Michigan, 42-7 winner over Missouri in its debut, drew 1032 points.

Points are awarded on the basis of 10 for a first place vote, nine for second and on down the line.

The first full Saturday of games so shuffled the standings that only one position in the top 10—USC at ninth—remained stationary.

Behind Maryland and Michigan, in order, came Georgia Tech, Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Army, UCLA, Ohio State, Southern California, 9; and Texas Christian,

No. 10.

UCLA fell from the top to seventh after its defeat, ending a 10-game winning streak for Rod Sanders' charges. Georgia Tech, 14-7 winner over Florida, dropped from second to third.

Notre Dame stomped over Southern Methodist 17-0. Army crushed Little Furman 81-0. Texas Christian ran up a 32-0 score on the Texas Tech team which earlier had humbled Texas.

Oklahoma was hard-pressed in beating North Carolina 13-6 for its 20th straight victory and thus fell from third to fifth. Ohio State dropped from sixth to eighth despite a 28-20 triumph over Nebraska in its opening game.

The second 10: Rice, Pitt, West Virginia, Iowa, Navy, Wisconsin, Penn State, Washington and Baylor in that order.

On the Line—

(Continued from page six) would only fully develop next year.

When Frank Reich galloped 78 yards with an intercepted pass, it was the longest in modern Penn State history. Bill Leonard his 65 yards in '50 against Pitt, and Moore scampered 57 last year against Penn.

Doc Blanchard, of West Point fame during the war and now an assistant coach at Army, scouted the Lions Saturday.

Four IM Grid Teams Play Tonight

Four fraternity contests will open the 1955 intramural touch football program tonight, the IM department has announced.

In the evening's opener, starting at 7 p.m., Phi Delta Theta, defending fraternity football champions, will battle Phi Kappa Psi. The Phi Deltas topped Delta Sigma Phi in last year's final to capture the IM football crown.

At 7:45 p.m. Sigma Chi takes on Alpha Chi Rho in the second contest of the evening. Both clubs were eliminated early in last year's tournament.

Final Two Contests

Delta Tau Delta matches football skill and dexterity against Pi Kappa Phi at 8:30 p.m., while Chi Phi meets Sigma Alpha Mu at 9:15 p.m. to round out the evening's activity. Four games will be played every night, Monday through Friday, with the starting times for each game remaining as listed above.

The tourney is divided into two brackets, independent and fraternity, and is run on a single elimination basis.

Independent entries will be vying for silver medals while fraternity contestants compete for a trophy for the house.

Points to be Accumulated

The points which a fraternity obtains in the tournament will be included in deciding the all-year point award winner, based on the number of points a house registers in IM competition.

All games are played under the lights on the practice turf at Beaver Field. Entries will be notified of their playing dates by the IM office at least one day ahead of their scheduled game.

Penn State Barbell Club To Organize Tomorrow

The Penn State Barbell Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. tomorrow in 102 Willard.

Plans for a meet with Shippenburg and scheduling of instruction in competitive weight-lifting will be on the agenda.

Anyone interested in either competitive weight-lifting or body-building is invited to attend. The club is especially interested in men in the 123- and 132-pound classes who are interested in competitive lifting.

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