

Cornell to Greet Lions Cagers Visit Lehigh With 1-1 Card, 4 Vets Tomorrow, Seek 5th Beat Yale, Trounced by Lehigh, Gratto, Jemison Top Returnees

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Wrestling season opens tomorrow for Penn State fans when the Big Red of Cornell helps the Lions open the 1956 season at Recreation Hall.

And with it comes the usual juggling, comparing, and figuring of men in each weights, what they've done this year, who they met, and what they did last year.

Cornell has already had two matches to work off the rough spots—a decided advantage over Coach Charlie Speidel before the Big Red even comes to State College.

Lehigh, also a perennial powerhouse in the Eastern wrestling oval, dropped Cornell 26-7 in a lopsided opening-season win. Cornell, however, then defeated Yale, 21-5.

Cornell's opening lineup against Lehigh, evidently a hit-and-miss array to find out just what it had, changed considerably for the following Yale match. As it now stands, Cornell's lineup against Yale will probably be most like the one the Lions face tomorrow. Ernie Boda, 130; Roger Judd, 147; and Otis Keller, 177, will be absent this year. But Cornell will have Bill Jemison, Chuck Gratto, Bob Lynch, and Steve Smethurts returning. These men faced the Lions last year when Cornell lost, 17-7.

Jemison lost to '55 Captain Bob Homan, now graduated, 3-0. Lynch won at 157, 137-pound Gratto lost to returning John Pepe, 2-0, and Smethurts lost to heavyweight Bill Oberly, 5-1.

Cornell's lineup probably will run like this—Carman Molino (123); Jemison (130); Gratto (137); Dick Vincent (147); Blair Campbell (157); Lynch (167); Smethurts (177); and Walker Felliuss (heavyweight).

Coach Eric Miller of Cornell has used Molino at both 123 and 130 pounds. Molino lost to Tom Deppe, Lehigh veteran at 123, then won at Yale at 130.

Veteran 130 pounder of Cornell, Bill Jemison hasn't seen action yet in Cornell's two outings, but is expected to be ready for the Lions. If not, Molino may then move up to 130 with Carl Schwartz, with a 1-1 record handling 123.

With Molino and Jemison expected in that order, Chuck Gratto—brother of Joe who wrestles for Lehigh—will work at 137 pounds. Gratto's 1956 record stands at 1-0-1, winning at Yale and tying Lehigh's Dave Bates, 6-6.

At 147 pounds Miller has used two men with Dick Vincent and Glen Wise. Vincent won against Yale and is expected to meet the Lions; Wise lost to Joe Gratto of Lehigh, by a pin at 8:12.

Blair Campbell, probably to see his third match when he faces Penn State, has a 1-1 card winning at Yale, and losing by a pin to 157-pounder Ed Eichelberger of Lehigh. Eichelberger, who scored the pin at 4:34 over Campbell, was both Eastern and National Champion last year and won the outstanding trophy award at the Nationals held on the Cornell campus.

Lynch—making his second appearance in two years against Lion opposition—will probably work 167 pounds. He, as five of his other teammates, has a 1-1 card, winning at Yale and losing to Lehigh's Dick Whited, a veteran matman, 2-1.

Last year Smethurts weighed 175 pounds when he battled and lost to the Lions' heavyweight, Bill Oberly, who then weighed

KAT Captures 4th Cage Win In Coed Loop

Kappa Alpha Theta smeared Atherton SE 54-15 in the women's intramural basketball league last night to glide along as the only undefeated Thursday night team.

Penny Erb once again sparked her unbeaten team, netting the high of 24 points. Erb dunked only eight points in the first half, but broke loose in the final canto to tally for 16 of her total points.

Close behind Erb and also hitting the double deck were Pat Farrell with 16 markers, and Mary Shower with seven field goals for 14 points.

Delta Delta Delta exploded in the last quarter to register a 24-16 victory and shove Beta Sigma Omicron for its first loss of the season.

Blanche Kurtz and Gail Hazen shared scoring honors for Tri Delt with 11 field goals for 12 and ten points, respectively.

Jean Bodman sunk two fouls for the winner's remaining points.

Beta Sigma Omicron's three forwards, Barbara Cox, Pat Barnitz, and Elaine Alexander dunked the loser's total points with seven, five, and four markers, respectively.

Phi Mu and Kappa Delta won forfeits over their rivals—Phi Sigma Sigma and Sigma Delta Tau—handing them their fourth consecutive loss.

190 pounds. Smethurts has wrestled twice at 177 pounds this year. At Yale he won 2-0 over John Kohr, and at Lehigh he pinned Larry Sheridan at 8:10.

Coach Miller, with Smethurts sliding down to the 177-pound bracket, will bring up sophomore Walker Felliuss, who was highly regarded as a frosh matman. Felliuss is 1-1 on the season.



Charlie Speidel Opens 30th Year

Zaharias Recovers From Pneumonia

GALVESTON, Tex., Jan. 5 (AP)—Mildred Babe Zaharias left the hospital today for the first time since she re-entered it Dec. 28 with pneumonia and went for a half-hour car ride with her husband, George.

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