

Matmen, Gymnasts Poise for Middies Today

Lions Seek 5th Win In Away Match

By LOU PRATO

Coach Charley Speidel will probably stick to the same lineup this afternoon at Annapolis that opened against Ohio State last week when the Nittany Lion matmen go after their fifth win of the year against Navy.

That combination came through with a thunderous 36-0 victory over the Buckeyes, the best Lion scoring production in years.

The "Little Four"—Sid Nodland, 123; Johnny Johnston, 130; John Pepe, 137; and Dave Adams, 147—will fill out the first four berths with Bill Labone, 157; George Gray, 167; Bruce Gilmore, 177; and Sam Markle, Hwt.; in the latter quartet.

Labone is making his second start for Speidel. Last week Labone beat Ohio State's captain Bob DeFelice when the match was stopped early in the first period because of an injury.

Nodland, Johnston, and Adams are carrying undefeated marks into the meet although Adams has been held to a draw. Nodland and Adams have won four matches and Johnston has copped five.

Nodland has never tasted defeat in dual match competition. He has won 15 and tied 3 during the regular season and has an overall 23-3-3 record.

Johnston and Pepe—who owns a 4-1 ledger this season—have records almost as impressive. Johnston's only defeat in 13 dual meets was to National Champion Ed Peery last season. Pepe was beaten this year by Maryland's Red Norris, the second



DAVE ADAMS

Meets high school 'neighbor'

loss for the Lion grappler in his 16-match dual career.

Adams has had a tougher road than his teammates. In 20 regular season matches the Bellefonte co-captain has won 14, lost four, and tied two.

He will pit his undefeated mark against Navy's unbeaten (3-0) captain Bob Daughenbaugh this afternoon. Daughenbaugh is a native of near-by Clearfield and was runner-up in the state high school 145-pound championships in 1951.

The upperweight men still hold the key to the Nittany success. The three mainstays—Gray, Gilmore, and Markle—are picking up much experience as the season goes by. This was proven last week when all three came through with impressive victories, Gray and Gilmore by way of falls.

Penn State's basketball team has remained consistently among the top ten in the nation on defense during the current campaign.

AGR, PKPhi Record Wins In IM Bowling

Alpha Gamma Rho and Pi Kappa Phi, first-half winners of the Fraternity "C" and "D" bowling leagues, began second semester competition with shutout victories over Sigma Nu and Beta Sigma Rho, respectively.

Guy Rhodes, with a 210 game, and Leon Eshelman, who felled 524 pins for the match, sparked the AGR win.

Dave Lynch (185 game) and Tommy Holmes (506 series) led the Pi Kappa Phi triumph.

In other "C" circuit action, Ted Lyon (209-528) led Beta Theta Pi to a whitewash win over Chi Phi. The losers' Craig Mosebach (176-472) took individual honors for the match.

Acacia, on the strength of Alan Jones' 220 game and 523 series effort, took a 4-0 decision from Zeta Beta Tau.

Wayne Shelly (201 single) and Howie Lindfors (471 triple) led the Phi Kappa Sigma keggers to a 3-1 win over Delta Sigma Phi. Don Benner (191-497) paced Delta Sig.

Bill Kovaeski fired a 211 game, and Ronald Grapsy, chalked up a 484 series to spark Theta Kappa Phi, but their club suffered a 3-1 setback by Pi Kappa Alpha. John Baillis (183-454) paced PiKA to victory.

The final "C" tilt saw Lambda Chi Alpha and Sigma Phi Alpha divide four points. Bob Ferris (210-540) was LCA's best shooter, while Bob Schuman (188-496) led SPA.

IM Handball Entries

Entries for the 1957 handball singles tournament are due Feb. 13 at 4:30 p.m. in 202 Recreation Hall.

An organization may enter four men in the tournament, while independent students may enter as unattached individuals.

Nittanies, Navy Battle For Eastern Gym Lead

By GREG HUNTINGDON

The Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastic League offers its first big meet of the year tonight, when two of its three unbeaten teams square off at Annapolis, Maryland.

Navy, Penn State and Army are sharing the top perch at the present time, each boasting 1-0 slates. However, one of the top three will take a nose dive after this afternoon's meet between the Middies and the Nittany Lions.

Penn State is rated a slight favorite on the basis of comparative scores.

Temple has fallen to both teams thus far. The midshipmen toppled them at Philadelphia last Saturday, 51½-44½, while the Owls were swamped at Recreation Hall, 70½-25½.

The wider margin of victory doesn't satisfy Lion coach Gene Wettstone. Warned Wettstone: "I feel that the home team always has a 10-point advantage."

In addition to its triumph over Temple, Navy has scored wins over West Chester State Teachers College, Duke and West Virginia. The Nittany Lions also own a non-league decision over the Mountaineers, 60-36.

Penn State will return to Annapolis in March for the National Collegiate Athletic Association championships.

The Lions have not been beaten in a single event this year and now have a 12-event skein going into the tumbling competition at Navy.

Navy mentor, Chet Phillips, does not permit any member of his squad to participate in more than one event, which allows for quite a bit more specialization than the Nittany Lions can enjoy. However, Wettstone has proved, year in and year out, that his men are up to the task of working in more than the single event.

Armando Vega, the national parallel bars crownbearer, has illustrated Wettstone's axiom. Vega waltzed away with victories on:

the flying rings and parallel bars and was nudged by a single counter in the horizontal bar competition. Teammate Dion Weissend was the winner.

Weissend and sophomore Gil Leu (pronounced Lou) are also triple-duty performers. Weissend tumbles and works on the parallel bars upon occasion, while Leu works the side horse, parallel bars and horizontal bar.

Phil Mullen turned in a 3.7 on his first trip up the rope in the Temple meet, while Dick Rehm was close behind for second, and John Hidingier, another Lion, completed the sweep. Navy's top climber can show only a 4.0 as his best effort.

Elsewhere, Wettstone plans to start Jack Biesterfeldt along with Leu and either Vega or Walt Heiler on the side horse; Ed Sidwell, Jack Donahue and Vega, on the rings; Dave Dulaney, Adei Stevens and Weissend, tumbling, and Vega, Leu and Bob Foht, parallel bars.

The Middies stand out on the side horse, where captain Rex Leonard and Charles Kimmel have developed into a strong one-two combo.

Varsity 'S' to Meet

The Varsity "S" Club will hold its first meeting of the spring semester Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 10 p.m. at Delta Tau Delta.

All letter-winners, whether members or not are invited to attend.

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