

Pitt Matmen Yet to Lose Match by Pin



Ed Peery
He's undefeated but...

Consensus has it that a fall this season including falls over George Willis of Cornell and Wayne Lambert of Army. His roughest victory was a 2-1 decision over Syracuse's George Creason.

Senior letterman Ron Schirf, who finished third in the 191-pound class at the 1956 national tournament, is also unbeaten this year; he was tied by Maryland's Mike Sandusky, 1-1, early in the season.

Outside of Sandusky, the 195-pound Schirf has handled all of his opponents with relative ease. He won seven of his matches by more than a four-point margin and gained a fall over Wasiklo of Lock Haven in the other.

Newcomer Ted Bienkowski is the third unbeaten Pitt standout. Bienowski has scored six victories while wrestling at 147 and recorded another when he moved to 157 against Lehigh two weeks ago. Bienowski did not wrestle in Pittsburgh's first two meets but

has been a terror since entering the lineup against Maryland. Included in his conquests are falls over Syracuse's Frank Musgrave and Purdue's Jim Brodeske.

Pitt is well represented at 123 pounds with 1955 Eastern Champ Bill Hulings on the mat. Hulings, a senior letterman, finished second in the 1956 National tournament's 115-pound division.

Syracuse's Ed Carlin has been the only man able to defeat Hulings this year, shutting out the Pitt ace 6-0. However, the Panther matman also has two draws to his record. He tied Iowa's Frank Altman 2-2 and deadlocked Maryland's co-captain John McHugh, 3-3.

Last year's 157-pound Eastern champion, Dave Johnson, gives the Panthers another veteran at 167. Johnson, a junior from nearby Lock Haven, lost his first match this year to Michigan's Jack Marchello, 5-3. However, he has rebounded from that loss to record seven straight wins.

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Dave Johnson
... He lost one

Pitt Quintet Risks Possible Tourney Bid Against Lions

Pittsburgh's possible tournament-bound Panther quintet goes after all the blue chips in tomorrow night's contest with the Nittany Lions at Recreation Hall.

Pitt Athletic Director Tom Hamilton admitted last week that the Panthers had received a "feeler" for a possible at-large NCAA Tournament bid. However, he said that a definite decision would be reached at the end of the season.

Well, the Lion contest marks the end of the season for both clubs—the time of decision is drawing near. A win over the Lions would certainly enhance the Panther chances because Penn State beat three of the top teams in the East in Temple, West Virginia and Pitt.

Taking into consideration the fact that the Lions beat West Virginia and Pitt once during the season, a Panther loss Saturday night would undoubtedly cross Pittsburgh off the list of hopefuls.

Coach Bob Timmons' club goes into the game with a 14-9 record, its latest win coming over Penn Wednesday night, 94-76. Two of the nine losses came at the hands of West Virginia—89-86 at Pitt and 107-96 at Morgantown.

The Panthers boast one of the most prolific scoring teams in the East with sophomore Don Hennon and seniors Bob Lazor and John Riser in the starting lineup.

Both Lazor and Riser entered the night B bowling loop while packing 1000-point four-year scoring gate this year. They are constant threats to break through open with their tremendous scoring potential.

But, the real scoring story in Pittsburgh this year is Hennon—a 5-9 scoring demon who has the experts already comparing him

with West Virginia's Hot Rod Hundley.

Hennon has been the team's leading individual scorer in most of its games and holds the individual club scoring lead this year. He was the leading scorer on last year's frosh aggregation.

In the first Lion game, the little scoring wizard was held scoreless in the first half. However, he came back to tally 19 counters in the second period—proof of his great scoring ability.

Juniors Julius Pegues and Chuck Hursh round out Timmons' usual starting five. Pegues, in the past, has been real tough on the Lions with his strong defensive game. He does not stop at defense alone, however. He scored 21 points to top the Panthers in the first Lion contest.

Hursh is expected to man the other guard post with Hennon. Not one noted for his scoring feats, Hursh can hurt you with his good rebounding skill.

The game figures to be a hard-fought, tight test all the way because of the stakes which lay in the offing. After all, another Penn State win could possibly catch the eyes of the post-season tournament selectors.

Four Shutouts Spark Bowling

Alpha Chi Sigma's Charles Burkhart and Jim Patterson coped the single and three-game scoring titles in the Wednesday night B bowling loop while packing 1000-point four-year scoring gate this year.

Burkhart rolled a fine 207 single frame game while Patterson tallied a 515 series. Jim Agnone, Sigma Chi, bowled a 202-514 series to grab second place honors.

Other 4-0 shutout wins were Sigma Chi over Alpha Sigma Phi; Triangle over Kappa Sigma; and

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Wettstone Seeks 7th Undefeated Year

Gym Coach Gene Wettstone will be after his seventh undefeated season tomorrow night in the gymnastic-wrestling twin bill with the traditional final meet-foe—Pitt.

The Panthers, in only their third year of varsity gymnastics, have come up with one of the hottest teams in the east. Although they lost to Syracuse and Army early in the season, they are rated a close third in the East behind the Lions and the Cadets.

Pitt Coach Warren Neiger is a Wettstone protege. Neiger was runner-up in the 1946 EIGL All-round competition, and the meet looks as a teacher-vs-pupil battle.

Last Saturday Neiger and crew defeated his Georgia Tech coach during his apprenticeship years, 47-33. The win was also important in that the "Wreck" is usually ranked second in the South, behind perennial National contender Florida State.

Pitt only has one defending Eastern champion, Tom Darling, on the flying rings. But Darling is also the runner-up in the NCAA's and combined with John Hammond, they are expected to sweep the flying rings this year as they did last year against the Lions.

Sophomore Dave Hirst may become the Panthers' second EIGL champion. Hirst's top event is tumbling where he is a consistent 260 performer. Combined with frequent wins on the parallel bars and even the rings, the sensational sophomore already is the top scorer on the Skyscraper squad with 107 points.

Pitt's top scorer last year with 87½ marks, was John Hammond who plays a supporting role this

year in tumbling, the rings and the parallel bars.

Darling is the third highest scorer on the team. The double-threat man, although troubled with bursitis a times, is also a top competitor on the horizontal bar.

At 3:30 in the afternoon Coach Wettstone will get a second look at next year's material in competition as the frosh tangle with the Panther yearlings.

With only two athletes entered in each of the five events, Wett-

stone will rely on Lee Cunningham, Jay Werner, and Frank Donatelli to come through with firsts in order to defeat the Pitt cubs.

Cunningham and Werner garnered five firsts in their only meet of the year with the Navy Plebes. Cunningham got three in tumbling, the side horse, and the high bar. Werner won the rings and the parallel bars, and finished second to Cunningham in tumbling.

Dave Adams, Penn State wrestling co-captain, is married and father of two children.

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vs.

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