

Wrestling Victory Stuns 'Fair-Weather' Lion Fans

By LOU PRATO

Those several hundred "fair-weather" wrestling fans who steered clear of the Pitt-Penn State mat meet at Recreation Hall Saturday night sure have been an unhappy lot for the past two days.

They're the ones who didn't want to go to Rec Hall just to see the oft-beaten Lion matmen led to slaughter by a heavily-favored Pitt team.

They not only missed one of the greatest upset victories in the annals of Penn State sports, but they also missed one of the finest team performances of a Lion mat crew.

Coach Charlie Speidel's spirited grapplers gave the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association something to talk about by rapping the Panthers, 14-11. It was only the second defeat of the year for the co-eastern leaders and their third in the past three seasons.

Ironically, it was by the same 14-11 score that the 1957 Lion matmen upset the Panthers at the Pitt Field House last season. Although that win stopped a 26-match Pitt winning streak it still doesn't compare with Saturday night's conquest.

For last year's team was much more experienced and more stable one than the squad that represented the Blue and White at Rec Hall Saturday night and besides, the Panthers were only given a slim edge last season compared to the overwhelming odds the were favored by this year.

"I don't think there was a real turning point to the meet," Charlie Speidel said yesterday during an interview. "Every match was a turning point. Any one of those four matches we won could have been a turning point; and that draw that (Guy) Guccione had with (Vic) DeFelice might also have been a turning point.

"No one was thrown," the Lion mat tamer continued, "and that might have been the turning point. After all a couple of falls would have made a big difference."

Returning to the Guccione-DeFelice match, Speidel said, "I'm sorry that Guccione didn't win. He wrestled a good match and it's just too bad he couldn't beat that guy."

Guccione surprised everyone but his teammates with his draw against DeFelice, a prominent contender for national honors. He finally looked like the wrestler that he had been touted to be in the pre-season outlook.

For the Lions as a team, it brought a happy ending to an otherwise sad season. They finished with a 2-4-2 record—one of the worst in 49 years of wrestling at Penn State. But a victory over rival Pitt is worth more than any record.

Penn State's all-time all-America football players number nine, including former Lion coaches Bob Higgins and Joe Bedenk.



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Guy Guccione ... lives up to rating

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WASHINGTON, March 3 (AP)—George Preston Marshall, mellowing owner of the Washington Redskins, cast aside precedent today by handing coach Joe Kuharich a brand new five-year contract.

Marshall and Kuharich burned up a three-year agreement which had another season to go and signed a new one which for length rivals any ever concluded in pro football and certainly exceeds any in Redskin annals.

Neither would mention salary, but it was generally assumed the 40-year-old Kuharich got an increase.



Mac Sez... Socks, Socks!

Spring is almost here—at least we hope so. You've probably been planning your spring wardrobe, but I bet there's one thing you have forgotten. SOCKS!

It seems that socks are the most overlooked item in anyone's wardrobe. A faded or tattered pair of socks will ruin an otherwise neat outfit.

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Army Tops Lions in EIGL Race; Pitt's Darling Outstanding on Rings

Army took the Eastern Gymnastics team crown Saturday as they knocked off the Navy. The undefeated Cadets handed the runner-up Lions their only loss of the season three weeks ago, 50½-45½. The Lions and Cadets have evenly split the EIGL title over the last eight years.

But this weekend the action will take a turn toward the individual angle in the EIGL individual championships in Rec Hall. This is one in which the Lions should regain their championship form—they have a potential winner in every event, including the all-around.

"But they're going to have to make a big change this weekend," commented one of Saturday's kind observers. "I know no athlete can sustain his peak too long, but these guys just didn't look like the team that beat Navy last week."

Of course there was a tremendous pressure on the two sophomores—Lee Cunningham and Jay Werner. And the pressure increased with each event, particularly when the Jungle Cat's Tom Darling won the high bar with a 259 and put Pitt within two points of win-

ing at the intermission. But the pressure last Saturday wasn't anything like what it will be this Friday and Saturday in the individual competition.

Darling climaxed a highly successful day with the best flying rings routine seen in Rec Hall since Armando Vega pulled a 288 against Temple last year. Darling had a 284.

It was the first time this year that the Lions were really beaten in an individual event. In every other loss, it was simply a matter of a Lion breaking in his routine. Saturday was different. Darling was far and away the best individual performer the Lions have faced this year.

Tickets for the Easterns are on sale in the ticket office, 249 Recreation Hall. Reserve seats are \$1 and general admission tickets at 50 cents are good for both Friday and Saturday's competition in Rec Hall. Student activity cards are not admissible to the events.

GYM SUMMARY

TUMBLING: 1. Dave Dulaney 281, 2. Needt (P) 256, 3. Cowan 251, 4. Hammond (P) 210, 5. Battaglia (P) 171.

Event 9-7. SIDE HORSE: 1. Lee Cunningham 259, 2. Mulvihill (P) 147, 3. Marclinko (P) 142, 4. Donatelli 173, 5. Palmer 118. Event 9-7. Meet 13-14.

HIGH BAR: 1. Darling (P) 259, 2. Cunningham 256, 3. Mulvihill (P) 235, 4. Savadore, 231, 5. Werner 206. Event, 7-9. Meet, 22-23.

ROPE CLIMB: 1. Mullen 3.5, 2. Newbauer 3.9, 3. Littlawood 4.1, 4. Caroleo (P) 4.5, 5. Battaglia (P) 4.7. Event 13-1. Meet 24-26.

PARALLEL BARS: 1. Fohr 259, 2. Shimm (P) 253, 3. Werner 210, 4. Cunningham 224, 5. Hammond (P) 193. Event 11-5. Meet 19-21.

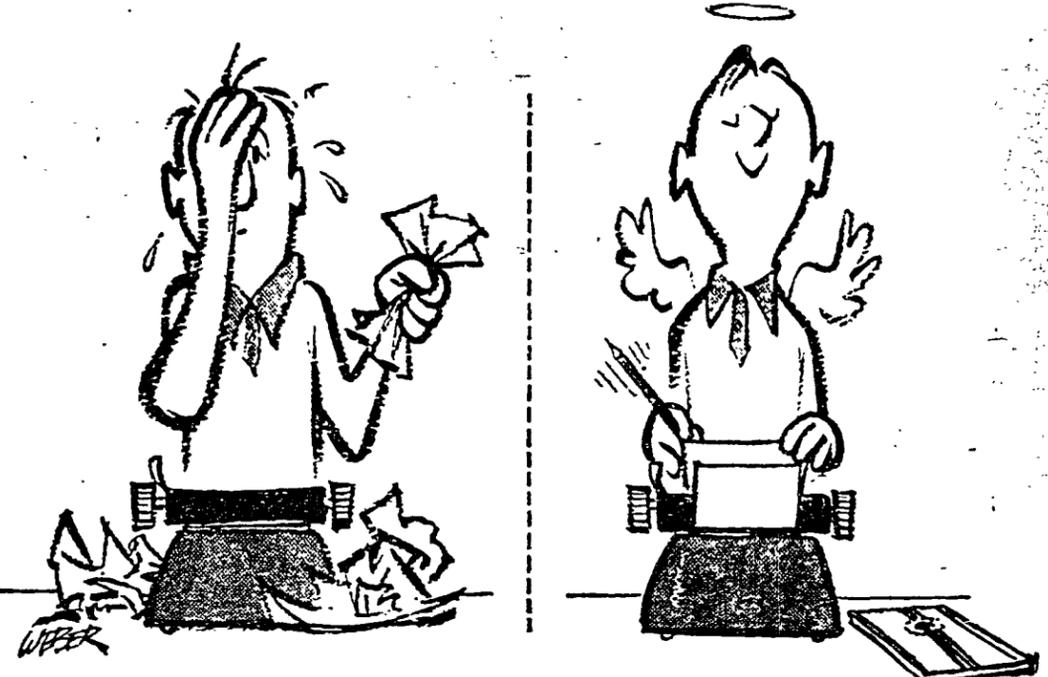
FLYING RINGS: 1. Darling (P) 284, 2. Sidwell 253, 3. Danahue 214, 4. Werner 225, 5. Hammond (P) 210. Event 9-7. Meet 54-54.



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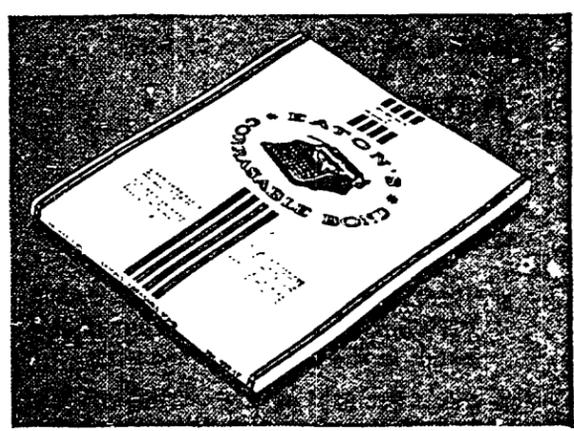
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