



# A Glance at . . . SPORTS

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## THE LAST LOOK AT LION BASKETBALL FOR THE YEAR

Before tying the Penn State basketball season up in a neat little package and putting it away for the year, we have the usual odds and ends to clear up first. So here we go.

Here is the result of the poll we took to determine the Lions' all-opponent team for the year. Voting were Coach John Egli, trainer Chuck Medlar, and players Ron Rainey, Steve Baidy, Wally Colender, Bob Edwards, Tom Hancock, Ted Kubista and Paul Sweetland.

- Guy Rodgers—Temple
- Jon Cincebox—Syracuse
- Jerry West—West Virginia
- Don Hennon—Pittsburgh
- Hal Danzig—Bucknell

Before you ask the obvious, we'll say this: voting was not restricted to position. The voters picked the five men they thought to be the toughest among the opposition.

Rodgers, Cincebox and West were unanimous selections. That's right, Donny Hennon wasn't. But he made it on eight of the nine ballots. Only Egli said nix to him on the first five.

Danzig, as you might suspect, had the closest competition in the voting. The Bison center received only three votes—but that was one more than his two nearest competitors, Jack Saxenmeyer and Dick Csentsitz, both of Penn. They are the substitutes.

However, this poll was taken the night before the Bucknell game. After Danzig scored 32 points in that contest, we think another poll would have him named more often. He's a big boy and a bull off the boards.

## THE SEASON AS A WHOLE:

Before the year began, this desk predicted a 12-7 season for Penn State. Well, we were wrong—the Lions finished with an 8-11 record. However, and we expect arguments here, we feel that record was not indicative of the Lions' play.

Our reasoning is this: Penn State lost six games—Rutgers, Navy, Pitt, West Virginia and Bucknell twice—by seven points or less. A break here or there and we would've hit our prediction almost squarely on the head. But that's the way the round ball bounces—this time it went in the other direction.

And, as Egli pointed out, the opposition was so much tougher this year. Of the opponents the Lions played, Temple and Pitt are already set for the NCAA tourney. West Virginia, the number two team in the country, is the favorite to win its conference playoff and go to the NCAA's. North Carolina State is playing in its conference elimination games for an NCAA berth. Bucknell has a 15-8 record—better than some of the clubs already in the NIT games.

Penn, a one-point loser to the Nittanians, was not out of contention for the Ivy League title—and a NCAA berth—until its loss to Dartmouth a week ago. And Syracuse, although posting only a mediocre record, finished the season strongly, winning seven of its last eight games. The opposition was tough. These foes comprised 11 of the Lions' 19 games.

No, we're not trying to say that the Lions were a great club—or even an exceptionally good one. They weren't. However, and we'll say it again, they were better than their record indicates.

It was a disappointing season for the cagers, we admit. They had the material—or the potential—to post a better card. However, they made plenty of mistakes. Most of these hurt. But again, that's basketball.

## Phi Kappa Sig, Sigma Nu Win. In IM H-Ball

The fraternity handball singles tourney saw the fourth shutout of the year turned in Thursday night by Jim MacLaughlin, Sigma Nu, as he trounced Walt Barnes, Delta Sigma Phi, 21-0, 21-7.

Hal Pellow, Phi Kappa Sigma, took second place scoring honors for the night by downing Lee Gemmill, Lambda Chi Alpha, 21-1, 21-10.

"Consistency" seemed to be the word of the night for Fred Ochroch, Zeta Beta Tau, Bob Schiffner, Delta Chi, and Marty Meer, Phi Sigma Delta.

Ochroch defeated Dave Beary, Phi Gamma Delta, 21-11, 21-11; Schiffner topped Bill Cunningham, Phi Sigma Upsilon, 21-14, 21-14; and Meer followed suit with a 21-18, 21-18, victory over Jack Michel, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In the remaining matches on the card George Gray, Beta Theta Pi, won a forfeit victory over Pat Capots, Kappa Delta Rho; John Krall, Phi Mu Delta slammed out a 21-20, 21-7, win to top Bill Feidler, Sigma Nu; and Del Hoover, Theta Delta Chi, stopped Harry Klapper, Alpha Epsilon Pi, 21-7, 21-11.

Don Stickler, captain and catcher of Penn State's 1958 baseball team, is a State College product.

## Rainey High With 34

Ron Rainey, of Johnstown, in 1958 posted Penn State's single game basketball high of 34 points against Colgate. His 33 points against Gettysburg was the second best effort of the year.

Only two Penn State wrestlers—Johnny Johnston and Earl Poust—won more often than they lost in 1958. Johnston was unbeaten.

## 'Good Lively Wrestling,' Cited By Sykes for 283 IM Bouts

By BEN BRONSTEIN  
"You'll see some good wrestling in this tournament, some real lively bouts," said "Dutch" Sykes, assistant director of intramural sports, when asked about the IM mat tourney which will start at 7:30 Wednesday evening at Recreation Hall.

The finals could end up date night affair since they will be held on a Friday night, March 28th, this year.

Sykes also offered these rather high statistics: a total of 297 entries will engage in 283 bouts, an average of 28 bouts per night. Two matches will take place at the same time on two separate mats.

There are eight weight divisions in fraternity competition—121, 128, 135, 145, 155, 165, 175 and unlimited. Independent weights are the same except there will be no 121 and no heavyweight division because of lack of sufficient number of entries.

Last year's fraternity champs,

Sigma Nu, will have one major advantage in their attempt for a second straight title in the person of Rox Carl. Carl, individual winner at 165-pounds last winter, is rated as the top contender for the 175-pound title this year. (IM wrestling rules state that an individual champ must advance at least one weight in order to compete the next year).

Two other individual fraternity winners from last year are listed for action again this year. Dick King, Lambda Chi Alpha, top grappler in the 128-pound class in last year's tourney, is a contender for the 135-pound crown. Last year's 135-pound king, Delta Theta Sigma's Tommy Williams, moves up to 145.

Terry Snyder, independent champ at 145 last year, is entered in the 155 class this year, but this time in fraternity competition wearing the colors of Delta Upsilon.

Only one other Indie titlist from last year is returning. He's Fred Bridge who jumped one

weight to 155 for this season's competition.

Sykes lists these following fraternity wrestlers as "outstanding" and consequently should bear watching by the fans.

- 121—Don Gordon, Sigma Pi; Chuck Zandt, Lambda Chi Alpha;
- 128—Marlin Troutman, Lambda Chi Alpha; 135—Fred Simpson, Chi Phi, and Dave Jones, Theta Chi; 145—Jim MacLaughlin, runner-up last year, from Sigma Nu; Dan Dolecki, Sigma Chi, and Roland Wilkinson, Kappa Sigma;
- 155—Tom Burns, Phi Delta Theta; 165—Gene Hildy, Lambda Chi Alpha; 175—Sam Griffiths, runner-up from Sigma Nu and George Campbell, Delta Tau Delta, and heavies Gene Elder, runner-up from DU and Jack Calderone, Lambda Chi Alpha.

Defending champion, Sigma Nu, with three contenders, Lambda Chi Alpha with four and Delta Upsilon with two loom as the top teams in the fight for the fraternity team crown.

## Alpha Chi Rho, Sharpshooters Cop 'B' Title Acacia Score 4-0 Keg Wins

Acacia and Alpha Chi Rho both recorded 3-1 victories over their respective opponents, Pi Kappa Alpha and Pi Kappa Phi, Thursday night to keep the hot race for first place on the coals in the Intramural Bowling League C. Acacia has a 15-1 record and Alpha Chi Rho a 14-2 mark.

Steve Nitzberg, Sigma Alpha Mu, bowled the high single of 202 in leading his team to a 3-1 victory over Lambda Chi Alpha.

Two games ended in 2-2 ties, those between Alpha Phi Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma and Triangle and Alpha Chi Sigma. Chi Phi recorded a forfeit win over Theta Kappa Phi.

In League D Phi Sigma Kappa blanked Beta Sigma Rho, 4-0, to retain its lead in another torrid try for the second half flag.

Sigma Phi Epsilon beat Sigma Tau Gamma and Beta Theta Pi downed Tau Phi Delta by 3-1 scores to remain tied for second place with 13-3 records. Phi Sigma Kappa has a 14-2 mark.

Two other shutouts were registered with Delta Sigma Phi beating Zeta Beta Tau and Beaver House defeating Phi Kappa Tau. In the final game Phi Sigma Delta downed Phi Gamma Delta, 3-1.

Bob Miller, Sigma Tau Gamma, bowled both the high single of 235 and the high series of 538.

Intramural basketball's regular season came to a close Thursday night as the Sharpshooters won the Independent League B Title and League H was thrown into a tie when the Red Raiders upset the Tribe, 44-35. The Sharpshooters won, 34-16, over Wally's Boys.

The Red Raiders overcame a 20-19 halftime deficit to gain their tie with the Tribe. Al Simon led the attack with 19 points, ten of these coming consecutively at the opening of the second half. His point total was the evening's high for all scorers. Simon was assisted by Fred Wagner, who had 11 counters. The Red Raiders and Tribe each have 7-1 slates now.

The Skeller Rats, League I champions, lost their first game of the half to the J.O's, 28-17. The Skeller Rats now have a 7-1 record. In other tilts, the Spaniels defeated the College Co-op, 23-19; the Hub Boys topped the Wesley Five, 38-22; and the Rams beat the Zips, 39-16.

The Ogontz Vets beat the K-Boys, the All Stars topped the Hounds, and the Yellow Jackets defeated Nittany 39 by the forfeit route.

John Logan, Tribe, was the

Penn State and University of California at Los Angeles will engage in football combat for the first time in 1963 and 1964.

second high scorer of the evening, with 13 points, Bill Marsden, Spaniels, and Andy Meyers, Hub Boys, were tied for third place with 12 points apiece. Other double figure scorers were Larry Snodgrass, Wesley Five, 11; Doug McClain, Sharpshooters, 10; and Charles Janerette, Rams, 10.

Play-offs and games to break league ties will begin Monday.

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