

The Sportseer



Matmen to Face Stiff Test Saturday

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It's too bad Penn State's wrestling team didn't beat Cornell last Saturday. That would have made the weekend complete what with the gymnasts' thrilling win over Army and the cagers' decisive victory over Syracuse.

But there's no use crying over spilled milk, as the saying goes. For the Lion matmen have another stiff test ahead of them Saturday night when perennial Atlantic Coast Conference champion Maryland invades Recreation Hall.

Another typical wrestling-hungry Penn State crowd should turn out for the match. And they'll be there for two reasons. Primarily—they like wrestling. But secondary—and just as important—they want to see for themselves just how much the matmen have improved since that disastrous (here we go again, Charlie) Lehigh battle in early January.

Most of the Lion fans haven't seen Coach Charlie Speidel's men in action since then. But they have been following the team through the papers. And now, they want to see if everything that certain sports writer has said about the matmen's fast improvement is true.

They should not be disappointed. The degree of performance by the Lions has been rising rapidly since the Lehigh thumping. And last week, they nearly reached their peak with that close 15-13 loss to EIWA leader Cornell.

Hank Barone, Dan Johnston and Sam Minor have been the most successful men in the Lions' "comeback." Barone, who has always been high on Speidel's list, has been very impressive in his last two bouts by battling to draws with a couple of highly-regarded eastern performers in Doug Volgenau and Steve Friedman. He has definitely established himself as an EIWA champion contender.

So have Johnston and Minor. Johnston, the only unbeaten Lion, has been the most impressive wrestler since the season opened. And now Minor, with only a one-point loss to EIWA 147-pound champ Dick Santoro marring his record, has joined Johnston.

Neil Turner, who has been the biggest and most pleasing surprise this season, is not far behind. He's going to bring heartbreak to many a Penn State foe before he's through.

Now, it seems like Guy Guccione is finally coming out of his shell. Guccione was supposed to be one of the Lions' key men this year—if not the top one. But he has not lived up to expectations. However, the diminutive junior has been flashing his old form in practice sessions this week and may explode against Maryland.

What about the controversial Johnston Oberly, you ask? Same problem—overweight. He was a terror in the first two minutes of his match with Eastern heavyweight champ Dave Dunlop last Saturday, and, in fact, was leading 2-1 at the end of the first period. But he pooped out and Dunlop went on to record an easy 8-2 victory.

Trackmen Will Travel to Point To Test Undefeated Cadets

Coach Chick Werner's indoor track aggregation travels to West Point this Saturday to meet the high-flying undefeated Cadets in one of the top indoor track meets of the eastern intercollegiate season.

Army sports a seasoned squad with great depth and has run roughshod over earlier opponents this year. They have the added advantage of being the home team and running on their own boards.

According to Werner's tentative starting lineup Ed Moran, Dick Engelbrink and Fred Kerr will go in the mile with Kerr and Engelbrink doubling in the two mile along with Herm Weber.

Dick Hambright, Don Davies, and Bill Schwab will represent Penn State in the 600-yard race, while Moran, Chick King and Dave La Hoff are slated to run the 1000.

Bob Brown, Jim O'Connor and George Metzgar will enter the 60-yard dash. In the 60-yard high hurdles Werner has John Fariera, Ted Lopushinsky and Pete Kopsak.

Five names are listed on the relay teams. The one-mile slate shows Hambright, O'Connor, Metzgar, Lenny Donahue, and Bob Szezyler. The two-mile call-



Bill Schwab
... returns to team

board lists King, La Hoff, Schwab, Davies and Donahue.

In the field events, John Tullar and Andy Nyce will carry the Blue and White colors in the shot-put.

Fariera, and Don Paxton will high jump for the Lions, and Dick Gross, Lopushinsky and Brown

comprise the Nittany field in the broad jump.

Polevaulters Gross, Dale Peters and Ron Beard complete the State lineup.

Three welcome additions to the traveling squad are Schwab, Hambright and Brown who will be running their first races of the season.

Schwab is a middle distance runner who posted times of 1:51.2 in the half-mile and 48 flat on a quarter mile relay leg last year.

A junior, Hambright holds the school record for the quarter mile and placed third in the IC4A outdoor 440-yard dash last spring.

Brown, a promising sophomore, garnered two seconds and a third in the 60, 70 and 100-yard dashes in the Washington Star Games this year, running behind Bobby Morrow. In his earlier career he has run a 95 hundred and has placed ahead of such national stars as Ira Murchinson, Dave Sime, and Ira Davis.

In freshman action, Brown ran a 48.6 leg on the one-mile relay team that set a school frosh record.

The freshman tracksters under the tutelage of Coach Norm Gordon will also make the trip to engage the Army Saturday.

Delta Tau Delta Ties Phi Kappa For Bowling Lead

In Fraternity League A action Tuesday night, Pi Kappa Phi, led by Dick Balderston, beat Alpha Rho Chi, 3-1. Balderston bowled a 225 high game for a 521 series. Pi Kappa Phi had high game for the night with a 887 and high total pin fall with 2371. John Andrews of Alpha Rho Chi had high individual series with a 554 three-game total.

In other League A action Sigma Alpha Epsilon beat Theta Chi, 3-1; Alpha Epsilon Pi took over Phi Kappa Psi, 3-1; Delta Tau Delta, which is tied with Phi Kappa for first, trounced Phi Mu Delta, 4-0; Phi Delta Theta beat Theta Kappa Phi, 4-0; and Phi Kappa, led by Bob Kunda's 205 single game, swamped Phi Epsilon Pi, 4-0.

TKE Cagers Storm Back To Beat Delta Chi, 22-19

Tau Kappa Epsilon took a giant stride from behind in overcoming a 6-13 deficit at the half to wrap up a 22-19 victory over Delta Chi in Fraternity basketball League D Tuesday night.

Bob Wayne and Lou Troutman, with 10 and 8 points respectively, pulled down the most counters for Tke in its come-from-behind victory.

Bill Funk swished the nets for 22 counters in Alpha Chi Rho's 51-11 romp over Alpha Kappa Lambda. Alpha Chi Rho is now 6-0 in League D, but is closely followed by TKE's 5-0 log. Boosted by a strong team effort,

Delta Theta Sigma came from an 8-12 deficit at the half to top Theta Xi, 21-18, in League E action.

Phi Gamma Delta continued its winning skein in League E by blasting Pi Kappa Alpha, 39-13. Wayne Breisch paced Phi Gam's victorious effort with 12 tallies.

In other games, Sigma Alpha Epsilon ripped Alpha Zeta, 46-22; Triangle edged Pi Sigma Upsilon, 15-12; Beta Theta Pi whipped Kappa Delta Rho, 31-13; Phi Kappa Psi overwhelmed Alpha Tau Omega, 49-19; and Beta Sigma Rho stopped Phi Kappa Sigma, 17-14.



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