

Oberly Reaches Semis In NCAA Tourney

Although the East in general fared rather well at the NCAA wrestling tournament at Iowa last weekend, Penn State's matmen weren't able to share in the glory.

Four Easterners won individual titles at the 29th annual tourney, but the best any of the three Lion entries could do was to reach the championship semi-finals.

Heavyweight Johnston Oberly reached the semi-final round before losing to Oklahoma State's Ted Ellis on a fall in 2:23. The pin was somewhat dubious since Oberly injured his ribs seconds before it occurred and was unable to operate at his best!

Because of the injury, Oberly had to forego the battle for third place. This meant elimination from the consolation semi-finals and thus no place points at all.

Earlier Oberly had beaten Oklahoma's Dale Lewis on a referee's decision and had stopped Northwest Missouri State's Tom Doyle.

Sam Minor, the Lions' 147-pound entrant, got as far as the consolation semi-finals before bowing out. He was whipped in the preliminary round by the eventual 147-pound runner up Jerry Frude of Wyoming, 9-3. But he came back to eliminate Big Ten champ Jim Innis of Wisconsin, 2-1, and Bill Peterson of Cornell (Iowa), 4-0, before losing to Oklahoma State's Bob Wilson, 5-4.

Coach Charlie Speidel's only other entry, George Gray, was stopped in the preliminary round by Michigan State's 167-pound Big Ten titlist, Jim Ferguson, 8-2.

Three of the East's individual national champs had copped EIWA titles just two weeks ago and the other new Eastern NCAA kingpin had finished second in the EIWAs to a fellow national champ.



JOHNSTON OBERLY ... injured again

Cornell's Dave Auble, 123, Lehigh's Ed Hamer, 167, and Syracuse's Art Baker, 191, were the champs who had previously grabbed Eastern crowns—Auble at 123, Hamer at 177 and Baker at heavyweight. Yale's Andy Fitch, who had been beaten in the EIWA finals by Auble, won the 115-pound national title.

Incidentally, in the championship final, Fitch beat Toledo's Dick Wilson, a brother of the Nittanies' 123-pound wrestler Don Wilson.

In winning their national crowns, Auble and Hamer were forced to eliminate two other

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Four experienced men will fight for the two guard slots vacated by Wehmer and Ruslavage.

All four—Bud Kohlhaas, Bill Popp, Frank Korbini and Sam Stellatella—saw action last year.

Center will be one of the toughest spots to fill, according to Engle. That's where All-East center Garban played a year ago.

As of now, Engle has letterman Wayne Berfield and Jim Graham ready to battle for the slot along with some promising freshmen.

The backfield is fairly strong, with Richie Lucas returning at quarterback and Captain Pat Botula back at fullback. Both are All-American possibilities.

Dick Hoak, a halfback last season, but a quarterback as a frosh, may be switched to quarterback to back up Lucas but Engle said that move would be made only if it is absolutely necessary. Otherwise he will stay at half.

In another experiment, Engle plans to move fullback Sam Sobczak to half. Sobczak played at both spots last season.

The big "if" in the backfield is Eddie Caye. Caye, a sparkplug on the 1957 team, was expected to start at halfback last season but a knee operation kept him out of the lineup all year.

Title Leader in East

Penn State boasts more individual National Collegiate champions than any other school in the Middle Atlantic district. Paced by track and gymnastics, the Nittany Lions claim 42. Princeton is the district team leader with 12.

Harnett Whips TKE Brother To Win IM Handball Crown

Don Harnett of Tau Kappa Epsilon became the fraternity handball champ just before the Easter vacation when he whipped his "brother," Bob Campbell, 21-10, 21-14.

After two years of trying, Harnett finally captured the crown. The match was delayed four days because Campbell was called out of town over the weekend preceding the vacation. They finally played Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock.

Harnett and Campbell, facing

each other in the TKE showdown, have teamed up to win the fraternity handball doubles crown for the past two years. The interfraternity clash became unavoidable when four Tekes came down to the semi-finals.

Harnett, favorite to win the tourney, controlled his match with Campbell, but found Campbell as his toughest opponent, point-wise. "Brother" Charles Bibleheimer was the only other foe to get more than 20 points

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