

# Seven Lettermen Pace Veteran Crew Prepping for '59-'60 Mat Campaign

By JOHNNY BLACK

Coach Charlie Speidel has a veteran crew of Blue and White grapplers working out on the mats and preparing to lift the lid off the 1959-60 wrestling season Saturday at West Point.

Seven lettermen return from last year's squad which compiled a 5-3 record in eight dual meets, then finished a surprise second in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association championships.

Captain Sam Minor, senior from Carmichaels, heads the list of returning numeral winners and will probably be wrestling in the 147-pound class, in which he captured a second place ribbon in the EIWA tournament last March.

Minor is a two-year letterman and boasts a career record of 13 wins, 7 defeats and 1 tie in dual-meet and tournament competition. Last season he won seven of eight dual meets and lost only to Lehigh's John Driscoll in the Eastern finals.

But the seven experienced returnees don't indicate as much over-all strength for the Nittanians as might be expected, for four of the veterans are in two weight classes—137 and 147.

Neil Turner, who earned his "S" with three wins in four outings last year, backs up Minor in the 147-pound division.

Dan Johnston and Guy Guccione form a formidable duo at

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SAM MINOR  
... '59-'60 mat captain

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137. Johnston lost only to Pitt's Larry Lauchle, who captured the Eastern title, while Guccione compiled a 3-1 slate in last year's campaign.

The two ace Lion grapplers fought for the starting 137 berth all year and Johnston also wrestled some meets at 130.

The other three lettermen returning to Speidel's camp are

Gordie Danks, Hank Barone and Johnston Oberly.

Danks, a 130-pounder has a 1-2-1 record but Barone lost only two of his eight matches.

Oberly, a 250-pound behemoth at heavyweight, was troubled most of last winter by a knee injury, but took second place in the Eastern title matches and later reached the semi-finals in the NCAA tournament.

Speidel, who is entering his 34th year of tutoring Lion mat performers, lost George Gray, last year's captain, and Joe Cramp, plus several under-studies through graduation, and he may have to count heavily on promising but untested sophomores in several classes.

Some of the top matmen from last year's frosh squad who are fighting for varsity berths are Ron Pifer at 176, Phil Meyer at 177, Tony Scordo and Jerry Seiple at 123 and Art Ravitz at 130.

Don Wilson, Jerry Seckler, Joe Haines and Bob Gilmour, who saw action last year but did not win letters, will be back to vie for berths. Dale Confer, Tom Cantz and Ray Connell are light-weight candidates, while Bob Faris, Bob Hicks, John Barone, Paul Stegner, Clem Newbold and John Trojan are contenders in the heavier classes.

Two new teams appear on the Lions' mat schedule this winter—Michigan and Rutgers. Army, Colgate, Lehigh, Cornell, Maryland, Navy, Syracuse and Pittsburgh are the other regular opponents which the Nittanians will encounter again this campaign.

# 7 Nittany Gridders Make All-East Team

NEW YORK (AP)—Undeclared Syracuse, the East's top team, placed five of its stars on the Associated Press' All East team today. Included was Fred Mautino, one of three fine district ends whose talents could not be considered for anything lower than a first team berth.

The other two to share top billing with Mautino are

Army's "lonely end" Bill Carpenter, and Mike Ditka of Pitt.

Seven Penn State players were accorded places on the Eastern star squad—two each on the first and second teams, one on the third and two honorable mention.

Quarterback Richie Lucas and tackle Andy Stynchula were named to the first team, while end Norm Neff and fullback Pat Botula made the second All-East unit.

Halfback Jim Kerr was placed on the third team and tackle Charlie Janerette and guard Sam Stellatella received honorable mention.

Besides Mautino, Syracuse's tackle Bob Yates, guard Roger Davis and backs Ger Schwedes and Art Baker made the first eleven in the opinion of coaches and writers in the east.

The other two backfield slots were filled by Lucas and Penn's flashy halfback Fred Doelling.

Andy Stynchula, the Lion's jarring tackle and Pitt guard Larry Vignali round out the selections from the big schools.

The 11th man is center Roger Leclerc of little Trinity College, in Hartford, Conn. Leclerc, switching to center only last year, has been rated as one of the best blocking and tackling pivots in the country.

Lucas and Doelling set school offense records this year.

Lucas, a senior from Glassport, Pa., gained 1238 yards in 10 games to lead the Nittany Lions into the Liberty Bowl at Philadelphia, Dec. 19. Nearly 300 of it came on rushing.

Doelling, also a senior, from Valparaiso, Ind., helped Penn to its first Ivy League title in seven years with almost 600 yards rushing, and broke the school career rushing mark of 1389 in mid-season. He gained 1500 yards in his varsity career.

Schwedes and Baker were rated ahead of their other two backfield mates, quarterback Dave Sareite and halfback Ernie Davis, on the basis of blocking and defense.

The real problem was at end

Mautino was rated Syracuse's outstanding player by all who saw him. He has scored only two touchdowns, but has been a veritable rock in keeping the Orange atop the total defense and rushing defense statistics.

Carpenter, whose name became a by-word at Army last year when he was tabbed the "lonely end," was a solid competitor this year. Even a separated shoulder failed to dim his accomplishments when he caught six passes against Oklahoma, though he could raise his arm no higher than his chest.

Ditka drew most of his plaudits for his offensive blocking and defensive line play.

FIRST TEAM:

ENDS—Fred Mautino, Syracuse, Reading, Pa.; Bill Carpenter, Army, Springfield, Pa.; Mike Ditka, Pitt, Aliquippa, Pa.

TACKLES—Andy Stynchula, Penn State, Old Crabtree, Pa.; Bob Yates, Syracuse, Montpelier, Vt.

GUARDS—Larry Vignali, Pitt, Mason-town, Pa.; Roger Davis, Syracuse, Solon, Ohio.

CENTER—Roger Leclerc, Trinity, Agawam, Mass.

BACKS—Gerhard Schwedes, Syracuse, Whitehouse, N.J.; Richie Lucas, Penn State, Glassport, Pa.; Fred Doelling, Penn. State, Valparaiso, Ind.; Art Baker, Syracuse, Erie, Pa.

SECOND TEAM:

ENDS—Bob Simms, Rutgers, Norm Neff, Penn State.

TACKLES—Maurice Youmans, Syracuse; Harry Olivar, Yale.

GUARDS—Al Vanderbush, Army, Via Promuto, Holy Cross.

CENTER—Al Benuller, Syracuse.

BACKS—Joe Caldwell, Army; Pat Botula, Penn State; Ernie Davis, Syracuse; Paul Choquette, Brown.

THIRD TEAM:

ENDS—Don Tosi, Boston College, Bob Federspiel, Columbia.

TACKLES—Bill Lindner, Pitt; Gordon Batchelor, Princeton.

GUARDS—Warren Sundstrom, Cornell; Bruce Tarbov, Syracuse.

CENTER—Mike Pyle, Yale.

BACKS—Ivan Tonicic, Pitt; Joe Matavaze, Navy; Tom Singleton, Yale, Jim Kerr, Penn State.

'East' Gridders Named

NEW YORK (AP)—A squad of 24 players, predominantly from the Midwest, was selected today by Bill Coffman, managing director of the East-West Football Shrine Game in San Francisco, to represent the east.

The game, 35th in the series, will be played Jan. 2 in San Francisco.

The Eastern squad includes Bill Lindner, Pitt tackle, and Ivan Tonicic, Pitt quarterback; Bob Jeter, Iowa halfback



Andy Stynchula rated as one of the best blocking and tackling pivots in the country.

# Syracuse Tops Poll, Lions Ranked 13th

By WILL GRIMSLEY

Associated Press Sports Writer

Syracuse's unbeaten and untied powerhouse continues to hold its position as the No. 1 major college football team in the country.

Although idle last week, the Orangemen drew 95 of the 164 first place votes in the next-to-last weekly Associated Press poll to stand off the challenge of the once-beaten University of Mississippi Rebels.

Penn State's Nittany Lions, who finished the season with an 8-2 record, were ranked 13th in this week's poll.

The final championship poll is scheduled next week after Syracuse's critical Saturday game in Los Angeles with giant-killer UCLA, which knocked off Southern California ten days ago.

Mississippi, which beat Missis-

issippi State 42-0, picked up some ground on the pace-setting upstate New Yorkers but still trailed by 142 points in the standings Tuesday 1,495 to 1,350. Points are awarded on the basis of ten for a first place vote, nine for second, etc., in the ballots cast by sports writers and broadcasters.

The top ten was little changed. Syracuse, Mississippi, LSU and Texas remained the top four teams but Georgia, 21-14 conqueror of Georgia Tech, moved into the No. 5 spot ahead of idle Wisconsin.

Texas Christian, 19-0 winner over Southern Methodist in its final season game, took seventh position away from Southern California, which dropped to 14th. Then followed Washington 8, Arkansas 9, and Clemson 10.

TCU, Washington and Arkansas each moved forward a notch while Clemson elbowed up from

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# Stiegman May Get Sebo's Job

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—John Stiegman of Rutgers will get Steve Sebo's job as Penn football coach, despite Penn's first Ivy League title since 1952, a reliable source told the Associated Press.

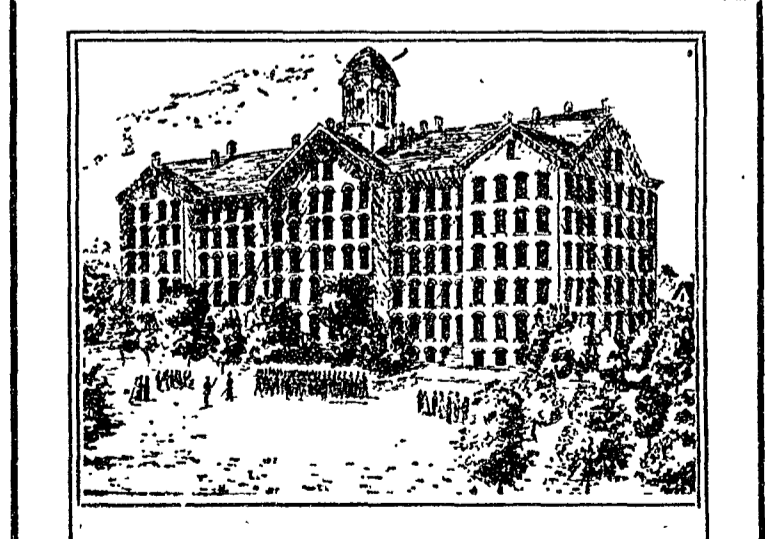
This recommendation already has been forwarded by the faculty administrative committee to Dr. Gaylord P. Harnwell, Penn's president, the source said Sunday.

Dr. Harnwell said he normally follows the advice of his committee, but hasn't received the report and knows nothing of the matter.

Athletic Director Jerry Ford declined comment.

Stiegman said: "I think all such comment should come from Penn."

A source close to Stiegman said, however, the 35-year-old coach has accepted the Penn job.



Taking food and drink is a great enjoyment for healthy people, and those who do not enjoy eating seldom have much capacity for enjoyment or usefulness of any sort.

... Charles W. Elliot, The Happy Life

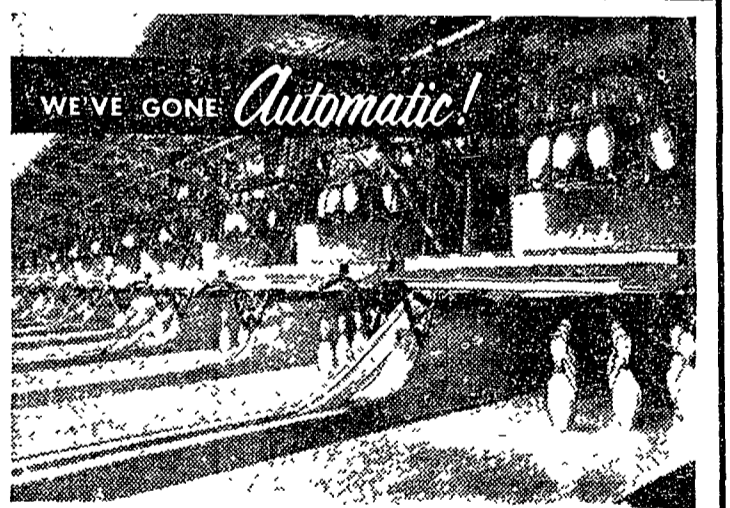
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