

Lion Matmen Face Stiff Test Against Strong Rutgers Squad

By JIM KARL

Penn State's matmen, who need a win or a tie to finish the year above .500, close out their dual meet season against once-beaten Rutgers tonight at 7 in Rec Hall.

Coach Charlie Speidel's grapplers have compiled a 5-4 record so far this year, including a 17-12 victory over Pitt in their last outing.

Rutgers, on the other hand, is 10-1-1. They lost their chance for an undefeated season when Lehigh stopped them, 27-5, in Bethlehem last weekend.

While the Scarlet have had a fairly easy time winning until the Lehigh fiasco, State has had more than its share of ups and downs.

The Lions started off with wins over Army and West Virginia but Michigan stopped them just before the Christmas recess and Lehigh beat them decisively in Rec Hall in January.

State came back with victories over Cornell and Maryland to back up its position as the seventh-ranked team in the nation.

Then Navy upset them before a rabid crew of midshipmen at Annapolis and lightly-regarded Syracuse edged them by one point, 16-15.

Last week the Lions rebounded with a victory over Pitt to stop a three-meet Panther winning streak.

Rutgers has been more consistent than the Lions, but its opposition hasn't been quite as rough.

The Scarlet have recorded vic-



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The Scarlet had four undefeated grapplers going into the Lehigh meet but all were defeated, including Mike Leta.

Leta won the eastern 130-pound crown last year and had never lost in a dual meet until Curt Alexander scored a 6-3 decision over the takedown artist.

Rutgers' probable starters and

their records include: 123 — Ben Hogan, 11-1; 130 — Dick Janish, 4-1; 137 — Leta, 9-1-1; 147 — Bob Nelson, 8-3-1; 157 — Wayne Knoff, 4-5; 167 — Bill McGrath, 5-1; 177 — Don Cory, 8-1-1; 191 — Dennis Focht, 2-2; Hwt. — Jim Horner, 9-2-1.

Three Penn State seniors and possibly a fourth will be making their last appearance in Rec Hall tonight.

Co-captains Jerry Seckler and Johnston Oberly and 137-pounder Dan Johnston are sure starters tonight and John Trojan may see action at 191.

Oberly, with a 7-0-2 record in nine outings this year, will meet Horner in the heavyweight finale. Seckler, 3-2-1, will wrestle at either 147 or 157.

Ron Pifer, who dropped down to 147 against Pitt, is suffering from a cold but expects to be ready tonight. If he wrestles at 157, Seckler will got at 147.

Johnston, 4-1-3, will meet Leta in what should prove to be the main attraction of the evening. Either Trojan, 0-4-1, or junior Bill Polacek will wrestle at 191.

The remainder of the Lions' lineup should include Denny Slattery (6-3) at 123; Tony Scordo (4-5) at 130; John Barone (2-4) at 167; and Phil Myer (5-3) at 177.

Frosh Grapplers Seek 3rd Victory

Johnny Johnston, a national champion at Penn State in 1957, brings his Stevens Trade School grapplers to Rec Hall tonight at 5 to battle the Lion frosh.

Johnston will renew old acquaintances with frosh coach Dave Adams, who won an Eastern crown for State the same year Johnston won his national title.

Adams' squad beat Cornell, 26-3, and Navy, 19-11, after a 15-14 loss to the Lehigh frosh in the season opener.

Tom Balent, making his first start of the season at 123, will be followed by three undefeated matmen.

Bob Haney at 130, Dick Campbell at 137 and George Edwards at 147 all sport perfect 3-0 records.

Dan Gamaldi (0-1) will go at 157, Ed Fleming (2-1) is Adams' choice for the 167 slot and Dick Walker (1-2) gets the nod at 177.

Bill Anders rounds out the Nittany lineup at heavyweight. Anders is 0-3 on the season.

At EIGL Tourney

Weiss Grabs Lead; Eight Lions Qualify

Special to the Collegian Annapolis, Md., March 3 —

Penn State's Greg Weiss shot into a commanding lead tonight in the opening round of the all-around competition in the Eastern gym tourney here.

Weiss, defending Eastern all-around champion, amassed 453 points to lead teammate Tommy Seward (395) with only the still rings remaining tomorrow.

But Weiss, brilliant as he was, had to share the spotlight with Springfield's Jeff Cardinali.

Cardinali, second to Weiss last year, decided not to compete in the all-around because of an injured back.

The Maroon ace limited himself to the side horse and parallel bars and led the qualifiers in each event.

He had a 96 on the p-bars and 93 on the horse to take the role of favorite for the two events in tomorrow's finals.

Weiss won the long horse vault with a 94 and finished second on the high bar and p-bars.

The Nittany star racked up a 94 to trail Cardinali on the p-bars. Seward was a distant third with 89 and Kenny Morrow qualified in sixth place with an 84.

Weiss scored a 92 to trail Temple's Bob Smith (95.5) on the high bar. State's Keith Hagenbuch also qualified with an 82.

Seward won the free calisthenics competition with a 93, edging Pitt's Earl McConnell (91) and Weiss (90). Gene Harlacher tied for fourth with Temple's Dave Perlstein at 71.

Two Lions qualified for the finals in both the rope climb and flying rings.

Junior Gerry Schaefer grabbed a half-point lead over Navy's Van Temple (92-91.5)

on the rings while Larry Yohn scored an 83 for eighth place.

Captain Bob Mumau and sophomore Bud Williams tied for seventh in the rope climb in 3.9.

Syracuse's Bob Winter tied defending eastern and national champion Nelson Hulme of Navy for first in 3.3.

Tonight's scores are the final results in five events of the all-around. Only the still rings remain Saturday.

The top eight men qualify for Saturday's finals in the individual events with the scores from both days being added to determine the winner.

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Moran Loses Close Mile; Brumel Sets New Mark

NEW YORK (AP) — Istvan Rozsavolgyi of Hungary, hounded almost all the way by Penn State grad student Ed Moran, won the mile in 4:01.8 — just four-tenths of a second off the indoor record — last night in the Knights of Columbus Games in Madison Square Garden before a crowd of 14,255.

Rosy, a slim army captain, has been trying for the "impossible" all through the winter season—a sub-four-minute indoor. This time he almost made it. Moran ran a 4:06.7.

Rozsavolgyi, thus won his sixth mile in seven tries this winter. His time equaled the second best ever indoors. Only

Ron Delany's record 4:01.4 is better. In that same race, Rosy clocked 4:01.8.

Russia's Valery Brumel broke the world indoor high jump record with a leap of seven feet three and one-half inches.

Brumel thus made it three-for-three in his high jump battle with John Thomas when the 20-year-old Boston University junior failed at 7 feet.

Penn State's Gerry Norman is entered in the two-mile run and State has an entry in the two-mile relay.

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