

# Eastern Foes Want Shot At Johnston in Nationals

By JIM KARL

Dan Johnston and Ron Pifer may run into some familiar faces when they start their bids for an NCAA title at Corvallis, Ore., tomorrow.

Johnston and Pifer will face some tough competition from their own backyard. However, Penn State's third entrant, heavyweight Johnston Oberly, may find his stiffest opposition in the Big 8 conference.

Rutgers' Mike Leta, Lehigh's Curt Alexander and Pitt's Daryl Kelvington would like nothing better than a crack at Johnston in the nationals.

Penn State's 137-pound eastern champ tied Alexander and Leta in dual meet competition and beat Kelvington twice, once in a dual meet and the second time for the EIWA title.

Pifer's eastern foes will include Pitt's John Zolikoff, Lehigh's Bob Gunst and Army's Mike Natvig.

Oberly's chief competition should come from Oklahoma's Dale Lewis, the defending champ, and Oklahoma State's Ted Ellis, the winner in 1959.

Ellis pinned the Lion heavyweight shortly after he injured his ribs in a semi-final match two years ago. Earlier Oberly had beaten Lewis on a referee's decision.

Other contenders for the heavyweight crown should include Northwestern's Rory Weber, Iowa State's Jan Schwitters, Winona State's Jerry Wedemeier, Wyoming's Warren Dawson and Iowa's Sherwyn Thorsen.

Thorsen surprised Oberly in last year's tourney with a 7-2 decision. But the "Big O" battled back to finish third, pinning Dawson and decisioning Schwitters (9-0) and Weber (3-2) along the way.

Besides his three eastern foes, Johnston's other competition at 137 should come from Dave Jensen of Iowa Teachers, Al Bevilacqua of NYU, Glen Hasse of Colorado Mines and Ron Finley of Oregon State.

Top threats from other sections of the country at 147 include Bob Wilson of Oklahoma State, Tobe

## Craft Likely Choice To Head Cub Staff

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — The word "manager" is taboo in the Chicago Cubs' camp, but ex-Kansas City A's pilot Harry Craft yesterday appeared the likely coach-in-charge when the Cubs open at Cincinnati April 11.

How a head coach differs from a manager may be a matter of terminology, except that with the Cubs the head man will be on a rotating basis under owner P.K. Wrigley's "new baseball approach."

Monday, the club announced that four men — Craft, Elvin Tappe, Bobby Adams and Vedic Himsel — from a nine-coach staff would begin the season at the major league level.

Because Craft managed the A's from midway through the 1957 season through the 1959 campaign and was Lou Boudreau's No. 1 Cub aide last year, the betting is he gets first shot at bossing the 1961 Cubs. Tappe, 1960 Cub coach, is strong second choice.

The theory is that one man will be "No. 1 coach" about a month then yield to another, and so on through the season.

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# Mound Aid Should Help White Sox

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Al Lopez optimistically rates his 1961 Chicago White Sox higher than the team that won the pennant in 1959. He believes the addition of Cal McLish and Juan Pizarro to his pitching staff has closed the gap that led to last year's disappointing third-place finish.

"We led the league in hitting, fielding, double plays and stolen bases last year," said the affable Senator. "Still, we finished third. It must have been our pitching that failed. So, we went out and got two starters in McLish and Pizarro."

"I think we have a real good chance to win it this year. Of course, we'll have to contend with New York again. I do think the Yankees were hit hard when they had to give up men like Bobby Shantz, Eli Grba, Duke Maas, Bob Cerv and Dale Long to start the new clubs and also lost Gil McDougald who retired.

"Baltimore should be tough although they lost a big man in Gene Woodling. Cleveland ought to be better if Gary Bell comes back and Johnny Antonelli should help them."

Lopez said "we have no problems; why be pessimistic in the spring of the year?"

Joe Martin, a rookie who hit .285 at San Diego, will be the only new face in the starting Sox lineup. Lopez already has awarded the third base job to him.

"Martin has a good arm and speed," said the manager. "We need another left-handed hitter. I think he will do it."

Although the club has plenty of age with men like Early Wynn, 41, Gerry Staley, 40, Minnie Minoso, 37, Sherm Lollar, 36, Roy Sievers, 34, and Al Smith and Nellie Fox, 33, Lopez doesn't think it will hurt him.

## Durocher Expected To Head NY Club

NEW YORK (AP) — Leo Durocher will be named manager of the New York team in the National League within 48 hours, the World-Telegram & Sun said yesterday.

The telegram said that George Weiss, former New York Yankee general manager, would return to New York after this week and make the Durocher announcement. Late last week Weiss took over as president of the new club.

## Frosh Baseball

Freshman baseball coach Bill Spieth announced yesterday that all infield and outfield candidates should report to 241 Rec Hall today at 5 p.m.



JOHN ZOLIKOFF  
Pitt star at 147

Zweygardt of Oregon State, Dominic Fatta of Purdue, Bill Dotson of Iowa Teachers and Jim Hoppel of Bowling Green.

With only three entries Penn State won't be a contender for the team title, but two other eastern teams, Pitt and Lehigh, could make a strong bid. Pitt will enter five men and Lehigh a full team.

State is the only eastern school to win a national title. The Lions copped the crown in 1953 when the tourney was held in Rec Hall.

## Basketball Scores

- NBA Eastern Divisional Playoffs
- Syracuse 115 Boston 98 (best of seven series tied 1-1)
- College NIT Tournament At New York Quarterfinals
- Dayton 62 Temple 60
- Providence 71 Niagara 68
- High School Western Region Class B Final
- Fort Cherry 71 Cochrantown 44
- PCIAA Class B State Championship
- South Scranton Catholic 68 Pittsburgh St. Canice 52

## Spring Soccer Practice

All those interested in spring soccer practice should report to Coach Ken Hosterman in Rec Hall sometime before March 29.

Penn State will open its 1961 football season Sept. 23 at home against Navy.

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# Smith, Heiser, Pugh Win To Advance in Mat Tourney

By DAVE LEONARD

Close decisions and fast pins were featured in IM wrestling at Rec Hall last night as 12 grapplers moved into the semi-finals.

Bill Smith of Phi Delta Theta started quickly and threw Dick Urian of Pi Kappa Phi in 45 seconds. Urian got a fast takedown but Smith reversed the 158-pounder and that was it.



Bill Smith

In the 135-pound division Henry Heiser of Lambda Chi Alpha pinned John Gasser of Alpha Tau Omega in 1:35.

In an independent bout Tom Pugh established himself as a top contender in the 125-pound class by pinning Bill Turney in 43 seconds, the second fastest fall of the evening.

In the heavyweight division Ed

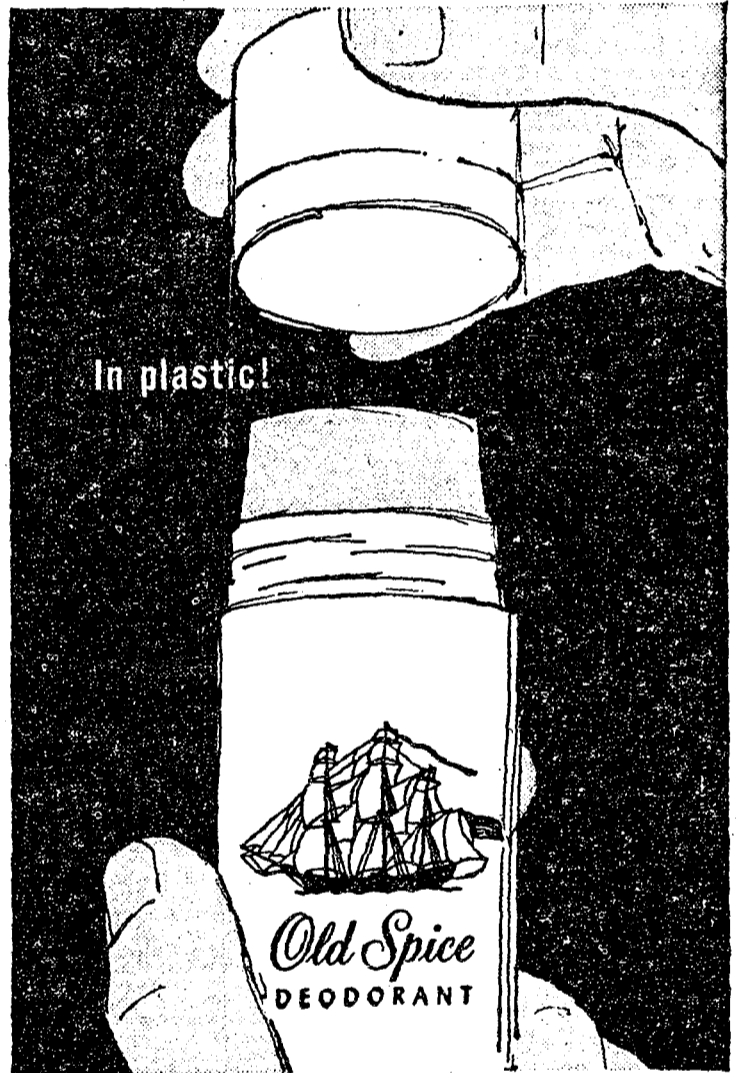
White of Phi Delta Theta had little trouble in dropping Ernie Kaulfuss of Sigma Chi in 1:45.

Sigma Nu's Charley Siemensi, a tackle on the football team, beat Phil Kreitner of Tau Kappa Epsilon, 6-1.

### Summaries

- 128—Jourdan (LCA) dec. Thompson (DU), 5-2; Link (SN) pinned Criley (AZ), 1:20; Meredith dec. Imswiler, 7-1; Abramson pinned Seikuson, 4:20.
- 135—Heiser (LCA) pinned Gasser (ATO), 1:35; Hardman (ACSig) dec. Fey (PDT), 4-3; Pugh pinned Turney, :43.
- 142—Bennett (DU) dec. Erber (SChi), 6-2; Glassburn (PGD) dec. Stitt (DTS), 9-4.
- 150—Lightner (LCA) dec. McCombs (PDT), 3-0; Saba (SChi) dec. Maurer (DTS), 7-6; Stevens dec. Crosley, 10-7; Hazen dec. Bassett, 9-6.
- 158—Brownback (DTD) pinned Alcorn (DTSig), 5:30; Smith (PDT) pinned Urian (PKPhi), :45; Loomis pinned Luther, 2:20.
- 167—Keck (DTD) dec. Weaver (DU), 3-0; Peace (PKSig) pinned Weaver (TKI), 3:20; Pae (BTPi) pinned Evans (ATO), 5:45; Synnestvedt dec. Carosso, 11-0.
- 176—Hobbs (SN) pinned Sawczyn (SPE), 3:35; Bartlett (TKE) pinned Graham (DT Sig), 3:59.
- Hwt—White (PDT) pinned Kaulfuss (SChi), 1:45; Siemensi (SN) dec. Kreitner (TKE), 6-1.

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