

Lion Fencers Open Home Season Today

By JOHN LOTT

The sophomore-studded Penn State fencing squad, fresh from a 15-12 conquest of Temple, will meet a strong Johns Hopkins outfit this afternoon at 2 in Rec Hall.

Lion coach Dick Klima plans to go with the same lineup that routed the Owls Wednesday. The team will be led by number one epeeist Dave Lewis, who was elected captain before the Temple meet.

After finishing third in the Middle Atlantic Conference last year, Hopkins figures to have another fine team this season. They are particularly strong in epee, where the Lions may have their toughest battle of the season.

TOM AHERN, a strapping 6-5 epeeist who won first place in individual honors in the MAC championships last year, appears to be the top Hopkins fencer. Also returning are co-captains Tom Koehler and Tom McNamara, who fenced well last season. Like Ahern, McNamara performed well in the MAC epee finals with a third place finish.

Last year the Nittany fencers traveled to Baltimore for their opening meet and defeated Hopkins, 15-12. If State can hold down Ahern, Koehler and McNamara, Klima feels the Lions have a good chance of repeating last year's victory. But it won't be easy.

"I believe we have a better squad than last year," Klima said yesterday. "But Hopkins has probably also improved. It's likely that it will be touch-and-go right from the start. In short, the meet shapes up as another close one."

LOOKING BACK on the Temple meet, the Lion coach said that State had the Owls figured pretty well. Al Gallo, Temple's outstanding foilman, performed as expected, taking all three of his bouts.

But there were also a couple of surprises. The Lions hadn't



DICK KLIMA

counted on sabreman Dave Pollock and epeeist John Finkelstein, who won five bouts between them.

In today's contest, State's lineup will include sabremen Chick Poole, Jerry Evans and Chuck Dooley; foilmen John Cooper, Ken Vandenburg and Art Fuller, and epeeist Dave Lewis, Fred Davis and John Hansell.

Riflemen Seek 5th Against Middies

The Nittany Lion rifle team hosts the shooters from the Naval Academy at 2 p.m. today in what could be labeled a must win for the Lions.

The riflemen have dropped successive matches to Army and Maryland and a loss to Navy would dampen chances for an outstanding season. State is 4-2.

According to coach Sgt. Joe Watson, the Lions could pull an upset.

"If we can duplicate our score of last year, we stand a good chance of winning," Watson said earlier this week.

The sharpshooters dropped last year's meet, 1444-1432, at Annapolis. However, Watson pointed out that the Middies tend to have lower scores on the road.

Navy coach Kendall Barber has four returning lettermen from last year's team which was undefeated in 10 outings.

Heading the list is junior Mike Caputo who won the National Collegiate Rifle Championship last winter. The other three lettermen are Web Wright, Ken Longeway and Niles Iannone. Iannone is the Navy captain.

In an attempt to gain their first win in the last three starts, Watson will send the following 10 to the firing line: capt. Rich Gogolkiewicz, Bill Shaffer, Den Brumbach, Walt Estep, Neil Anderson, Chuck Nagel, Hiram Wolfe, Warren Grossman, Les Parmele, and Warren Morrow.

Against common opponent Maryland, Navy tied at 1435, while the Lions lost their second meet to the Terps, 1443-1418.

Beta Sig Nips Phi Psi

By AL MILLER

Phi Sigma Delta, Beta Sigma Rho and Alpha Tau Omega splashed home to victories last night as the intramural swim meets moved into their third day.

In the closest match, Beta Sig nipped Phi Kappa Psi, 21-20, as the diving of Pete Roth proved decisive. ATO easily whipped Delta Theta Sig, 24-15, despite having to forfeit the final relays, while Phi Sigma Delta topped ZBT, 29-10.

Delta Tau Delta won by default over Theta Delta Chi.

Outstanding performances went to Phi Kappa Psi despite its loss to Beta Sig. Tom Ferguson won the 60-yard freestyle in 33.5, the best time this year, while teammates Gary Mason, Ed Ablard and Curt Bagley joined him for a relay victory in 1:02.9.

Beta Sig swept the breast-

stroke with Hank Lubin leading the way, and the backstroke as Roth won again.

Phi Sigma Delt swept all five events in its romp over ZBT. Steve Lampf took first in the freestyle; Steve Serepca copped the backstroke, and Fred Wolfson won the breaststroke. Al Green's diving and the relay foursome of Wolfson, Lampf, Ed Grinberg and Serepca completed the sweep.

Jeff Brown victories in the breaststroke and diving events sparked ATO to its win over Delta Theta Sig. Grier Cooper scored a win in the backstroke, while Chris Kimmel took the only first for Delta Theta in the freestyle.

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