

Grapplers Wait for Official Word Frosh May Get Chance

On the eve of his second wrestling meet, against New England powerhouse Springfield at 2 p.m. tomorrow in Rec Hall, Lion wrestling coach Bill Koll finds himself in a dilemma of sorts.

With the new NCAA ruling permitting freshmen to participate in varsity wrestling, State's wrestling lineup for the Springfield match could be seriously shuffled with freshman Clyde Frantz getting a shot at his first varsity action.

"We're not sure yet," says Koll with a look in his eye resembling a gambler with an ace up his sleeve. "But an okay from Dean McCoy would be one of the greatest things in the world that could happen to us. It would provide us with team depth and make it a little rougher on the varsity wrestlers with more competition to contend with."

Wait for Decision

Word is expected from McCoy this morning, so everything was a little up in the air yesterday during practice, forcing Koll to go with two tentative lineups. One lineup would include freshmen, while the other would feature only upperclassmen.

Practice this week did have one sour note, as soph John High suffered a muscle bruise and will be forced to miss the Springfield match.

Matt Kline, who normally wrestles at 160, was moved up a notch to 167, and Lee Smith earned the right to his first varsity match at 160 pounds through eliminations completed just yesterday.

The NCAA ruling would give freshman Clyde Frantz, two time 138-pound state champion from Hughesville, his first shot at

varsity competition and would give Koll some maneuverability and depth. Frantz would step right into the 152-pound class, thus moving Bob Abraham, slated for action at 152 pencing word from McCoy, up a notch to 160.

Depth would be provided by two freshmen in the 177-pound class. John Morrow and Tom Hartzfield, who would back up highly-touted junior Bob Funk.

Other than the changes caused by the injury to John High and the pending decision on freshman eligibility, the tentative lineup is identical to that of the opener against Oklahoma. Harry Weinholder is wrestling at 123 pounds for the Lions, Wally Clark (130), Dave Spinda (137), Vince Fitz (145), Bob Abraham (152), Lee Smith (160), Matt Kline (167), Bob Funk (177), captain Rich Lorenzo (191) and Larry Holtacker (heavyweight).

Best from Area

"Springfield has dominated New England for years and is considered the best from that area again," according to Koll, "and we expect a real tough match."

Their best weights appear to be 130 and 160 pounds but the Lion grapplers have become "more explosive on attack" since their opening loss to nationally-acclaimed Oklahoma and are now "doing", not just "trying", holds.

Although Springfield is the best in the New England area, it had better be set for a tough match from the Nittanys, who as coach Koll puts it, "don't wrestle to lose." And don't forget, State just might have that little something stuffed up its sleeve.



—Collegian Photo by Paul Levine
NITTANY LION wrestler Matt Kline get a word of advice from coach Bill Koll in last month's Oklahoma meet. Kline will move up a weight to 167 pounds for tomorrow afternoon's home contest against Springfield.

Owls Meet Swimmers In Natatorium Opener

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Collegian Sports Writer

Penn State's new natatorium (swimming pool to non-English majors) will see its first intercollegiate activity tomorrow as State's first-year swimmers meet a powerful Temple squad at 2 p.m.

Intercollegiate swimming was last seen at University Park in 1951. That year the Lions finished 2-5 but managed a fourth place finish in the Eastern meet. In 14 years of competition, from 1936 through 1951 (excluding 1945 and 1946) State accumulated a record of 32-61.

New Events

Only five of the 13 events which will be seen tomorrow were standard events in the 1951 campaign. The 11 races include the 400 meter medley relay (100 each of the backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, and freestyle), 1,000 meter freestyle, 200 meter freestyle, 200 meter individual medley (50 meters of each of the strokes in the medley relay all done by the same swimmer), 200 meter butterfly, 100 meter freestyle, 200 meter breaststroke, 400 meter freestyle relay, 50 meter freestyle, 500 meter freestyle and 200 meter backstroke.

Diving competition, scored on a basis very similar to that of gymnastics, is done from one and three meter boards.

All Inexperienced

This year's team was formed entirely from the ranks of the Penn State student body with no recruiting of high school talent. Coach Lou MacNeill expects to develop his team through the IM program and the improving of the varsity squad.

Due to the lack of experience, MacNeill expects to work on individual improvement rather than on a winning team effort. Through this process, MacNeill hopes to have a team which will be competitive with most Eastern schools in the next five years.

As far as facilities go, State has about the best in the nation right now. The natatorium, opened last October, contains everything from a 1,300-seat spectator gallery to an electronic timing system that eliminates the question of the accuracy of human timers.

Six Lanes, Two Dives

The competition pool is 75 feet by 45 feet with six swimming lanes. A 42-foot-square diving tank with two one-meter and two three-meter boards completes the competition facilities.

Underwater windows and filming facilities allow for observation of the swimmers and assist the coaches in improv-

ing styles. Another 75-foot pool is available for practice and instruction.

This year's schedule includes home meets with Temple, Pittsburgh, Bucknell, Johns Hopkins, and West Virginia. On the road the Lions meet Navy, Syracuse, Maryland and Villanova. Such an ambitious schedule leave MacNeill with little hopes for a successful season in the won-lost category, but it should bring some of the better swimmers in the East to University Park.

Abington Defeated But Still Strong

HARRISBURG (AP)—The Abington High School basketball team is not invincible this season as it was last year when it won the PIAA Class A state championship.

The Bridgers walloped 27 straight opponents in 1966-67, finishing off with an impressive 93-61 victory over previously unbeaten Chester in the televised title game at Harrisburg's State Farm Show arena.

So far this season, Abington has bowed twice, but its victory over Sharon on Tuesday showed that the Bridgers are still a team to be reckoned with in the powerful WPIAL District 7.

Abington and Sharon are vying for the district's Section 3A title, along with five-time state champion Farrell and Aliquippa.

Elsewhere in the WPIAL, Laurel Highlands appears the team to beat in Section 7A. Undeatable Mount Lebanon is looking for its eighth straight Section 9A championship. Monaca is rated tops in Section 6A, and Latrobe looks like a winner in Section 2A.

Denny Wuycik, who made all-state last year as a junior at Abington, is among the WPIAL's more outstanding players. He is scoring 34 points a game. Laurel Highlands also has a top-notch shooter in Wilbur Robinson.

13 in Last 20

The WPIAL has produced the state champion in 13 of the past 20 years to rank as the strongest district in PIAA. In second place is District 1, which has produced four state champions.

In District 1, suburban Philadelphia, West Chester and Coatesville are running one-two in the Ches-Mont League race.

West Chester is undefeated in the league, but lost to a non-league opponent Cheltenham, which some feel has a good chance to wrest the district crown away from Chester.

Chester, state runner-up the past two years, has three regulars back from its 1967 team, each averaging in double figures.

Penncrest, the top-rated team in the new Central League, could take all the marbles in District 1. The team has a top-notch player in 6-7 junior Gene Armsted.

In District 2, Nanticoke, state champion in 1961, hopes to repeat as district titlist, but the Rams face a serious challenge by Pittston Area. Pittston beat Nanticoke in an intersectional game.

3 in Central Penn

Three teams are tied for first place in the Central Penn League which should produce the District 3 champion. Vying for the title are two Harrisburg schools—John Harris and William Penn—and York High School.

Williamsport is nearly everybody's choice to win the District 4 championship for the fifth straight year. The Millionaires, only loss came Tuesday, against the district's top Class B team, Mansfield, whose 6-10 sophomore, Tom McMillan, averages 32 points a game.

In District 11, a pair of Altoona schools—Allen and Dieruff are rated the top contenders. Allen defeated Dieruff Tuesday night, 58-53 in double overtime, to take the lead in the Eastern Pennsylvania League. Jan Kapcala of Dieruff and Glenn Angelino of Allen are among the district's top players.

Back to the western half of the state: Altoona, the top team in District 6 the past three years, has lost six straight games. Johnstown is also down. Most observers are picking either Lock Haven, led by Ron Kodish, or Huntingdon to represent the district in the playoffs.

Pittsburgh Schenley, state champion in 1966, is favored to win the Pittsburgh City League District 8 championship, but not with the ease of the past two years.

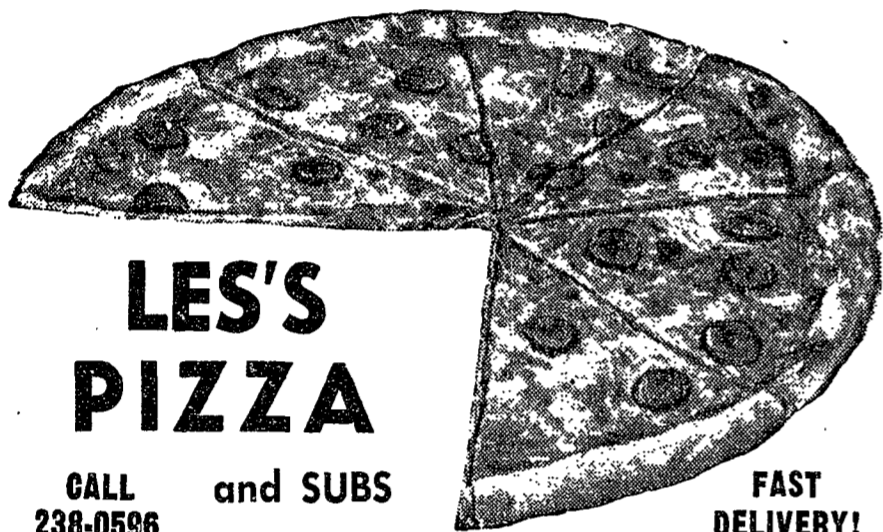
Graham Leads in Crosby Golf

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP)—Tennessee Lou Graham retrieved his deft putting touch quickly yesterday and dropped six birdie putts for a four-under-par 68 and the first round lead in the \$104,500 Bing Crosby Golf Tournament.

A year ago Graham didn't have a three-putt green in the Crosby, but he started this time by needing three putts on the

first hole. On the second, however, he dropped a 25-footer for his first birdie and wound up the day one stroke ahead of Tommy Jacobs, who had 69, and two ahead of Johnny Pett, and two ahead of Johnny Pett.

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Weekend Sports Calendar In Nittany Lion Land

Penn State's sports weekend gets underway tonight at 7:30 in Rec Hall with the international gymnastics meet.

The Nittany Lions varsity gymnastics team opens its regular season tomorrow with an 8 p.m. meet against Springfield in Rec Hall.

Earlier tomorrow, Bill Koll's wrestlers go after their first win of the year when they play host to Springfield in a 2 p.m. home match.

The Nittany Lion fencers open their season at 2 p.m. tomorrow against Temple as do the Penn State swimmers. Both meet are home affairs for the Lions.

The women's gymnastics team will play host to the Springfield coeds at 2 p.m. tomorrow in White gymnasium.

The basketball and rifle teams are on the road, with the cagers at Pittsburgh and the sharpshooters at Cornell tomorrow.



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KANSAS CITY (AP)—Ewing M. Kauffman, who started his \$30-million drug firm 18 years ago in the basement of his home, was named Kansas City's new baseball owner by the American League yesterday and said, "I've talked to three or four top men who want to be executive vice president of the club."

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