

# CAGERS FACE TECH IN '38' CONFERENCE DEBUT TONIGHT

## Drab 44-24 Triumph Over Susquehanna Angers Lions

By JOHN A. TRONOVITCH

Their determination intensified by Saturday's surprising letdown, Penn State's champion-gunning courtmen move into the stamping grounds of the rampaging Carnegie Tech Tartans for their opening Eastern Conference tussle tonight.

The Tartans edged West Virginia's Mountaineers, 33-29, in the league opener Saturday night.

With strong arrays moulded on all fronts, another dizzy race for Conference laurels is being predicted freely, with Temple's giant-killing giants given the uppermost chance of smashing the "Pittsburgh Dynasty" that has ruled the loop since its inception in 1931.

### Catapulted From Cellar

With the exception of 1936, when Carnegie Tech captured the championship, Pitt's golden-plated Panthers have ruled supreme. They regained the title last year by trimming Temple in a special play-off game. Meanwhile, the Lions, in their first season under genial John Law-

ther, pirouetted from the cellar to within a single game of a tie for first place.

Although State's high-riding quintet, which had rebounded from an Akron defeat to conquer Kent State, Western Reserve, and Penn's Eastern Intercollegiate champions, shot like the R. O. T. C. boys at musketry, hopes for a successful campaign were buoyed Saturday by the amazing performance of unheralded Bill Stopper, who joined with veteran Max Corbin to pace a 44-24 victory over Susquehanna's weak but stubborn Crusaders.

### Stopper Steals Show

Rushed in with the "second" team when the starting lineup failed to produce more than a brace of field goals in the first seven minutes of play, Stopper nonchalantly proceeded to steal the show.

He ripped the cords with perfect shots... he spearheaded plays... he passed smoothly... he aimed jittery second-stringers... he broke up opposition drives... he threw his six-foot-six all over the place to get rebounds. In short, he was as hot and tough as an old, cheap pipe.

### Corbin High Scorer

In actual scoring, Stopper made nine points, one less than Corbin's high of 10. But, just as in the Western Reserve battle, Stopper's tallies came at a moment when State's offense seemed to be making very little headway.

With the score at 9-3, Stopper went to work. He popped in one foul and three field goals and passed to How-

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## Nittany Lions Share Eastern Soccer Title

Penn State's fifth undefeated soccer team will share top-place honors in the Eastern Intercollegiate Soccer association with Springfield and Princeton. This was the decision of the association members who met at the Yale Club in New York City Saturday afternoon.

Each team will hold the plaque for four months of the year: Springfield went through its season undefeated and untied, while Princeton dropped only one game—a non-league contest. The Nittany Lions were held to a scoreless tie by Army. At the time, Army was not a member of the league.

By a ruling of the group, Army enters the Eastern Intercollegiate Soccer association this year. The meeting of the association, which included 34 Eastern colleges and universities, was attended by Soccer Coach Bill Jeffrey and Dr. Carl P. Schott, dean of physical education and athletics.

## Mermen Prepare To Open Season

After two months of intensive practice and training the Penn State swimming team is about to enter another season of competition on Saturday. In a freshman-varsity practice meet held in Glensland Pool last Saturday both teams showed power that may take them places this season, the varsity leaving the freshmen behind with a 42-22 score.

One freshman standout observed in the tilt last Saturday and throughout practice has been Bob Kirkpatrick who recently established the new Glensland Pool record for the 50 yards in 00:23.6. He was State high school champion in that event last year, and is easily able to take over any of the Lion varsity in it this year.

### Fresh Lead 50-Yard, 100-Yard

In Saturday's practice the 50 yard event was led by Kirkpatrick in the time of 00:25.7. He was followed by Capt. Bob Dewalt and Chuck Welsh. In the 100 yard breast stroke event another freshman, Al Boileau, lead in 1:17.07, followed by freshman Dick Reilly and two varsity men, Johnson and Dick Schaffner, in a dead heat for third place.

Ken Bunk led the 220-yard event in 2:27 to be followed by Ed Zachs and freshman John McCarthy. First place in the 100-yard back stroke fell to Mark Vinzant in one minute and nine seconds, second went to freshman Dave Welsh, while third place went to Don Newbury. In the 100-yard free style Chuck Welsh lead in 00:59.1, followed to the end mark by Kirkpatrick, a freshman, and Robinson.

### Varsity Dominates Diving

Ray Parks, Guy McLaughlin, and Al Hildebrandt took over the fancy diving points, while Mark Vinzant, Bob Hancock, and Bobby Brown took the 150-yard medley relay without effective competition. Vinzant shoved out in front with a 1:30.6. In the 200 yard relay a varsity team of Brown, Bunk, McLaughlin, and Wright took the event in 1:43.9.

## Senior Grapplers Easily Cop I.C. Wrestling Championship

### Take 4 Firsts, Topping Nearest Competitors By 16 Points; Sophomores Take Two; Frosh, Juniors One Each

By SAL SALA

The seniors, who last year as juniors swept the interclass wrestling tournament with 35 points, again overwhelmed the other classes on the mat in Rec hall Saturday afternoon with a total of 33 points, 16 more than their nearest competitors, the sophomores and freshmen. The juniors brought up the rear with 14 counters.

Ray Brooks, who defeated both partners of the Craighead monopoly in the 126-pound class, Bob Reynolds at 135 pounds, Al Zazzi at 145, and Ross Shaffer at 175, captured the title crowns for the senior class. Sophomores gained two first places with Carl King, 118-pounder, and Eric Bortz, heavyweight, holding the crowns.

The freshmen and juniors each took one title. Joe Scanzo upset Steve Priolo in the finals to gain the 155-lb. diadem for the first-year men while Don Bachman snared the only first place for the juniors in the 165-lb. division.

Freshman Gains 155-lb. Crown Scanzo, by winning the 155-lb. crown, duplicated the trick of Don Bachman and Bob Reynolds, who also earned their numerals in the interclass meets their freshman years. The little Italian freshman worked his way to the finals by gaining the referee's decision over Vic Gentilman and then outpointing Priolo in the finals.

The seniors led at the beginning of the finals with four points recorded by falls. The freshmen and sophomores were still deadlocked for second place with three falls apiece. The juniors were credited with one fall and a victory by default gained by Marshall Gates when Frank Gleason '41, was forced to retire because of a

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## BETWEEN THE LIONS

Once again, Penn State's great soccer team has been denied the undisputed title of Eastern champion.

Two years ago, the Eastern Intercollegiate Soccer Association decided to do away with the team championship and instead, designate a few outstanding teams to be awarded a plaque for their accomplishments.

Last year, the Lions shared the honors with two other teams. This year, Springfield and Princeton were named along with Penn State.

Under Bill Jeffrey, the Lions won seven games and played a scoreless tie with Army. Springfield's record was even more impressive, inasmuch as John Brock's charges didn't lose a game. Princeton met defeat from Harvard, who in turn was trimmed by Springfield.

There seems to be little reason for the inclusion of Princeton among the "outstanding teams." The Tigers were Middle Atlantic Association champions for the second straight year, and here lies the answer to the entire question.

Three of the four officers of the Eastern Association represent teams competing in the Middle Atlantic Association. It is obvious why Princeton was considered as good as State and Springfield although a defeat was recorded.

The only bright spot of the meeting was a question put to the entire body:

"Four years ago," Dean Carl P. Schott asked, "Penn State became involved for playing soccer in Scotland. Would there be any objection if Penn State were to play an inter-sectional game on the order of the Rose Bowl?" Perhaps there's something brewing.

Sixteen teams of the two intramural bowling leagues will swing into action this week when the semi-finals will be rolled at the Dux bowling club. Both the Tuesday night and Thursday night league teams will compete. Later on the two leagues will be combined.

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