

## Nittany Fencers Leave For Intercollegiates in New York

With high hopes of placing several men and perhaps annexing the team championship, seven members of Penn State's fencing team left yesterday afternoon for New York City where they will compete in the Intercollegiates.

Four points was the margin between two losses and an undefeated season for the Nittany sword-wielders who lost two close matches to powerful Navy and undefeated NYU. The Navy score was 15-12 while the New Yorkers edged out the home team by a 14-13 count.

On the win side of the ledger, Penn State won two straight meets when they swamped Temple 20-7 and took a 14-13 decision from the Philadelphia Fencing Club.

Mainstay of the Blue and White squad is Captain Wally Riley who hopes to continue his unbeaten string in epee through the New York competition. In the four meets this season he has won 12 epee bouts while dropping none and has taken eight of 12 decisions in foil.

Outstanding in the saber division is Tom Davenport who has come through with eight out of 12 wins for the Nittany men in that event.

Fencing squads from Army, Harvard, Princeton, Yale, MIT, Navy, CCNY, Columbia, NYU, Cornell, Hamilton and Penn State will take the floor in the San Santelle, famous New York fencing parlor, this morning for eliminations in foil. The saber run-offs will take place in the afternoon, while the

epee bouts will wait until tomorrow morning. Finals in all divisions will be held tomorrow afternoon.

Favorite to cop the team championship is the undefeated NYU team. Plenty of opposition will be produced by the Navy, Columbia, and Penn State combines with a dark-horse squad always a possibility.

The Nittany fencers will line up as follows:

**Foil:** 1) Captain Wally Riley  
2) David Ozerouw  
3) Tom Davenport or Tim Reid

**Saber:** 1) Bernie Hankin  
2) Tom Davenport  
3) William Burleigh

**Epee:** 1) Captain Wally Riley  
2) Bob Swope  
3) Larry Tessier

### Tankers Resume Practice

Bob Galbraith's Eastern Collegiate swimming team, Bobby Cowell, Rocky Young, Don Knoll, and Bill Christy, are resuming routine practices for the National meets next week, although definite word has not been received from the Nittany coach as to how many will compete in the championship tourney. The site of this year's meet is Columbus, Ohio.

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## Independents Have Three-Way Tie In IM Basketball Tilts

Last night's IM basketball games saw a three-way tie develop in the Independent League between the Vagabonds, Fletcher House, and Podunk Prep by virtue of the Vagabonds' win by forfeit over Allen Co-op, Podunk Prep's victory over the Lions Den, and the Fletcher House's loss to a fighting Bell A. C. quintet.

Sigma Pi retained their lead in the fraternity circle by overpowering Beta Theta Pi No. 2, while the Beta's first team keep on the league leader's heels by overrunning Phi Sigma Kappa in the most one-sided event of the evening.

The scores for the evening were as follows:

Kappa Sigma forfeit over Phi Kappa Psi.  
Sigma Pi, 25; Beta Theta Pi No. 2, 11.

Sigma Chi, 17; Sigma Nu, 15.  
Beta Theta Pi No. 1, 33; Phi Kappa Sigma, 13.

Vagabonds forfeit over Allen Co-op.

Podunk Prep, 25; Lions Den, 14.  
Bell A. C., 15; Fletcher House, 7.  
Ingleside Club, 24; Gruberville J. V., 11.

## School Matmen Meet Here Today

The cream of the Pennsylvania high school wrestling circle invades Rec Hall tonight, as seventy scholastic grapplers begin the two-day grind for titles in the sixth annual PIAA championship tournament.

Jimmy Conklin, sensational Waynesburg High matman, may meet State College High's lone entry, Roger Johnson, in the 120-pound class. Conklin is the holder of a winning streak 66 meets in duration, and has three times copped a crown in the tourney. If the Waynesburg grappler repeats his past performances, he will be the only man ever to win four individual titles in the PIAA battle.

Clearfield High School's powerful squad is favored to again win the mythical team title, which it has held for the past two years. Last year two Clearfield men took top honors in the meet, while taking four crowns in 1941.

This Western Pennsylvania entry boasts a record unparalleled by another high school in the nation, since they have recently completed their seventh straight undefeated-untied season, amassing 51 consecutive victories.

Sammy Harry, co-captain of the Penn State mat squad, is a product of Clearfield High School. In 1938 Harry won the 85-pound crown in the PIAA tourney, and has been followed by eight other title holders since he copped the first one.

Forty Fort and Waynesburg both enter six men in the tourney, as does the Clearfield squad. Last year the Forty Fort team totaled only one point less than that of the champs, and should offer stiff competition today and tomorrow to opponents.

Boswell High School from District 5 sends the largest contingent here for the State meet with nine men, but was offered little competition in the elimination matches which decided the number of men to be entered from each school.

Quarter-final bouts are slated to begin at 7 p.m. tonight, with bouts operating on two mats at the same time. Tomorrow morning, winners of the quarters will meet in the semi-final round at 9:30 a.m., and the championships will be decided at 2:30 p.m. the same afternoon.

Since the PIAA championship is an organ of high school scholastic wrestling, College AA books will not serve as admission.

### Second in Golf

A call is out for seconds in golf, according to Douglas W. Purdy '43, manager. Applicants should report to the caddy house at 4:30 p.m. today.

## Penn State Gymnasts To Enter National AAU Competition

Members of Penn State's gymnastic squad, holders of the Eastern League title and three individual crowns, will attend the National AAU gymnastic playoffs scheduled to take place in New York City, May 1.

Practice sessions will be conducted regularly by Coach Gene

Wettstone's men in preparation for the meet which will find the country's best gymnasts competing for national honors.

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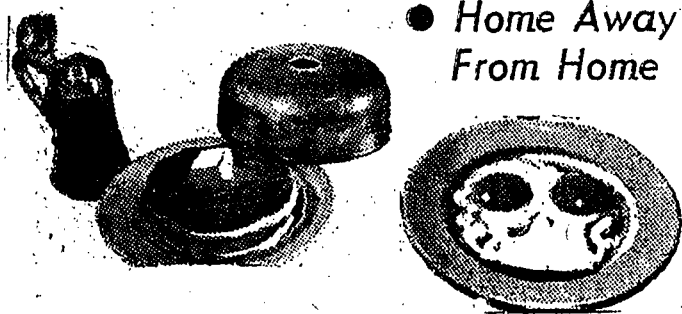
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