

# Between The Lions

WITH TED RUBIN

William O. "Bill" Gutteron has been selected to replace the deceased Lenny Diehl as coach of the College swimming team. With plenty of experience behind him, Gutteron has been associated with Penn State since 1943 as a member of the Physical Education School faculty, helping to direct the water program here.

The Blue and White tank squad was very unsuccessful in their schedule over the '46-'47 season, winning but one match while dropping four. A weak Carnegie Tech team was overcome in the opener 47-28, whereupon the Diehlmens were engulfed by Cornell 55-20, Syracuse 50-25, Temple 45-30 and Pittsburgh 46-29.

### FORMER NAME IN SWIMMING WORLD

Swimming teams at Penn State enjoyed a fine reputation prior to the wartime and post-war editions, and the new coach hopes to be able to place our swimmers back on that high perch. This does not mean on a level with the great swimming schools of the country like Yale and Ohio State. The water sport is one of the heaviest accented at these two institutions, and abundant attractions are made available to leading high school, prep school and even Hawaiian and Canal Zone natators to draw them toward these colleges.

Gutteron assisted former coach Diehl last year by coaching the divers, and his two top men, Rocky Young and Mike Kutsenko earned a large percentage of the Nittany points in the five dual meets. Young, appointed captain for this year, has dropped from school, so the diving burden will fall on Kutsenko, who was an excellent number two man to Rocky. Diver Kutsenko was active in the Allegheny Mountain AAU's this summer, defending both his low board and high board championships, although he only retained the former.

### GUTTERON CALLS FOR CANDIDATES

Gutteron has emphasized that anyone with experience is very welcome, since no position is secure on the squad. All candidates should phone the new coach at the Glennland Pool to register their names.

Last year's ace breast stroker Clyde Bell is currently student teaching and may not be able to compete this year. Backstroker Leigh Woehling and freestyler Herb Hirschfeld have graduated, and another freestyler Bill Christy may be ineligible due to scholastic difficulties.

Heading the returning breast stroke are Grossman and Mitchell; Bob Schmidt and Bob Meyers will again compete as backstrokers; Mickey Becket will be on hand to supplement Kutsenko in the diving, with Musselman, Tenzer, Hill and Winton and Walker freestylers who should help shape Gutteron's nucleus.

### NEW COACH'S CAREER

Bill Gutteron's career began years ago along the West Coast, having been born in San Diego. Following active participation in high school and athletic club swimming meets, Bill attended the University of Nevada. Varied California swim clubs were centers of his activities for the next ten years, including the San Francisco Olympic Club, the Long Beach and Los Angeles A. C.'s and others.

Bill came East in 1931 to coach football at the Bellefonte Academy for five years. Muhlenberg College in Allentown then claimed his coaching services for a year, after which Gutteron moved to nearby Clearfield High School where he directed football and basketball.

# Speidel Calls Wrestling Aspirants

Another Winter sport came to the fore this week as Coach Charlie Speidel announced a general meeting for all wrestling candidates at the mats in Rec Hall, 4:15 p.m. today. Managers as well as grapplers should report at this time, he stated.

Coach Speidel emphasized the need for wrestlers in the 115 to 135 pound classes and in the 165 to heavyweight divisions.

"No experience is needed," commented the mat mentor, "and I urge everyone who has an in-

terest in wrestling to come out and learn."

Should any candidates have classes until 5 o'clock, they should see Coach Speidel at his office in Rec Hall.

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### JV Football

Any prospective Junior Varsity guards or tackles who played football previously in high school or off campus during their freshman college year may still report to practice this afternoon, according to Coach Jim O'Hara.

# Gridders Gird For Syracuse

Coach Higgins' Nittany Lions, rated ninth in the nation in the Associated Press weekly football poll, will be gunning for an even higher notch when they meet the Orangemen from Syracuse Saturday.

Penn State received 226 votes by the poll to place behind such teams as Penn, Army and Illinois.

The Blue and White squad, traditionally a ground team, has a promising aerial attack with Scatback Elwood Petchel on the tossing end.

Petchel, with eight out of ten (Continued on page four)

# Sigma Pi Annexes 12-0 IM Victory

Two first-half touchdown passes gave Sigma Pi a 12-0 victory over Sigma Phi Sigma in its initial intramural touch football contest Tuesday night.

Hal Wausat tossed aials to George Stiftinger and Bob Mather for the two scores to complete sustained drives.

In another encounter, Sigma Chi blasted Pi Lambda Phi from the competition with a 12-0 triumph. Feature of this fray was a 90-yard return of the opening kickoff in which John Ketner received the ball and passed 30 yards to Terry Ruhlman, who raced the remaining 60 yards to chalk up Sigma Chi's first tally. (Continued on page four)

# Olympic Gym Tests, NAAU's Here

Final Olympic tryouts and the 1948 National AAU gymnastics championships will be held on the College campus Saturday, May 1, 1948, Carl P. Schott, athletic director, announced today. These events will attract more than 100 athletes from all over the country, Schott said.

These championships will have a twofold purpose. The eight best all-around gymnasts in the championships will be selected to represent the United States at the Olympic games, and the best men in each of ten events will be crowned national champions.

"Olympic rules will be used for both the AAU and Olympic

championships," Coach Gene Wettstone, mentor of the College gymnastic squad, said. "I was pleasantly surprised when the College was picked for the site. The selection is based on geographical location, facilities, and gym capacity," he continued. "We fulfilled all three of these requirements and although all proceeds go to the Olympic fund, the event will boost Penn State tremendously."

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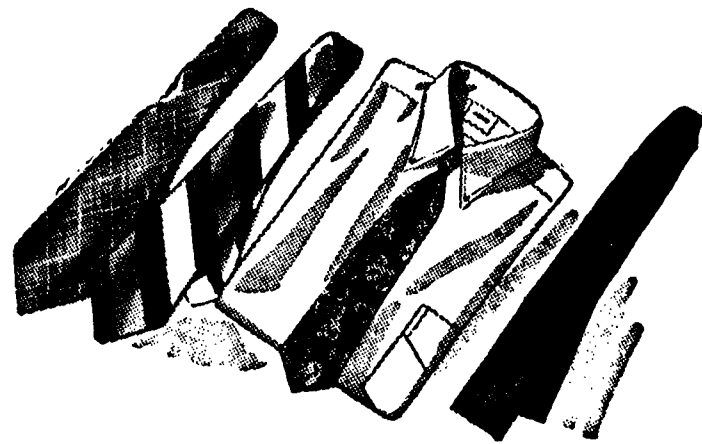
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