

Best Gymnasts In East To Clash for Titles

Five Colleges To Enter Talented Performers In Tomorrow's Rec Hall Gym Intercollegiates

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Tomorrow afternoon's Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastic meet, the 23rd renewal of this fascinating acrobatic show, will thrill a near-capacity turnout in Rec Hall with the top talent in the East and some of the top performers in the nation.

The three-hour show, featuring as an added attraction the popular organ music of George Ceiga, will get underway with the awarding of the Eastern team championship traveling trophy to Syracuse and Army at 2 o'clock.

Those two teams clinched a tie for team honors earlier in the season. Charles Graydon, head of the EIGL advisory board, will make the award.

Since this is not a part of the regular Rec Hall season program, student athletic books will not admit anyone. Admission is 90 cents, everyone is permitted to attend, and no seats will be reserved.

SIX EVENTS

Five teams—Temple, Army, Navy, Syracuse, and the host team Penn State—will throw their best performers into six events to determine the individual championships in the East. And a couple of the events, notably the parallel-bars and the rope-climb, may turn-up some startling performances.

The parallel bars will produce some of the closest competition of the day with a real contest due to develop between two top-ranking performers, Captain Carl Brunson of Army and John Keossian of Temple. Joel Baba of Syracuse and Dick Spiess of the Lions are conceded chances of landing third and fourth place medals in this event, which coach Gene Wettstone of State said could uncover a performer of international calibre.

ROPE-CLIMB

In the rope-climb, Leo Minotti, Syracuse's Eastern Intercollegiate champ and record-holder with a time of 3.5 seconds, is favored to win, possibly with a new record time. Main competition will come from Marv Schenker of Navy, and State's Lee Perna, who Wettstone said yesterday was much improved.

Penn State's best chance of copping an event will be in the tumbling, where bouncin' Rudy Valentino, now recovering from a recently sprained left wrist, will be the seeded star. Valentino finished second to teammate Bill Meade in the Easterns at Temple last year. He has taken first place in every meet with the exception of Temple this season.

Valentino's stiffest competition will come from Syracuse stars, Norm Matthews, Jack Bean and Hugh Goldstein, and Army Tumblers, Webster and Knapp. Temple's Hartmeyer, the only man to down Valentino this season, will also be in the running.

BRUNSON TOPS

Cadet Brunson of Army looms as the favorite for the all-around championship. Besides his excellence on the p-bars, Brunson is undefeated in season meets on the horizontal bar. The competition in that later event is wide open.

Also slated for all-around honors are Wally Hayes of Temple, and Baba of Syracuse. Hayes is the best bet, along with Bob Schneider of Navy, for flying-ring honors, an event that may produce a surprise winner. Hayes will give Brunson trouble on the horizontal bar, as well as on the p-bars. Baba is strong on the side-horse, parallel-bars, horizontal bar and flying rings.

State will enter no men in the all-round competition. Outside of Perna, Valentino and Spiess, Dave Benner, Wettstone's man on the sidehorse, stands the best chance of finishing high. Benner will be up against tough competition, however.

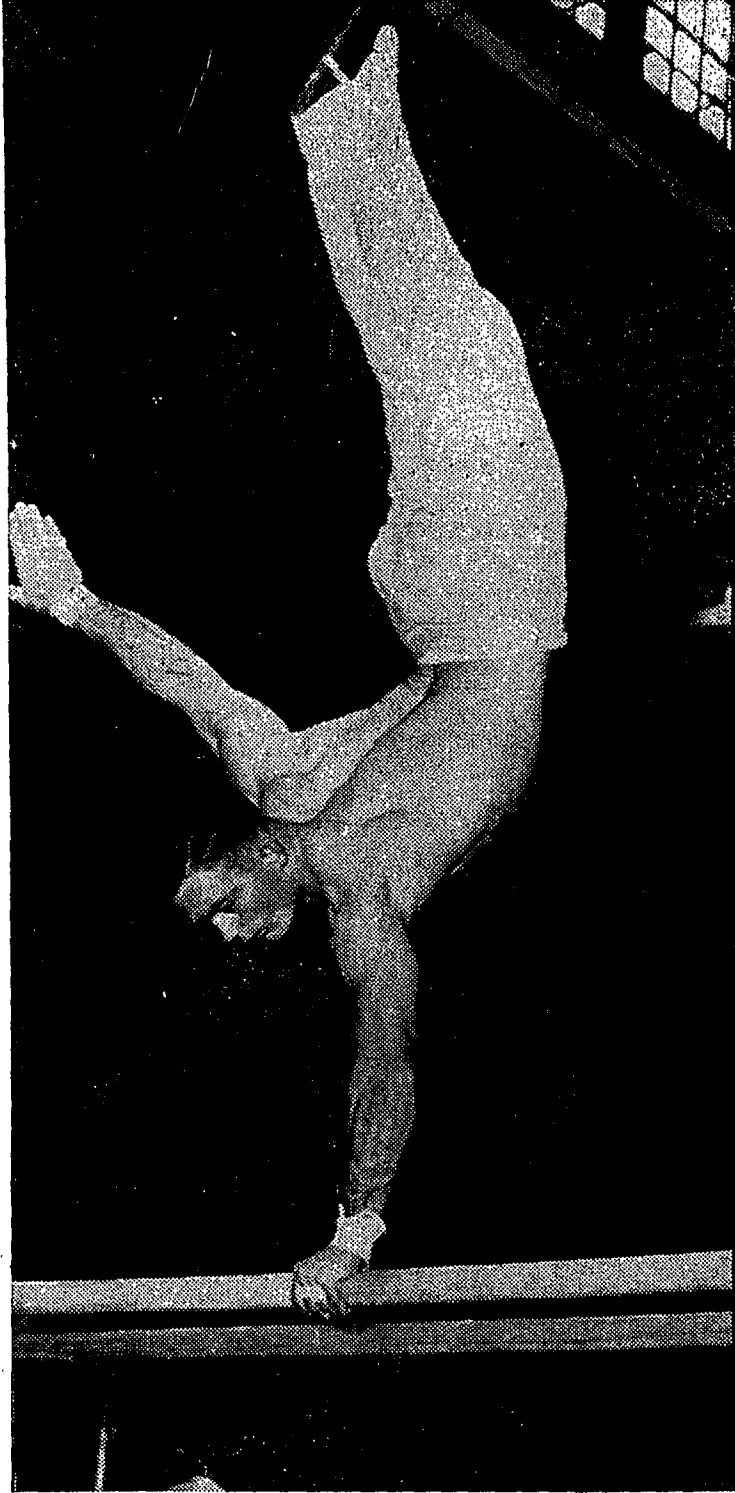
NAAU VS. NCAA

Gene Rabbitt of Syracuse, NAAU and Eastern Intercollegiate and Joe Beranato, Temple's NCAA champ, will be running

Individual Record

Ed Stickel, forward on Syracuse's 1948-'49 cage club, holds the school high scoring record for one game. He tallied 38 points against Canisius, Mar. 2, 1949.

All-around Favorite---



Cadet Carl Brunson

Skiers Compete in 2nd Meet At New York Intercollegiates

Coach Sherman Fogg and his skiing team will compete for the second time this season tomorrow in the Snow Ridge Intercollegiate Invitation Meet at Turin, N.Y. Two weeks ago in the Intercollegiate Skiing Union Meet, against much the same field, they finished 12th of 14 teams.

Syracuse swept the meet, taking first place in every event, both individually and as a team. The Orange finished well ahead of the next two teams, Paul Smith's College and Union.

Tomorrow the same teams will close for the top award. Beranato was second in the competition last year.

With all five teams entering full slates, about twenty gymnasts will compete for the gold silver, and two bronze awards in each event. The medals will be awarded to four places in all six events, while cups will go to the all-around winners.

compete, and also St. Lawrence University, Royal Military Academy, Queens College, and Williams College, making a total of 18 teams. Coach Fogg was pessimistic about finishing better than last, but with one meet under their belts perhaps the Lions can look forward to a better standing.

Roy Jansen finished 21st in slalom, and Jim Raymond captured 24th in classic combined and 27th in jump for the next best Penn State performances. Raymond fell on one jump, which prevented him from scoring higher.

Other competitors for Penn State were Ed Drennan, Chuck Sutch, Paul Friese, Jack Kirch, David Bischoff, and Ed Van Sickle. The same nine men will compete in tomorrow's meet.

All of the team's dual meets were cancelled because of the scanty show this winter. Colleges farther to the North, in northern New York and Canada, have an advantage over skiing teams from this area, since they get more practice and competition.

Wanna Keep Score? It's Easy Once You Learn How To Do It

If you want to keep track of your favorite performer's points in the Eastern Intercollegiate gym meet at Rec Hall tomorrow afternoon, remember a few things about the formula used and you won't have any trouble.

The gymnasts will be graded as they have been all season. After a performer completes his exercises, each of the five judges grade him on the basis of 100 points, the perfect score. The highest and lowest scores are deleted, the middle three are added and the resulting total is the performer's score in that event. The highest and lowest aren't used following international style of scoring for these championships.

JUDGMENT

Judgment is based on difficulty of exercise, speed and rhythm of action, seeming ease of effort, dismount, and general appearance of competitor. A judge makes up his mind from the overall impression he gains from the performer's actions.

If a judge scores a performer between 50 and 70, the exercise was considered fair; between 70 and 80, good, between 80 and 90 excellent, and above 90, exceptionally outstanding. These limits are not exact, however. A gymnast is judged in relation to what his predecessors have done—if he is slightly better he gets a slightly higher score.

HIGH TOTAL

First place in an event goes to

the competitor showing the highest total, second place to the second highest and so on down the line. In a dual meet, each place in an event is worth a certain number of team points, but no team title will be at stake tomorrow: Syracuse and Army have already tied for that honor.

For the all-around awards, a performer's totals in four events, the sidehorse, horizontal bar, parallel bars, and rings, are added up, and the gymnast with the most meet points is the all-around champ.

Handball Play Begins in IM's

Two forfeits marked the first evening's play of the intramural handball tournament in the fraternity division.

Dick Hoover, Theta Xi, took his match from Fred Rogers of Phi Gamma Delta by default, as did John Wallach, DTD, over Myron Lamont, Chi Phi.

In other matches, basketballer Marty Costa, Delta Sigma Phi, squeaked by Fred Black, Sigma Pi, 21-19, 21-20. John Frasinelli, DU, defeated Joe Ruyak, Pi Kappa Phi, 21-18, 21-15; Bill Wilhelm,

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