

# The Lion's Lair

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Providing it wins all its games from here on in, Penn State's basketball team stands a good chance of gaining a berth in the NCAA tournament. But one loss would probably ruin any chances for a post-season game.

There isn't much doubt that Duquesne, the only major undefeated team in the country, will get the bid for this district.

However, the NCAA selection committee will pass out four representative-at-large bids to teams east of the Mississippi and State stands a good chance of receiving one of these bids. But as we said before, the Lions will have to win the rest, West Virginia at home and Penn away.

We doubt very much whether the Lions will be invited or if invited accept a bid to the National Invitational Tournament in New York City. In the first place, Penn State basketball teams never appealed to the score-thirsty New York crowd and even though State has changed its type of play, the name of Penn State is still synonymous with the zone defense—something that the New York fans don't go for.

In the second place, the tournament falls on a day that Penn State is scheduled to play its last game with Bucknell. The Bucknell rivalry is one of Penn State's oldest and strongest and we doubt whether the Lions would put it in jeopardy by cancelling a game on the Bucknell court—especially when the Bisons will be trying to avenge the freeze-victory State scored down there last season.

Incidentally, the Bucknell

game is the sleeper on the remainder of the schedule. The Bisons are the ones who knocked the props out of State's chances of going to the NCAA baseball tournament last spring. Let's hope history doesn't repeat itself.

Who says the district coaches don't look out for each other? Duddy Moore, coach of Duquesne, who has a vote in the weekly UP poll, voted State tenth last week and ninth this week.

Don't be surprised if the boxing match with Syracuse tonight ends in a tie or a State win. Either one would be an upset. The Orange mittmen beat Army, 6½-1½, and Catholic U., 7-1. Army beat State, 4½-3½, while the Lions tied with Catholic U., 4-4.

Arthur Daley, sports editor of the New York Times, in a recent column, mentioned Ollie Sax as a sure-shot U.S. Olympic entry this summer. Sax, who ran for the Lions last semester, recently won the 500 yard run in the New York Athletic Club meet. He's a regular 400 man.

Penn State's only basketball loss this season came at the hands of Washington and Jefferson. Leave it to the Presidents to veto a perfect record.



# Gymnasts Meet Navy Today; Only One Lineup Change Made

By BOB SCHOELLKOPF

Coach Gene Wettstone will make only one change in the starting lineup of the Lion gym team for today's meet with Navy at Rec Hall. Starting time is 2 p.m.

The Nittany gymnastics mentor said yesterday that he would move up Bill Sabo to second man on the parallel bars and drop Al Wick to third position. Sabo looked good on the p-bars in the Army meet last Saturday as he registered 233 points for a fourth place.

Jean Cronstedt, the Lions' ace on the parallels, who registered a first in this event against North Carolina and a second in the Cadet meet, is a good bet to lead the field on the p-bars.

### Favorite on H-Bar

In the high bar event Wettstone is undecided whether to use Earle Kerber or Karl Schwenzsfeier in the third position. The latter made his first start of the season last Saturday against Army and scored 217 points for fifth place.

Cronstedt, who does his best work on the horizontal bar, is a heavy favorite to cop this event. Cronstedt, who has been nursing a sore hand since before the Army meet, scored 267 points against the Cadets to place first. Mario Todaro will again be second man in this specialty.

### After Third Straight

Jim Hazen will lead the Lions in the rings event, with Tony Procopio and Schwenzsfeier rounding out the starting threesome. Procopio will make his second start of the season as second man in the flying rings. He placed third in the Army meet Jack Kleberg and Hazen.

Sophomore Bobby Lawrence will attempt to extend his winning streak on the sidehorse to three straight against the Middies. He took an easy first place win in the Tarheel meet and scored 260 points against Army to beat out Bob Wheeler for first.

### Strong in Tumbling

Dick Shaffer and Frank Wick, who placed fourth and fifth, respectively, in the Cadet encounter, will perform behind Lawrence in the sidehorse event.

Bob Kenyon, the Lions' flashy tumbling artist, will be out to improve his third place showing of the Army meet in which he registered 245 points. Owen Wilkinson and Bob Kriedler will be the second and third men for the Nittanians on the mats.

### Same Trio

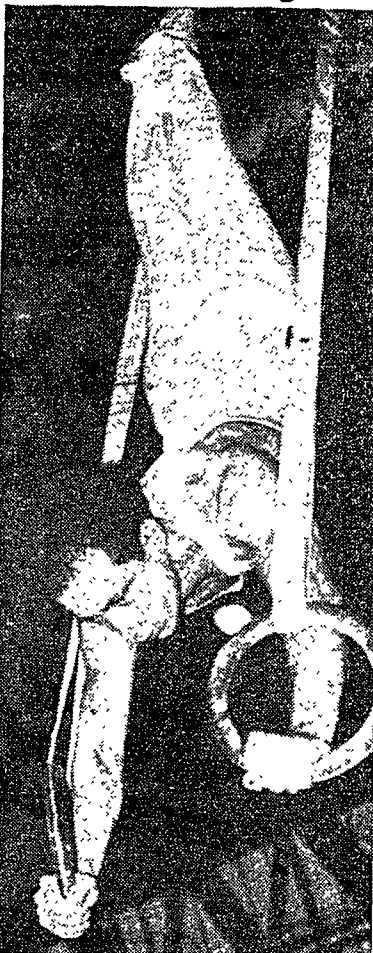
Navy's tumbling team, one of the best in the East, is favored to cop this event. Its combination of Fritz Graf, Captain Jim McNeely, and Guy McEroy has been almost unbeatable this year, and is certain to give the Lions a lot of difficulty.

In the rope climbing event, Wettstone plans to stick with his starting trio of Dave Shultz, Johnny Baffa, and Norman Yu to cop some points for the Nittany cause. However, Navy's strong rope team is favored in this event.

### Penn State Product

Columbia University's mat coach, Dick Waite, wrestled at Penn State under the present mentor, Charlie Speidel.

## No. 2 Man on Rings



Tony Procopio

## Olympics --

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quishing Norway, 3-2. Arnold Oss, a 23-year-old forward from Minneapolis, scored two of the goals and rang in the winning one with a deft shot in the last four minutes.

Statisticians, figuring team points after the first three championships, found the Americans still ahead in the standings with 17½ points.

Austria, which furnished the second and third finishers in the men's giant slalom, was second with 17 points, followed by Germany 14, Norway 11, Switzerland 9, Italy 3, France 2, Belgium 1 and Sweden ½.

The U. S. may have a hard time holding its advantages tomorrow when the schedule offers championships in the men's downhill ski race and 500 meter speed skating and compulsory figures in women's figure skating. Also four hockey games are on tap, with the U. S. meeting Germany.

## Lahar Accepts Pitt Line Coach Job

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Feb. 15—(AP)—Harold Lahar, West Virginia University football line coach, said today he has taken a similar job at the University of Pittsburgh.

Lahar has been with West Virginia for two years. Before that he served as line coach at the University of Arkansas, and three years prior to that helped coach the Buffalo Bills of the now defunct All-America League.

Coaching the Bills at that time was Lowell (Red) Dawson, Pitt's new head coach.

Penn State's two Eastern champions, 147-pound Johnny Albarano, of Lilly, and 165-pound Lou Koszarek, of Portage, are still unbeaten as the Lion boxers gird for Saturday's duel with Syracuse. The Orange, defending champions in the East, annually produce one of the best teams in the country.

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## Sports Flashbacks

By JOHN SHEPPARD

January 1941 . . . With Captain Johnny Barr bearing the brunt of the attack, the Nittany cagers jumped back into the winning column by trouncing a highly-touted Syracuse five, 44-25, on the Rec Hall court. Barr scored seven from the field and two from the foul line.

Relying mainly on speed, the Blue and White hockey squad trounced a favored Temple aggregation, 6-1, at the Shaffter Ice Palace, Johnstown.

A clean sweep in the rope climb and second place in the tumbling enabled a strong frosh gym team to subdue Temple's yearlings, 34-20.

An undefeated Nittany Lion wrestling team bowed to an onslaught by the undefeated Tigers when Bart Robbins, Princeton heavyweight grappler, pinned Jack Kerns to snatch the Tigers from near defeat and nose out the Lion matmen, 14-12.

Captain Johnny Barr came within two points of tying the Convention Hall scoring record of 24 points as he led his teammates to a 43-25 triumph over Temple in Philadelphia.

Penn State's winter track team served notice as one of the East's best by winning the triangular meet from Army and Cornell at West Point. The Werner-coached men garnered 44½ points to Army's 40½ and Cornell's 32.

Johnny Glenn, sophomore high jumper for the Nittany track team set a new Penn State record in the event when he cleared the bar at six feet, four and one-half inches to tie for second place in the IC4A's.

Captain Frank Gleason scored his 15th straight victory in two years as the Lion grapplers closed the curtain on a successful dual meet season by trimming Army, 27-3.

The Lion gym team clinched third place in the Eastern Intercollegiate at Princeton by virtue of its conquests over the Tigers and MIT.

### Pan-American Champ

Penn State's 130-pound wrestling star, Dick Lemyre, of Merrick, N.Y., won Pan-American honors last year as a freshman.

## TKE's Keep IM Cage Hopes Alive

Tau Kappa Epsilon, defending fraternity cage champion, kept alive its slim hopes of repeating this season Thursday night by dumping tough Pi Kappa Phi, 32-20.

The win for TKE was its fourth as against two setbacks, and enabled the winners to move within one and one-half games of unbeaten Sigma Phi Sigma in League D. Tau Phi Delta hung up its third victory by trouncing Theta Chi, 31-12.

### Important Win

Phi Sigma Delta, leader in League B, notched its sixth consecutive triumph by a 29-23 margin over a good Phi Kappa Psi team. Sigma Nu romped to a 22-5 halftime lead and then coasted to an easy 39-8 win over Sigma Phi Alpha. Sigma Nu trails Phi Sigma Delta by only one game, with its 5-1 record.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon won its most important victory of the season by handing Sigma Phi Epsilon its second straight setback and, in so doing, moved into undisputed possession of first place in League C. The game was a natural and the score was 25-23. Hugh Carr and Wayne Hockersmith each scored nine points to lead SAE. Sigma Alpha Epsilon needs only to beat Phi Epsilon Pi, 2-3, in its final game to be assured of at least a tie for League C.

Alpha Phi Delta put on a determined second half scoring spurge, but still lost out to Delta Theta Sigma, 25-24.

### Tie At Least

Frank Rich's 12 markers led Sigma Chi of League E to a 37-29 triumph over Phi Kappa.

The victory assured Sigma Chi of at least a tie for League E honors as it was its sixth win without a loss. Only Triangle and Delta Chi, both with 4-1 slates, have mathematical chances of overtaking Sigma Chi.

Alpha Tau Omega posted its fifth victory in League A to move within one-half game of league-leading Phi Delta Theta, 5-0. ATO, with a record of 5-1, trounced Sigma Pi, 25-13. Paul Stefanik was high for the winners with 10 points.

Alpha Gamma Rho won its second game of the IM season by smacking Phi Gamma Delta, 35-19.

Penn State's erstwhile football coach, Bob Higgins, lives in retirement on the edge of the campus.



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