

# Lions Cop 2a straight Mat Title

## Bob Homan, Lemyres Win Weight Crowns

By JAKE HIGHTON

Penn State's wrestling powerhouse sparked throughout two days of rugged Eastern Intercollegiate competition to score a smashing victory which gained the Lions their second successive EIWA championship Saturday in Lehigh's Grace Hall, Bethlehem.

Bob Homan (123), Dick (130) and Joe Lemyre (167) turned in masterful mat performances to capture individual championships while pacing State's title defense. This champion trio from Mephram High, Long Island, personally piled up 23 of the Lions' 33 point total which overwhelmed the field.

### Syracuse Places 2d

Syracuse finished a distant second with 17 points, Rutgers was third with 16, Lehigh fourth with 15, Army and Columbia tied for fifth with 12, and Princeton wound up seventh with ten points.

Jerry Maurey (137) aided in the Penn State rout by gaining a runnerup berth, and Hud Samson (177) and Don Frey (147) contributed fourth places.

Lehigh's George Feuerbach (137) and Rutgers' Emil Perona (157) came through with victories to add the third jewel to a triple crown, and thus became the 11th and 12th men in the 48 years of EIWA history to do so.

### Retain Crowns

Frank Bettucci (147) and Brad Glass (heavyweight) also retained 1951 crowns, while Yale's former 167 pound king, George Graveson, was dethroned by new 177-pound champ Al Paulekas, of Army. Bob Gerbino's loss to Homan thwarted the former's bid to retake his 123 pound title lost last year.

Although Feuerbach won the coaches' trophy for the outstanding performance, Nittany soph Dick Lemyre led in point scoring with nine. Dick advanced to the finals with a default and two pins for three points, and earned six more for the 130-pound championship.

### D. Lemyre Narrowly Wins

But first-seeded Dick narrowly missed runnerup honors. Lehigh's Ken Faust not only scored the only takedown on Dick all season, but maneuvered him into a near fall dangerously close to a pin in the second period.

With a champion's extra effort, Dick rolled out of the predicament, reversed and secured a cradle which riveted Faust to the mat. The ref banged the canvas to signal a pin, but the scorers said the bell had sounded.

Starting the third, Dick reversed. Faust did also to tie at 8-8 only to have Dick come out on top for a 10-8 lead. Faust had a minute time advantage, but lost, 10-9.

Frosh Homan climaxed a sensational freshman year by avenging his lone dual-meet loss to Gerbino with a solid 10-4 championship effort.

### Beats Lee

To gain the finals Homan dropped Harvard John Lee, 5-1. With an escape and takedown, Bob gained two more points by checking and countering beautifully Lee's every move.

Always a good tournament wrestler, Joe Lemyre pulled the surprise of the meet by upsetting both first and second seeded Gerry Tebben, Army, and Ray Vod Vohden, Rutgers, to win 167-pound laurels, and complete the first brother championship act in one meet since Yale's Dole brothers in 1908.

### Comes From Behind

State's amazing reverse artist came from behind in both the semi-finals and the finals in championship-deserving efforts.

In the final, Joe, like brother Dick, was nearly thrown, but strong bridging saved him. After the near fall Joe grabbed a leg and forced out for a reverse, to trail 4-6. Starting the third from his favorite "down" position, Joe switched to tie 6-6, and after fast covering suddenly had a body press at 7:20 for the only fall in the finals.

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## Lion Cagers Study Kentucky Lineup



JESSE ARNELLE, RON WEIDENHAMMER and JACK SHERRY, Penn State basketball players, look over the lineup of the University of Kentucky as they prepare for their forthcoming battle with the Wildcats in the NCAA

playoffs in Raleigh, North Carolina. The tournament gets under way Friday night. Kentucky is rated No. 1 team in the country by the Associated Press.

# Cagers Leave Thursday For NCAA Tournament

By DAVE COLTON

Coach Elmer Gross and a ten man traveling squad will leave Altoona by plane at 10:30 a.m. Thursday for Raleigh, N.C., where they will battle mighty Kentucky in the opening game of the Eastern NCAA tourney.

The Lions and Wildcats will tangle at 7:30 p.m. Friday night in the William J. Reynolds Field House. St. Johns and North Carolina State will play in the nightcap starting at 9:15 p.m.

## 5 Men Advance Into Handball Quarter-Finals

Five men moved into the quarter-final round of the 1952 IM handball singles tourney in fraternity matches played last night at Rec Hall. Three others drew fourth-round byes to complete the round of eight.

Hoover, Phi Delta Theta, outlasted Ed Davis, Phi Kappa Sigma, 20-21, 21-0, 21-6, while Art Betts, also of Phi Delta Theta, dropped Fred Levin, Phi Sigma Delta, 16-21, 21-7, 21-14.

John McDonough, Alpha Sigma Phi, eased past Ken Minchin, Phi Delta Theta, 21-18, 21-5. John McCall, Alpha Tau Omega, took three games to decision Bill Bernotski, Phi Kappa Tau, 14-21, 21-14, 21-14.

Sigma Nu's Dave Bischoff went into the quarters on an abbreviated one-game match, 21-19. John Wylie, Phi Kappa Sigma, was forced to default to Bischoff after hurting his knee in the second game.

## WRA IM's Will Make Up Lost Week

The WRA Intramurals Board decided at a meeting last night that the week of intramurals lost due to sorority rushing will be made up next week, Mable Marple, intramural chairman, announced.

Three badminton teams remained in first place last night. In League I McAllister won over Thompson B to remain on the top. Alpha Gamma Delta held the fort in League II by way of a forfeit from Simmons. Delta Gamma lost to Atherton East, the top team in League III.

Winners of the two games will meet for the Eastern championship at 9:15 p.m. Saturday. The losers will participate in a consolation game at 7:15 p.m. Saturday.

Assistant Coach John Egli, trainer Chuck Medlar, a graduate manager, and a publicity man will accompany the team. The group is scheduled to arrive in Raleigh about 1 p.m.

The winner of the tourney will advance to the NCAA finals in Seattle, Wash., March 24-25. Victors from Chicago, Kansas City, and Cowalla, Ore., will play in the Seattle finals.

### Kentucky Favored

A limited number of tickets for the tournament are for sale at the AA office, Old Main. The cost is \$2 per session, or \$4 for the two nights of play. Tomorrow is the final day the tickets will be available.

The Wildcats, defending NCAA champion, will be top-heavy favorites over the Lions. Coach Adolph Rupp's team compiled a 28-2 record and were voted the top quintet in the nation.

### Hagan All-American

Winning national honors is an old story to Rupp. The Wildcats have been voted top collegiate team three of the last four years and have won the NCAA title three of the past four seasons.

The Kentuckians are paced by All-American Cliff Hagan and rank Ramsey. They led the country in scoring this campaign, averaging about 88 points per game. The Wildcats are also a great rebound-

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## Blue-Gray Movies Will Be Shown Tonight

Color movies of last season's annual Blue-Gray football classic will be shown at 7 tonight in 121 Sparks.

Lion Coach 'Rip' Engle, who directed the Blue-Gray forces, will narrate the program. Len Bartek and Ed Hoover are two of State's gridgers who participated in the game.

The program is open to the public.

## Nittany Cheers Give Support To Wrestlers

By JAKE HIGHTON

Although the majority of EIWA spectators in Lehigh's Grace Hall sentimentally wanted Penn State to lose, the cheers of Nittany rooters drowned out the Lehigh catcalls.

The large State block was most evident in the Saturday afternoon semi-finals. Joe Lemyre was locked in a 3-3 struggle with Army's top-seeded Gerry Tebben when the Staters let loose with the rallying chant, "Let's go, Joe." After Joe did "go," his winning efforts were rewarded with a loud Ni-double-T cheer. Still more gratifying was the same yell for Hud Samson even though he lost the evening consolation match.

The renewal of freshman eligibility enhanced wrestling this year, as it did other sports, with three frosh making the finals. Aside from State's Bob Homan, Syracuse had freshman Ed Rooney and Lehigh frosh Ken Faust quite conspicuous in final matches. Only Homan made off with the tremendous feat of winning an EIWA title as a frosh, but Faust and Rooney put up great fights against champions Dick Lemyre and Frank Bettucci, respectively.

Three champions was the most Penn State has gotten in a championship meet since 1937 when the Coach Charlie Spiedel's Lions gained five. The three swelled State's all-time total to 62, just behind Cornell now with 65. The Lions also tied the Ithacans for second in team championships with their 11th. Lehigh leads with 12.

To be sure, Dick and Joe Lemyre's Dad was a proud witness of his sons' triumph, but Mephram High Schools' Coach "Sprig" Gardner had four boys win championships. In addition to the Lemyre brothers and Homan, George Feuerbach was the fourth Mephram product to win a title.

Feuerbach's and Emil Perona's third successive championship places them in a select group which previously had only ten members.

Triple-crown winners include G. and L. Dole, Yale, 1908; Boak, Cornell, 1914; Dorizas, Penn, 1916; Russel, Yale, 1926; "Doc" Light, Penn State, 1937; Eberie, Princeton, 1941; EIWA ref Dick DiBasta, Penn, 1943; Penn Coach (Continued on page seven)

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