

Gym Tryouts Begin Tomorrow

8 Olympians Former Champ Shows Stuff Head List Of Winners

By ERNIE MOORE

The 1952 Olympic gymnastic tryouts and NAAU championships which get underway tomorrow afternoon in Rec Hall will bring together what will probably amount to the greatest array of champions ever to assemble in Central Pennsylvania.

Headed by eight returning Olympians, the galaxy of stars include NCAA champs, NAAU champs, and Turner titlists—representing the most formidable gymnastic schools, clubs, and societies in the country.

Since this is an Olympic year, the center of attraction will be the all-around competition. The best eight men and the best eight women in this event will be picked to represent the United States this summer in Helsinki, Finland.

Six defending men's AAU champions return to defend their crowns and try for berths on the '52 Olympic team. Included in this list are three members of the 1948 Olympic team, Bill Roetzheim, Joe Kotys, and Ed Scrobe. A fourth returning Olympian, Vince D'Autorio, did not win an AAU championship last year.

Foremost among the defending champions is Roetzheim, formerly of Florida State University, who has won the all-around title for the past three years and who is defending co-champion on the side-horse and horizontal bar.

Scrobe, representing the American Turners, Bronx, N.Y., won the all-around title in 1948 and is now defending champ on the long horse. He has also won AAU championships on the high-bar and parallel bars. Kotys, formerly of Kent State and now representing the Cleveland Turners, is defending parallel bars champion.

Other AAU champions returning are Gene Rabbitt, formerly of Syracuse, side-horse co-champion; Jack Miles, Florida State, flying rings; and Dick Browning, unattached, tumbling.

Four women Olympians, Mrs. Clara Schroth Lomady, Mrs. Marion Twining Barone, Mrs. Meta Neumann Elste, and Mrs. Dorothy Dalton also return for another crack at the international games. Mrs. Lomady, probably the finest woman gymnast in the country today, will defend AAU titles in the all-around, calisthenics, side-horse, flying rings, and balance beam. Mrs. Barone will defend her parallel bars title.

12 Teams Post IM Victories

Twelve fraternity teams posted victories Tuesday night to move into the second round of IM badminton and handball tournament play.

In the badminton games John Kauffman, Acacia, edged Rod Beck, Triangle; Bob Vanner, Sigma Chi, felled Stan Berk, Pi Lambda Phi, Bob Hobbes, Delta Theta Sigma, beat Julian Cook, Omega Psi Phi; Bill Ziegler, Phi Kappa Psi, shutout Tom Schott, Phi Gamma Delta.

Richard Robinson, Theta Xi, trounced Arnie Barnett, Sigma Alpha Mu; Al Freistak, Theta Kappa Phi, defeated Van Ernest, Delta Tau Delta; Horace Ray, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, won from Lou Wade, Alpha Chi Sigma; Dan Loucks, Tau Phi Delta, beat James Kilgore, Lambda Chi Alpha.

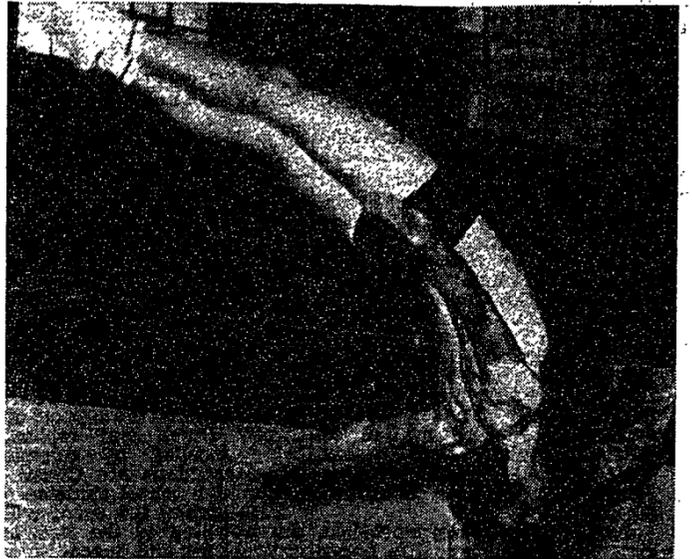
Moving into the second round of handball doubles are Ed Hoover-Art Betts, Phi Delta Theta, who beat Gil Lambert-Gerry Gillespie, Tau Kappa Epsilon; Don Frey-Bill Abbot, Beta Theta Pi, who defeated James Kilgore-Clif Hoch, Lambda Chi Alpha; and George Hamilton-Russ Provenzano, Delta Sigma Phi, who edged Tom Fleming-Douglas Schoerke, Pi Kappa Alpha.

Harry Hammonds - Russell Teague beat Bill Brittain-Ed Geasa in the only independent handball match.



—Photo by Fraser
GEORGE WIKLER of the United States Coast Guard does a side cross on the still rings as he prepares for the NAAU championships to be held this weekend in Rec Hall. Wikler was AAU flying rings champion in 1950 when competing for the Los Angeles A.C.

He Flies Through the Air...



—Photo by Fraser
FRANK LA DUE of the University of Iowa does a back flip on the trampoline during a workout in Rec Hall. LaDue is expected to make a strong bid for the NAAU trampoline title when the championships get underway tomorrow afternoon.

Undefeated Bedenkmen Test Lafayette Saturday

The light rain that fell yesterday allowed Penn State's unbeaten baseball team to take a much-deserved rest before resuming practice for the important game with Lafayette here Saturday.

The Lions, sporting a 7-0 record, will be seeking their first victory over the Leopards since 1949 when State won, 5-2, behind the six-hit hurling of Al Tkac. Lafayette won, 3-1, in 1950, and repeated last year as George Davidson held the Nittanians to five singles in a 5-0 whitewashing. Bill Everson, this year's pitching star with a 3-0 record, was the loser in that game.

Tennis Team Begins Season Tomorrow

Tennis coach Sherm Fogg has rearranged his starting line-up for tomorrow's 1952 opener at 3:00 p.m. with Western Maryland at Westminster, Md. The Lions will complete a two-day tour with a match Saturday against unbeaten Maryland at College Park, Md.

Sophomore Bruz Ray and Captain Ed Davis will remain at the first two singles positions, and freshman Bill Ziegler has landed the number three job. Veterans Bill Forrey and Gus Bigott will handle the number-five and six jobs, respectively for the opener.

The number-four singles slot is still in the deciding stage. An elimination match between Dez Long and Charles Gross is scheduled for the remaining position.

Ray, IM doubles champ, has been teamed with Davis as the Lion top doubles combination. Fogg named Ziegler and Bill Ray to work the number-two doubles chores, with Forrey and Bigott forming the number-three doubles team.

The Lion netmen will be looking for a repeat win over the Terriers of Western Maryland. Last year, Fogg's charges dumped the
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Both the Lions and Lafayette are still very much in contention for the NCAA District 2 playoffs to be held at Omaha, Nebraska in late June. The Leopards boast a 5-1 slate this spring with the only loss coming at the hands of Colgate last week.

Coach Joe Bedenk's nine dished out a 15-4 shellacking to Bucknell Tuesday for its seventh straight triumph. Everson, working with only two days rest, continued his dependable early season showing by handcuffing the Bisons, setting ten of their hitters down on strikes.

Chris Tonery, whose bases-loaded home run beat West Virginia, 6-2, in last Saturday's second game, was the only Lion player to go hitless in the Bucknell game. The Nittany leftfielder entered the game with a .393 average, but saw it drop 60 points during the three-hour marathon.

State's hustling second baseman, Bill Mihalich, collected four hits in the last three games to boost his unbecoming .067 average to .185. Mihalich, batting in the number two position, is generally considered as a sure man for hits of the single and double variety, and is one of the most important cogs in Bedenk's machine.



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Red Sox, Giants Win

Boston's Red Sox moved into a virtual tie for first place in the games won column of the American League pennant race with a 3-1 victory over the World Champion New York Yankees yesterday in Boston's Fenway Park.

Veteran relief specialist Ellis Kinder, in his third starting assignment since 1950, spun a five-hitter for the Sox while his mates hammered No-hit Allie Reynolds for eight safeties, five of them for extra bases.

The "Miraclemen" New York Giants closed ground on the National League pacesetters by letting loose four home runs which

dropped the Boston Braves, 9-5, and stretched the Giant's win streak to four straight yesterday in the Polo Grounds.

Al Dark, Don Mueller, Wes Westrum and winning relief pitcher Hoyt Wilhelm all struck homers for Leo Durochers' defending champions.

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