

Sports Thru The Lion's Eye

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Atop the Helsinki Olympic stadium this summer will be a towering marquis on which large, bold lettering will proclaim Olympic founder Baron de Coubertin's creed for the competing athletes of the world, "The important thing in the Olympic games is not winning but taking part."

Ironically, Penn State gymnastic Coach Gene Wettstone will not be taking part, but is already an Olympic "winner."

The 1948 USA Olympic gym coach is an olive wreath winner by virtue of a rare act of generosity and unselfishness. It took real "bigness" to turn down the Olympic gymnastic committee's offer to coach the 1952 acrobats, as Wettstone did in order "to spread the job around."

Yet more astonishing is the fact that when the popular Nittany coach pulled his Coolidge, he nominated Army's Tom Maloney—EIGA champion rival now in his 21st year at West Point and holder of one of the best lifetime win-lost records in the country. (His teams currently own a 25 straight match win streak.)

Yes, Wettstone is an Olympic winner and although he won't take part this summer, he has already taken part. The job he did—a marathon of indefatigable effort stretching from September until last weekend to put over the Olympic tryouts—borders on the herculean. Wettstone mailed entries, took charge of obtaining housing for the athletes, scheduled events, dangled on Rec Hall girders to hang the Red-White-and-Blue, mailed publicity to over 1000 and edited the gymnastic news letter. As if it weren't enough to take charge of running off the meet, Wettstone's boundless energy had to be loosed by moving sidehorses and parallel bars between events. With such a drive behind the tryouts, no wonder they were termed "the most successful ever contested" by coaches and officials.

There is another story behind-the-story about the tryouts. Mark Gilden, Los Angeles State Teachers College, was performing so sensational an optional routine on the still rings Saturday afternoon that the discerning gym fans buzzed with amazed appreciation. To a guy who knows, the afore-mentioned Wettstone, Gilden's aerial show was "positively the best" . . . the closest thing to perfection.

Yet the judges didn't have the courage to score him as he deserved. Only one judge had the guts to tab his performance with 100. Another judge, with the audacity to score him 88, received the loudest chorus of boos heard in Rec Hall since Doc Carlson staged his last show. The three in-between scores which counted, clearly highway robbery, cost Gilden an NAAU championship.

No movie could correct the injustice as it did for the supposed illegal baton pass former Nittany Barney Ewell made in a 1948 Olympic relay.

Wettstone suffered a badly bothered conscience until his brain, still not at rest the day after the meet, came up with the solution. He would send an unengraved cup Penn State gymnasts had won last year in the somewhat unimportant Allegheny championships to Gilden with the engraving:

"Uncrowned ring champion."

Pellone to Box Martinez

NEW YORK, May 1 (AP)—Vince Martinez, another welterweight Whiz Kid, gets his first major test tomorrow night when he tangles with ring-wise Tony Pellone, 27, of New York, in the top ten at St. Nicholas Arena.

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Trackmen Face Spartans Tomorrow in Dual Meet

The Nittany Lion's inexperienced but scrappy outdoor track squad has been training diligently the past week determined to make Michigan State's trek to the Beaver Field oval tomorrow afternoon a sorrowful event.

The Spartans, who will have had two relay meets prior to tomorrow's duel, will field a team paced by eight returning lettermen from last year.

State, in its opening dual meet, will have to depend upon a squad which is predominately freshman and sophomore. In fact, Coach Chick Werner has 15 frosh, 12 sophs, eight juniors, and six seniors performing in tomorrow's contest.

Lorch Merits Watching

Although lacking in experience, the frosh and soph crops in particular have potential which with seasoning might develop them into top flight performers.

One, for instance, who merits watching is sophomore pole vaulter Dan Lorch. At the Penn Relays last weekend, the wiry scaler finished in second place, a four-way tie with entries from Army and NYU, among others. Lorch vaulted 12'6", which was only six inches less than that of winner Jerry Wellburn of Ohio State.

Wellburn is a consistent 14 foot vaulter, while the other placers have been known to hit 13'7" or better. Lorch has never done over 12'6", but just the other night, he scaled 13' for the first time in his athletic career.

Body in Shot Put

Now that Dan is over the 12'6" height that has been plaguing him Werner says, "he could be on the way, and could possibly develop into a future State pole-vaulting star."

In tomorrow's shot-put contest, Bill Body, Dick Cripps, and Sam Pennybacker will demonstrate their strength for the Lions. The pole vault event should see Lorch, Barney Parker, and Ben Shields in action.

Competing in the two mile run will be Lamont Smith, Red Hollen, and John Chillrud.

Blood Mile Entrant

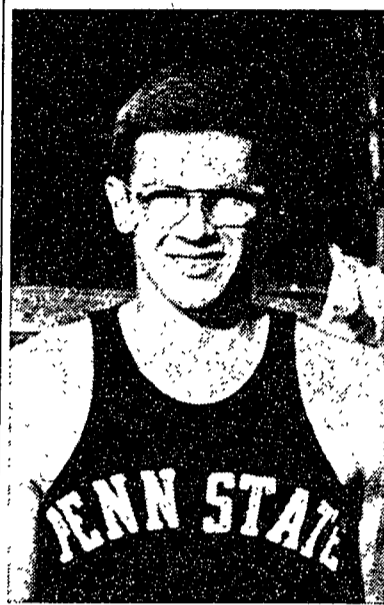
Jim Herb, Russ Snyder, and Al Ayers will be State's entries in the high jump, while Ron Johnson, Fred Singer, and Ron Cobi will do the broad jumping.

The mile event will have Bob Gehman, Jack Horner, Johnny Blood, Chillrud, Smith, and Jim Hamill running the four laps.

In the 440, Captain John Lauer, Skip Slocum, Tom Younkins, Bill Kilmer, Roy Brunjes, and Dave Leatham will handle the chores.

Bill Polito, George Unger, and Ted Mortenson will be racing the 100. The 880 will be run by Bob Roessler, Dave Pierson, and Roy Brunjes.

Nittany Two-Miler



Red Hollen

Dorm Softball

League A	
Dorm 1 (5-0)	Dorm 42 (2-3)
Dorm 21-A (4-1)	Dorm 27 (2-3)
Dorm 36 (4-1)	Dorm 24 (1-4)
Dorm 32 (3-2)	Dorm 9 (1-4)
Dorm 13 (2-3)	Dorm 38 (1-4)
League B	
Dorm 11 (4-0)	Dorm 21-B (1-3)
Dorm 40 (4-0)	Dorm 22 (1-3)
Dorm 2 (3-1)	Dorm 29 (1-3)
Dorm 25 (3-1)	Dorm 35 (0-3-1)
Dorm 14-A (2-1-1)	Dorm 43 (0-4)
League C	
Dorm 14-B (4-0)	Willow Cot'ge (2-2)
Dorm 39 (3-1)	Dorm 12 (1-3)
Dorm 23 (3-1)	Dorm 34 (1-3)
Dorm 3 (3-1)	Dorm 30 (1-3)
Dorm 37 (2-2)	Dorm 26 (0-4)

10 Win IM Badminton In Frat Play

Nine fraternity badminton men entered the third round in the tourney by gaining impressive victories Wednesday night. One forfeit victory was registered by Joe Ruyak, Pi Kappa Phi.

Bob Vanner, Sigma Chi, felled Richard Martz, 15-13, 15-7, while Bill Wallis, Sigma Pi, scored a victory over Ron Thorpe, Phi Kappa Alpha, by the identical score, 15-13, 15-7.

Bob Hobbes, Delta Tau Sigma, was downed by Paul Bossart, 15-2, 15-4. Horace Ray, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, went three matches before beating Robert Kauffman, Phi Sigma Delta, 15-4, 12-15, 15-7.

Richard Robinson, Theta Xi, trimmed Joe Policastro, TKE, 15-12, 15-7, while Rosselli, Alpha Phi Delta, trounced Ron Coleman, Alpha Tau Omega, 15-1, 15-2. Dan Loucks, Tau Phi Delta, after losing his first match 13-15, found Smith, Zeta Beta Tau, easy in the last two matches by winning 15-7, 15-9.

Herbert Budin, Phi Epsilon Pi, won from Bernie Gruber, Phi Kappa, 15-1, 15-4. James Moran, Phi Kappa Tau, lost to Dave Bischoff, Sigma Nu, 15-1, 15-2.

White Sox Win

PHILADELPHIA, May 1 (AP)—Joe Dobson, Chicago White Sox veteran righthander, held the Philadelphia Athletics hitless for seven and a third innings tonight and then went on to turn in a two hit 3-0 victory.



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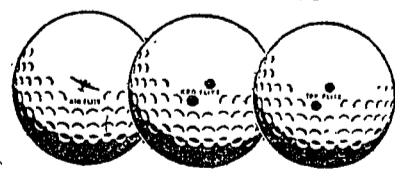
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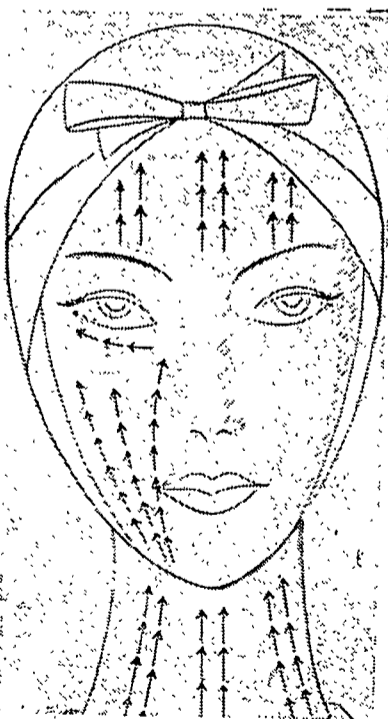
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