

### Retain Swimming Crown



THE BETA THETA PI's barely squeezed by Delta Sigma Phi 23-18, last week in the successful defense of their IM swim title. The meet wasn't decided till the last relay race was over. Representing the Beta's swim team were: back row — (l. to r.) Charles Turner, "Skeets" Haag, Barney Parker, Captain "Doby" Lynch and Dick Cameron; front row — Dan Fisher, Jan Cronstedt, Paul Rankin, and Tom Imswiler.

## Sports Thru The Lion's Eye

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You had to look twice to make sure you were seeing correctly. Surely State was at least two touchdowns better than Rutgers. But the Beaver Field scoreboard wrote accurately: Penn State 7, Rutgers 6. Then painfully you remembered. The Lions dropped four touchdown passes and fumbled seven times in an exhibition which had the makings of a post-season appearance in a "Butter Bowl."

It was just hard to believe that Bill Leonard's toe was the only difference in the ball game which saw State's offense roll better than it had since the Nebraska game. With so much butterfingering, State was lucky to get off with a one-point victory. Fumbles—seemingly more numerous this year than in the past—have been the cause for practically every major upset this year. The 1952 fumble champions, Notre Dame, fell to Michigan State by fumble-itis just as Oklahoma went down before the Irish, mainly on fumbles.

With all the fumbling, the wise-acres might suggest that Coach Rip Engle follow the precepts of the coach in the anecdote, who made his backs carry a football around to class with them. This probably wouldn't work since most officials attribute today's excessive fumbling to high tackling, and more to the point, actual tackling of the ball.

Having tossed six opponents into its win column already, State is sure of its best season since Bob Higgins piloted the 1948 Lion to a 7-1-1 season. Regardless of the Pitt Stadium outcome Saturday, the year has been a success. Credit? It goes to Engle, his five assistant coaches, and especially to a spirited Nittany eleven which went a long way this season very largely on guts. Look at the schedule they went through: Eastern powers Penn, Syracuse, and Bowl-bound Pitt on deck; and Mid-western might, Purdue, Michigan State, and Nebraska. It's quite likely that the Pittsburgh writer who said State has played its toughest schedule ever, wasn't beating the drums for Pitt Saturday.

Look also at the sophomores in the lineup. The starting offensive line has tackle Rosey Grier, guard Dubs Haldeman, guard Don Shank, tackle Gene Danser, and end Jess Arnelle. Soph backfield standouts have been Buddy Rowell and Don Bailey. On defense, soph backerup Sam Green and safetyman Jack Sherry have been doing wonders. Sophomores are bound to make many mistakes experience won't let them repeat.

**ENGLEAN:** State's come-from-behind victory against Rutgers was only the sixth Lion-Come-Lately feat in six wins and a tie this year. (Nebraska alone among State's victims didn't realize it should score first). Such hair-whitening finishes—witness the Ripper—are described neatly by Mrs. Engle as a "finish with a flourish." For facility in newspaper headline writing, let's call it "Englean."

**NEAR MISSES:** With a little luck, both Tony Rados and Arnelle could have tied or bettered Penn State passing and catching records. Jess had two fall from his giant palms which would have given him 31 receptions and a tie for the Nittany season standard. A catch on any of one of four touchdown passes thrown by Rados—and bobbled by receivers—would have enabled Tony to tie the one-year State record of nine TD throws.

**RUTGERS POST MORTEM:** The Scarlet's "punt and prayer" system of play worked wonderfully. Using the old-fashioned, but highly effective quick kick, Rutgers kept State off balance first, and then in trouble when Scarlet prayers were answered with a Nittany fumble. . . . The Scarlet passing from the spread formation was a virtually unstoppable except for some brilliant defensive work by Don Eyer, Leonard, and Sherry. Tailback Jack Jeffers had no trouble finding open receivers with three backs and two ends streaking downfield and then suddenly buttonhooking themselves wide open.

**ALL-EAST?** With Nittanians Jim Dooley and Don Barney already selected for the Blue-Gray game in December, it's about time they start giving Dooley and Barney some of the All-Something they deserve. All-East would be just desserts for offensive center Dooley, a griddler who has mastered the difficult art of centering and blocking, simultaneous center and Barney, a block of granite in the center of State's defensive line.



(Englean Finish)  
Rip Engle

# Attack Stressed For 'Bowling' Pitt

Offense was the keynote of football practice last night as the Nittany gridders strove to polish attacking maneuvers in preparation for the season's grand finale with bowl-visioning Pitt Saturday. The Nittany offense, which perked up considerably against Rutgers last week, got an indirect jolt with the triple-fracture to defensive tackle Al Bowden's leg. Sophomore Bowden had been improving to the point where Coach Rip Engle was ready to start him on defense so Rosey Grier would not have to double at offensive and defensive tackle.

## Collegiate Chatter

Frank Leahy, coach of the Notre Dame team which lost to Michigan State Saturday, served as Spartan assistant coach in 1931, under "Sleepy" Jim Crowley.

Bob Carey, Michigan State's All-American end of last year, is now playing with the Los Angeles Rams of the National Football League.

Michigan State's win over Purdue this year was the first recorded by the East Lansing Cyclone on the Boilermakers' field.

Michigan State's 1952 battle with Texas A&M, won by the Spartans, 48-6, was the first meeting between the schools since 1934.

When Eugene Lekenta kicked a last-second field goal enabling Michigan State to edge Oregon State this year, 17-14, was the seventh such goal for the Spartans since 1949, two of which came against the Beavers.

Three Spartan backs—Billy Wells, Evan Slonac, and Captain Don McAuliffe—must have set a record in the Indiana game when each gained more rushing yardage than the entire Hoosier team.

BEAT PITT!

Still another damper on the State attack is the unlikelihood of end Joe Yukica seeing action Saturday against Pitt. With Joe still unrecovered from a ligament injury suffered in the Nebraska game, regular defensive ends Don Malinak and Dave Simon will have to be used on offense occasionally.

Two prominent figures in the Lion offense this year, quarterback Tony Rados and end Jesse Arnelle, are close to Penn State records with just the Pitt game left. Rados, who has set a new mark in practically every passing department, fired his eighth touchdown pass of the season to Dave Simon. This TD toss put Steelton Tony one behind the Nittany record of the nine owned by "Shorty" Miller (1912) and Elwood Petchel (1948).

The four passes Arnelle pulled in Saturday brought his season total to 29, just two shy of the record 31 caught by Lenny Trosue in 1941.

On the ground, Bob Pollard has taken over the rushing yardage lead from Dick Jones and Matt Yanosich. Pollard has now gained a net of 329 yards to Jones' 322.

However, Jones has a better yards per-carry average of 3.6 to Pollard's 3.3.

State's two standout pass defenders, Don Eyer and Jack Sherry, continue to lead the way in interceptions. Eyer, with three grabs Saturday, moved ahead of Sherry, eight to six.

Ted Kemmerer's walloping 43 yard-per-kick average against Rutgers finally moved him past early-season kicker Ever with a season total of 36.0 per kick.

Scoring honors remain well divided with 13 players sharing in the Nittany point production. Jones and Pollard still share the

## Independent Fives Post IM Cage Victories

The Lous pounded out a 33-18 win over the Lords Monday night as another week of independent IM cage battles got underway at Rec Hall. The Lous dominated the scene by building a substantial halftime lead of 19-9. Jay Love led the winners with 18 points.

A second half scoring spree by Dorm 38 enabled it to down Nittany Co-op, 32-11. Jim Enos and Ed Casey shared the scoring honors with ten points each. John Badura led the way with 16 points in Ford City's 23-17 win over the Iron Men.

The Satan Seven stamped out a 27-13 victory over the All Stars. Reynold Greico's ten points and a halftime lead of 14-3 gave the Satan five a comfortable winning margin. Dorm 32 drove the Mustangs into submission with a 26-12 score. Fred Siepert strengthened a slim 10-8 halftime lead with 20 points.

A battling Bomber five outlasted Hallock AC, 28-23. George Simpson chalked up 18 points for the winners. Dorm 10 easily defeated the Meyermen in a low scoring contest, 18-8.

Atherton Men edged Dorm 37, 20-16. Bob McFadden's six points were a determinate factor for the victors. The Gilmores won their scheduled contest with Dorm 44 by forfeit.

lead with 24 points but are hard pressed by the sure-footed kicking of Bill Leonard. With 19 conversions (in 21 attempts) and one field goal, State College Bill only trails by 2 points.

# Lack of Middle Depth Proved Downfall of Harriers in IC4A's

The question that is being asked by harrier speculators among the experts is, of course, the one most expected—what happened to Penn State's cross-country team in the IC4A meet Monday?

Coach Chick Werner's harriers were trying for their third straight IC team title, something that hadn't been accomplished since Rhode Island did it in 1940, '41, and '42.

By placing four men—Captain Jim Kepford, Lyle Garbe, John Walter, and Wayne Scutt—in the first ten and Jerry Zerbe in 19th place, the Michigan State team tallied 46 points for the team trophy. Army finished second with 93 points. Syracuse was third with 98 points, and Penn State fourth with 109 tallies.

**Lacked Depth**  
The Lion's points were amassed by winning sixth, 11th, 20th, 28th, 46th, (57), (80) places. Figures in parenthesis indicate non-scoring finishers.

What do these Lion placings relate? All alibies aside and reviewing the facts objectively, it simply means that the Werner men lacked middle depth.

Although this is no reflection on the efforts of Stan Lindner, John Chillrud, and Jim Cressman, the gaps between 28th place and 20th place are too wide-spread in terms of points for the Lions to have survived the IC ordeal.

On the whole, the Lion hill-and-dalers have never turned in faster times than they did Monday.

Red Hollen, junior distance ace, turned in his best performance of his x-country life by placing sixth among a host of the East's top harriers. His time was 25:13. Sophomore Jim Hamill ran a well-paced race to place 11th with a

25:37 clocking, his fastest time also.

### Smith 28th

Captain Jackson Horner gave a good account of himself by finishing 20th for State. His time was 25:56. Lindner finished 46th, with a 26:49 time; Chillrud 57th, with a 27:00 time; and Cressman 80th, with a 27:27 clocking.

In the upper fourth of the 163-runner field was State's Lamont Smith. Before the race, Smith was expected to be among the first five finishers. Smith placed 28th, with a 26:14 time.

The individual title was won by Charley Capozzoli of Georgetown. Taking charge after the first mile, the 5-8, 130-pound Hoya senior poured on the pace relentlessly to come bouncing home 150-yards in front of his closest rival—Ray Osterhout of Syracuse. The 21-year-old Capozzoli went around the five-mile Van Cortlandt Park course in a phenomenal 24:30.1, which shaved 15 seconds off Dick Shea's winning time of last year—which had been the fastest in the history of the meet.

Smith stayed up, with the front-runners until he was about three-quarters of a mile from the finish line, then he faded rapidly.

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