### Gymnasts Take Eastern Title

## Cadets Fall, 59½ - 36½ As Lions Cop 9th Straight By GEORGE BAIREY

There was just no stopping the Lion gymnasts Saturday afternoon, and the poor, three-time defending Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastic Association champs from West Point couldn't stay out of their way.

Army got dethroned royally, 59½-36½, in the EIGA

seasonal wrapup for both clubs.
The win, the first in six years over the Cadets, crowned Coach Gene Wettstone's young outfit as the brand-new Eastern champs. It was the first Eastern gym crown for the Lions in five years.
A win over the Cadets was a

definite must, for a loss would have meant a two-way deadlock for the 1953 kingship. Army went into the meet with two wins and one loss in Eastern play.

The new champions, finishing up the dual meet season with a perfect record of 6-0, also stretched their consecutive win skein to nine. The 1952 Army club was their opponents to gain their first the last to turn back the Nittany IM wrestling wins and kick off

rirst perfect season since 1948, could do no wrong and Army no right. Army's Black Knights, with all their assumed balance, wound up the afternoon with one first place. That came in the first event, the tumbling of their assumed balance would be afternoon with one first place. That came in the first event, the tumbling of their winners in the 145-pound class were Ed Smith from Phi Delta Theta and Dick Lindfors from Phi Kappa Sigma.

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# First Bouts

By MOOCH WILLIAMS

Don Fields of Phi Sigma Kappa and Norm Naylor of Phi Kappa IM wrestling wins and kick off the lid of the IM wrestling card

That's all there was from the Army standpoint. Wettstone's charges swept the next five firsts, including Dave Shultz's surprise win in the ropeclimb.

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Shultz, in his last Rec Hall most action with six bouts. Theta showing, turned in a record-break-Chi's Whitehouse pinned his oping 3.6 effort good for first. Army's position late in the second period. highly-touted John Ballantyne was clocked in 3.7.

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The other Nittany first-placers
were Bobby Lawrence on the sidehorse, Jan Cronstedt on the horizontal bar, Al Wick on the parallel bars, and Jim Hazen on the
diffying rings.
Four seniors completed their
college dual meet gymnastic carcers. They are Captain Bob Kenyon and Bill Sopper in the tumbling, ropeman Shultz, and ringman Hazen.
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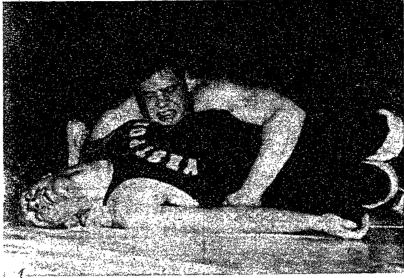
PARALLEL BARS—(1), Al Wick, Penn State, and Ray Colven, 259 (tie); (3), Jan Cronstedt, Penn State, 267; (4), Karl Schwenzfeier, Penn State, 259; (5), Jay of Pi Kappa Phi, Walt Laska of Pannards Army, 241.

Penn State, and John Funkhouser, Army, battle.

Winners by forfeit were: Don Barney of Sigma Nu, Buzz Pierce of Pi Kappa Phi, Walt Laska of Sigma Phi Sigma, Bill Ziegler of Theopilos Bala-Edwards, Army, 241.

FLYING RINGS—(1), Jim Hazen, Penn Sigma Phi Sigma, Bill Ziegler of State, 274; (2), Erhart Demand, Army, 264; (3), Karl Schwenzfeier, Penn State, 260; (4), Tony Procopio, Penn State, and Bob Carpenter, Army, 242 (tie).

### Matmen Defeat Army to Remain Unbeaten for 3d Year, Win 29th than 5500 Rec Hall fans.



HEAVYWEIGHT HUD SAMSON makes one of his many pin attempts on West Point's Jerry Lodge. Samson's easy 13-4 win gave the Lions an added three points and a 23-3 triumph over Army in Rec Hall Saturday.

#### littmen Await EIBA's After 5-3 Army Loss

By JAKE HIGHTON

You would hardly expect a team which has just lost its sixth straight match and which has been victory-starved

It's history, and before more

Coach Charlie Speidel's EIWA two-time champions remained unbeaten for the third straight season and extended their winning streak to 29 when they closed their final chapter of dual meet competition with a most convincing score Saturday over Army—a team which defeated Lehigh and Cornell.

The final score—Penn State 23, Army 3—which was certainly misleading, does not reveal, however, much of the close battles that confronted Bob Homan, Doug Frey, and Joe Lemyre. Then too, missing from Coach Lloyd Apple. missing from Coach Lloyd Appleton's lineup was Jerry Tebben, his outstanding 167-pound mat-

#### Homan Wins, 4-2

Observing the brighter side of the story, however, Speidel's boys not only gave him an early lead that he claimed would be needed, but the Lion matmen kept on winning until 177-pound EIWA champ, Al Paulekas, decisioned State's 167-pound EIWA and NCAA champ, Joe Lemyre, in the 177-pound class, 5-3.

Getting the Lions off on the right foot was Homan who decisioned Captain Bob Karns, 4-2. The short but well-built Karns had Speidel's 123-pound EIWA champ in a riddle for more than two minutes in the first round. Nevertheless, just before the buzzer ended the round, Homan took Karns down. The Cadet had something to say for himself in the next round with a reverse. Quick as a streak of lightning, however, Homan reversed him.



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