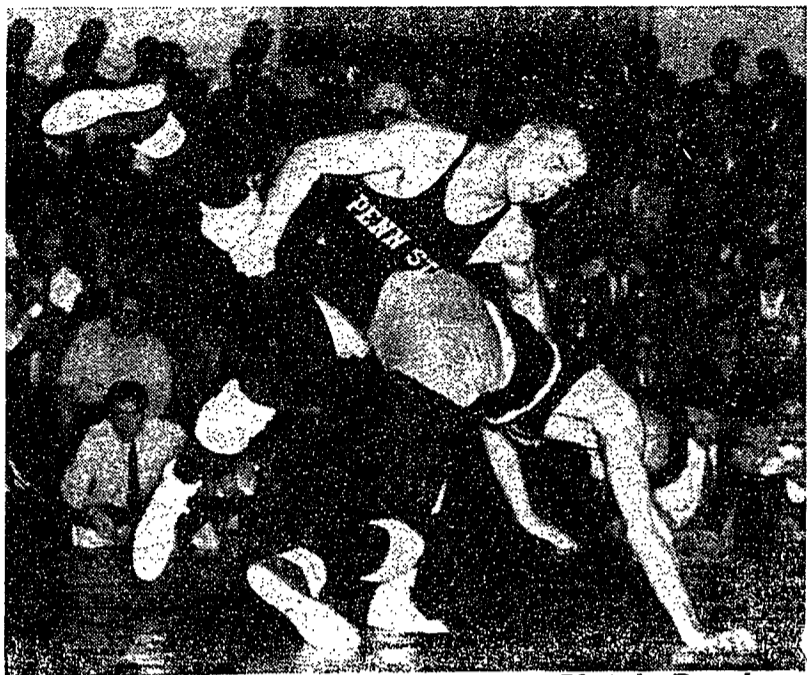


Lions Win 3d Straight Title



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DICK LEMYRE, two-time EIWA 130 pound titlist, is attempting to set up a cradle and a sure pin. Although not successful, the "Dandy Dick" showed his Navy opponent, Art Jessor, the "tricks of the trade." Lemyre rolled up a 14-4 victory over Jessor at the 49th annual Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling tournament in Princeton's Dillon Gymnasium.

Dick Lemyre, J. Maurey Capture Championships

By SAM PROCOPIO

PRINCETON, N.J.—After capturing the highest honor in Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling here Saturday, Penn State's three-time team winner will endeavor to take collegiate's greatest tribute on the mats March 27-28 when it battles for national honors.

In capturing the Eastern title for the third successive year, Coach Charlie Speidel's matmen became the first team to accomplish the feat since 1921 when the Lions tallied four consecutive championships.

- EIWA CHAMPIONS**
 123—ALEX McCORD, Lehigh
 130—DICK LEMYRE, Penn State
 137—JERRY MAUREY, Penn State
 147—FRANK BETTUCCI, Cornell
 157—KEN HUNT, Cornell
 167—DON DICKASON, Cornell
 177—AL PAULEKAS, Army
 Hwt.—WERNER SEEL, Lehigh

Penn State's winning total was 31 points. Following the three-time champs in order were Cornell with 25 points, Lehigh 22, Army 18, Syracuse 13, and Navy 12.

Only three of the five individual defending champions survived the 49th annual tournament. Both 1952 winners are from Penn State—Bob Homan at 123 pounds and Joe Lemyre at 167 pounds.

Although there were several other major upsets, these two were the most stunning. Joe Lemyre was dethroned in the semi-finals when he lost to Don Dickason of Cornell on referee Dick DiBattista's decision. While Speidel's sensational sophomore, Homan, was upset in the quarter finals by Art Helf of Franklin and Marshall.

Top-seeded Lemyre proved DiBattista was wrong in his decision when State's barrel-chested 167-pounder won over second-seeded Dana Eastham of Brown in the consolation bouts, 7-4. Eastham was good on the switch but couldn't outmaneuver Lemyre. In the finals Dick Lemyre

showed that he is in a class all by himself when he decided second-seeded Art Jessor, 14-4. The slick and slippery Lemyre appeared to use his opponents as a toy in winning his second title. All he did was pin Ed Morrison of Lehigh in 3:44, decision George Mulligan of Rutgers, 13-5, and decision Bob Mead of Yale 18-6. Seven of the 11 points scored against Lemyre were "free" escapes. He would let his adversaries escape only for a takedown in return.

Jerry Maurey, whose pin assured the Lions of at least a tie for the team title, clinched State's third crown by winning the 137-pound title. He thus became the third Maurey to win individual honors. Jim and Don were winners in 1950 and 1951. The classy 137-pounder of Clearfield scored all his triumphs by falls. Maurey made his runnerup, Charles DeBellis observe Dillon Gymnasium's lights with a half nelson and crotch hold in 8:09 to win the title.

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Hazen, Lawrence, Cronstedt Score EIGA Victories

By GEORGE BAIREY

The Lion gymnasts, after putting on one of the greatest shows of sheer strength ever seen in EIGA tourney play, settled down for the first of many full workouts yesterday in preparation for the coming Nationals.

Coach Gene Wettstone's Eastern champs are scheduled tentatively for workouts all this week and up until Wednesday of next. The Nationals will be held March 27-28 at Syracuse.

At West Point last weekend, Wettstone's very solid Eastern team champions left no doubt in anyone's mind in the two-day proceedings as to who the kingpins were as they came home with 10 out of a possible 24 medals and two out of four trophies in the all-around Olympian competition.

Three Lions copped individual first-place medals. They were Bobby Lawrence in the sidehorse, Jan Cronstedt in the parallel bars, and Jim Hazen in the flying rings.

All-around trophies went to Cronstedt for first place and to Karl Schwenzfeier for third. Cronstedt successfully defended his all-around crown, while Schwenzfeier moved up a notch from 1952's fourth-place finish.

Other medal winners were Syracuse's Jim Sebbo in the tumbling; Hal Lewis of Navy in the horizontal bar, and John Ballantyne and Bill Renner of Army in the rope climb.

Sebbo, now a sophomore, successfully defended his tumbling crown, as did Lewis and Ballantyne in their respective fields. Lewis technically was a horizontal bar champion although Cronstedt won the crown last season. Lewis took the '51 version and then was forced to sit out last year's play because of a broken leg received in a mid-season dual meet.

Ballantyne, for the second year in succession, had to settle for a tie for the rope climb title. Last season Ballantyne shared the crown with Cadet John Claybrook with a 3.6 time—this year, same story—a two-way tie for first with another Cadet—Renner—with a 3.6 clocking.

The Lions swept the sidehorse event. It was the first time in the 26 years of the Eastern tourney that one club finished its performers in any event one-two-three. Behind Lawrence on the sidehorse came Frank Wick and Tony Procopio.

The Lions ran one-two-four in the parallel bars, Schwenzfeier just getting nipped for third by three points by Temple's Bob McCartney. Al Wick finished second behind medal winner Cronstedt.

The horizontal bar competition, in which the two champs from two different years were defending, produced the top thrills of the tourney. Lewis turned in a 2.91 to claim the 1953 crown. Lewis' total beat Cronstedt by a single point.

- The summaries:
ALL AROUND—(1), Jan Cronstedt, Penn State, 15.84; (2), John Barkal, Syracuse, 15.42; (3), Karl Schwenzfeier, Penn State, 15.04.
TUMBLING—(1), Jim Sebbo, Syracuse, 28.5; (2), Fred Graf, Navy, 27.5; (3), Neil Creighton, Army, 24.6.
SIDEHORSE—(1), Bobby Lawrence, Penn State, 27.7; (2), Frank Wick, Penn State, 27.6; (3), Tony Procopio, Penn State, 26.0.
HORIZONTAL BAR—(1), Hal Lewis, Navy, 29.1; (2), Jan Cronstedt, Penn State, 29.0; (3), John Jengo, Temple, 28.4.
ROPE CLIMB—(1), John Ballantyne and Bill Renner, Army, 3.6 (tie); (3), Dave Shultz, Penn State, and Gene Schell, Temple, 3.7 (tie).
PARALLEL BARS—(1), Jan Cronstedt, Penn State, 28.4; (2), Al Wick, Penn State, 28.1; (3), Bob Carthey, Temple, 27.0; (4), Karl Schwenzfeier, Penn State, 26.7.
FLYING RINGS—(1), Jim Hazen, Penn State, 27.5; (2), Erhart Demand, Army, and Ed Schuman, Navy, 26.9; (4), Tony Procopio, Penn State, 26.8.

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EIWA Sidelights

By SAM PROCOPIO

Although Penn State wrestlers didn't receive the warmest reception at the EIWA tournament, they did receive some fine compliments from the sports reporters.

While scrutinizing the seeding list in the locker room, one reporter exclaimed: "This Penn State team is tops. No one will beat them."

Then during the finals, the Bethlehem Globe Times sports reporter said: "Penn State is the only team that actually wrestles."

Penn State's grapplers will be able to prove this and more to Rec Hall fans during the Nationals March 27-28.

But as far as Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling competition is concerned, Rec Hall fans will not observe the three-time champs until 1955. Next year's tournament will be held at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

The EIWA, the oldest intercollegiate wrestling league in existence, almost saw the Nittany Lions performing the unbelievable. Had the Lions captured as many titles as had been expected, Penn State would have had five. This would have been the most by any team since the Lions performed the unheard-of feat of winning six of the seven individual titles in 1918. It was the year Penn State entered the league.

A question confronting most of the 49th Annual Eastern Intercollegiate wrestling tournament was: Does a defending champion deserve the decision in a draw? This situation came about when Joe Lemyre, 167-pound defending champ, and Don Dickason of Cornell battled to a 2-2 draw.

Lemyre was leading his Cornell opponent early in the first period when he took Dickason down. In the second period, Dickason escaped from Lemyre's hold. It was during this period that Lemyre chose the advantage position, wrestling from the referee's position. The third

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