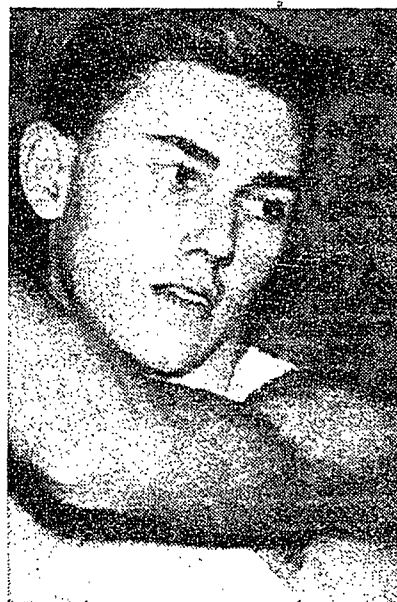


# Floormen See Action Tonight



Ed Haag  
Lion Standout

## Gym Team Is Favored Over Owls

The Lion gymnasts' victory earned over Army's highly-ranked Cadets Saturday calmed the waves and cleared the sea to make what should be clear sailing the rest of the season for the Nittanians. With Temple and West Virginia furnishing the opposition in the two remaining meets, the Lions stand an excellent chance of keeping the Eastern gymnastic crown in the Nittany Vale.

Max Younger, in his 27th year as head gymnastic mentor at Temple, will send his Owls against the Lions sporting a 2-1 won-lost record.

The series between the two teams began in 1933, and to date the host team owns an 8-7 edge in the won and lost column.

### Lions Beat Owls Last Year

Last year the Owls were one of the six opponents to which the Lions handed defeat as they pursued and captured the Eastern and National gymnastic championships. The final count was 58-40.

Temple thus far owns wins over Jersey City and Syracuse. Army handed the Owls their only setback. The Cadets at the present own a 5-1 log, their only loss coming at the hands of the Lions—a 58½-37½ verdict.

The Youngermen defeated Jersey City by a 56-40 score, while they were only able to squeeze out a slim 48½-47½ win over the Orange.

In black and white the Staters will loom as heavy favorites as they seek their fifth win of the season. Besides the win over the Military, they captured a lopsided win over Syracuse, 63-33.

### Temple Loomed as Threat

At the start of the season the Owls loomed as one of the main threats on the Nittanians' schedule capable of breaking their winning streak and thus removing the Eastern crown from the Lions' den.

In addition to Army and Syracuse, Gene Wettstone's stalwarts have defeated Michigan State and Navy. In rolling to their 13th consecutive intercollegiate victory, they have outscored their opponents 258½-141½. The biggest victory margin came against the Middies as they registered a 65-31 verdict to win by 34 points.

All-around performer Jan Cronstedt and rope artist Skeets Haag are the only undefeated members of Wettstone's all-winning aggregation. Cronstedt has yet to taste defeat on the horizontal bar while Haag has consistently been the number one man on the rope.

### Three Get NCAA Bid

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 23 (AP)—Notre Dame, Navy and Fordham were selected today to play in the National basketball championship playoffs that get underway March 9.

## Lions Meet Gettysburg In Quest of 11th Win

By DICK McDOWELL

Although stalled rather abruptly by three straight losses on the road, the Nittany Lion basketball team could, and should, get back on the winning track tonight at Rec Hall. The Lions tangle with a spunky Gettysburg quintet at 8 p.m.

Penn State whipped the Bullets earlier in the season, 64-51, but only after coming from behind in the third period. However, they should have little trouble tonight as they seek their 11th win against five losses.

### Key Man Injured

The Bullets have been considerably weakened by the loss of guard Johnny Habeeb, a smooth shot-making speedster who had been a key man in their swift fast-break offense. Habeeb, who scored 13 points against the Lions in the first game, was injured seriously two weeks ago and is reportedly out for the season.

However, Coach Henry Bream still has center Bill Snyder, a trickster in the pivot who has been a steady scorer all season. Backed by sparkplug floorman Joe Lang and forwards Jack Keller and Dick Hockenbury, a pair of smooth working scorers, Gettysburg still may give the Nittanians trouble.

### Lack Height

Despite their lack of height, they are a rugged team on the backboards, and when their speedy offense is clicking, it's devastating.

However, the Bullets have a big job ahead of them. They must stop towering Jesse Arnette, who has boosted his scoring average to 22.3 points per game and has been death on the backboards this season. The Nittany center has scored 334 points with four games yet to play. Behind Arnette comes captain Jack Sherry and guard Ed Haag. Sherry has been scoring a consistent 11 points per game and Haag 9.8. He had his best night against Syracuse Saturday with 24 tallies.

The rest of the Lion starting five will probably have Ron Weidenhammer at the other guard and either Jim Blocker or Rudy Marisa at the other forward.

The Lions will play three more contests, all of them at home, following the Gettysburg clash. Rutgers will be in Rec Hall Saturday night for the second half of a double header and Georgetown will visit the Lions March 4. Temple University moves into town on March 6 for the last game of the season.

## Sophomores Wanted For Tennis Managers

Sophomore candidates for assistant tennis managers may sign up at the Athletic Association Office in 107 Old Main anytime today, according to Dick Jervis, head manager.

## Dorm Activities Procedure Set

Men in dormitories wishing to participate in special group social events must register the event three days before it is held, James W. Dean, assistant to the dean of men in charge of independent affairs, has announced.

Any social events in which women will participate must be reported to the Dean of Women's office seven days before the event is scheduled. If approval is given by the Dean of Women's office, approval will be given by the Dean of Men's office. This is the same policy that is used for chaperoned fraternity events, Dean said.

## Roberts Continues Holdout Seige

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23 (AP)—Star pitcher Robin Roberts of the Philadelphia Phillies held a lengthy conference with owner Bob Carpenter today but the two failed to agree on Roberts' 1954 salary.

Roberts reportedly is asking for a \$50,000 contract, while Carpenter allegedly is offering the right-hander the same salary he earned in 1953, a reported \$40,000.

## Boys Are Lonely

This is the first season in four that there has not been at least one set of brothers on the Penn State wrestling scene.

## Matmen to Meet Pitt in Rec Hall

In what is labeled as the "toughest" dual meet of the season, Penn State's once-beaten matmen will attempt to get back into the winning ways when they face a talented Pitt team Saturday night at Recreation Hall.

The dual meet is slated for 7 p.m. preceding the Penn State-Rutgers basketball game.

Pitt, which has also been beaten once, dropped a closely fought match with the Midshipmen of Annapolis who set back the Lions last Saturday. The Panthers were able to squeeze by the Middies, 15-13.

It was the early bouts which were telling. They won five out of the first six matches via decisions, while Navy scored two falls, 137-pound and the heavyweight divisions, and a decision.

Because of the rough time that Navy had with the Panthers, Penn State should find some difficulty in handling Coach Rex Peery's grapplers. Coach Charlie Speidel will have to look for the early bout wins in order to cop his 35th triumph in 36 matches.

Until Navy turned the tables last Saturday, Penn State had licked Army five times; Navy, Maryland, Lehigh, Cornell and Syracuse, four times; Pitt and Virginia, three times; Princeton, twice; and Penn, once, during the 34-meet win streak.

Penn State's dual meet streak results:

PS	Opponents	Score
29	Army	5
18	Navy	6
17	Princeton	9
	1951	
22	Lehigh	6
28	Virginia	8
21	Pittsburgh	9
30	Maryland	0
15	Army	11
17	Syracuse	9
24	Navy	5
20	Cornell	6
	1952	
20	Lehigh	5
34	Virginia	0
25	Pittsburgh	5
22	Maryland	8
20	Army	18
17	Syracuse	11
24	Navy	5
24	Cornell	5
27	Princeton	3
	1953	
30	Virginia	0
17	Navy	8
28	Pennsylvania	3
28	Syracuse	5
18	Cornell	10
18	Maryland	11
16	Pittsburgh	12
28	Army	3
	1954	
20	Cornell	6
19	Lehigh	7
21	Army	9
22	Maryland	6
24	Syracuse	6



Eddie Sulkowski  
Lion Boxing Coach

## Lions' Sulkowski To Coach Ring Clinic in Japan

Penn State's boxing coach, Eddie Sulkowski, will travel to Japan in August to help conduct a boxing clinic for Armed Forces personnel in the Far East Command.

The young coach who is now piloting the Nittany ring squad for his fifth season, also is the president of the National Collegiate Boxing Coaches Association. Sulkowski will be host coach for the NCAA's 17th annual boxing tournament for the second time in just five years. The tournament will be held at Rec Hall April 8-10.

August 23 to Sept. 4 will mark the duration of the clinic in Japan. Present plans indicate that staff members will leave by air from California on Aug. 17 and return from Japan on Sept. 6.

Sulkowski will be accompanied by Roy Simmons, boxing coach at Syracuse University, and Joe Bunsu, Washington, D.C., referee. Simmons has coached his Syracuse boxers to six Eastern titles in the past seven years.



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## Frosh Cagers Host Altoona Tonight

There will be action for the early-supper crowd tonight at Rec Hall when the Penn State freshman basketballers go after their second win of the season against Altoona Center. The opening tap-off is set for 6:15 p.m.

The Lions' only win this season, as against three losses, was over the same Altoona team on the losers' court before Christmas. But since then the Center aggregation has made big strides, and is currently tied with Lock Haven for first place in the Pennsylvania junior college league.

Coach John Egli expects a tough game against Altoona, if for no other reason than the latter led the Lions for three periods in the first encounter before bowing by a close margin.

But there are other complications. Bob Ramsey, a good rebounder and Jim Lysek, flashy 5-10 playmaker, have been declared scholastically ineligible for tonight's fray, which will wind up the short season for State. As a result, Egli's starting lineup is a question.

Watson Hart and Charlie Sitch will probably answer the call at forwards, with Bob Benson at center. Sam McKibben and Hugh Cooper are likely to start at the board slots with guard Joe Hartnett, who has a bad ankle, a possible participant. Others certain to see plenty of action are forwards Andy Pytel and Fred Evans.

This will be the first venture out for the Nittanians since they dropped a game to a top-notch Bucknell squad at Lewisburg last month. State's other two losses came at the hands of the JV's by close scores.

The loss of Ramsey and Lysek is a tough blow since both are good scorers. Lysek was particularly impressive to Egli at Bucknell with his clever ball handling.

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