

Gymnasts Depart for NCAAs

Seek Third Gym Crown

Cronstedt to Lead Nittany Entries

When Penn State's heralded gymnasts completed their second consecutive undefeated season nearly four weeks ago, nothing remained but thoughts of the granddaddy of gym meets, the annual National Collegiate tourney.

The thoughts have now become a reality. The Lions left last night for the 12th annual gymnastic festival at the University of Illinois. Preliminary competition begins tomorrow afternoon.

Coach Gene Wettstone, in summing up the chances of his Nittany stalwarts to cop the much sought-after title for the second year running, could very likely quote the pre-tourney statement he made last year.

'Lions to Give Trouble'

"State is going to give trouble," was the way he described the Lions' chances, shortly before they captured the second national gym title in the school's history.

Jan Cronstedt, the "fabulous Finn" who has made a distinct impression in gymnastic circles, will lead the Lions in quest of the crown.

Cronstedt will be gunning for three individual titles. Last year, he was a double winner, when he carried away top honors in two events, the all-around and the parallel bars. He stands a good chance of resuming the double-winner's role in these two events tomorrow, and in addition he could possibly capture the horizontal bar title.

Third Appearance

This will be Cronstedt's third appearance in the annual classic. As a freshman he won third honors on the parallels.

Shooting for All-Around honors along with Cronstedt will be Tony Procopio and Karl Schwenzfeier.

Procopio walked away with the Eastern All-Around crown when the Nittanians met the best the East had to offer in an individual competition meet March 12-13 at Temple University.

Schwenzfeier last year finished fifth in the NCAA specialized All-Around competition.

10 Lions Entered

Wettstone is taking the maximum number of gymnasts permitted in the tourney in defense of the title. Besides the aforementioned Lions, Co-Captains Frank and Al Wick, Bob Lawrence, Skeets Haag, Dick Spiese, John Baffa, and Bill Paxton will be putting forth their efforts to aid the Lion cause.

Al Wick will be entered on the twin bars and stands a good chance, along with Cronstedt, of bringing that title to the Nittany Vale. Spiese will also perform on the bars.

Frank Wick and Lawrence are entered in the side horse event. Lawrence won the Eastern horse championship before Wick beat him out in this year's tourney, thus, the two will be representing the best in the East in that event.

Haag was consistently one of the East's best on the rope over the past season. His best effort for the 20-foot climb was 3.7. However, he will be facing the world's greatest verticle climber in Don Perry of Southern California.

Perry does it in 2.9. Spiese and Baffa are also entered in the rope climb, with Paxton, who will work on the mats, winding up the Lion entries.

Ted Williams' Hopes Dimmed for Return

SARASOTA, Fla., March 31 (AP)—A Miami orthopedic specialist informed the Boston Red Sox today that slugging star Ted Williams will not be able to take part in baseball workouts until after April 27.

It had been hoped that Williams, who fractured his left collarbone in a fall March 1, would be able to travel north with the team and return to his left field spot by May 1.



COACH EDDIE SULKOWSKI and light heavyweight Adam Kois get together for strategy talks, as the National Collegiate boxing championships draw near. Kois will be making his final bid for the 178-pound title. Penn State will be host to the annual tournament April 6, 7, and 8 at Recreation Hall.

Lions to Host 17th NCAA Ring Classic

By ROY WILLIAMS

For the second time in four years, and the fourth time since 1932, Penn State will host the "world series" of collegiate boxing. In January, Coach Eddie Sulkowski was named as host coach for the 17th National Collegiate Athletic Association boxing tourney set for April 8-10 at Rec Hall.

Sulkowski's role as host coach will be his second since he took over the Lions' ring squad in 1950, after the death of Penn State's Old Maestro, Leo Houck.

Houck, the driving force behind the Lions' boxing reputation, was the initial factor in the staging of the first NCAA boxing tourney in 1932 at Rec Hall. The 1941 tournament was also held at Penn State.

In preparation for the coming national event, Sulkowski has begun to step up his practice sessions. But in the coveted NCAA battles, Penn State has only netted one team championship while six Nittany boxers have won National titles.

Penn State will enter its men for a bid at national honors under the Intercollegiate Boxing Association (East); three other conferences will be bringing champions, runners-up, and "dark horses" in quest of national recognition.

The Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Boxing Association—the second major conference in college boxing—the Central Intercollegiate Association, and the Northern California IBA will also send entries for the three-day championships next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Although the Lions carded only a 1-5-1 dual meet record this past season, they tied Army for a third place ranking in the IBA tourney at Charlottesville, and walked off with two individual crowns.

Captain Adam Kois, two-year eastern champ at 178-pounds, will definitely represent that weight in the Nationals for Penn State. The other Lion Eastern titlist, Jack Stokes, will enter the 147-pound class. It will be the Lion sophomore's first NCAA bout, and his eighth collegiate match.

Sulkowski and his entries, however, will face heavy competition in nine weight classes. In the East, Maryland and Virginia will enter two Eastern champs; Syracuse and Army will each enter one champ in addition to new national challengers. Maryland, 1954 Eastern team winners, will lead the Eastern representatives with two runners-up in addition to two champions.

IM Entry Deadline

Entries for the intramural badminton singles and handball doubles tournaments must be turned in at Rec Hall by 4:30 p.m. tomorrow, according to Dutch Sykes, assistant intramural director. Entry fee for badminton is 25 cents per man and the fee for handball is 50 cents per man.

The tournaments will get under way Wednesday at Rec Hall.

St. Vincent College Resumes Baseball

LATROBE, Pa., March 31 (AP)—St. Vincent College resumed intercollegiate baseball today after a lapse of three years.

Baseball had been suspended at the school for construction of a new gymnasium. The gym was constructed on the site of the former diamond. A new field has been built on the campus.

RESTRING WITH



STANDS OUT in play

- Harder Smashes
- Better Cut and Spin

STANDS UP in your racket

- Moisture Immune
- Lasting Liveliness

COSTS LESS than gut

APPROX. STRINGING COST:
Pro-Fect Braid.....\$6.00
Multi-Ply Braid.....\$5.00

At tennis shops and sporting goods stores.

ASHAWAY BRAIDED RACKET STRING
Choice of The Champions

Tax Slashes Bring Drop In Athletic Ticket Costs

Sports fans took a deep breath today and began wondering what savings would come to them as an aftermath of the newly approved Federal excise tax slash.

At the University, it was said that the savings to the public will be immediate and substantial, affecting the forthcoming Naional Collegiate boxing championships and also next season's football tickets.

Harold R. Gilbert, assistant director and business manager of athletics, announced a new set of prices for the NCAA boxing tournament and added that persons who already have purchased tickets are eligible for a refund. Refunds will be available immediately at the Athletic Association ticket office in Old Main, he said.

Grid Tickets \$3

Gilbert also said that the tax cut will restore the \$3 football ticket, unknown to Penn State except for war year exemptions since 1932. Instead of \$3.60 for a reserved seat, the single game, single seat price will be \$3. The four game season ticket will be priced at \$11 instead of last year's \$13.20. To faculty, retirees and other University employees, the season ticket price will drop from \$10.80 to \$9 in 1954.

Boxing Prices Listed

On the boxing front, Gilbert disclosed that the new, tax-free prices will be \$3.50 instead of \$4.80 for the series reserved seat, and \$2.75 instead of \$3.60 for the series non-reserved ticket. For individual sessions, reserved seats will be priced at 75 cents, \$1.25, and \$1.50 and non-reserved tickets will sell at 50 cents, \$1, and \$1.25.

Under the new prices, the reserved seat ticket now costs less than the non-reserved ticket cost under the old plan.

Gilbert said spring and summer sports will not be affected since prices had already been set at 50 cents and \$1 for single and double events in anticipation of the slash in taxes.

Town Council Picnic Set For Greenwood Furnace

Town Council last night set Saturday, May 8 at the date for its annual picnic. The picnic will be held at Greenwood Furnace, and a list for any student to sign up will be posted in Old Main after the Easter vacation. May 5 was set for the election of new Council officers.

WRA Results

BADMINTON

Delta Delta Delta over Sigma Delta Tau
Zeta Tau Alpha over Alpha Chi Omega
Alpha Omicron Pi over Alpha Xi Delta
Kappa Alpha Theta over Thompson 1&2 by forfeit
Atherton over Kappa Delta by forfeit
Kappa Kappa Gamma over Gamma Phi Beta
Leonides over Alpha Epsilon Phi
Phi Sigma Sigma over Delta Zeta
Little Lions over McAllister
Woman's Building over Thompson 3-4
Sigma Sigma Sigma over Phi Mu
Alpha Gamma Delta over Beta Sigma Omicron
Chi Omega over Delta Gamma
Pi Beta Phi over Alpha Kappa Alpha

BOWLING

Alpha Gamma Delta over Phi Mu
Mac Hall over Alpha Kappa Alpha
Phi Sigma Sigma over Leonides by forfeit
Kappa Delta over Atherton
Thompson 1-2 over Alpha Chi Omega
Zeta Tau Alpha over Chi Omega
Delta Delta Delta over Gamma Phi Beta

VOLLEYBALL

Alpha Xi Delta over Beta Sigma Omicron by forfeit
Alpha Omicron Pi over Atherton
Woman's Building over Delta Gamma
Thompson 3-4 over Pi Beta Phi
Phi Sigma Sigma over Alpha Epsilon Phi
Philotes over Phi Mu
Co-Op over Theta Phi Alpha by forfeit

Kountz to Speak Tonight To Dairy Science Club

R. Rupert Kountz, civil engineering professor who has been working with the Dairy department, will discuss the new dairy waste products project at the Dairy Science Club meeting at 7 tonight in 117 Dairy.

For That Smart Spring Look...

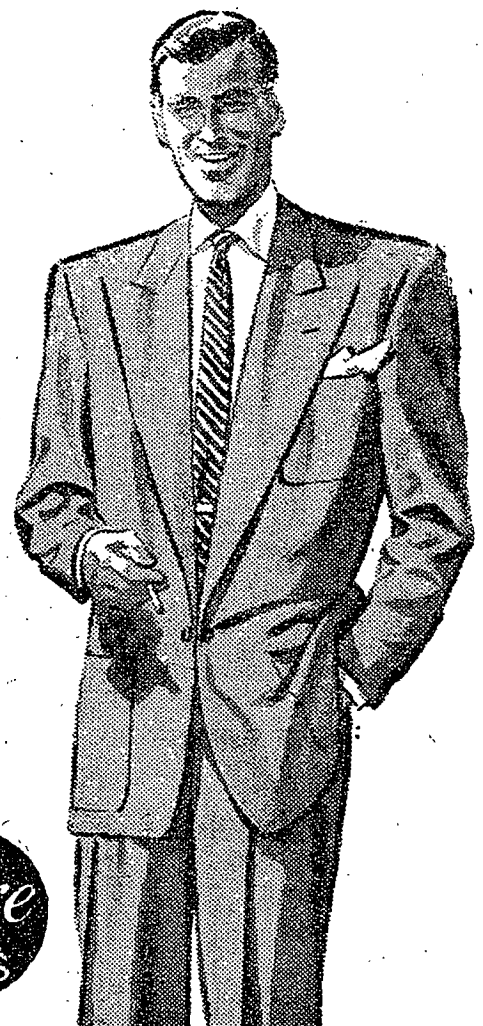
Step out in front of the style parade in a smart light weight grey flannel suit

PLATINUM
BLUE GREY
BANKERS GREYS

\$35.00



One Price at all Pennshire Stores



DINNER JACKETS

Single Breasted
Sizes 32 to 48;
All in excellent condition

\$15 each

Call 7851 after 5 p.m.
Ask for Walt or Mike