

# Lions Begin Title Defense

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## Gymnasts Open NCAA Fight Today

By RON GATEHOUSE

Ten Nittany gymnasts will be going all out this afternoon and tonight in an effort to once again put Penn State in the limelight of the national sports scene in another of the various post-season tournaments.

Coach Gene Wettstone's highly-touted aggregation will enter the 12th annual National Collegiate gym festival at 2 p.m. in defense of the title they won last year at Syracuse.

The site for this year's classic is the University of Illinois' Huff gymnasium.

The preliminaries will take place from 2 to 5 this afternoon and from 7 to 10 tonight. Tomorrow's finals will get under way at 7 p.m.

Over 23 Teams Entered

Over 23 teams, representing the best the nation has to offer, will be putting forth an effort to stop the Lions from taking the repeater's role and keeping the much sought-after crown in the East.

The only other national championship captured by a Penn State gym team was in 1948—also under Wettstone.

Illinois appears to be the big stumbling block in the path of the title-seeking Nittanians. The host team is the pre-tourney favorite to stop the Lions if anyone is going to at all.

National Gym Power

The Illinois are generally regarded as a national power in the upcoming sport. And they have two big factors in their favor—they took runner-up honors to the Lions in last year's meet, and they will be appearing before a home audience.

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## Southern Style Love



MIDGE LIPPY watches as her Southern gallant, Al Beliasov, sings her a song of love in Thespian's production of "Bloomer Girl" which opened last night in Schwab Auditorium. Tickets for the show which will have three more performances are on sale at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

Review

## Thespian's Present 'Bloomer Girl'

By EDMUND REISS

Hoops versus bloomers was the question last night in Schwab Auditorium as Thespian's presented their production of "Bloomer Girl" to a large audience.

However, though the audience might have differed as to which was the better of the two articles of clothing, it couldn't help but agree that the show provided one of the most entertaining evenings of theater-going to be had on campus in a long time.

Director Moylan Mills has taken one of Broadway's gayest musicals, and with a few changes and revisions combined with fine over-all direction, has offered a production which would be more than acceptable to any theater group.

Takes Place in 1861

The background of this truly American musical is Cicero Falls in the pre-Civil War Days of 1861, and into this setting are thrust a brilliant variety of costumes, songs, and ballets. It is unfortunate that the dialogue of the show isn't up to the quality of the songs. There are only a few moments of humor to offset the otherwise dry lines which at times are long and drawn-out.

Midge Lippy, as Eveline, radical daughter of a hoopskirt magnate, leads the host of fine actors seen in the show. Miss Lippy, with

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## Drinking Code Gets Approval From Senate

The University Senate yesterday granted final approval of the changes in Senate Regulations W-4 and W-5 concerning the use of alcoholic beverages.

The revised versions of the rules were received from the Senate committee on rules where they had been referred after the Senate adopted a statement of new social policy March 5.

The rule changes were recommended in the new policy statement, submitted by the Senate committee on student affairs, which goes into effect Sept. 1, 1954.

Chaperoned Dating

In addition to the changes in use of alcoholic beverages, the new policy provides for a chaperoned dating code and grants special privileges to "dry" fraternities and those employing housemothers.

Suggested changes in the chaperoned dating code were submitted to the Senate committee on student affairs March 24.

The suggestions, submitted by Thomas Schott, Interfraternity Council president, deal with the hours for dating stipulated in the new code and the use of and qualifications for chaperons.

Discussed Changes

The committee discussed the suggestions at its last meeting Wednesday, but no action was taken.

Wilmer E. Kenworthy, director of student affairs, yesterday indicated the committee would take action on the suggestions at its next meeting Wednesday.

The revised versions of Senate Regulations W-4 and W-5 prohibit the possession or use of alcoholic beverages on University property, and holds student organizations responsible for good conduct and observance of the law under all University-related off-campus situations.

Present Regulations

Rules W-4 and W-5 now in effect prohibit serving alcoholic beverages at social functions.

The rules' changes also provide that if any group is reported to have violated either of the rulings, it may be suspended immediately when information regarded as sufficient by the Senate committee on student affairs is referred to the appropriate student judicial body for study.

### Suggestions Due Today For Senior Class Gift

Today is the deadline for suggestions for the \$9000 senior class gift. Suggestions may be made by any student at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

## Betas Win Outstanding House Prize

Beta Theta Pi was awarded the outstanding fraternity cup at the annual Interfraternity - Panhellenic Council spring banquet last night.

The winners took sole possession of the cup they shared last year with Phi Delta Theta. Phi Gamma Delta was second and Phi Delta Theta third, in this year's contest.

Thomas Schott, IFC president, presented the cup to Beta Theta Pi, which had accumulated 157 points to 153.2 for Phi Gamma Delta and 150.1 for Phi Delta Theta.

Other Totals Listed

Other point totals were Sigma Chi, 123.4; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 119.8; Tau Kappa Epsilon, 108.7; Acacia, 93.1; Delta Upsilon, 83.2; Beta Sigma Rho, 81.4; and Sigma Pi, 75.9.

Sigma Phi Sigma was awarded the Sigma Chi scholarship foundation award for most improvement between the spring semester and this fall. SPS moved from 41st to 16th place in scholarship rankings.

Chi Omega was awarded the sorority scholarship cup. Ellen Wandel, retiring Panhellenic Council president, presented the award to Carole Avery, vice president of Chi Omega which attained a 2.06 All-University average.

Poster Winner Named

Schott presented the fraternity Greek Week poster trophy to Phi Epsilon Pi, and Miss Wandel presented the sorority trophy to Beta Sigma Omicron.

Tau Kappa Epsilon and Kappa Alpha Theta received rotating cups for their victories in the IFC-Panhel Sing contest Sunday. Beta Theta Pi and Kappa Delta, second in the contest, as well as the winners, received permanent plaques.

Robert N. Hilkert, vice president in charge of personnel of the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank, spoke on "Big Wheels and Little Wheels" at the banquet, held annually as part of Greek Week.

## Petition Seeks New Designs For Chapel

A petition sponsored by five groups seeks to change the architecture of All-University Chapel from Georgian to a contemporary design.

Sponsoring the petition are Vitruvius Society, a colony of Alpha Rho Chi, social fraternity for architects and fine arts majors; Scarab, architectural honorary; Pi Gamma Alpha, fine arts honorary; and the American Institute of Architects, Penn State student chapter.

Eugene Gladys, president of Vitruvius Society, said the petition will be presented to President Milton S. Eisenhower and the Board of Trustees when enough signatures are obtained.

The petition reads: We, the undersigned, are opposed to the building of a University Chapel in the Georgian style. We feel that the chapel should be of a contemporary design. Gladys added he hoped to obtain 8000 signatures for the petition.

Plans for the chapel have been already drawn, but were returned to the architect for modification in design, due to the change in location of the chapel.

TODAY'S WEATHER

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## Cabinet Approves Traffic Proposals

By MIKE FEINSILBER

All-University Cabinet last night approved a new graduate system of fines for student traffic violators and agreed to recommend to the University that steps be taken "to establish a suitable and workable method of curbing staff and faculty traffic violations."

James Dunlap, Traffic Court chairman, who made the recommendations, called the new fine system "more liberal."

The request to the University administration came after many students had denounced "inequities" in campus traffic regulations. They had pointed out that students are fined for many violations while faculty and staff members and graduate students are not disciplined for the same violations.

The new changes include:

1. A \$2 fine for students' failure to register cars if they are brought to campus or the borough for more than three weeks.

2. A \$1 fine for first violations; a \$3 fine for second violations; a \$5 fine and probation for third violations; a \$10 fine and a 60-day suspension of driving privileges on campus for fourth violations; and having the students' cars sent home on the occurrence of fifth violations.

3. A \$1 fine for failure to report to the Campus Patrol office within one complete class day after getting a ticket, regardless of the disposition of the case.

Cabinet will also recommend to the University the expansion of two campus parking areas by a total of more than 400 parking spaces.

Dunlap reported President Milton S. Eisenhower has set up a three-man committee to "investigate and recommend measures that can be taken to enforce traffic regulations on staff and faculty violators."

He said the number of non-student violations has decreased but "there is still a small percentage of staff and faculty members, as there is of students, who are persistent traffic violators."

The committee, consisting of Walter H. Wiegand, director of the physical plant, chairman; Ossian R. MacKenzie, dean of the Business Administration college, and Ernest B. McCoy, dean of the Physical Education and Athletics college, will recommend measures to penalize non-student violators to the Council of Administration.

## Vacation Dorm Sign-Up Date Is Announced

All men planning to stay in dormitories over Easter vacation, April 14 to 21, must sign in the Dean of Men's office no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, James W. Dean, assistant to the dean of men in charge of independent affairs, said yesterday.

Room accommodations for the seven-day period will be provided at a cost of 75 cents per day, Dean said. The dining halls will not serve meals.

Dorms will close at noon on April 14 and re-open at noon on April 21. Dining halls will also close after the noon meal on April 14. The first meal after vacation will be served at noon April 21.

The Dean of Women's office said yesterday that no provisions have been made to accommodate coeds in the dorms over vacation.

## Inklings Will Feature Eisenhower Paintings

Inklings, campus literary magazine, will go on sale at noon Monday for 25 cents.

Four paintings by President Dwight D. Eisenhower will be reproduced in the magazine.

Also included are three short stories, a one-act play, poems by students, and a short review of "The Penn State Yankee," autobiography of Fred Lewis Pattee.

## Players' 'On Approval' To Close Tomorrow

The final performances of Frederick Lonsdale's "On Approval" will be given at 8 to-night and tomorrow night by Players at Center Stage.

This is the sixth week of this farce-comedy with a setting in England during the 1920s.

Tickets for the show are on sale at the Student Union desk in Old Main and at the door of the theater, Hamilton avenue, west of S. Allen street.