TUESDAY. MARCH 8, 1955

Cagers in Tournament **Lions Face Memphis State Tonight in Regional Test**

Sixteen members of the 24-team National Collegiate Basketball tournament field open first round action tonight on four college campuses across the nation.

Penn State, heading back into the national sweepstakes for the third time in four years, opens its bid for the coveted championship crown against Memphis State in the second half of a double bill in the Memorial Collesium on the University of Kentucky campus in Lexington, Ky.

Radio Station WMAJ will carry a reconstructed broadcast of the game beginning at 10:30 p.m. EST.

The Lions, who finished the regular campaign with a sturdy 17-8 record, meet the Tigers (17-4) in one section of the eastern regional eliminations. Marquette and Miami of Ohio. Mid-American conference king, battle in the opening game tonight.

Winners Go to Evaston

The two winners of tonight's doubleheader will move on to Evanston, Ill., Friday. The winner of the Penn State-Memphis game will play Iowa and the Marquette-Miami victor will meet Kentucky. Both of these teams drew first round byes. Iowa won the Big Ten crown and Kentucky is the Southeastern Conference champion.

tournament as a head coach, in-dicated yesterday that he will make one lineup change for to-night's game. The Lion coach will est margin of the ansain of insert guard Dave Edwards into est margin of the season, 51-45, Penn State team effort in recordhis starting combination. Ed- and emerge Eastern champs for wards and Ron Weidenhammer the third consecutive year. will handle the guard duties, Jesse Arnelle will be at the center position, and Jim Blocker and Earl Fields will fill the forward slots.

Lions Have Experience

All five of the Lion regulars, plus reserves Bob Rohland and Rudy Marisa are experienced hands at NCAA play. Arnelle and Weidenhammer, the Nittany co-captains, will be making their third appearance in the tournament.

Memphis State, ranked 19th in the nation by the Associated Press last week, will be making its first attempt at NCAA honors. per cent shooting percentage for the season. Dr. Eugene Lambert's quintet swept to 16 straight vic-tories at one point during its reg-ular season play. Last year, as an at-large entry Last year, as an at-large entry

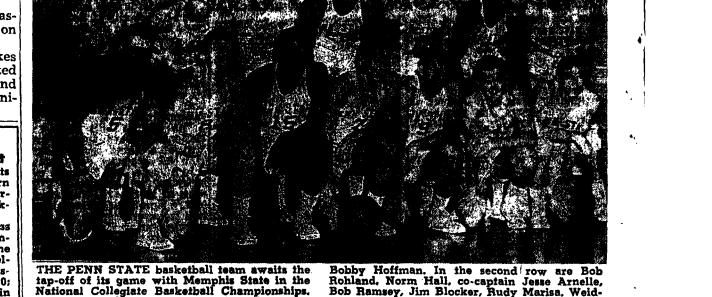
into the tournament, Penn State though hampered considerably battled to three upset victories— with a bad ankle, entered three Toledo, Louisiana State, and No- events and earned the Lions six Toledo, Louisiana State, and No-tre Dame—before being eliminat-ed by LaSalle in the semi-finals at Kansas City.

The Lion 12-man squad will leave by plane for Lexington to-day. The team will make its head-quarters at the Phillips Hotel and

4250 Tickets Sold

For EIWA Tournament Approximately 4250 tickets have been sold for the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Tournament to be held this weekend at Rec Hall.

Harold R. Gilbert, business manager of athletics, has announced the breakdown of the advance ticket sales as fol-lows: 1st session-750; 2nd session — 800; semi-finals — 1000; and finals—1400. Included in advance sale are 350 tickets al-lotted to Lehigh University.



National Collegiate Basketball Championships. Members of the Lion squad, left to right, are: Joe Harinett, Clarence Watts, Dave Edwards, Earl Fields, co-captain Ron Weidenhammer,

Bob Ramsey, Jim Blocker, Rudy Marisa, Weld-enhammer and Arnelle will be playing in their third tournament together.

itle NCAA Lineups lons.

Lion coach John Egli, making his first appearance in the NCAA tournament as a head coach, in- ing injuries, turned in a brilliant tournament as a head coach, in- ing injuries, turned in a brilliant

The victory also brought Gene

men jumped into the lead in the Lions submerged the Orange in the final event, flying rings, by

a 10-6 count.

ing the win.

He and co-captain Milan Trnka of the home forces combined to

events, H-bar, parallels, and rings. first event, tumbling, and the Nit- And the Lion performer exposed tanies saw their chances for his mettle, winning out in two of EIGA win number six move far- the three, and taking a second on ther and farther away until they the H-bar. Trnka headed went ahead in the fifth event, Schwenzfeier in that event, and 4.0 and 5.2 clockings. parallel bars, with a slim two- took second honors on the twin point edge at 41-39. Then the bars and rings.

Schwenzfeier's 278 on the rings was the best performance of the

day for a Penn State entry. Press last week, will be making its first attempt at NCAA honors. The Tigers own a phenominal 42 per cent shooting percentage for the season. Dr. Eugene Lambert's suffered interview for the season. Dr. Eugene Lambert's suffered interview for the season of the season o and Skip Heim in fourth coupled bell Club.

By RON GATEHOUSE State victory margin. He placed with the Nittany captain to give Penn State's gymnastic team, third on the horizontal bar, fourth Penn State the widest margin of

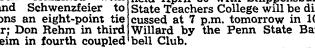
Corky Sebbo, one of the best 5) vs. Seattle (19-4), West Texas State (18-6) vs. Seattle (19-4), West Texas State tumblers in the nation, headed (15-6) vs. San Francisco (23-1). second-place Bill Paxton on the mats, with Dud Potter and Chuck Fegley placing fourth and fifth for the Lions.

year, but was good for a firstplace tie with the Orange's Andy Felice. Their time was 3.8. Leroy Fritch and Bill Marshall took third and fifth for the Lions with

Heim also contributed a second for the Lions on the horse.

Barbell Club Meeting

The weight lifting meet to be





AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN-Wil-liams (17-1) vs. Canisius (16-6), Duke (20-7) vs. Villanova (16-9), LaSalle (22-4) vs. West Virginis (19-10).

AT LEXINGTON, KY.—Miami (Obio) (14-8) vs. Marquette (21-2), Penn State (18-7) vs. Memphis State (18-4); AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Okis-homa City U. (9-17) vs. Bradley (7-19).

Skeets Haag failed to win on AT FHILADELPHIA-LaSaile-West Vir-the rope for the first time this lime-Canisius winners vs. Duke-Villanova vear but was good for a first-

Minner. AT MANHATTAN, KAN.—Bradley-Okla-homa City U. winner vs. Southern Methodist (15-8), Colorado vs. Missouri Valley champ. AT CORVALLIS, ORE.—Idaho State-Seattle winner vs. Oregon State (21-7), West Texas State-San Francisco winner vs. Utah (28-8). Friday picht's winners at each regional

Utah (28-3). Friday night's winners at each regional location will play each other Saturday. Then the Evanston-Philadelphia winners will meet for the Eastern title and the Cor-vallis-Manhattan winners will play for the Western title in a Kansas City doubleheader March 18. Those two games will decide the finalists for the National title at Kansas City March 19.





