

Eastern Gym Finals Begin at 1:30 Today

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The Gold-dust Twins—Lee Cunningham and Jay Werner—really showed the home crowd their best selves last night in the Eastern Gymnastics all-around. With five of the six all-around events completed in last night's qualifying session, the two sophomores outdistance their nearest competitor by more than a hundred points.

Sororities Will Rush Informally

Informal sorority rushing will begin Monday and will continue through March 21.

Sororities may issue invitations by telephone to rushees to visit the suites from 1 to 5 p.m. and 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Bids may be taken to the dean of women's office at 8 p.m. Thursday, and will be distributed to the rushees from there. Sororities may extend bids to rushees who have visited their suites at least once.

Rushees must reply to bids received on Thursday by noon on Saturday in the dean's office. Bids received after Thursday dean's office three days after the bid is received.

Six sororities will not be rushing informally. They are Alpha Epsilon Phi, Kappa Delta, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta and Kappa Alpha Theta.

Lists of coeds registered for the informal rush period will be distributed to the sororities by the dean's office.

Afternoon and evening rushing will be informal chatter dates.

Concert Ticket Distribution Begins Monday

Students may begin to pick up tickets Monday afternoon for the concert to be presented next Sunday night by Rise Stevens, mezzo-soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company.

The concert, scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Sunday in Recreation Hall is the thirteenth program of the Artists' Series.

The student distribution will begin at the Hetzel Union Building desk at 1 p.m. Monday and continue until 5 p.m. Wednesday. Sales to non-students, priced at \$1, will be held Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

If tickets remain after the close of the sale, they will again become available to students March 15 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Unemployment Reaches Highest Mark Since 1942

WASHINGTON, March 7 (AP)—The highest unemployment figure in 16 years will be announced next week, officials said today. The new figure of 5,100,000 jobless in February represents an increase of more than 600,000 over January.

Democratic Senate Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas announced the Defense Department is speeding up the spending of about 450 million dollars on job-producing military construction projects in areas where people are looking for work.

Tonight the government announced a new high in unemployment among workers covered by unemployment compensation—UC—system. The Labor Department's Bureau of Employment Security said joblessness rose by 137,800 to a record 3,268,000 among UC-covered workers for the week ending Feb. 22. Only about two thirds of all workers are covered by UC.

The 137,800 increase is on top of the 5,100,000 figure which will represent over-all unemployment

Cunningham took the lead with a first in the opening event, the side horse. Although Werner started cutting it down point-by-point, he still holds a slim 13-point lead over his teammate, 1263-1250, going into the final event in the Olympic competition, the free exercises.

The "free X" will be the first event on today's final session and will determine the all-around winner. The championships are slated to begin at 1:30 this afternoon. Eight top qualifiers from last night's session will be competing for individual Eastern titles in tumbling, side horse, high bar, rope climb, parallel bars and the flying rings. That is, after the two Lions decide which one is going to be the Easter's all-round champion this year and continue the Lion's seven year domination of the event.

In the individual events, it was all Penn State and Pittsburgh with an occasional Army man. The Jungle Cats of former Penn Stater Warren Neiger hold three firsts in the standard six events with the Lions holding two and the Army, one.

But the Panthers and Lions have a total of 13 men in the top three positions and all of them have a good chance to come through with the win tomorrow.

The program started out with one of the tightest most-competitive events on the program, tumbling. Panther Don Neeld could do no wrong on his four runs on the mat and came up with a 262, his best score of the year. One slim point behind the Skyscraper athlete was the Lions' Graeme Cowan who missed a back-front on his third run. Three points behind Cowan at 258 is Dave Dulaney who again thrilled the crowd with his fast routine.

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Snow Foreseen, Lion Stays In

The Nittany Lion is deliberately shunning the campus again today for his mountain hideaway.

His formal excuse is the expected weather—snow flurries and rain, with an expected high of 40 to 45 degrees.

But last night the Lion privately admitted to a friend that he does not want to return to campus until "hibernation" season is over and he can shed his coat.

Thus making his first public spring appearance attired in a new fashionable spring suit.



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Pi Lam Property Faces Condemning

The State College Parking Authority has voted to begin condemnation proceedings on property which includes the house now occupied by Pi Lambda Phi fraternity.

The authority decided to use the right of eminent domain to obtain the Pugh Street site for an off-street parking lot after Perry H. Gentzel, the owner, rejected an offer of \$95,000 for the plot.

The authority stated the fraternity's occupancy would not be interrupted before the end of the semester. Ample notification would be given, authority members said.

William Adams, president of the fraternity, said he has not received any official word of action by the authority up to now. Furthermore, he said any possible future legal proceedings would have to be carried on by Gentzel.

In refusing the original offer, Gentzel told the authority he had not purchased the property with the idea of resale in mind and considered it worth far more in view of proposed improvement and development of the area.

Gentzel declined to make further comment yesterday but said his attorneys are currently studying the action.

In directing the condemnation action, the authority instructed its solicitor to tender a bond to Gentzel to cover any damages brought about by the court proceedings. The bond, set at twice the offered price, or \$190,000, will cover such damages as court costs or loss of rent during court action.

According to the authority, both Gentzel and the fraternity will be sent copies of the condemnation resolution and the bond offer. If the bond is refused, an approval of its amount will be sought in court.

When bond approval or acceptance is received, the Authority will continue eminent domain proceedings under the Parking Authority Law of Pennsylvania. A Board of Viewers then will be appointed by the court to evaluate the property, following which Gentzel may appeal the established evaluation. If an agreement is not then reached, a final court decision is required.

In addition to the fraternity, the lot is used for a private parking area and has storage buildings at the rear.



—Daily Collegian photo by George Harrison

BOY, BUT NO BEACH—Howard Warren, as Tam, talks with Jayne Mort, as Evely, acting a scene from the Players' production, "Boy on the Beach," which opens tonight in Schwab Auditorium.

'Boy on the Beach' Will Open Tonight

The Penn State Players will present the first public performance of Violet Welles' new play "The Boy on the Beach" at 8 tonight at Center Stage.

Mrs. Welles, her husband and other members of the New Dramatists, New York playwright group, attended the premiere showing of the play last night. The performance was entirely an invited guest event.

Tickets will be available at the Hetzel Union desk for the performances beginning tomorrow night through the end of the 5-week run on April 12.

The play is described as a sophisticated modern comedy-drama. It revolves around the "smart Fire Island set" and the plot is built on an affair between a playboy and a young Negro girl who wants to attend graduate school. The role of Tam Pierce, the playboy and the "boy" in the title, will be played by Howard Warren and the Negro girl, Gerry Anderson, will be portrayed by Beverly James.

Mrs. Welles has been named by the New York playwright group, the New Dramatists, as one of their "ten most talented." New Dramatists was founded in 1949 to help talented playwrights gain recognition. Among its founders are such noted theatre people as Russell Crouse and Oscar Hammerstein II. Last year the New Dramatists arranged for the Players' presentation of a new play by Eugene O'Neill, "One's a Crowd."

Managers and crews for the production are as follows:

Co-managers of the house crew are Sally Swing and James Chapple. Crew members are Jacqueline Powell, Barbara Marcus, Barbara Kersnick, Carol Frank, Jane Livingston, Barry Gordon.

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Political Parties to Hold Final Nominee Elections

Campus and University parties will set the spring political season in motion at tomorrow night's meetings with final nominations and elections of party nominees.

University party will meet at 7 p.m. in 121 Sparks. Campus party will hold its meeting at 7 p.m. in Schwab. Students who have registered as Campus party members but have not obtained their party cards may do so beginning at 6:15 p.m.

"This is the first time a student political party has been given the use of Schwab," said Bernard Magdovitz, Campus clique chairman. He said the meeting was scheduled for Schwab instead of Sparks so that the 670 party members could all be seated. The largest lecture rooms in Sparks hold about 400.

Magdovitz said students must be out of Schwab by 9 p.m. tomorrow. That's why party cards will be handed out early so that the meeting can begin promptly at 7, he said.

University party's executive committee will meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow in 203 Willard. Students seeking nomination as the party's candidates will be introduced at

the meeting, according to John D'Angelo, party chairman.

The committee also will discuss platform planks and will hear officers' reports. Members who haven't paid their party dues should do so at the meeting, D'Angelo said.

Campus party's steering committee will meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow in 212 Hetzel Union to discuss the campaign.

In order to attend and vote at tomorrow night's meetings, students must have attended at least one previous party meeting, according to Elections Committee Chairman Peter Fishburn.

He said that students who have registered as party members but have not yet obtained their party cards may do so tomorrow at the meetings. Students will not be admitted to (Continued on page eight)