

BREAKING THE TIE . . . between Illinois and Michigan State are their coaches George Szypula (right) and Charlie Pond (on his head). The two put on a tumbling (?) exhibition to break the tie. Moments later Collegian photographer Bob Thompson got knocked off a chair by the crowd that carried the winning coaches to the showers.

# Illini, Spartan Gymnasts Take Title from Lions

The gymnastics season ended Saturday night with the NCAA finals at Michigan State. Penn State's defending champions are no more.

The new champs are the host Spartan squad and the favored Illinois team that managed a tie by taking first and second in the final event—tumbling. And what a finish!

After the regular program was completed, the two coaches—Illinois' Charlie Pond and MSU's George Szypula—put on their impromptu tumbling event to break the tie. The tie still exists at 79-all.

Six and a half points behind, follows the former champions from Penn State.

The seniors lived up to every expectation. Eastern rope climbing champion Phil Mullen improved on his qualifying time of :03.8 and scaled the 20-foot rope in :03.5. It was worth a tie for second place with Herm Farlough of Cal State Poly.

Team Captain Bob Focht, who just managed to qualify in the top ten on the parallel bars, jumped to a fifth in the finals.

Senior number three was ringman Eddie Sidwell who worked one of his best routines to take a fifth with 81.5 points. Sophomore Jay Werner took a second for the Lions, three points behind defending champion Tom Darling of Pitt with an 89.5.

Although Werner had his expected second on the rings, it was a miserable meet for the sophomores.

Werner, who won the Eastern all-around with a 505 average, finished thirteenth in the Nationals with a 427.5 total. Besides

breaking on the horizontal bar and still rings, he hit his low of the year on the side horse with a 39. He moved from eighth to fifth in free exercise—the only other event in which he qualified for the finals.

With Werner hitting for a 39 on the horse, Lion specialist Lee Cunningham got into the act and dropped from fourth to ninth with a 30-point effort. He broke at the beginning of his routine and remounted the apparatus in an unsuccessful attempt. The reason that he only finished ninth was that the first-place qualifier, Bob Diamond of Illinois, was injured late Friday night and did not compete in the finals.

Cunningham's drop lost the Lions six valuable team points (They lost the title by 6½).

The blonde sophomore made a valiant comeback on the high bar with a third place, but as far as the team was concerned, it was too late. He also had an eighth in the free "X".

Sophomore tumbler Graeme Cowen had a ninth while junior Dave Dulaney was tied for third by two Western Illinois matmen. Dulaney qualified second, but lost out to the two Illini—Champ Frank Hailand and Al Harvey who made the big come-

# Lions Cop Second in Two Relays

By MACK McGAUGHAN

The Lion track team's distance runners turned in a fine performance as they copped second place honors in the two- and four-mile relays at Quantico last weekend.

Ed Moran, Bill Schwab, Fred Kerr and Dick Engelbrink carried the Nittany baton in the 2-mile relay.

Kerr ran the first leg of the race in 1:55.9 and as he passed the baton to Engelbrink Penn State was running in second place.

Engelbrink ran his leg of the grueling race in 1:56.1 and as Schwab took over they were 30-yards behind the leading Michigan State contingent.

Schwab shortened the gap to eight yards and in 1:54.5 the baton was travelling the last leg of the race via Moran.

Moran closed it but could not quite pass the front running Willie Atteberry of Michigan State. Michigan State's time for the race was 7:37.7 and Penn State placed second with a time of 7:39.6.

In the 4-mile relay, the Nittany cindermen were runner-up to a speedy St. Johns squad.

Charlie King ran the initial leg and was running first when he passed the baton to Engelbrink. Engelbrink staged a seesaw battle for the lead with Lionel Stevens, St. Johns, and was close behind his opponent as he passed the stick to Kerr.

Kerr closed the gap and turned on the steam at the end of his run to give State a 30-yard lead going into the last leg.

Moran took up the battle but a familiar opponent, Pete Close of St. Johns—who nosed out Moran in the IC4-A indoor tourney—passed him in the final lap.

Ogie Norris, the Nittany's top pole vaulter, finished in a six-way tie for first at the 13-6 mark.

back to tie for the team title.

Rope climbers Vince Neuhauser and Don Littlewood completed the scoring for the team. For the first time this season, Littlewood bettered Neuhauser and took eighth with a :04.0 clocking.

NCAA GYM FINALS

TEAM STANDINGS—1. (tie) Michigan State and Illinois, 79, 3. Penn State, 72.5, 4. Iowa, 46.5, 5. Michigan, 30.5.

HIGH BAR—1. Grossfeld (Ill.) 94, 2. Tarahis (Mich St.) 93.5, 3. Cunningham (PSU) 88, 4. Girard (Mich St.) 86.5, 5. Darling and Melvihill (Pitt) 85.

ROPE CLIMB—1. Smith (L.A. St.) 3.0, 2. Mullen (PSU) and Farlough (Cal. St.) 3.5, 4. Sandler (S. Cal.) 3.7, 5. Degen (Army) and Anderson (Fla. St.) 3.9.

FREE EXERCISE—1. Grossfeld (Ill.) 89, 2. Berker (Mich. St.) 88.5, 3. Cicie (Fla. St.) 88, 4. Carlsson (Iowa) 86.5, 5. Werner (PSU) 83.5.

TUMBLING—1. Hailand (Ill.) 95, 2. Harvey (Ill.) 85.5, 3. (tie) Dulaney, (PS), Wilson (W. Ill.) and Hicks, (W. Ill.) 82.5.

FLYING RINGS—1. Darling (Pitt) 93.5, 2. Werner (PS) 90, 3. Giffaorakis (Army) 87, 4. Klagen (S. Cal.) 85, 5. Ed Sidwell (PS) 84.5.

PARALLEL BARS—1. Muszyzke (Mich. State) 92, 2. Grossfeld (Ill.) 89.2, 3. O'Quinn (Army) 89, 4. Carlsson (Iowa) 86.5, 5. Bob Focht (PS) 86.

# Lion 'Nine' Hosts Bisons at 3:30 Today

Coach Joe Bedenk's rain-hampered baseballers are supposed to meet Bucknell on Beaver Field this afternoon, but the weatherman has other ideas.

The Lions have been forced to cancel their last two engagements—the latest being with Rutgers at home territory Saturday—and today if the weatherman is correct will be no different. He predicts a cloudy day with showers for the Penn State area—the same expert prediction he gave on Saturday.

However, if a game is played, it will start at 3:30.

Cal Emery, the Center Hall Clipper, is once-again scheduled for mound duty. Emery, who was credited with the opening day 28-0 victory over Western Maryland last Tuesday, was Bedenk's choice for both of last week's rained out encounters. He gave up but two hits against the hapless Western Maryland crew.

Emery had a 9-0 regular season record last year and one of those victories was a two-hit 14-2 verdict over Bucknell. The Bisons have many members of that losing team back again this year, but Bedenk doesn't think the Lions will have an easy time this afternoon.

"Oh, sure, we beat them a couple of times last year," he said in practice yesterday (the first outside drills in five days), "but we were in our hot streak then. I won't even guess of the outcome today—especially since we had those two games rained out."

Bedenk will use the same lineup this afternoon that he used against the Maryland outfit and the same one he's figured on using against Lehigh and Rutgers. That would have sophomore Larry Fealey—one of two rookies in the Lions lineup—leading off and playing second. Junior Ron Hoover, who led the hitting spree in the opener with three hits in four at-bats, bats second and plays at short.

Ron Rainey last year's leading batter (.338) and RBI producer (.17), follows Hoover in the batting order and will probably be seen in left field. Two-year veteran Don Stickler, the Lion captain, is set for his usual clean up slot and catching post, followed by center fielder Joe Moore, a senior newcomer.

Either Dave Watkins or Jack

## Entries Due Wednesday

Entries for the Intramural tennis-doubles, golf team and soccer tournaments are due by 4:30 p.m. tomorrow in the IM office in Recreation Hall.



Bob Hoover . . . leading Lion hitter

McMullen, a couple of two-year lettermen, will be in right field and the number six batting spot depending on the opposing pitcher. If the Bucknell hurler is a lefty, Watkins will get the nod and if a right hander then McMullen is the pick.

Veteran Steve Baidy bats seventh and plays third with another two-year vet, Gary Müller, batting eighth and handling the first base chores. Emery, a slugger in his own right (he hit .326 and 3 homers last year), rounds out the lineup.

## Tennis Club to Meet

WRA Tennis Club will meet at 7:30 tonight in 3 White Hall. Those people who will be unable to attend but are interested should contact Linda Zuinn, extension 611.



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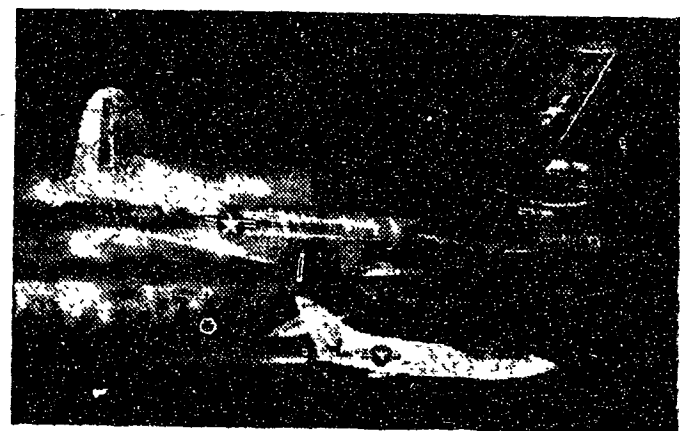
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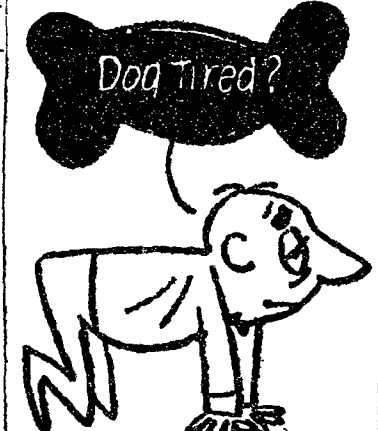


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