

# Lehigh Ruins Pitt's Wrestling Record; Panthers Last Obstacle for Gymnasts

It's too bad Lehigh's wrestling team toppled Pitt from the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association lead last Saturday night.

The Engineers beat the Panthers, 16-12, and thus spoiled the Lion matmen's chances of pulling off the league's major upset for the third year in a row.

Penn State meets Pitt at 7 p.m. Saturday in Pittsburgh

In both the 1957 and 1958 campaigns, Coach Charley Speidel's Nittanians entered the Pitt match as decided underdogs against the unbeaten league pace-setter. But both times the Lions emerged with 14-11 upset victories.

Two years ago, Speidel's crew broke the Panthers' 26-match win streak with a win at the Pitt Field House but that Lion aggregation later won the Eastern title at the league's annual tournament.

Last season's win was more significant. The Nittanians had won only one other match the whole season while the Panthers had posted an 8-1-1 mark—the loss coming from non-loop member Iowa State. But once again Speidel outfoxed his Pitt counterpart, Rex Peery.

However, things will be a little different this year, now that Lehigh has disposed of the Jungle Cats. The Lions will still enter the meet as underdogs, but the odds won't be so high this time.

Lehigh used a combination of four decisions and two draws to stop the veteran-loaded Panthers. The Engineers didn't lose a match after the 130-pound class as they grabbed decisions at 137, 157, 177 and heavyweight and ties at 147 and 167.

However, the meet wasn't decided until the final bout when junior John Driscoll eked out a 1-0 win over sophomore Bob Guzik—brother of Pitt's All-American grizzer, John. It was Guzik's first match of the year. Just last week he had edged regular heavyweight Tom Hall for the starting nod.

Two of the biggest surprises of the meet were in the draws. Pitt's Captain Bob Bubbs held the East's defending 147-pound champion Dick Santoro to a 4-4 tie and Lehigh's sophomore Thad Turner battled to a 4-4 stalemate with Tom Alberts, former 167-pound NCAA titlist.

Pitt's only winners were 123-pound NCAA champ Paul Powell via a fall over Dick Schmoyer, and unbeaten sophomore Larry Lauchle at 130.

Lehigh's victories were recorded by Leon Harbold (7-0 over Sherm Moyer), Greg Ruth (5-2 over Alex Skirpan) and Ed Hamer (3-1 over Tony Vuocolo).

Just as a reminder—Lehigh beat Penn State earlier this season, 17-8.

## Golf Candidates to Meet

All candidates for the golf team will meet at 5 p.m. Monday at the ice rink beyond the Nittany Dorms.

After a "cold" day at Syracuse, the Lion gym team may have been awakened to the fact that their season finale against Pitt will be no pushover.

Without the services of injured Lee Cunningham, the Lions edged the weakest team in the Eastern Gym League by only nine points.

Although the Orange were never seriously in contention Saturday, their high point score (43) indicates that the Lions without Cunningham are going to have a harder time with Pitt than originally figured.

The Skyscraper U. squad whipped the same team by 20 points earlier this year, 57½-37½. And coach Warren Neiger's boys only losses to Army and Navy were close ones. They lost to the Cadets by 49½-46½ and to the Middies by 52-44.

Although the Lions walked over the same Middies by 67-29, they had two factors going for them in that meet: 1—they had their best day and, 2—they had a physically-able Cunningham who scored 10 points.

Cunningham has been limited to light exercises this week following a minor operation on his left hand. The laceration for an infection will definitely hinder his effectiveness on any event and particularly on the side horse where the Lions need to win.

The two events that worry coach Gene Wettstone in his drive for his record-setting ninth EIGL title are tumbling and the horse. Of the other four events, Pitt is a threat on only the flying rings.

And the Lions' top ringman, Jay Werner, has not been consistent enough on his specialty to count on a win.

But the rope climbers, who have been taken for granted, too often, will be counted on to sweep the event for the fifth time this year. They won the distinction as the best in the East by beating the Army trio in the only real competition they faced this year and should have no difficulty with the Panther trio.

With Captain Armando Vega and Lou Savadove on the high bar and Vega, Savadove and possibly Werner on the parallel bars, the Lions should have little trouble building up a lead for the ringmen.

Should the Lions lose though, they have consolation in the fact that they will only end in a tie with Army for the Eastern team crown. But defending champion Army would get to keep the trophy and that wouldn't be an acceptable consolation from any angle.

## Finn Gym Benefit Set For Farm Show Arena

Gene Wettstone, Penn State gymnastics coach, will direct an Olympic Fund benefit performance by the Finnish Men's and Women's Gymnastics team in the Pennsylvania State Farm Show Arena, Harrisburg, on Feb. 28. The gymnastics exhibition—to mark the first use of the arena's new sports facilities—is being sponsored by the Harrisburg Patriot-News.



Tom Alberts ... has record marred



Jay Werner ... to face tough ringmen

## SATURDAY'S SPORTS SCHEDULE

The sports tripleheader at Pitt's field house Saturday will start at 2 p.m. with the gymnastic meet. Wrestling will be at 7 p.m. and basketball is at 9.

Both the freshman wrestling and gym meets at Pitt have been cancelled by Pitt. The frosh will wrestle Lock Haven State Teachers in Rec Hall Saturday followed by the frosh cagers who host Ogontz Center.

## Infielders, Outfielders To Report for Meeting

All varsity baseball infielders and outfielders are asked to report at 2 p.m. today to 237 Recreation Hall.



Daily Collegian Photo by Marty Scherr

DAN GIFFORD of Beta Theta Pi took first place in the 60 yd. freestyle last night in IM swimming.

# Navy, Beta, Chi Phi Win In IM Swim Competition

Hamilton IV took three firsts and Navy had two last night in Intramural Swimming, but the Navy won, 22-19.

John Bertram gave the winners one of its firsts with a 34.8 in the 60-yard free style. The relay quartet of Sam Senior, Charles Stender, Ray Bradford and Bertram took Navy's other first with a 1:04.9 clocking.

The loser's three first place men were Henry Althouse with a 41.1 time in the 60-yard backstroke, Gary Schuck with 52.9 in the breaststroke and Don Fenstermacher with a 9.6 score in diving.

Navy won the meet on the strength of their third and fourth place finishes.

In fraternity action, Beta Theta Pi took all five firsts to whip Tau Phi Delta, 32-8. Fred Page was a double winner in the backstroke and breaststroke events. Dan Gifford in Beta House took the freestyle in 32.5.

The relay team of Don Paxton, Armando Vega, Fred Kochev and Tom Kulp splashed in first with a 1:07.5 clocking. Vega came back to win the diving with a high score of 24.2, followed by Kochev's 18.2.

Chi Phi took four firsts for an easy 28-12 win over Phi Delta, Theta. Alan Hall took the freestyle, with Ken Houck first

in the backstroke and Bob Caton winning the breaststroke.

The relay team of Hall, Houck, Caton and Gary Best brought another first to the winners.

Frank Donatelli gave the losers their only first with a 16 score in diving. He was followed by (Continued on page seven)

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