

Vega, Werner May Work All 6 Events--

Unbeaten Michigan G-Men Boast Impressive Wins

Penn State's champion Eastern gymnasts bow out at 8 tomorrow night in another battle of the undefeated. The final foe is Michigan which went through seven Big Ten matches victoriously. Their 9-0 record includes wins over both defending NCAA champion teams, Michigan State and Illinois.

The Wolverine powerhouse whipped Michigan State, 73½-38½, then two weeks ago handed the Illini one of its very rare dual meet losses, 58-54. Illinois, with Olympian Abie Grossfeld and Don Tony, came back last week to win its tenth consecutive title in the Big Ten championship tourney. The Illini are expected to give the Lions their toughest competition in the Nationals next weekend.

Therefore, the Michigan meet should give the Lions a good clue as to their chances in the Nationals.

The big names in the Big "M" lineup that have carried the team through unbeaten include Nino Marion, Jim Hayslett and Walt Dozauer — three gentlemen who gave the Lions a scare before losing last year, 51-45.



But the Wolverines have shown definite improvement this year and have come up with a sophomore who has carried a considerable amount of the scoring, Rich Montpetit.

Montpetit, who hails from Montreal, had a fifth, fourth, a pair of thirds and a second to rack up valuable team points in the win against Illinois. In most of the events he was either beaten by Grossfeld and/or Tony which should prove interesting in comparing his scores against the Lions' Armando Vega. Incidentally, Vega and Jay Werner will definitely work the first five events tomorrow and are entered in the sixth, tumbling.

Hayslett appears as their top threat in the opening event, free exercise. The two M's—Marion and Montpetit—give them good depth on free "x."

Al Stall, who hit 272 against Illinois, is tops on the side horse with backing from the M's. The M-squad then dominates the team scoring on high bar, parallels and still rings, usually teamed with Stall.

Although Michigan does not appear to have the talent to defeat a healthy Vega, they have strong depth and can win on second, third and fourth place points.

Tumbling should be the Wolverines' strongest event tomorrow. (They are Big Ten champs on the trampoline but, for obvious reasons, there will be no tramp event. The rope climb will be an exhibition and not a team event.)

Michigan's top tumblers include Jim Brown (who has hit in the high 270's) and Bill Skinner, Stall and co-captain Hayslett.

Wettstone has promised a fast and colorful meet, probably the "best of the year." And Michigan will be performing against its first crowd in four figures. They usually play before 500.

—By MATT MATHEWS

Eastern Champs Back to Defend 167, Heavyweight Mat Crown

Last of a Series
There will be plenty of collegiate mat champions entered in the 167, 177 and heavyweight divisions of this year's EIWA tournament.

Two of the titlists are back to defend the crowns they won in last year's Eastern carnival; another will be trying to regain a championship after faltering last March, and still a third will be seeking his first EIWA crown after previously winning an NCAA honor.

The first two individuals are Rutgers' captain Chuck Crosby and Cornell's co-captain Dave Dunlop. Crosby won the 167-pound EIWA title last year at Pittsburgh while Dunlop walked off with the heavyweight crown.

The other returnees are Lehigh's Ed Hamer and Pitt's Tom Alberts. Hamer copped the 157-pound Eastern crown as a sophomore two years ago and Alberts won the 167-pound national championship as a rookie in 1957.

Hamer is entered in the 177-pound bracket this time, but the other three are set in their title-winning positions. That means that Crosby and Alberts will be going in the same class—167.

Crosby, who was unbeaten in dual season with half of his wins coming on falls, will probably be seeded number one with Alberts, 6-1-3 in the regular campaign, next.

However, there are four other highly-rated men entered at 167, making this division one of the strongest of the tourney. They include Penn State's Hank Barone, Cornell's Al Marion, Lehigh's Thad Turner and Syracuse's Harry Pollak.

Crosby did not meet any of the top contenders during the regular season, but Alberts faced Barone,



Art Baker
... undefeated heavyweight

Turner and Pollak. He beat Barone, 10-2, and tied the other two—Turner, 4-4, and Pollak, 1-1.

In other matches, Barone pinned Pollak and lost on a decision to Turner, 4-1; and Marion edged Pollak, 4-3.

The top-seeded spot at 177 will probably go to Hamer, but he has plenty of competition from the likes of Penn State's George Gray, Navy's Doug Volgenau, Army's Art Bair, Harvard's Bob Foster and Yale's Hardy Will.

Hamer includes Volgenau, 5-1, Bair, 1-0, and Will, 5-4, among his dual meet victims this year. Although he is a defending champ, Dunlop will probably not

be top-seeded at heavyweight. That's because Syracuse's unbeaten sophomore sensation, Art Baker, flattened Dunlop in the regular season.

Baker also pinned another top-rated contender, Army's Bob Novogratz, and tied another in Penn State's Johnston Oberly 2-2. These four—Baker, Dunlop, Novogratz and Oberly—compose the top four of the heavyweight class with other top competition coming from Yale's Dick Sherrill, Navy's Norm St. Amand, Lehigh's Russ Triponey and Franklin and Marshall's Chuck Pfrommer.

In intradivision results, Baker decimated Pfrommer, 5-2; Oberly lost to Dunlop, 8-2, and St. Amand, 4-0; Sherrill beat Novogratz, 12-4; Dunlop stopped Sherrill, 3-2; and Triponey beat St. Amand, 3-2.

Botula 2d Ground Gainer Despite Elbow Injury

Pat Botula, Penn State's football captain-elect, was the team's No. 2 ground gainer during the 1958 season. In spite of the fact that he missed four and one-half games because of an elbow injury, the 190-pound fullback from Pittsburgh rushed for 342 yards in 82 carries for a 4.2 average. He trailed rushing leader Dave Kasperian by 39 yards.

Injured late in the first half against Pennsylvania in the Nittany Lions' second game of the campaign, Botula was sidelined as his teammates battled Army, Marquette, Boston University and Syracuse. He returned to duty against Furman on Nov. 1.

Foster Paces H-Ball; ATO Tops Bowling

Four independents won league handball titles and Alpha Tau Omega surged ahead in fraternity bowling on the busy intramural scene Wednesday night.

Bob Foster took the handball League A crown as he beat Tom Geanopulos, 21-2, 21-13. Don Taft was runner up.

Jim Bush won the League C title as he defeated Steve Calbotta, 21-8, 21-11. Bruce Blanning's 21-1, 21-12 win over Ed McDevitt gave him second.

Bob Biesterfelt gained the League E top spot with a forfeit win over Dave Morrow. Earl Wolfe finished behind him with a 21-14, 21-2 win over John Dively.

In intramural bowling action, ATO led by Mel Royer, trounced Phi Kappa Sigma, 4-0. Royer rolled a 213 game for a 581 series to lead individual honors for the night. ATO has now grabbed 20 straight points.

In other bowling action, Lambda Chi Alpha beat Alpha Phi Delta, 3-1; second place Delta Sigma Phi shut out Delta Theta Sigma, 4-0; Kappa Sigma defeated Alpha Gamma Rho, 3-1.

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