

Eastern Individual Gym Title Quests Start Friday

By JOHN MORRIS

The Nittany Lions will have a lot at stake when they travel to Temple University in Philadelphia for the Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastics individual finals this weekend.

The team championship has already been decided, but all the regular individual events plus the all-around championship will be up for grabs on Friday and Saturday.

Army clinched the EIGL team title by dropping Navy, 50-46, last week. Earlier in the year the well-balanced Cadets had stopped the Lions at West Point, 54½-41½.

The Nittanians go into the championships fresh from their 57-39 win over Pitt last Saturday in Rec Hall.

Coach Gene Wettstone will enter the big three—Jay Werner, Lee Cunningham and Greg Weiss—in the all-around championship where he expects to see the hottest competition.

The all-around events consist of the still rings, long horse vaulting, side horse, horizontal bar, parallel bars and the free exercise.

Wettstone looks for Jeff Cardinelli of Springfield and Heinz Briegel of Massachusetts to challenge the Lion stars for the title.

The meet will get under way on Friday and all the competitors will do their routines. The top eight men in each event will move into the finals on Saturday. The Friday point totals of the eight finalists will be counted toward their final scores.

All the Lion gymnasts who have competed this year will enter the meet with the exception of the tumblers. Bernie Buhl will be the only tumbler to represent the Nittanians.

Two additions have been made to the team for the meet since each team is allowed as many as five men in an event.

Ernie Lofgren will participate on the side horse and Bruce Fosnocht will join brother Bill, Vince



GENE WETTSTONE
... "easterns outlook bright"

Neuhauser and Bob Mumau in the rope climb.

"Our outlook is bright in the horizontal bar, the side horse and the parallel bars," commented Wettstone. "We have won those events in every meet this year."

The Lions will be counting heavily on Weiss, Werner and Cunningham but are hoping for good performances from fast-improving sophomores Kenny Morrow, p-bars specialist and ringman Jerry Schaefer.

St. Louis Gets Spot in NIT

NEW YORK (AP) — St. Louis University will compete in the National Invitation Basketball Tournament in Madison Square Garden, March 10-19, Ken Norton, chairman of the selection committee, said yesterday.

The Missouri five currently has an 18-6 record with two games left to play. It is the ninth club chosen for the 12-team tourney.

Thompson Named Cage Coach at The Citadel

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Mel Thompson, 29-year-old assistant coach, has been named head basketball coach at the Citadel. Thompson succeeds Norman Sloan, who resigned Saturday to become head basketball coach at the University of Florida.

Change of Plans

Despite his national prominence as a miler, observers look for Penn State's Ed Moran to aim for a half-mile berth on Uncle Sam's 1960 Olympic team.

'Fix' Report Discussed By NCAA

CINCINNATI (AP) — The ghost of the 1951 college basketball "fix" scandals returned yesterday with reports of heavy gambling activity on a recent game in the Midwest on which bookies took a beating.

However, both school officials and high college authorities said they could find no evidence of irregularities.

The case arose when officials of Xavier (Ohio) University reported receiving an anonymous telephone call from New York saying the "fix was on" for last Wednesday's game between Xavier and its rival, Dayton. Dayton won 91-82 in an upset.

Xavier officials turned the matter over to the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

In Kansas City, Walter Byers, NCAA executive director, said the matter had been discussed but added, "Other than that, I have no comment."

Jimmy Breslin, a member of the sports staff of the New York Journal American, said he had received word of the "heavy betting action" from a bookmaker in Newport, Ky., across the river from the Cincinnati Gardens where the game was played.

Redskins Lose Coach Then Sign Another

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Washington Redskins lost another assistant coach, Joe Tereshinski, to the college ranks, but added veteran Abe Gibrin from the Chicago Bears.

Gibrin, 35, ending a 10-year playing career, replaces Line Coach Ernie Hefferle, who recently became head coach at Boston College.

Indiana Star Suspended

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Herbie Lee, sparkplug guard of the Indiana University basketball team, has been suspended from school for the rest of the semester.

Lee has averaged 10.7 points a game with a 43 per cent shooting average.

Dean of Students Robert H. Shaffer said Lee was suspended because of "misconduct and violation of critical disciplinary probation."

Chi Phi, DU Win IM Swim Contests

Chi Phi ran away with Alpha Epsilon Pi and Delta Upsilon had little trouble with Sigma Nu in IM swimming meets last night.

Chi Phi won every event and took seconds in all but one in splashing to a 34-7 victory.

Buzz Bardsley won the freestyle for the Chi Phis, beating teammate Tom Clarke by a stroke in 35.5.

Joel Holden and Ken Hall finished 1-2 in the backstroke as Holden came home with a 47.6.

Chi Phi continued on its merry way in the 60-yard breaststroke when Cliff Nichols grabbed first place. Chuck Myers and Wayne Amuth finished second and third for AEPi when Chi Phi's Al Larson was disqualified.

Hall and Ken Comly outclassed the rest of the diving entrants to take the honors in that event. Hall compiled a 132 to win.

Bardsley, Larson, Clarke and Nichols combined to win the 120-yard medley relay for Chi Phi in a slow 1:14.3.

In the other meet, Delta Upsilon's team superiority was enough to overcome some strong individual performances by Sigma Nu for a 26-15 win.

Bob Fedderoff of Sigma Nu won the freestyle in 38.5 with Jeff Crunden and Jack Melchior of DU second and third, respectively.

Butch Weaver won the backstroke for DU in 49.0 and Dave

Young splashed to a 53.5 victory in the breaststroke.

Kevin Crowe racked up a 20.3 total in winning the diving for Sigma Nu. DU's Dick Hammond finished a close second with 17 points. Fritz Crombie of Sigma Nu was third.

Grunden, Melchior, Hammond and Bud Albright took the medley relay for DU in 1:08.3.

Yankees Sign Three, Mantle Holding Out

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Outfielders Roger Maris and Hector Lopez, along with first baseman Kent Hadley, signed with the New York Yankees yesterday, cutting the holdout list to five.

Maris and Lopez each got raises and both will collect about \$18,000. Hadley will earn \$9,000.

Outfielder Mickey Mantle is No. 1 on the remaining holdout list. It also includes pitcher Ryne Duren, infielders Tony Kubek, Andy Carey and rookie outfielder Kent Hunt.

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Northwestern Votes Against Bowl Contract

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Northwestern University yesterday voted against Big Ten renewal of the Rose Bowl contract, virtually killing any chance of a conference pact with the new Athletic Assn. of Western Universities.

Now five Big Ten schools will cast formal votes against the bowl contract when the conference opens a business meeting in Columbus, Ohio, tomorrow. A majority is needed for approval.

Previously, Minnesota, Ohio State, Illinois and Wisconsin individually voted against renewal of a Rose Bowl series which expired last New Year's Day.

Schools still in favor of the Pasadena football classic include Indiana, Michigan State, Iowa and Purdue.

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