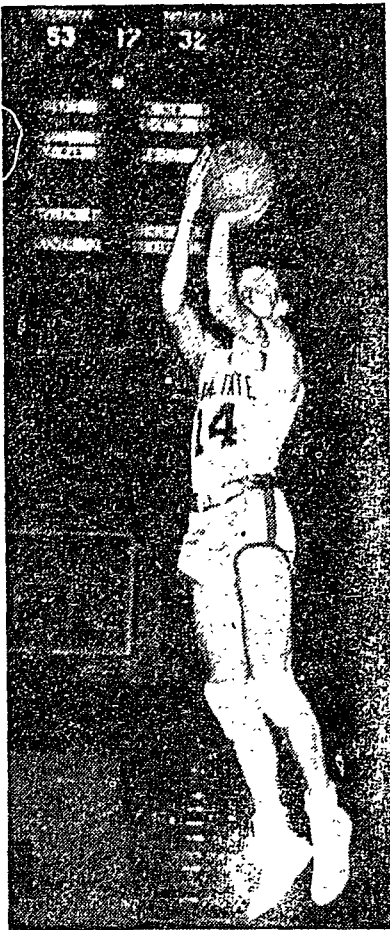
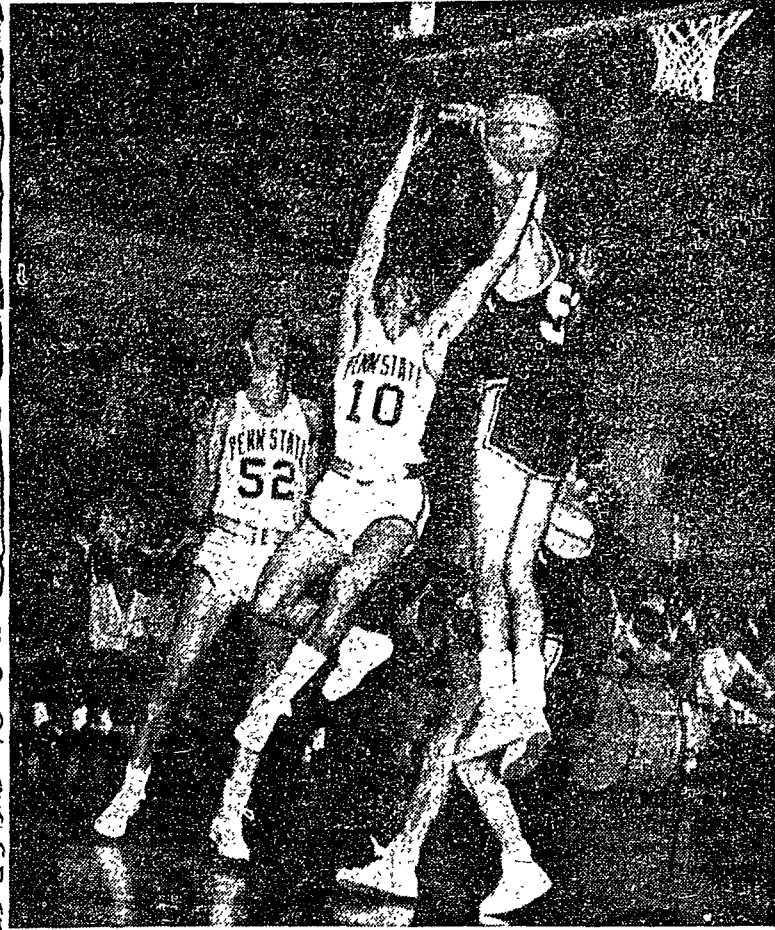


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HANGING IN AIR: State senior Bud Williams executes one of the strength and hold positions which helped him win a first place (96.5) on the still rings Saturday against the Temple gymnasts in Rec Hall. The Lions won the meet, 55-41.



SKYWARD: State sophomore Bob Weiss springs high off the floor and scores with a jump shot during the cagers' win over Bucknell. The win was the Lions' tenth against three losses.



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TWO FOR STATE: Bobby Donato drives past Bucknell star Lorry Hathaway and fires up two points for the Lions during their 90-75 win Saturday night in Rec Hall. Watching Donato is State center Terry Hoover.

Lion G-Men, Cagers Win Easily

Seward, Sforza, Williams Capture 4 First Places

By JOE GRATA

State's gymnastics squad convinced an estimated 6,000 partisan fans in Rec Hall Saturday that it has no intention of playing second fiddle for Easterns honors in individual and team competition.

Coach Gene Wettstone's performers handed the highly-ranked Temple contingent its only defeat in five meets, 55-41. Meanwhile the Nittany Lions remained unbeaten in two outings.

State entries captured first in four of six events: Tom Seward, free exercise (94.5) and parallel bars (96.5); F. P. Sforza, long horse (95.0), and Bud Williams, still rings (96.5).

"SEWARD WAS outstanding but Sforza's win in the long horse vault really sent us on our way," Wettstone remarked yesterday. "It gave us a big lift when we were a couple of points behind (from 25-23, Temple's favor, to 33-31, State's favor)."

The Lions kept their composure throughout the meet and, after intermission, surged ahead for good with scores of 10-6 (long horse), 11-5 (parallel bars), and 11-5 (still rings) in the final three events.

"There were some close decisions that could've gone our way," explained a sober coach Carl Patterson following the meet. "Only a difference of a few points

made a big difference on the high bar, the side horse and the long horse."

In an unofficial battle for individual prestige, Seward obviously defeated Owl all-around competitor Mark Cohn, a sophomore, who ended up first on the side sorse, third on the horizontal bar and sixth on the parallel bars.

"Cohn had a real bad day," Patterson said. "He improvised his routine on the side horse and still got a good score (95.5). When he learns to do this in all the events, he'll be okay."

TIM PHILLIPS, son of Navy gym coach Chet Phillips, received the only other first place distinction for the Philadelphians. Phillips performed a short but well-executed routine on the horizontal bar for a 94.5 average score.

State's Sforza, a senior letterman, gave an impressive account with his showing on the long horse. His first vault (swan from the neck) with a difficulty of 100 garnered him scores of 95-99-95-97 for an average of 96.0. On his second vault, Sforza scored a 94.0, giving him a 95.0 for the event.

Bud Williams captured his 96.5 on the still rings with a majority of strength and hold positions. Bill Jenkins, a Lion sophomore, finished third on the apparatus with a 93.5 mark.

AL PORTER, second, Ray Cherry, fourth, and Gene Harlacher, fifth, held the Nittany forte in the side horse event which Temple won, 9-7. The Owls copped the high bar with a similar score.

Penn State next battles a mediocre Navy team at Annapolis, Md., Saturday. The Midies were beaten by Temple, 59-37, earlier this season for the first time in 13 years.

The State freshman squad also won Saturday, whipping Queens College varsity, 62½ to 33½. The Lions' Ed Isabelle copped first in three events.

Weekend Results

PS	OPPONENT	
90	Basketball	75
55	Gymnastics	41
62½	Frosh-Gym	33½

State Cops 10th Victory As Hoffman Sinks 25

By DEAN BILLOCK
Sports Editor

The Penn State basketball team convinced more than just the 4,500 fans who watched them beat Bucknell Saturday night in Rec Hall that they are good enough for a post-season tournament bid. They also made a firm believer out of losing coach Gene Evans.

"They definitely have the material to compete in the NIT," Evans said in the locker room after watching the Lions claw his Bisons, 90-75. "They have a real good ball club. You just can't make mistakes against them like we did tonight. They bust out of their zone on the fast break real well."

In fact Evans admitted he was happy with the score.

"THAT WAS a 30-35 point game out there but coach Egli took it easy on us," Evans said. "They were too big for us and besides it's hard to beat a team that shoots that well."

The Bucknell coach wasn't making any excuses, but it was one of State's better nights from the field. The Lions shot 44 per cent in the first half in rolling to their tenth victory in thirteen starts and enhanced their chances for a tourney bid.

Once again it was co-captain Earl Hoffman who led the scoring parade. The second-leading major college scorer in the state hit for 25 points on a 57.9 shooting percentage before being lifted with

nine minutes still remaining in the game.

Bucknell kept the game close at 24-20 midway through the first half, but State exploded for 11 straight points and from then on it was no contest. The Nittanians moved to a 38-22 lead and went to the locker room at halftime ahead, 48-30.

STATE KEPT increasing the margin in the second half and lead, 90-60, with 3:38 left. At this point, Egli cleared his bench and the Lion's third team was unable to score as the fans cheered for the century mark.

It was State's biggest offensive show of the season and its second win over Bucknell. Earlier the Lions topped the Bisons, 88-83, in overtime at Lewisburg.

Bucknell star-Lorrie Hathaway was hobbled by a bad ankle and was held to 11 points. Besides Hoffman, sophomores Bob Weiss and Terry Hoover were next in scoring with 14 points.

Sports Briefs

Lion gymnast Tom Seward appears finally to be living up to his full potential. The Nittany captain has scored five first places in six attempts, his loss coming by one point Saturday on the horizontal bar after committing a break. He could well be the next Eastern champ and possible the National All-Around winner . . . Coach Gene Wettstone has come up with another potential star in freshman Ed Isabelle. The Nittany frosh scored three first places against Queens College varsity and appears ready for varsity competition right now . . . Basketball coach John Egli was pleased with the fan support during the Bucknell game. The cheerleaders made their first appearance and a 25-piece band kept things "jumping." . . . "See what a difference it makes," Egli beamed after the game . . . Two future cage foes took it on the chin over the weekend. West Virginia was smothered at Duke, 111-71, while Pitt dropped to Holy Cross, 77-65.

—By Dean Billock

IM Results

Basketball

Fraternity		
Conerackers	30 Theta Xi	20
Owls	42 Tau Kap Ep	36
Bad Guys	54 Kappa Sigma	25
Paris Five	40 Theta Chi	28
Hawks	23 Phi Epsilon Pi	15
Gravediggers	17 Omega Psi Phi	22
Nittany 43-44	15 hi Mu Delta	22
College Co-op	16 Alpha Epsilon Pi	13

Bowling

League E		
Washington	8 McKean	0
Larch	8 Esso Bees	0
Armstrong	4 Hemlock	4
Poplar	8 Sycamore	0
Hi-Five	4 Lyons	4
High Single—BOB KRESII, 218	6 Newman Club	2
High Series—GEORGE MECKEL, 540	0 Bucks	3
League D		
Carbon	8 Clearfield	0
Walnut	8 Lancaster	0
Lycoming	4 Lyons	4
Horks	6 Newman Club	2
Nittany 39-10	0 Bucks	3
High Single—BILL HARBAN, 216	4 Phi Kappa Alpha	4
High Series—GEORGE MECKEL, 540	6 Delta Phi	2
Fraternity		
Theta Chi	8 Phi Sigma Delta	4
Aencia	4 Sigma Chi	4
Theta Delta Chi	4 Phi Kappa Alpha	4
Phi Sigma Kappa	6 Delta Phi	2
Theta Xi	6 Triangle	2
High Single—JEFF GILLESPIE, Phi Sig	8 Kappa	2
High Series—MIKE MALINCHAK, Theta	Delta Chi, 586.	



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