

Nittany Gymnasts, Fencers Win

G-Men Prepare for Army; Cop Easy 62-34 Decision

By JOE GRATA

State's gymnasts torpedoed the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis Saturday with an easy 62-34 victory, but for the next two meets the Lions may find earning their bread and butter a little rougher.

Coach Gene Wettstone's performers now sport a record of three wins and no losses. In the next two weeks, however, the gymnasts will take on their two toughest competitors—Army and Syracuse.

Saturday Army and Syracuse fought tooth-and-nail in a battle of the unbeaten, but the Cadets ended up on the short end of a 48½-47½ score.

WETTSTONE SAID last night that a comparison of Army's scores against Syracuse with Penn State's scores against the Midshipmen indicates that the Nittany gymnasts would have won the hypothetical meet by one point.

"The only trouble is that the judging at both meets obviously was not the same," Wettstone explained. "We were hot at Navy. I think that the meet with Army (Saturday) will be decided by breaks."

In another gym meet over the weekend, Temple (victim of State last week) won its fifth battle against one defeat by downing winless Pitt, 56-40. The Panthers are State's final competitor of the dual-meet season.

So the heat's on and Wettstone admits that what scares him most are the high scores Army and Syracuse consistently record. The veteran Lion boss, in his 24th year at the helm, also noted that "our sophomores will have to come through in both of the meets."

SATURDAY'S WIN over Navy was nothing more than a tuneup for the second half of the State schedule.

Tom Seward captured firsts in the only two events he competed in—free exercise and the horizontal bar. The senior captain scored a 94.5 average in free exercise and a 95 on the horizontal bar to beat out Navy's top contender, captain Ed Hutcheson, who placed third with a 86.5.

Junior Al Porter continued to be the Nittanies' best man on the side horse with an 94.5 and first spot finish. Sophomore Pete Saponaro came through as a winner for the first time as a varsity performer with a 91, a point ahead of teammate F. P. Sforza.

On the still rings, the winner was State's Bud Williams. The senior specialist received a 95



PETE SAPONARO

... places first on long horse

from the judges to out-perform the Middies' specialist Larry Silver who was runner-up.

Meanwhile State's freshman gymnasts, paced by Ed Isabelle who had three firsts, continued unbeaten in two outings by whipping the Navy frosh, 67½-28½.

PENN STATE 62 NAVY 34
FREE EXERCISE—1. Seward (PS), 94.5; 2. Day (N), 89; 3. Culhane (PS), 88; 4. Giddens (N), 85.5; 5. Schlegel (PS), 83.
SIDE HORSE—1. Porter (PS), 94.5; 2. Harlacher (PS), 88.5; 3. Harlacher (PS), 83.5; 4. Cherry (PS), 80.5; 5. Murphy (N), 75.

LONG HORSE VAULT—1. Saponaro (PS), 91; 2. Sforza (PS), 90; 3. Burt-nett (PS), 89.5; 4. Martin (N) and Robinson (N), 86.

PARALLEL BARS—1. Bowen (N), 88.5; 2. Harlacher (PS), 86; 3. Jones (N), 78; 4. Kelly (N), 77.5; 5. Culhane (PS) and Jacobson (PS), 77.

HORIZONTAL BAR—1. Seward (PS), 95; 2. Jacobson (PS), 92.5; 3. Hutcheson (N), 86.5; 4. Culhane (PS), 85.5; 5. Tetrault (N), 84.

STILL RINGS—1. Williams (PS), 95; 2. Silver (N), 89.5; 3. Jenkins (PS), 85.5; 4. Sforza (PS), 82.5; 5. Munro (N), 80.5.

Weekend Results

PS	OPPONENT
62	Gymnastics 34
67½	Frosh Gym 28½
17	Fencing 10
70	Indoor Track 71
1411	Rifle 1424

Ohio State Edges Thinclads, 71-70, In Season Opener

By ED CARPENTER

Two-tenths of a second proved the difference between winning and losing for the Penn State indoor track team at Ohio State on Saturday.

Competing in their first meet of the season, the Lions dropped a cliff-hanger to the Buckeyes, 71-70, at Columbus. The Nittanies were leading, though, going into the final event, the mile relay. Running the relay in 3:22.2, State finished just two-tenths of a second off the pace, losing the event and the match.

Although no one realized it at the time, the meet was actually lost in the 440-yard dash. Coach John Lucas had hopes that sophomore Zen Kwozko would take a first in the event. However, prior to the event, the highly-touted sophomore developed a severe muscle spasm in his upper left leg and was unable to compete. The best the Lions could do was finish third.

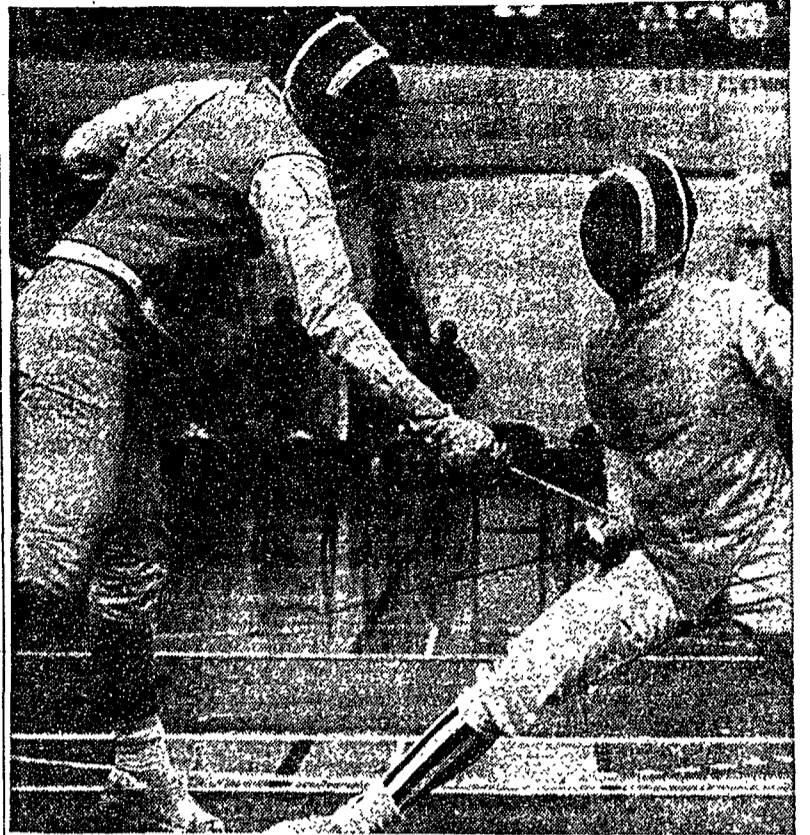
"That was where we lost the meet," Lucas said yesterday. "Kwozko was favored to win the event, and the fact that he couldn't compete cost us the meet."

The Lion mentor called the meet "fantastic" and went on to say that the team performed like champions.

The group of "champions" was headed by senior captain Bob Grantham, who competed in four events and scored in all of them. Grantham took firsts in the 70-yard high hurdles, and broad jump while placing second and third in the 60-yard dash and 70-yard low hurdles, respectively.

Lucas also singled out "peerless" Howie Deardorff. The Lion senior captured firsts in both the mile and 880. In addition he ran the last leg of the losing mile relay foursome. In that quarter-mile Deardorff almost defeated the Buckeyes' Dave Paige, the Big 10 quarter-mile champion.

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—Collegian photo by John Lott

WHEW . . . THAT'S AWFUL CLOSE: Ken Vandenburg, right, Penn State's number two foilman just misses a touch against Tom Ahern of Johns Hopkins in Saturday's fencing meet at Rec Hall. Vandenburg won this bout, 5-1, and went on to win another as State won its second straight, topping the Blue Jays, 17-10.

Lion Swordsmen Outclass Hopkins For 2nd Victory

By JOHN LOTT

The Penn State fencing team piled up an insurmountable 15-3 lead after two rounds of completion and went on to trounce Johns Hopkins, 17-10, at Rec Hall Saturday.

After the first round, during which State won seven of the nine bouts, there was never any doubt that the Lions

would walk off with their second victory in as many starts.

In order to strengthen his forces against State's powerful foil team, Hopkins coach Dick Oles switched his top epeeists, Chick Twyman and MAC epee champ Tom Ahern to the foil squad. He figured that the Blue Jays would have little trouble with the Lions' so-called "weak" epee team. But the Nittany epeeists won six bouts, while Hopkins' two transplanted foilmen could manage only a 2-4 record for the day.

STATE COACH Dick Klima summed it up simply by saying, "They gambled and lost. If Ahern and Twyman had stayed in epee, it might have been closer. But our boys fenced real well and that was the big difference."

The Nittany swordsmen certainly did fence well. No less than six of State's starters went undefeated. John Hansell, number three epeeist, led the parade by sweeping all three of his bouts, while five other swordsmen were 2-0.

The double winners were sabremen Chick Poole and Chuck Dooley, foilmen John Cooper and Ken Vandenburg and epeeist Fred Davis.

Hansell, a 6-1 sophomore, gained decisions over Wade Horsey, 5-4, Tom McNamara, 5-3, and Fred Eustis, 5-3.

POOLE AND DOOLEY, the number one and three sabremen, each allowed only one cut in a pair of bouts. After blanking Tom Koehler, 5-0, Poole, a 6-3 junior letterman, stopped Dan Davidson, 5-1.

Dooley whipped Davidson, 5-1, in his first bout, then whitewashed Sherm Teichman, 5-0. The pair of wins upped the six-foot sophomore's record to 5-0 for the two meets.

Cooper, the Lions' top man in foil, won over Bill Greenberg, 5-3, and Twyman, 5-4. Number two man Vandenburg scored 5-1 wins over Ahern and Greenberg.

Fencing in the second epee slot, Davis, another of State's fine sophomores, whipped McNamara, 5-1, and Eustis, 5-3.

JOE BUBINAK, who subbed for both Cooper and Vandenburg in the final round, looked impressive in both of his bouts. After dropping a tough 5-4 decision to Ahern, he came back to defeat Twyman, 5-4.

INTRAMURAL RESULTS

Bowling

Independent League D

Bucks	8 Lycoming	0
Berks	8 Clearfield	0
Carlisle	6 Lancaster	2
Nittany 30-40	6 Newman Club	2
Lyons 11	4 Walnut	4

Independent League E

Hemlock	8 Larch	0
The Hi-Five	8 Esso Rees	0
Armstrong	8 McKean	0
Drifters	8 Poplar	0
Sycamore	6 Washington	2

League F

Locust	6 Franklin	2
Columbia	6 Linden	2
Mifflin	6 Jordan I	2
Montgomery	6 Nittany 43-44	2
Nittany 31-32	6 Jefferson	2

Fraternity League D

Theta Chi	8 Delta Phi	0
Triangle	8 Phi Sig Delta	0
Theta Xi	8 Theta Delta Chi	0
Pi Sigma Chi	6 Phi Sig Kappa	2
Ni Kappa Alpha	6 Aeneas	2

Basketball

Zeta Beta Tau	23 Del Theta Six	21
Delta Tau Delta	37 Aeneas	27
Phi Sigma Kappa	35 Alpha Gam Rho	22

Independent

Fayette	26 Lebanon	18
Mifflin	34 Northumberland	20
Lyons I	27 Lyons II	23
Clearfield	19 Cumberland	16
Lyons III	34 Lyons IV	22
Lawrence	19 Butler	18



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