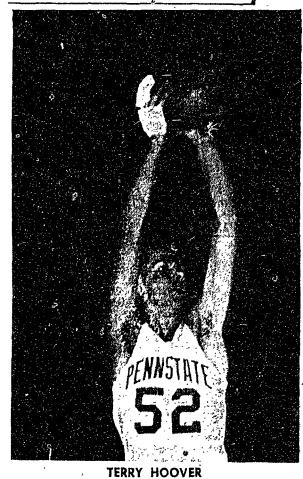
### Travel to Navy Saturday





**BOB DONATO** 

# Lions Head Down Stretch With Tournament Visions

By DEAN BILLICK

The fun is over now. The Penn State basketball team Starts playing 'em for keeps are 1. Cadets' "bandbox" gymnasium.

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Coach John Egli's cagers, sporting an 11-3 record and nursing post-season ideas, head down the home stretch with four away games and two at home. The easiest part of the schedule is behind the Lions now and the six remaining games may be the toughest any State cage team has faced.

SATURDAY THE Lions travel to Annapolis to tackle Navy and that in itself is a rough enough assignment. Winning at Navy is almost as hard as beating West Virginia at Morgantown.

Next week State is on the road

#### **IM Swimming Results**

Sigma Alpha Epsilon defeated Phi Epsilon Pi, 22-19, and Jordon I crushed Columbia, 29-11, in IM swimming last night. Hemlock won the other meet by forfeit over Nittany 29-30.

#### **COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

Army 83, Rutgers 65

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When State finally returns home, West Virginia is the opponent. Three days later the cagers visit Pitt, a team that also is harboring tourney hopes.

ALL IN ALL the next three weeks won't be any vacation.

"We'll have a pretty good idea of just how good we are after these road games," Egli said as he

State should be well rested for its invasion of Navy. The Nittanies have been idle since their 75-64 win over Carnegie Tech last Thursday. That win insured Egli's roundballers of a winning season State's second in a year. season-State's second in a row.

Navy is 7-7 this season, but has won its last three games. The Middies are led by captain Ron Terwilliger, who is averaging 14.7 Alternate center Terry Hoover points a game. Terwilliger was has scored 68 points. Terwilliger, who is averaging 14.7

pace the Lion offense. The senior Speidel said co-captain has been the top scorer Denny Slat in 10 of State's 14 games and is a Tom Balent twice before their prime candidate for All-East match at 123 pounds was decided.

Hoffman is averaging 20.8 points a game with an amazing 48.7 shooting percentage. This average has pushed him into the top 35 circle among the nation's

top 35 circle among the nation's top major college scorers.

Alpha Phi Delta 8 Phi Kappa Sigma Beta Theta Pi 8 Alpha Rho Chi Epsilon Phi 8 Alpha Chi Sophomore Bob Weiss is the Nittanies' second leading scorer.

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State should be well rested for its invasion of Navy. The Nithodowyle figures with 10 The first properties of the development of the developme the double figures with 11.9. The Lion field general has hit on 166

> Starting center Tom Malinchak has scored 75 points, while forward Ron Avillion has fired in 102 markers. Avillion is the leading rebounder with 122 grabs.

### He takes the place of Thiel, a sophomore, who has won two bouts against a loss and a tie this However, Speidel calls Piven's win "a good thing for the team." "When you have good strong competition on your own team, Speidel said "then it makes better wrestlers out of everyone. Good competition means good wrestling."

Last year he had a 3-1-1 record

wrestling at 123 pounds before a hand injury shelved him for the

Piven was ineligible the first half of the season and he also added extra weight.

He also had trouble getting by Campbell in the weekly eliminations—that is until this week. Once he conquered Campbell, he

OTHERWISE, things went as for two more tough assignments the leading scorer on last year's Speidel set up to bridge a two at Gettysburg and West Point. NIT Middle team and has taken week gap in the Lion schedule.

EARL HOFFMAN continues to out for a position in the lineup,"

Denny Slattery had to wrestle

Allegheny Blair Lackawanna

20 Lehigh 36 Montgomery 29 Bucks 30 Centre

Theta Delta Chi 40 Alpha Chi Rho 16
Phi Epsilon Pi 22 Phi Mu Delta 20
Tau Kappa Ep 30 Theta Chi 19
Kappa Sigma 24 Alpha Epsilon Pi 16
Omega Psi Phi won by forfeit over
Sigma Tau Gamma

# Piven Wins Position For Gobbler Match

Charlie Speidel's intrasquad wrestling tournament is over and out of it came a big change in the Lion lineup for Saturday's match at Blacksburg, Va., against the VPI Gobblers.

Junior Mark Piven, a letterwinner for the Lions last year, will wrestle at 137 pounds. Piven won the tournament with a pin over Dick Campbell and a decision over season-long regular Dave Thiel to gain the starting assignment.

PIVEN CAME to State heralded as a great wrestling star, but one thing or another has kept him from reaching his potential.

seemed to be over the hill. Piven beat Thiel, 7-0, and came very close to pinning him.

expected in the tournament which

## **IM Results**

Bowling

Basketball

Independent

Fraternity



MARK PIVEN

The two drew the first time, but Slattery came back to win the second time, 4-2.

Bob Haney (130) and George Edwards (147), both unbeaten in five matches, easily won their dívisions.

Art Weiss beat Chuck Beatty, 8-4, in the finals of the 157-pound bouts, but may be missing from the lineup. Weiss has come down with a cold and may be forced to miss the trip.

MARTY STRAYER, the Lions fast improving 167-pounder will be seeking his fourth win of the season against the Gobblers while Mike Gill will get the starting nod at 177 pounds. "Rolling nod at 177 pounds. "Rolling Rock" Ed Pohland will wrestle at heavyweight for the Lions.

Speidel isn't worried about

the match and the layoff.
"The layoff won't be as disasterous to us as one would think," he said, "because we aren't wrestling a strong team this week. They have some good boys but haven't faced the cali-ber of teams we have."

#### **Baseball Meeting**

Penn State baseball coach Chuck Medlar announced that all pitching and catching candidates for the varsity baseball team are to report to Room 241, Rec Hall, Monday at 5:15 p.m.

