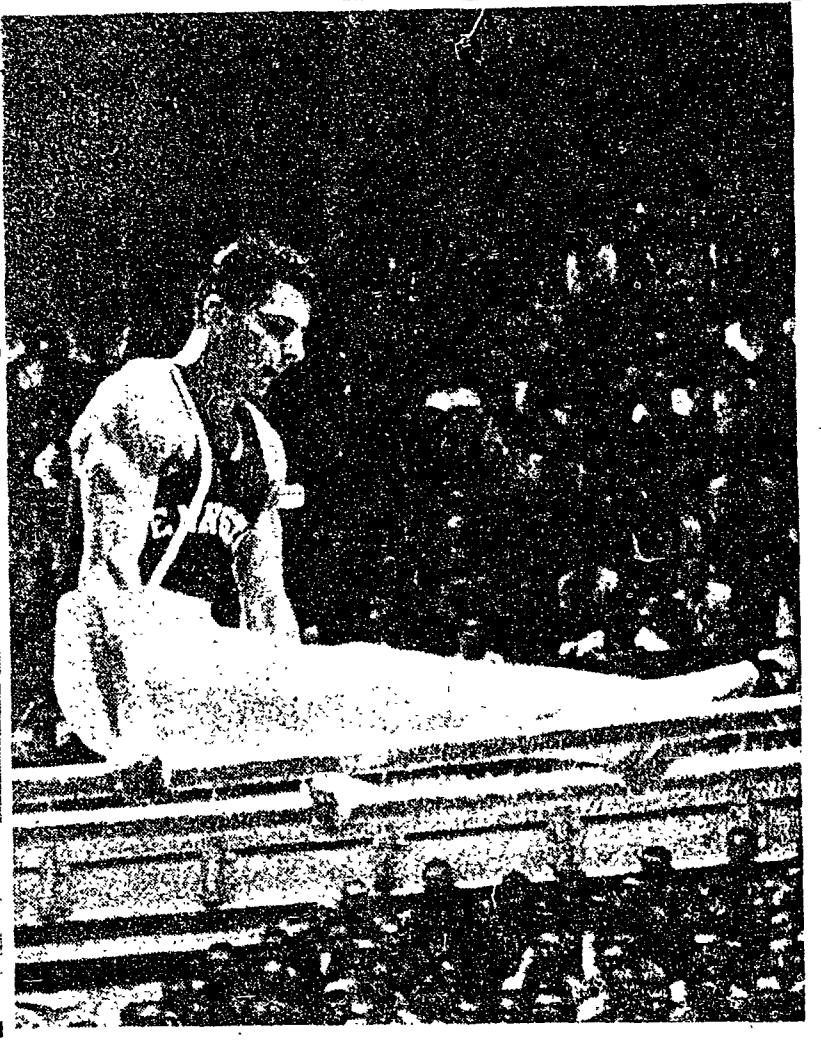




BUD WILLIAMS
... holds iron cross



TOM SEWARD
... first in free exercise



—Collegian Photos by George Vorhauer
MIKE JACOBSON
... second on parallel bars

G-Men Beat Army, 49-47

By JOE GRATA

Call it what you may—breaks, skill or downright luck—but an estimated 6,200 fans that jammed every nook and cranny in Rec Hall Saturday must admit they got their money's worth.

The Nittany Lions won a thrilling 49-47 decision over the Army gymnasts (6-2) in a suspenseful hour-and-a-half drama to retain an unblemished record for four meets.

Now the stage is set for Act Two when State goes to Syracuse Saturday to climax its battle for the Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastics League championship. The Orange have yet to be defeated in five meets.

It wasn't until the judges flashed scores for Army's Mike Gary (still rings), the final performer of the evening, that anyone knew the victor of Saturday's meet.

Coach Gene Wettstone's performers pulled ahead by 28-20 at the intermission and it looked as if the contest might turn out to be a runaway. But it looked that way only temporarily.

ARMY CAPTURED first, second and third places in long horse vaulting to win the event, 13-3, and surge ahead by a 33-31 score.

In the next event (parallel bars), Nittany captain Tom Seward (96.5) and sophomore Mike Jacobson (95.0) both performed brief but almost perfectly executed routines to gain the top two places, 10 points and the lead, 41-39.

Then came the final event, the still rings. Army's third man, Dave Kirkpatrick, scored an 87.0; teammate Ken Slutsky got an 88.5. For the Lions, F. P. Sforza scored an 84.5 and sophomore Bill Jenkins, an 87.5.

State rings specialist Bud Williams did an excellent routine of strength and hold positions but the officials awarded him only a 94.0. On Gray, the final performer, hinged the Cadets' chances. His performance looked impres-

sive, but apparently the pressure was too much and judges gave him a 93.0.

HAD GRAY WON first place on the still rings, Army would have won, 49-47; if State's Jenkins didn't hold a .5 edge over Kirkpatrick the meet would have been a tie at 48-all.

Looking best for the Lions were Williams, Seward, Al Porter, Jacobson and Jim Culhane, who had all-important fourth and fifth places.

Seward, besides his brilliant performance on the parallel bars, finished first in free exercise (94.0) and third on the horizontal bar (87.0). Jacobson, competing in free exercise and as an all-around for the first time, ended up third in free exercise (88.0), second on the parallel bars, and first on the horizontal bar (93.0) with an excellent performance.

Porter, a junior and non-letterman last year, probably rates as the hero of the meet. Competing last on the side horse, he came through with a 93.5 first place finish in the best showing ever.

THE MOST disappointing event for the Nittany gymnasts was long horse vaulting where veteran Cadets finished one-two-three.

In an afternoon freshman meet, State defeated the Plebes, 58-38.

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Weekend Results

PS	OPPONENT	PS	OPPONENT
49	Gymnastics	47	
58	Frosh Gym	38	
79	Basketball	67	
61	Frosh Cage	91	
30	Wrestling	0	
32	Indoor Track	77	
19	Frosh Track	88	
14	Fencing	13	
1434	Rifle	1380	

Trackmen Lose 2nd; Deardorff Sets Mark

By ED CARPENTER

Even though the Penn State track team was soundly defeated by the Naval Academy, 77-32, Saturday, coach John Lucas seemed optimistic.

"After you're bombed the way we were at Annapolis, you have to look on the bright side of things," Lucas said yesterday.

It seemed that the only bright spot of the long afternoon was the running of Howie Deardorff. Running the mile, the outstanding senior set a Naval Academy Field House record running the distance in 4:10. In addition Deardorff took a first in the two-mile run finishing almost 12 seconds ahead of the second place finisher. The winning time was 9:26.8.

THE LIONS only other first place was in the pole vault. State vaulter Ci Risoldi tied Middies Rich Nutt and Mike Brown at 14'. However, Risoldi won the event having made fewer misses at that height.

The frosh indoor track squad lost to the Navy plebes, 88-18, in its season opener. The lone first place was taken by Don Steinbaches. Steinbaches threw the shot 48'-3".

PENN STATE 32 NAVY 70
Hammer Throw—1. Tozour, Navy; 2. Gleason, Navy; 3. Laabs, Navy, 60 ft. 8 1/4 inches (new field house record).

Mile Run—1. Deardorff, Penn State; 2. Howard, Navy; 3. Nichols, Penn State, 4:10 (new field house record).

60-Yard High Hurdles—1. Morgan, Navy; 2. Gray, Navy; 3. Grantham, Penn State, :07.4 (new Navy and field house record).

High Jump—1. McLyman, Navy; 2. Casey, Penn State; 3. Boyd, Navy, 6 ft. 3 inches.

1,000-Yard Run 1. Bing, Navy; 2. Hirschman, Penn State; 3. Lumpman, Penn State, 2:11.2.

Pole Vault—1. Risoldi, Penn State; 2. Nutt, Navy; 3. Brown, Navy; 14 ft. (positions based on number of misses)—new Penn State indoor record.

Broad Jump—1. Thorell, Navy; 2. Grantham, Penn State; 3. Illias, Navy, 22 ft. 11 1/2 inches.

60-Yard Run—1. Green, Navy; 2. Baumruk, Navy; 3. Prout, Navy, 1:13.

Shot Put—1. Berkowitz, Navy; 2. Urbanik, Penn State; 3. Merritt, Navy, 55 ft. 10 1/4 inches.

60-Yard Dash—1. Sai, Navy; 2. Paskevich, Navy; 3. Gregg, Penn State, :06.3.

2-Mile Run—1. Deardorff, Penn State; 2. Detrick, Navy; 3. Bassett, Penn State, 9:26.

Mile Relay—1. Navy; 2. Penn State, 8:21.6.

2-Mile Relay—1. Navy; 2. Penn State, 7:58.

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