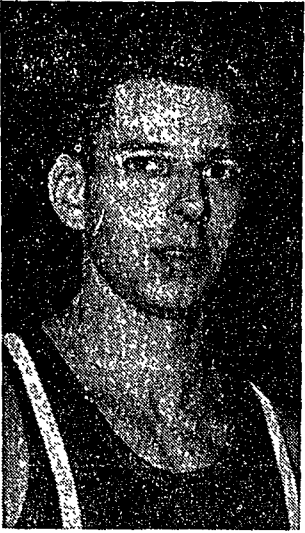


EIGL Tournament Opens Today at Temple



MIKE JACOBSON

By ED CARPENTER
PHILADELPHIA — The 1965 Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastics League season has its final flying today and tomorrow as Temple University sponsors the 38th annual EIGL championship.

The individual qualifying rounds are scheduled for 1 and 9:30 p.m. today, with the finals and the presentations of awards slated to start at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

For many of the 111 athletes representing 11 schools (Penn State, Temple, Pitt, Syracuse, Army, Navy, Massachusetts, Springfield, Ithaca, Cortland State and Southern Connecticut), it will be "wait 'til next year."

For the eight best men in each event plus the top four all-around performers, the season will continue at least through March 13 when the EIGL's best clash head on against the top men of the Southern League at the University of Virginia.

From that meet, the top six men in each event plus the three best all-arounders will be chosen and sent to Carbondale, Ill. for the NCAA tournament April 2-3. It's a long way from Philadelphia to

Carbondale, though, and many of the gymnasts performing here this weekend will have to come up with the routines of their lives if they hope to spend April in Carbondale.

The Nittany Lions, who captured the EIGL team title by virtue of their 8-0 record, are the pre-tournament favorites to walk off with many of the medals.

Coach Gene Wettstone will have three of the top all-around men in the East entered — co-captain Mike Jacobson, Ed Isabelle and Steve Cohen. A victory by any of the three will mark the 14th straight year a Lion gymnast has captured the all-around title.

The trio won't be without competition, however, with Syracuse's Allan Kevles and Springfield's Ed Cargill also slated to be entered in the event.

Wettstone, whom many experts believe has one of his strongest teams ever, should see several of his proteges make the top eight. This is how State's cream-of-the-crop stack up:

MIKE JACOBSON: The Lion co-captain will be shooting for his second straight all-around championship, and according to those

in the know, he should be the man to beat. In addition, Jacobson will be defending his parallel and high bar titles, and as in the all-around, his major competition could come from his teammates.

ED ISABELLE: This will mark the third time this season the Nittany junior will be competing in the all-around. His top performance came at Springfield where he scored a 53.95 in the six Olympic events.

Isabelle's best showing could come in the parallel and high bars, the latter being the event in which he took a fourth place in last year's Easterns.

STEVE COHEN: Coming from Philadelphia, State's outstanding sophomore will rate as one of the hometown favorites.

Praised by coaches, opponents and judges all season, Cohen might well come up with his best performance of the season and walk off with the all-around title. If he does, he could achieve something only three other Nittany gymnasts (Jean Crostest, Aramando Vega and Gregg Weiss) have done — win three Eastern all-around titles.

One of Cohen's best events is the side horse, and it is here he could meet some of

his strongest competition. In addition to Isabelle and Jacobson, Cohen will have to contend against Tom Auchtlerlonie (Springfield) and Frank Yapps (Temple). Cohen has lost to both competitors during the regular season.

JIM CULHANE: One of Wettstone's all-around men during the regular season, Culhane will compete in either four or five events because a team may enter only three all-arounders.

The Lion senior will definitely sit out the still rings event, and because of a cold, he may not compete in the free exercise. His best event probably is the high bar. Competing in last year's tournament, Culhane finished third in the event.

PETE SAPONARO: The Lion co-captain, like Jacobson, will be out to defend an Eastern title — the long horse vault. Saponaro holds the title with Syracuse's Sid Oglesby. The two deadlocked for the championship with totals of 19.35 at last year's Easterns.

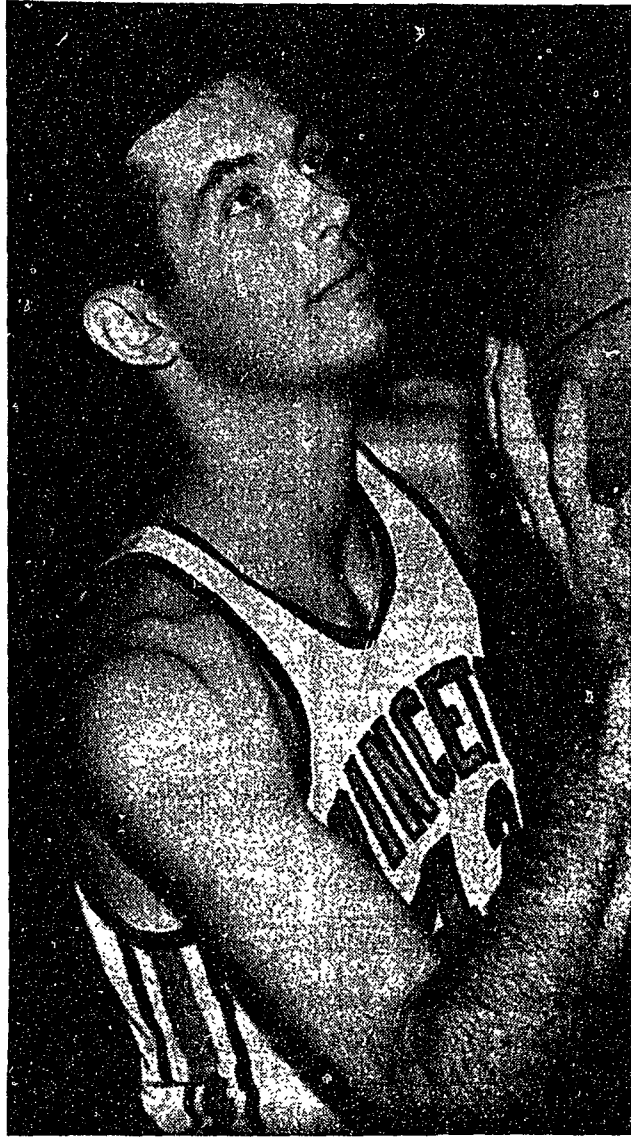
The Nittany senior also has his sights set on two other events — free exercise and trampoline. Saponaro will have trouble



PETE SAPONARO

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Defensive Test Looms for Cagers



BILL BRADLEY

By JOHN LOTT
Collegian Sports Editor

John Egli calls it "the old 2-3" but fans are likely to see variations galore on Penn State's favorite zone defense in the next three days.

The Nittany Lions, ranked 11th in the nation on team defense, have been surrendering 63.1 points per game this season. In the next two contests, however, State will test its tenacious zone against what has been a rarely for Lion opponents this year — the one-man team.

Tomorrow night in Rec Hall it'll be Rutgers, whose ace is a 6-1 sophomore hot-shot named Bob Lloyd. He's averaging 25.1 points per game, owns a deadly outside shot and ranks among the 10 best foul shooters in the country.

But when it comes to the best, you need look no further than Monday night when the Lions travel to Philadelphia for their first-round Eastern regional NCAA tournament game. State's foe will be the Ivy League champion, Princeton — whoops, Princeton — whoops, Princeton.

At most colleges, the team carries the coach off the floor after it wins a big one. When Princeton downed Cornell for the Ivy crown last week, Tiger coach Bill von Breda Kolff helped the other players heft Bradley to their shoulders.

Bradley has been named college basketball's top player each of the last two seasons. He's also a Rhodes Scholar. And when you look at the Princeton statistics, it's obvious how much Bradley means to the team.

The two-time All-America is averaging 29.5 points per game. The second-highest scorer has a 9.2 mark. Bradley had 275 rebounds going into Wednesday night's game. The No. 2 man had 143.

Lion assistant coach Joe Tucci was on hand Wednesday night in the Palestra when Princeton stopped Penn, 81-71, for its 19th win against five defeats. Discuss-

Tournament Tidbits

Penn State coach John Egli has named a 12-man traveling squad for the team's trip to the Palestra. Making the trip for the NCAA regional battle with Princeton will be co-captains Bob Weiss and Ron Avillion, Dan Carn, Paul Mickey, Joe McGovern, Jim Reed, Ray Saunders, Hank Weinstein, Rick Sonneborn, Carver Clinton, Terry Hoover and Ken Kamble. State's entourage will leave campus at 11 a.m. Sunday, work out in the Palestra from 5 to 7 p.m. and make headquarters in the Sheraton Hotel. The State-Princeton affair gets under way at 6 p.m. Monday. Radio station WMAJ will air the game starting at 5:50. State's allotment of 500 tickets was gobbled up in less than an hour last Saturday. Some students camped at Rec Hall from 11 p.m. Friday night. Princeton coach Bill von Breda Kolff already has laid claim to a scouting ticket for State's game with Rutgers in Rec Hall tomorrow night. Reports also have it that Tiger All-America Bill Bradley and several teammates will be on hand. Monday's game marks only the third time State and Princeton have faced each other. Princeton won, 22-10, in 1922. Both games evened the series with a 30-23 win in 1927. The State-Princeton series was played at Princeton. State has won its last 12 games while the Tigers have a ten-game streak going. Of Princeton's five losses, two have been by one and two by two points. St. Louis, which accepted an NIT bid last night, routed the Tigers, 90-71. Princeton, which uses a man-to-man defense, has allowed opponents an average of 66.6 points per game. The Tigers have won the Ivy League championship three straight years. Last year the Tigers beat VMI in their first-round NCAA game but later lost to Connecticut in the first round. St. Joe's will meet Joseph in the finale Monday night.

ing the patron saint of Ivy League basketball last evening, Tucci had this to say: "Bradley is a real smart ballplayer. You can tell he's constantly thinking. He's always a couple passes ahead of the play and when he gets the ball he knows what to do with it. He doesn't do anything fancy, just accurate and simple."

Bradley scored "only" 19 points against Penn, but Tucci believes it was hardly an indication of the 6-5 senior's true ability.

"He's the kind of kid who gets up for the big games," Tucci said. "You could tell they were a little like our kids after they had gotten the bid. They weren't really excited about the game."

While Bradley has carried the team all season, it must

Egli has been drilling his squad this week on various takeoffs on State's regular 2-3 zone. But if he's planning anything special for Bradley, he's not saying anything.

"They predict Bradley will shoot our zone to pieces," Egli said. "But that old 2-3 has gotten us this far, so why change now?"

"This far" just happens to be a 19-3 record, the first tournament berth in a decade and what most folks believe is the best team in Penn State history.

Looking toward tomorrow night's regular-season finale, the Lions will be gunning to match the all-time State season victory total set back in 1952 when Ed Palmer Gross cagers went 20-0.

The game will also mark the final home appearance of four seniors: starters and co-captains Bob Weiss and Ron Avillion and reserves Terry Hoover and Dan Carn.

Rutgers, now 12-11, will finish the season with only its third 500 or better team in the last 15 years, and the big reason for that uncommon success is Lloyd.

Just last week Lloyd broke the all-time school season scoring mark and Wednesday night scored 26 as Rutgers downed Lehigh, 78-62. His foul-shooting percentage is 87.2.

Five of Rutgers' 11 setbacks have come at the hands of tournament teams. Coach Bill Foster's club dropped a two-point decision to Fordham, and also lost to Manhattan, Army, Connecticut and Princeton. The Bradley-men won a 92-79 verdict.

Rutgers' wins have come over Lehigh (2), Lafayette (2), Delaware, Bucknell, Brown, Columbia, Colgate, Georgetown, Glassboro State and Gettysburg.

Rebounding might well be the key in the Palestra Monday night, according to Tucci. "I feel we can rebound against them if we work at it," he said. "If we stand around and give them two or three shots, they'll lick us. They're real good shots. It'll be a whale of a game."

19 Lions To Compete IC4A's Tomorrow

By MARTY SIMON
Nineteen Penn-State indoor trackmen leave this afternoon for New York's Madison Square Garden where they compete in tomorrow's IC4A Championships.

The squad is headed by a powerful two-mile relay squad, one of State's best middle distance runners in years and an undefeated high jumper.

The two-mile relay team, one of three relay squads entered by State, will consist of Bill Reilly, Art Morris, captain Tom Bedick and Dick Lampman.

Ed Webber, State's ace middle distance runner, was originally scheduled to run in this relay but instead will see action in the 1000-yard run because head coach John Lucas wants "to see what he can do against the best in the country."

Lucas pointed out that there are more outstanding runners in this event than any of the others.

Bill Peiffer, a "good runner all year long," according to Lucas, will also run in the 1000.

Six-six Ron Jinks, who has cleared his height in the high jump this year, is one of the Lions' top scoring possibilities.

The only other field man to compete for the Nittanies will be pole-vaulter Karl Burlin. Field coach John Doolittle is very high on the chances of both Jinks and Burlin scoring.

The two other relay squads to see championship action to-

Rifle Team Closes Season, Hosts Lafayette Tomorrow

The 1965 season closes for the Nittany Lion rifle team tomorrow when coach Rodney Washburn's squad plays host to the Leopards of Lafayette in a 2 p.m. match on the Rec Hall range.

The Lions have a 6-3 record going into the finale. Although the sharpshooters haven't fulfilled Washburn's hope to defeat one of the East's "Big Three," Army, Navy and West Virginia, the season will still be considered a success by the coach if his shooters defeat the visitors tomorrow.

Last week Washburn said that "the team should finish up with a 7-3 record. I don't think that we will have any trouble with Lafayette."

The Leopards are not known for their athletic prowess, but the small college in Easton always manages to come up with

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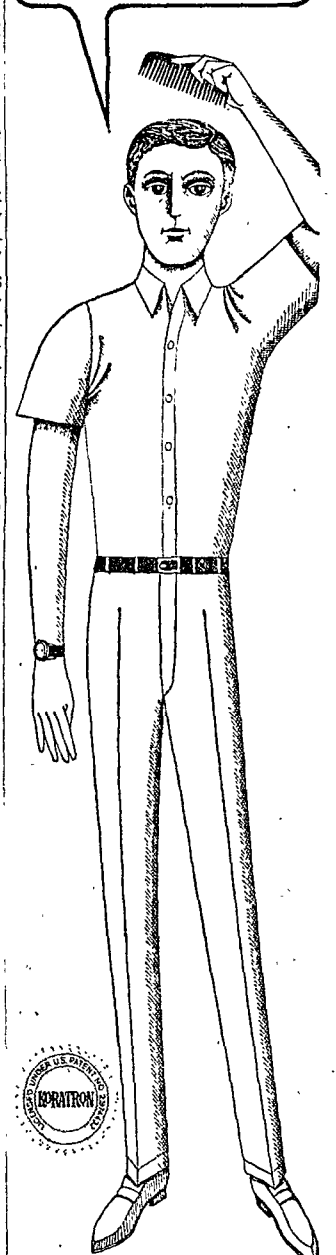
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