

# Floor collapses during Valentine's party, 65 injured

By The Associated Press

LONDON — The floor of a second-story apartment collapsed from the weight of hundreds of dancers at a St. Valentine's Day party early yesterday, sending them crashing 10 feet into a shop below. Police reported 65 people were injured.

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—London police officer

apartment was too crowded. One victim, 17-year-old Gina Randall, was unconscious and on a life support machine with critical head injuries, hospital officials said. Most of the injured were treated and released, but police reported seven other people remained in hospitals last night, including one man with a broken leg.

The dancers were in two rooms of the apartment owned by Turkish-born Shefkat Djemal, 38, who was among those hospitalized. In an interview with the Times of London,

Djemal's 18-year-old daughter Fatima said she gave the party. "I was pouring out some drinks downstairs when suddenly there was panicking and screaming everywhere," she said. "I couldn't see anything for dust. I couldn't open the door at the back and the only thing to do was smash the window." Passersby and neighbors rushed to help. A police officer said later, "There were so many of them acting hysterically that they got in the way of the trained rescuers and the ambulancemen."

The floor of the apartment in Flashed Grove, East Ham, in London's East End, was creaking before it collapsed, according to an unidentified girl quoted by Press Association, the domestic news agency. She said a soul-music record was playing and "We told them to quiet down when we heard the creaking. They stopped and started again. Then everything went. I could feel people beneath me trying to get out."

A spokesman for the London Fire Brigade said half of the apartment floor collapsed.

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## Rosenberger sparks Lions to 2 EWL victories

By RON LEONARDI Collegian Sports Writer

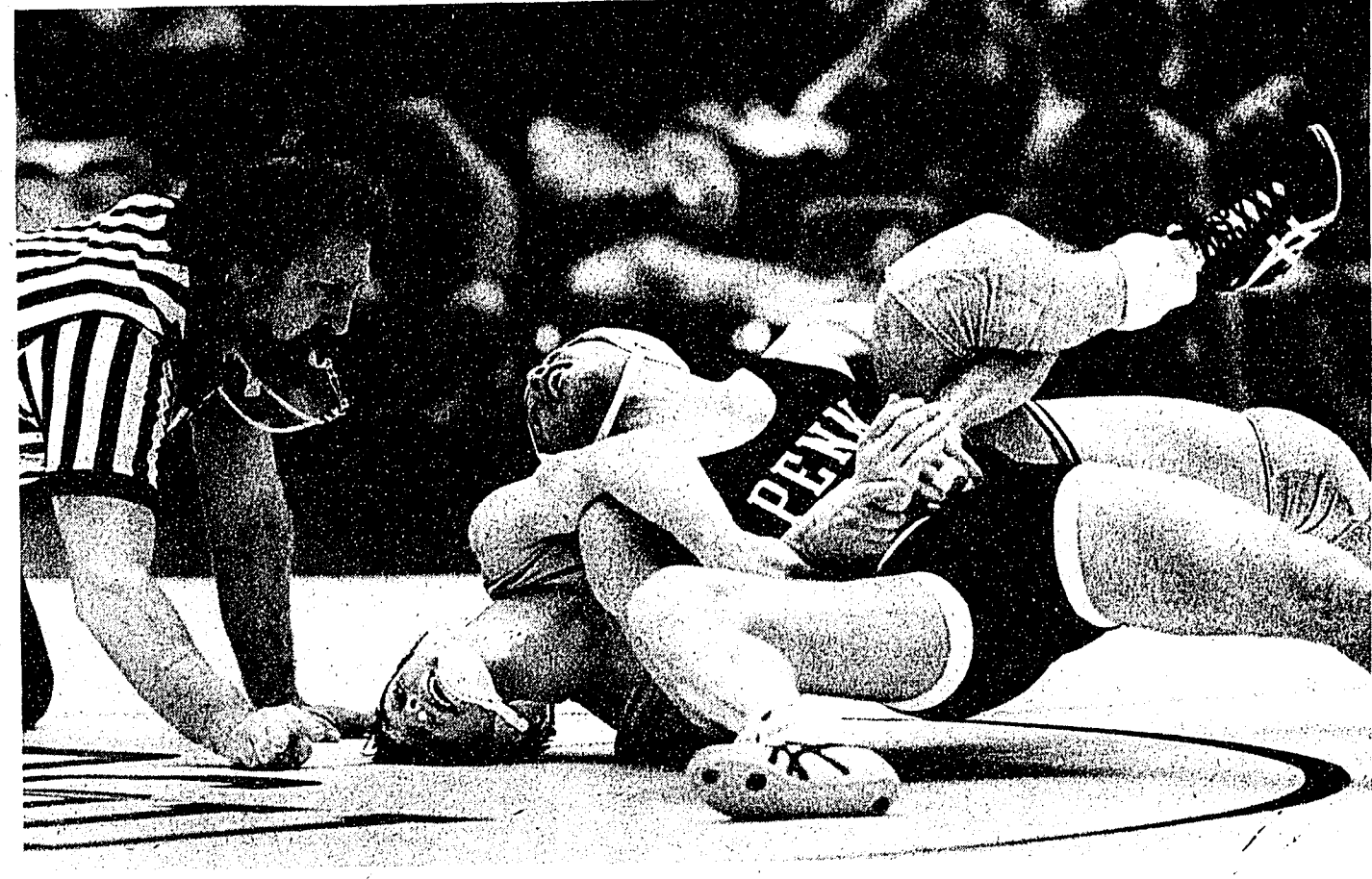
Because of his love for wrestling and his teammates, Jeff Rosenberger has stuck around and weathered two knee operations, a wrist operation, scores of nagging injuries and five disappointing, pain-plagued years. But yesterday, one could tell by the expression on Rosenberger's face following the Lions' match with West Virginia that his decision to continue wrestling was well worth his constant five-year battle with bad luck.

With the two wins, Penn State ran its season record to 14-2, setting a team record for most wins in a season, and increased its EWL chart to a perfect 5-0, strengthening its first-place hold. The Lions have now won 20 consecutive EWL meets and 13 straight dual meets at Rec Hall.

Along the way, Penn State's 118-pound captain Carl DeStefanis continued his own assault on the Penn State wrestling record books as he recorded career victories No. 103 and 104 to pull within one of the 105 career victories set by former Lion 167-pounder John Hanrahan (1978-82).

DeStefanis, who topped his seasonal mark to 29-1, got the Lions rolling to a 6-0 lead on Saturday when he pinned Pitt's Hal Bolin in 2:30. He duplicated his performance yesterday, leading 10-1, he executed a roll-through and cradle against West Virginia's Jeff Eswein for the fall at 4:16.

With EWL championships looming in two weeks and nationals scheduled two weeks later, Lorenzo started his squad on two-day practices last week. DeStefanis said the extra drilling paid off this weekend and the Lions will reap rewards later as Penn State gears for nationals.



Lion Scott Webster works for a pin against West Virginia's Dan Rowell during their 126-pound match yesterday at Rec Hall. The No. 4 men's wrestling team crushed the Mountaineers 34-9 after beating Pitt 29-10 on Saturday at Rec Hall.

## Gymmen crush Illinois-Chicago

By JEFF SAUKAITIS Collegian Sports Writer

With several key performers nursing injuries, the men's gymnastics team had to face Illinois-Chicago Saturday night at Rec Hall using a lineup which included five freshmen.

Not all the faces were the same, but the Lions (5-1) still turned in an adequate performance as they rolled to a easy victory, 277.10-229.30.

Illinois-Chicago (8-3) was out-clasped from beginning to end and lost every event by a wide margin. Since they suffered injuries on their current road trip — including one to top all-arounder Ross Maxwell — and only had a nine-man traveling squad, they entered the meet with a handicap. Illinois-Chicago was only able to use four competitors on floor exercise and high bar, and three men on parallel bars.

Though it was never a contest, the meet still featured some fine individual performances by Penn State gymnasts. Freshman Mike Dailey, a product of State College High, scored a 9.5 and 9.2 in floor exercise and vault, respectively. His efforts were especially impressive because they were his first in regular season collegiate action.

Dailey had a mixed reaction to his Penn State debut but he was thrilled with the opportunity to gain experience. He now has his sights set on polishing his routines for future competition.

"Before I got here (Saturday night) I was nervous," Dailey said. "But once I got out there I felt pretty comfortable. My vault needs work. It was a newer vault for me and I wasn't really happy with that."

Other freshmen who more than carried their weight in several routines for Penn State Saturday were Ian Shelley, Tony Griffiths, Mike Maxwell and Chris Laux. Shelley's performance included a 9.6 vault and a 9.55 in the somersault. Griffiths was also solid in pommel horse, registering a 9.6. Maxwell completed a 53-45 all-around, despite some problems on floor exercise and rings. Laux managed a sturdy 9.45 in rings.

## Carrutherses earn 1st U.S. medal

By D. BYRON YAKE AP Sports Editor

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — The brother and sister team of Kitty and Peter Carruthers ended the medals famine for the United States at the Winter Olympics yesterday, taking the silver in pairs figure skating with a near flawless performance.

The couple skated the 4½-minute freestyle program masterfully and were beaten out only by Soviets Elena Valova and Oleg Vasilenko, who received one 5.9, six 5.8s, and 5.7s.

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Not only to be outdone, the strong contingent of Lion veterans came up with fine efforts to contribute to the onslaught.

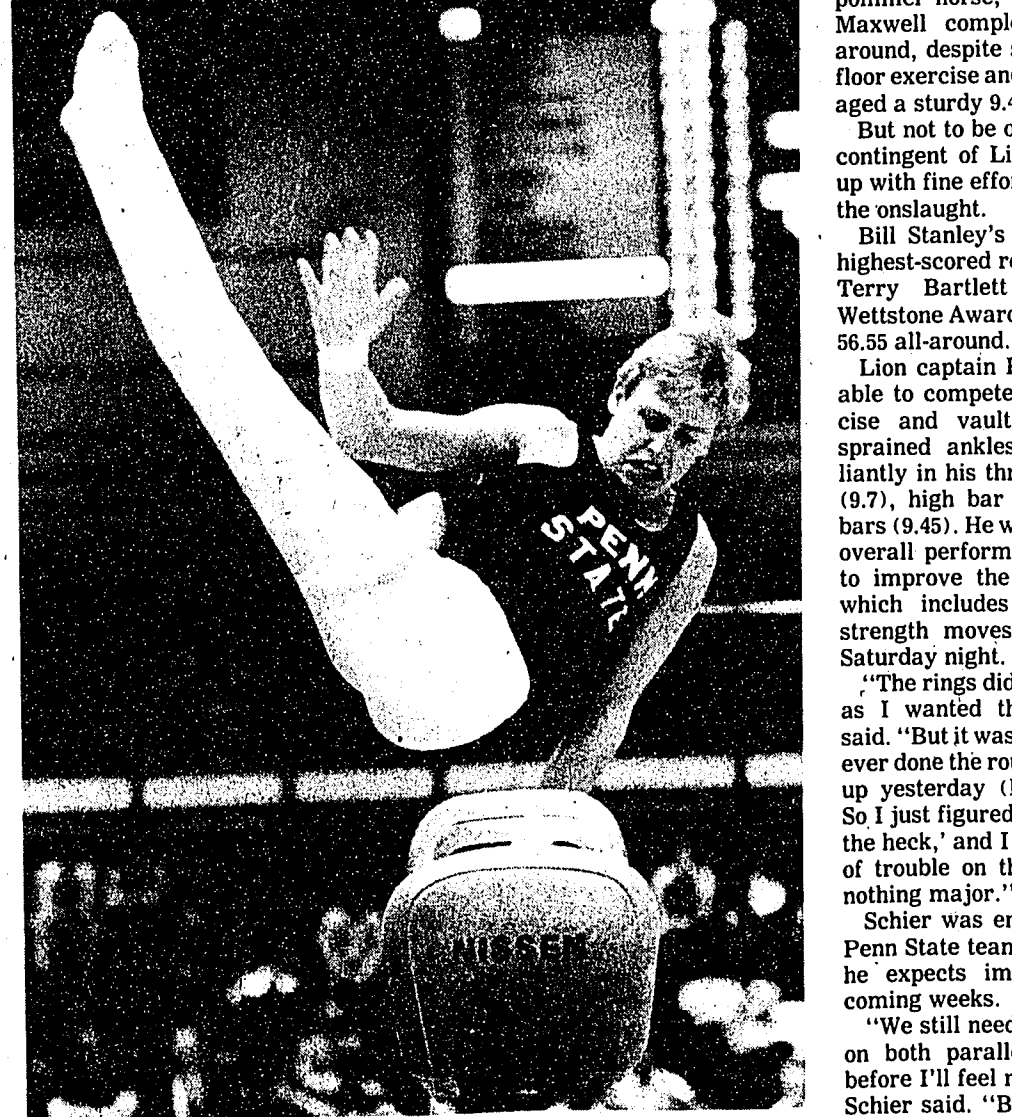
Bill Stanley's 8.8 vault was the highest-scoring routine of the night. Terry Bartlett won the Gene Wettstone Award on the basis of his 56.55 all-around.



The Carrutherses, both adopted when they were 3 months old, received one score of 5.9 from the Canadian judge, but a 5.5 from a Japanese judge. They also got one 5.8 and six 5.7s.

"I'm in shock. I've never been happier in my whole life," Kitty said. "I knew right before the start. I looked at Pete. It was going to be magic."

They were few detectable problems in their presentation while the gold medalists had one detectable flaw, a slip by Valova on a double axle.



Lion Ian Shelley competes on the horse during the men's gymnastics team's meet with Illinois-Chicago on Saturday night at Rec Hall. Penn State won easily, 277.1-229.3.

While the Carrutherses snapped the U.S. medal jinx, the East Germans added to their Games-leading total with two golds, in 70-meter ski jumping and women's luge. The men's downhill race again was postponed by bad weather and an Italian policeman won his country's first gold medal, in luge.

The British ice dance team of Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean achieved more perfection and Saturday, reeled off wins in the first eight classes before losing the 196-pound and heavyweight bouts.

Penn State's John Place was forced to default his 190-pound bout against Mountaineer Wilbur Wolf at 5:37 yesterday when he reaggrieved a pinched nerve in his neck. Place, who suffered the injury on Saturday, trailed Wolf 7-3 at the time of the default.