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PENN STATE led the field into today's finals of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's 11th annual gymnastics championships in Archbold Gymnasium.

The Nittany Lions placed 14 men in the finals following yesterday's preliminary action. Final events-got-under-way-at 1:30 P.M.

Highlighting yesterday's action was. Don Perry's world record breaking performance in the 20foot rope climb. Perry, representing U.C.L.A., set a new mark of three seconds bettering his own record by a tenth of a second.

ANOTHER STANDOUT WAS Penn State's Jean Cronstedt, who cantured the all-around crown with a bulging 1,375 points

Jim "Corky" Sebbo, Syracuse University's tumbling ace, moved into today's final round and was listed among the favorites. Sebbo picked up two more points than Bob Sullivan of Illinois, the defending champion, during the preliminaries.

Other Syracuse qualifiers included John Barkal, free exercise and side horse; Andy Felice, rope climb; Ferdy Fournies, side horse; Marlin Trynka, horizontal and parallel bars and Dan Traficante, side horse.

All around championship: Won by Jean Cronstedt (Penn State) 1275 points; 2. Carl Rists (Michigan State) 1266; 3. Ken Bart-lett (Minnesota) 1212; 4. Frank Bare (Illi-nois) 1210; 5. Karl Schwenzigler (Penn State) 1193; 6. Gil Brinkmeyst (Illinois) 1165; 7. Manny Procopie (Penn State) 1158; 8. Don Holder (Florida State) 1156; 9. John ir Barkal (Syracuse) 1135; 10. Pat Signotelli (Miorida State) 1095. All around championship: Won by Jean ir. Barkal (Syracuse) 1135; 10. Pat. Signotelli (Morida State) 1095.
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f. Fise Exercise Qualifiers: Jean Gronsledi: (Penn State) 271; Don Faber (UCLA) 268; Bob Toliver-(USC) 264; Bob Sullivan (Illi-nois) 261; Manny Procopio (Penn State) 268; Den Rosenstock (UCLA)- 243; John Barkal (Syracuse) 240; Karl Schwenzfeier (Pann State) 237; Pat Signorelli (Morida State) 235; Gill Brinkmeyer (Illinois) 233.
Rope Climb Qualifiers; Don Perry., Bob Hammond, Paul Paley (UCLA); Bill Renner. John Ballantyne (Army); Dave Shultz, Bob Hammond, Paul Paley (UCLA); Bill Renner. John Ballantyne (Army); Dave Shultz, Bob Boudreau (Penn State); Andy Felice, Ferd Fournies (Syracuse); Bob Pendelton (USC). Perry's Time-30 second (a. NCAA and world's record for 20-foot climb) Side Horse Qualifiers: Carlion Rinty Michigan State) 275; Bob Lawrence (Penn State) 275; John Barkal (Syracuse) 264; Frank Bare (Illinois) 262; John Zachry (California) 255; Jim Sibley (Army), 255; Dan Traficante (Syracuse) 251°; Fred Fournies State) 238; Joe Regna (Florida State) 233. Horizontal Bar Qualifiers - Hat Jamie Bartlett (Minnesqta) 253; Cariton Rintz (Michigan State) 273; Cariton Rintz (Michigan State) 267; Ken Bartlett (Minnesqta) 253; Don Holder and Carmine Regna (Florida State) 255; Milan Trnka (Syfacuse) and Mark Linnes (USC) 252; John Barkal (Syfacuse) 250; Frank Rare (Illinois) 247 252: John Barkal (Syracuse) 250: Frank Bare (Illinois) 247 Trampoline: Qualifiers Bob Harlett (Iowr) 267: John Walker (Michiran State) 260: James Norman (Iiwr) 255: Dick Treland (Florida State) 247: Jeffe Austin (Ellinois) 246: Jim Fidiran (Florida State) 241: Bob Sullivan (Illinois) 251; Verne Evans (Min-nesota) 229: Bob Kenyon (Penn State) 217; I Frank Bare (Illinois) 165. -Parallel Bars Qualifiers Jean Cronstedt J (Penn State) 282; Al Wick (Penn State) 270; F Karl Schwenzfeler (Penn State) 264: Julius F Rosenblatt (USC) and Frank Bare (Illinois) 18 261; Ken Bartlett (Minnesotr) 260; Colvin S (Army) 258; Tom Gardner (Illinois) 253; Milan Trnka (Syracuse) and Don Holder (Fiorida State) 250; 1 Milan Trnks (Svracuse) and Don Holder (Florida State) 250: Flying Rings Qualifiers — Mel Robin (UCLA) 266: Feid Fairnies (Svracuse) 265; Jim Hazen (Penn State) and Bernie West-fall (Iowa) 264: Bardt Demand (Army) 263; Karl Schwenzfeler (Penn State) 262: Ed Shuman (Navy) 260; Ken Bartlett (Min-nesota) 257; Joe Regna (Florida State) 256; Carl Rintz (Michigan State) 260; Tumbling Qualifiers—James Schoo (Syra-Ed 5 Carl Rintz (Michigan Nortes, 200, Tumbling Qualifiers-James Sebbo (Svra-cuse) 280; Bob Sullivan (Illinois) 278; Fred -(Ilfinois) 253; George Hass (Army) 229; Graf (Navy) 26?; Don Perry (OhS, State) S 259; Robert Hazlett (Iowa) 258; Jeff Austin Robert Kenyou (Penn State) 228; James P Charles (Army) 219; John Walker (Michigan Co State) 218; Å State) 218. · 1.00

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IN A MASTERFUL display of skill, coordination and muscle control, the fastest field in the history of American gymnasties completed a highly auccessful two-day NCAA tournament in Archoold Gymnasium yesterday afternoon much to the delight of an overflow . crowd of enthralled spectators. as the following highlights were recorded: 1. Don Perry of U.C.L.A. for the second straight day, cracked the world's record for the 20-foot ropéja climb. 2. Penn State spread-eagled the "field to capture the team [champlonship, deposing Florida State. 3. James "Corky" Sebbo of Syracuse, darling of the enthusiactic audience, nosed out the defending champion, Bob Sullivan of Tilledia to goin the groun in the tumbling event. PERRY, a 22-year-old funlar from Venice, Calif., the mational A.A.U. champ, but competing in his first National Collegiate tournament, swept-up the rope on his accond try with masterial precision and hit the black pan in 2.9 seconds, shaving one-teach off the standard he established Friday afternoon. He whipped up the rope in three seconds flat on his lifet "trip yesterday, equaling the standard set during Friday's qualifying trials. Then, as the spectators held their breath, they C "awaited the measurement, afteric his second try, so that it could be: officially sanctioned. t_n

The judges all concurred after the measurements that the climb was an official one. Perry's flight yesterday was a half-second faster than the previous NCAA standard.

The Nittany Lions, under the masterful coaching of Gene Wettstone, former Olympian and pilot of the 1948 team (the last time) that State captured the NCAA title), scored 91% points in the team chase, with Illinois chalking up 68, and Syracuse surprisingly coming in third with 51. The other team scoring showed UCLA, 485; Florida State, 435; Minnesota, 40; Michigan State, 38; Army, 313/2; Jowa, 29; USC, 28; Navy, 23; Ohio State, 7; California, 4, The others in the 18-team field failed! to score.

STATE HAD depth and balance plus another individual hero of the tournament in Finnish-born Jean the only two-event Cronstedt, winner on the program. Cronstedt, crowned champion in the allaround division. late Friday even--jag, made the day's individual high score in capturing first-place honors in the parallel bar event. But other Nittany Lions were prominent, 100; as Manny Procopio, Karl Schwenzfeier and Jim Hazen vaulted the Pennsylvanians to the Cherished trophy, ²

Sebbo, defeated by Sullivan at Boulder, Colo., by only a slim point-last year in this same championship, thrilled the audience as he zoomed down the mat four times to ring up 283 mints, two more than Sully was able to score in the final event of the day. It was Corky's two and a half twister on his third trip, the only tumbler able to accomplish this feat, which enabled him to annex the honor rose to the top of the victory platform as they took honors in the living rings and the side horse events.

The summaries:

Tres Exercise: Bob Sullivan (Illinois), 275: 7, Don

C.) 273; 4. Karl Schweinsfeier (Penn State). 264; 5. Jean Cremstedt (Penn State). 252; 6. Don Rosensteck (U.C.L.A.). 230; 7. John Barkal (Syracuse). 237; 3. tie between Man-ny Procopies (Penn State) and Pat Signo-relli (Plorida State). 228; 10. Gilbrinkmeyer (Tilinade) 25 (Illinois), 55

Trampoline:

1, Bob Hazlett (Iowa), 275; 2, Jim Norman (Iowa), 272; 3, Verne Evans (Minnesota), 263; 4. Jeff Austin (Illinois), 263; 5, John 208; 4. Jen Austin (Innois), 383, 5, John Walker (Michigan State), 257; 6, Dick Ire-land (Florida State), 256; 7, Bob Sullivan (Illinois), 238; 8, Jim Fadigan (Florida State), 224; 9, Frank Bare (Illinois), 178; 10, Bob Kenyon (Fenn State), 20.

Rope Climb:

1. Don Perry (U.C.L.A.), 2.9 seconds (a new N.C.A.A. and world's record; former mark of 3 second established by Perry on March 27, 1953, at Syracuse, N. Y.); 2. Bob Hasmmond (U.C.L.A.), 3.3; 3. Bob Pendleton (U.S.C.), 3.5; 4. Paul Paley (U.C.L.A.), 3.6; 5. tie between Ferd Fournies (Syracuse) and Loop Mathematical Contents (Syracuse) and John Ballantyne (Army), 3.8; 7. tie petween Andy Felice (Syracuse) and Dave. Shultz (Penn State), 3.9; 9, Bill Renner (Army), 4.2; 10, Bob Boudreau (Penn State), 4.3.

Side Horse:

1: Cariton Rintz (Michigan State), 285: 2. Frank Bare (Illinois), 271: 3: John Bar-kal (Syracuse), 270: 4. Jim Sibley (Army), 258: 5. Dan Raficante (Syracuse), 255: 6. Bob Lawrence (Penn State), 250: 7. John Zachry (California), 244: 8. Pat Signorelli, (Florida State), 243: 9. Joe Regna (Florida State), 240; 10, Ferd Fournies (Syra-cuse), 30. y Yng

Merizonial Bar:

1, Hal Lewis (Navy). 286; 2. Jean Cron-stedt (Penn State). 276; 3. Carlton Hintz (Michigan State). 269; 4. Mark Linnes (U. S.G.). 264; 5. Don Holder (Florida State). 257; 6. Ken Bartlett (Minnesota). 240; 7. Carmine Regna. (Florida State). 231; 8. Frank Bare (Illinois). 229; 8. Milan Trnka (Syracuse). 296; 10, John Barkal (Syra-cuse). 65. cuse), 65.

Parallel Barst

1. Jean Gronstedt (Penn State), 288; 2. Ray Colvin (Army), 273; 3. Ken Bartlett (Minnesota), 271; 4. Karl Schwenzfeier (Penn State), 269; 5. Frank Bare (Illinois), 257; Jules Rosenbalatt (U.S.C.), 249; 7; Don Holder (Porida State), 246; 8. Al Wick (Penn State), 240; 9. Tom Gardner (Illinois), 232; 10. Milan Trnks (Syracuse), 237;

Flying Kings: 1. Ken Bartlett (Minnesota), 273; 2. Joe Resna (Florida State), 264; 3. tie between Mel Robin (U.C.L.A.) and Jim Hazen (Penn State), 258; 5. Karl Schwenzseier (Penn State), 247; 6. Ferd Fournies (Syracuse), 245; 7. Ed Shuman (Navy), 240; 8. Bernie Westfall (Iowa), 237; 9. Carlton Rintz (Michigan State), 232; 10. Ehardt Demand (Army), 156 (Army), 156.

Tumbling:

1. Jim Sebbo (Syracuse), 233; 2. Bob Sul-livan (Illinois), 281; 3. Fred Graf. (Navy), 261; 4. Don Perry (Ohio State), 253; 5. Bob Hazlett. (Iowa). 248; 6, Jeff Austin (Illinois). 244; 7, George Haas (Army). 234; 8, Jack Charles (Army). 219; 9, John Walker (Michi-san:State). 13. There was no tenth. . 5. Bob