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Cronstedt Wins All-Around Again; Browning Leads Tumbling Rivals

By GORDON COHN

Illinois' gymnastics team captain, senior Frank Bare, fell off the horizontal bar in Friday's NCAA preliminary session and suffered a dislocated elbow which will keep him out of action for the rest of the meet.

The loss of Bare makes it a virtual impossibility for Illinois to win the crown it was so heavily aiming at and without its No. 1 point-getter it will have a tough time finishing second, the spot picked for it by Coach Charlie Pond.

While Bare's injury crippled the squad immeasurably, a new Illini gymnast was "born." Tom Gardner, as if incensed by his teammate's injury, performed greater than ever before, winding up third in the already decided all-around event.

Cronstedt Repeats

Jean Cronstedt of Penn State, last year's all-around champion, repeated this year, scoring 1,557 points to runner-up Don Holder's (Florida State) 1,542. Gardner was third with 1,499 points.

Dick Browning, Illinois' No. 1 tumbler, scored the highest in the tumbling qualifying session, registering a 275. Browning appears to have the NCAA title in his grasp, since last year's champion Corky Sebbo, suffered an injured foot and was unable to qualify.

As far as score thus far, Penn State leads the field with 20 points, followed by Florida State with 17, Illinois with 8, MSC with 6, Michigan with 3 and Syracuse with 2.

The representatives from Penn State also lead in the number of men placed in the finals with 13. Illinois trails closely behind with 11, followed by Florida State and UCLA with 9, MSC with 6, Syracuse with 5, Michigan, Minnesota and USC with 4, Temple, OSU and Iowa with 3.

Others Place, Too

Nebraska and Chicago, as well as Los Angeles State placed two men in the finals and the University of California and West Virginia each placed one man in the finals, to be held at 7:30 p. m. today in Huff Gym.

Don Perry, UCLA's great ropeclimber, qualified in his event with a "leisurely" 2.9 seconds. Illini Eric Stattin was seventh with 4.1.

To illustrate the intensity with which Gardner took over where his teammate Bare left off: Tom tied for 10th in the free ex, was seventh in the side horse, ninth in the horizontal bar, sixth in the still rings, and third in the parallel bars. (He is Big Ten champion in the last named.)

Following are the men who qualified Friday and who will appear in the NCAA finals:

Free Exercise: Cronstedt (Penn State State, 277; Toliver, USC, 271; Roy, LA State, 261; Faber, UCLA, 259; Schwenzfeier, Penn State, 256; Austin, Ill., and Rosenstock, UCLA, 255; Miles, Florida State, 246; Trn-ka, Syracuse, 236; and Gardner, Ill., Gilman, UCLA, and Eklin, Minn., 235.

Rope-Climb: Perry, UCLA, 2.9; Hammond, UCLA, 3.5; Scholl, Tem-

ple, and Smith, UCLA, 3.7; Fournies, Syracuse, 3.9; Hagg, Penn State, 4.0; Stattin, Ill., 4.1; Baffa, Penn State, 4.2; Glucky, W.Va., 4.6; and Goodale, California, 4.9.

Sidehorse: Lawrence, Penn State, 280; Wick, Penn State, 265; Rintz, MSC, and Holder, Florida State, 259; Diamond, UCLA, 255; Fournies, Syracuse, 237; Gardner, Ill., 235, Signorelli, Florida State, 231; Day, Minn., and Coco, Temple, 228.

Horizontal Bar: Cronstedt, Penn. State, 283; Goodale, Cal., 276; Jengo, Temple, 173; Trnka, Syracuse, 263; Linnes, USC, 261, Holder, Florida State, 256; Jackson, Minn., 254; Rintz, MSC, 253; Gardner, Ill., 252; and Krumbholz, Michi., and Procopio, Penn. State, 248.

Trampoline: Hazlett, Ia., 253; Fadigan, Florida State, 244; Norman, Ia., 241; Austin, Ill., 240; Hodge, Neb., 231; Perry, OSU, 230; Ireland, Florida State, 228; Henning, OSU, 219; Browning, Ill., 217; and Graham, Chgo., 210.

Parallel Bars: Cronstedt, Penn State, 283; Wick, Penn. State, 274; Gardner, Ill., 266; Schwenzfeier, Penn. State, and Holder, Florida State, 263; Signorelli, Florida State, 258; Krumbholz, Mich., 245; Rintz, MSC, 239; Diamond, UCLA, 238; and Spiese, Penn. State, 235.

Swinging Rings: Wickler, USC, 278; Robin, UCLA, 269, Procopio, Penn. State, 266; Schwenzfeier, Penn. State, 265; Baffa, Penn. State, 254; Fournies, Syracuse, and Rintz, MSC, 252; Cook, MSC, 250, Miles, Florida State, 242; and Gardner, Ill., 218.

Tumbling: Browning, Ill., 275; Hazlett, Ia., 269; Roy, L.A. State, 245; Perry, OISU, 242; Austin, Ill., 241; Coahran, USC, 237; Lirot, Ill., 222; Kennedy, Neb., and Weston, Florida State, 214; Eklin, Minn., 198.

The final all-around results follow:

Cronstedt, Penn. State, 1557; Holder, Florida State, 1542; Gardner, Ill., 1499; Miles, Florida State, 1464; Rintz, MSC, 1462; Procopio and Schwenzfeier, Penn. State, 1448; Krumbholz, Mich., 1377, Trnka, Syracuse, 1367; Signorelli, Florida State, 1318.

Jirus of Ill. scored 13th with 1180 and Bare of Ill. scored 18th with 418.

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FSU Gymnasts 3rd In NCAA

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., April 5 — Florida State University's two-time National Collegiate Athletic Association gymnastics kings took a back seat to talent-loaded Penn State for the second year in a row in the 1954 NCAA championships here last weekend.

Coach Hartley Price's Seminoles raised themselves from a fifth-place finish last year to third this time, however. Penn State easily outdistanced 23 other colleges with 137 points. Illinois was second with 68 points, six more than third-place FSU.

ounted on the over-all team scores, FSU would have finished near the top. Holder won the still rings and Jack Miles the long horse, but their efforts counted only toward the all-around title.

four of its star performers who will be eligible for the upcoming NAAU meet at Los Angeles. They are Joe and Carmine Regna, Ra-

fael Lecouna and Dick Gutting. Here's how FSU gymnasts scored in the NCAA championships:

Side horse—Holder (4th), Pat Signorelli (8th); high bar—Holder er (5th); parallel bars—Holder (6th), Signorelli (7th); flying rings—Miles (8th); trampoline— Ireland (4th), Jim Fadigan (5th); tumbling — Weston 10th); allaround — Holder (2nd), Miles (4th), Signorelli (10th).