

REFEREE BRENNAN IN PERFECT GAME

Cage Official Is Star of Camden's Sensational 32-31 Victory Over Trenton

BASKETBALL AT ITS BEST

THE greatest crowd of the current basketball campaign witnessed the best teams in the Eastern League play the greatest game of the season in the Camden Armory last evening.

Everything in connection with the event was great. The fans on either side raved over the particular showing of some favorite players, but the real outstanding figure of the performance was referee Ward Brennan.

The Eastern Basketball League could use a few good players, but when it comes to considering officials their work is done. The organization is fortunate in having the two best in the business in Herman Baetzold and Ward Brennan, and the New Yorker was at his best last night.

He made mistakes on several occasions by not tossing the ball high enough for the particular men jumping, but on the whole his work as an official was never surpassed in any cage.

Congratulations "Bill"

Manager Fred Cooper, of Trenton, got "Smiling Will" Kennedy, of the Sheets, after the game and immediately congratulated him. They are the veterans of the sport and Cooper said in all his experience he has never witnessed such wonderful work of a referee.

Brennan is a credit to the sport, and like Baetzold, knows the rules from A to Z, having been a former player in the old Central League with Roy Steele.

He is thirty-six years of age, and spends his time endeavoring to make the kiddies in the playgrounds and recreation centers of New York happy.

He has never used tobacco or liquor in any form and does not wear. Aside from his basketball ability he is somewhat of a baseball umpire, and has been signed by John A. Heydler, president of the National League, as an umpire. Mr. Heydler will send Brennan either to the American Association or the International League this season.

Brennan is a prominent 230-pound chairman of the Christmas fund for poor kiddies in New York, which has reached the fine sum of \$52,000.

Steele's Goal Wins

A field goal by Roy Steele, his fourth of the night, won for the home team. But the outstanding work of the play was the battle between "Stretch" Meehan and Eddie Dolin, the rival centers. Handcapped by the giant Trenton center, Dolin never gave up for a minute and outscored Meehan, 3 to 1. Dolin's shots were the feature baskets of the game and were in true "Eddie" style.

But at that Dolin was outplayed. Meehan invariably secured the ball and placed it about where he saw fit. He distributed his plays to a nicety and kept the opposition at sea throughout. At the start of both halves the Potters took the Sketers by surprise by "guards down" plays and there was more inside basketball witnessed by the fans than for a long time.

The success of Trenton is readily apparent. With Meehan getting the tap, three aggressive youngsters like Barlow, Kearns and Dunn, Maurice Tome staging a comeback, and last and most important Fredly Cooper as coach, the North Jersey men will put up a wonderful fight for the pennant in both halves.

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The excitement in the second period was nerve-racking. The opening half ended at 14 all, the totals were tied on seven occasions in the second half and the lead switched eight times. All the plays on both clubs scored, with the exception of Jimmy Campbell,

who was blanked by Tom Barlow. The baskets went to Steele, 4; Dolin, 3; Kerr and Dieghan, one each; Dunn, 3; Barlow and Tome, 2 each, and Meehan and Kearns, one each.

Both sides registered nine two-pointers and the home club edged 14 out of 22 free shots, as against 12 out of 22 for Trenton. That the contest was not decided until the last moment was evident when Tome took a long fling at the net almost as the bell rang and the ball circled the iron rim and fell out. A slight move in the other direction would have given Trenton a win.

Manager Myers, of the Phila club, announced that there would be no game in this city tomorrow night. The team will be reorganized and a new playing ball secured.

PRINCETON WINS OPENER

Hill Zahn's Tigers Trim Brooklyn Poly in Hard-Fought Game

New York, Dec. 8.—The Princeton University basketball team inaugurated its season last night with a 34-to-20 victory over the Brooklyn Polytechnic in Arcadia Hall, Brooklyn.

Despite the slippery court the game was evenly and furiously played and the Nassau players were forced to work every minute of the game for their victory.

PENN ENTERED IN INDOOR TRACK MEET

Revival of Intercollegiate to Be Held in New York March 11. Penn Prospects Fair

FEW INDOOR MEETS LISTED

The indoor intercollegiate track and field championships will be held this year on March 11 in the Twenty-second Regiment Armory, in New York, according to Lawson Robertson, track coach of the University of Pennsylvania.

During the war and since then the moguls who look after track athletics among the colleges called off the annual meet started some time ago has crystallized into the resumption of the indoor title meet. The last indoor title meet was held in the Commercial Museum in this city in March, 1917.

Instead of team championships the meet will be for individual titles. The different events will give track enthusiasts an opportunity to get a line on the outdoor championships, the collegiate track classic of the year.

Pennsylvania will enter a team in the meet, according to Robertson, who doesn't hold out any hope for victories in sufficient numbers to insure the championship.

"Track conditions at Penn are not so hot," said Robbie this morning. "We lost quite a number of good men from last year's team, while the freshmen coming up are not as good as I expected. One of the best of the sprinters and middle distance runners, Grabber, left college."

"Earl Eber, Bob Maxam and Dewey Rogers, three of the members of the world's record-breaking one mile relay team; Johnny Barzell and Everett Smalley all graduated, leaving big holes to fill."

"Cornell should have an excellent team this year. They have all their star distance runners from last year back in college and a wealth of material from the freshman team. Cornell really looks like the strongest team in the association just now."

The indoor intercollegiate will have the following events: Sixty-yard dash, 800-yard run, one and two mile runs, 60-yard low and high hurdles, one and two mile relays and the high jump, broad jump, pole vault and shot-put.

From last year's team Robertson has a fairly good nucleus for this year's team.

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