

Owls Overcome Lions 55-44 As Bobb Scores 23 Points

Although the Penn State cagers battled up to the last whistle, destiny ran its course and as predicted, the Temple Owl overpowered the Lawthermen 55-44 Saturday night on the Convention Hall court.

With Nelson Bobb, the man the Penn State team had to stop, hitting the basket with impressive accuracy for 23 points, Temple overcame a small Nittany lead at the beginning of the second half to win the first game of the home-and-home series.

Trying to out fast-break the speedy Temple quintet, Coach Lawther had to sacrifice some of the unity of his sliding-zone defense. Time after time Bobb slipped through the Nittany defense to drop field goals through the hoop.

In the closing minutes, the fouls against the Lions piled up and before the end of the battle, both sparkplug Milt Simon and dependable guard John Kulp were ejected from the fray.

Penn State	FG	F-FT	Pts.
Bierly, f	5	4-4	14
Simon, f	2	0-1	4
Parkhill, c	4	1-1	9
Batnick	0	0-0	0
Costa	0	0-0	0
Nordbloom, g	3	1-2	7
Ruhlman	1	1-1	3
Kulp, g	2	2-3	6
McKown	0	1-1	1
Totals	17	10-13	44
Temple			
Lerner, f	3	2-2	8
Bobb, f	7	9-12	23
Haugh	2	0-0	4
Borsavage, c	3	2-2	8
Fox, g	1	5-9	7
McLaughlin, g	0	0-0	0
Totals	18	19-28	55

Halftime score: Penn State 24, Temple 24.

Curt Repeats

Curt Stone, former Penn State trackman, successfully defended his National AAU three mile title Saturday night at Madison Square Garden as he completely outclassed his opposition to finish the run in 14:23.8, 80 yards ahead of his nearest opponent.

Last Minute Shift Gives Runners Win

By shifting two runners from one event to another at a crucial point in the meet, Coach Chick Werner pulled the College track team through to a 58½ to 52½ point win over a powerful Notre Dame squad Saturday afternoon before 2500 fans at South Bend, Indiana.

With the score tied at 40½-40½, Coach Werner did some fast calculating and decided to sacrifice the strength of the mile relay team to assure the team of a first and second place in the 880-yard run. Bill Shuman, Jerry Karver and Paul Koch finished the half mile in 1-2-3 order to give the team its margin of victory.

Jim Gehrdes accounted for 15 of the Nittany points when he captured the 60-yard low hurdles in 7.1 seconds, the 80-yard high hurdles in 7.4 and the 60-yard dash in 6.4 seconds.

Another ten points were added to the Lions' score when Horace Ashenfelter ran the fastest mile of his career, 4:17.7, to top that event and then came up from last place to capture the two-mile run in 9:31.5.

The only sour note of the meet was the injury of Wilbert Lancaster, utility sprinter and jumper of the team. Wil hurt his heel in the broad jump and was ineffective in the running events.

Heavy Entries Greet IM Winter Program

A record number of entries have been submitted for intramural volleyball competition, Eugene C. Bischoff, director of IM sports, reported yesterday.

Seventy fraternities and ten independent organizations have submitted teams for the volleyball tourney which gets underway March 8. Ninety-three fraternity men and nine independents have registered for the handball events.

Volleyball teams have been separated into 14 fraternity and two independent leagues of five teams each. A round robin tournament will be played to determine champions in each of the respective leagues.

Maurey Loses First; Lion Grapplers Bow

Navy's Captain Johnny Fletcher pinned Penn State's previously undefeated Jim Maurey in 1:06 of the first period to spark the Middy mat team to its 44th straight dual meet win on Saturday at Annapolis. The score of the match was 28-6.

Fletcher's fall was the quickest of the afternoon, but another Lion, Al Vigilante, suffered his first loss by the fall route also. Vigilante was thrown by Bill Chandler, Navy 128-pounder, in 6:41.

State's winners were 121-pounder Georgie Schautz and Earl Long, wrestling in the 175-pound class. Both Lions won by identical 2-0 scores.

The summaries: 121 pounds—G. Schautz (PS) decisioned Stokes, 2-0.

128 pounds—Chadler (N) pinned Vigilante in 6:41.

136 pounds—Smith (N) pinned Arbuckle in 2:18.

145 pounds—Captain Fletcher (N) pinned Maurey in 1:06.

155 pounds—Downes (N) pinned Dixon in 6:56.

165 pounds—Wisherd (N) pinned Corman in 1:53.

175 pounds—Long (PS) decisioned Settle, 2-0.

Unlimited—Smith (N) decisioned Chambers, 6-0.

Court Coach John Lawther thinks larger basketball courts would eliminate excessive whistle-blowing. "Ten men," the Lion coach points out, "must now maneuver at high speed in a half-court area 50x45 feet."

Gymnasts Top Cadets, 55-41

Sweeping firsts and seconds in four events with the precision of a metronome, Penn State's top-notch gym team advanced a step nearer the 1948 Eastern diadem by conquering Army, 55-41, Saturday at West Point.

It was the Cadets' initial loss this season after five victories and kept the Lion win skein intact at three straight.

Joe Linn, Bill Meade, Ray Sorensen and Steve Greene garnered first places in the rope climb, tumbling, parallel bars and side horse, respectively.

Nittany runners-up were Mike Kurowski, horizontal bar; Norwood Lawfer, rope climb; Bill Bonsall, tumbling and flying rings; Sorensen, side horse, and Greene, parallel bars.

Splashers Lose 53-22 Decision to Panthers

Meeting a star-studded Pitt swimming team, the Lion splashers lost their third meet in four starts, by a 53-22 margin.

Only two Lion representatives were able to garner first place berths. Don Peck won top honors in the 220-yard freestyle, while Cal Folmsbee copped the fancy diving event.

Bill Schildmacher placed second in the 100-yard freestyle and third in the 50-yard freestyle.

Fencers Drop Fourth

Nittany Lion fencers received their fourth consecutive defeat when they dropped a 22-5 match to the Philadelphia Fencers Club Saturday in Rec Hall.

Rolf Wald was the high scorer for the Lions, taking two out of his three epee bouts. Dave Ozarow accounted for the single foil tally, as did Paul Younkin with sabre. The fifth point was made in epee by Arthur Ward.

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Badgers Belt Boxers in Madison Bouts

Benglian did it again! Johnny, after 48 seconds of the second round, tagged his Badger opponent with a tremendous right hook; the resulting knockout, his second of the season, brought him his fourth victory as the Lion boxers dropped a 5½-2½ meet to the mighty Wisconsin sluggers.

In a hot slugfest, the much improved Chuck Drazenovich traded Wisconsin's Parisi blow for blow, with the heavier Drazenovich gaining an edge in the final minutes when his hard punches hit their mark effectively.

TKO'd Howard, 56 sec. of the second round.
175 pounds—Vernon (W) decisioned P. Smith, 29-26.
Unlimited—Drazenovich (PS) decisioned Parisi, 29-27.

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