

State Rally Overtakes American U., 66-63

By Ernie Moore

The Nittany Lion basketball squad staged a last half rally to overtake the Eagles of American University, 66-63. Captain Lou Lamie continued to pace the scorers with 22 points. Ted Panoplos was second with 17.

The affect of the heartbreaking loss to Syracuse was evident in the Lion's play throughout the first half against the Eagles. The usual tough luck which dogs the Lions on a foreign court

played havoc with their shooting.

The Eagles led throughout most of the period, mainly on the sharp shooting of Web Webster. The first two periods were marked by fouls, and Ted Panoplos started the second half with four personal fouls against him.

The Lions were employing a press during the first quarter, which wasn't too effective against the home team as the fast breaking Eagles led at the

end of the first quarter, 17-11.

Webster led the scorers at halftime with five field goals, good for ten points. Lou Lamie followed close behind with nine markers, but he countered only one field goal.

"Ish" Ishman, 6-foot 4-inch guard, and a member of the All-Mason Dixon conference tournament team last season, could only tally three points against the Lions during the first two quarters.

The Nittany Lions have only

lost once to American university in 12 previous games. The Eagles won their only contest from the Lions two years ago on the American U. court, 59-45.

Last season, Coach Stafford H. Cassell's cagers won 22 games while losing 8. After the regular season, the Eagles went on to win the Mason-Dixon conference tournament by defeating the University of Baltimore. Washington college, and Loyola of Baltimore.

Also entered in the NAIB

tournament at Kansas City, the Eagles were knocked off by Pepperdine in the first round.

Losing only one man from last year's squad, Cassell expects a better season than last year.

The Nittany Lions will return home, this afternoon and begin preparation for two tough games in Rec hall this weekend. On Friday night the Lions will meet Rhode Island State and on Saturday night Washington and Jefferson will invade the Nittany lair.

Lion Zone Scared Syracuse But Experience Paid Off

Syracusans Top State Five 61-59

By ERNIE MOORE

They can say what they want about Penn State's zone defense, but the 6000 fans who jammed Rec hall to watch the State - Syracuse basketball game Saturday night will have to admit it was instrumental in coming within an eyelash of pulling one of the year's biggest upsets.

Nothing but praise can be given the Lion quintet which dropped a 61-59 heartbreaker to the Orangemen.

In the pre-season roundups Coach Elmer Gross' squad was lost in the maze of "100 best teams" whereas Syracuse was ranked tenth in the nation. But in Rec hall Saturday, an unknowing fan would have had to think twice before picking between the two.

Orange Experience

Definite pre-game underdogs, the aggressive Lions matched the highly-touted Syracusans point for point right down to the very last minutes. But as the final four minutes waned, the experience of the Syracuse team became more and more evident—finally paying off in victory for Coach Marc Guley's crew.

PENN STATE		SYRACUSE	
fg	ft tot.	fg	ft tot.
Lamie, f	8 2 18	Kiley, f	8 1 17
Williams, f	3 0 6	Supr'wicz, f	3 1 7
McMahan, c	2 1 5	Miller, c	1 4 6
Panoplos, g	7 4 18	Lockie, g	5 3 13
Moore, g	3 2 8	Huggins, g	2 1 5
Mak'wicz, c	1 0 2	Hadlik, g	1 0 2
Phillips, f	1 0 2	Stevsky, f	0 1 1
		Swanson, f	4 2 10
Totals	25 9 59	Totals	24 13 61

Led by Captain Jack Kiley's accurate set shots, the Orange team pulled away in the closing minutes.

With the score tied at 58-58, Kiley sunk a field goal and a foul to give Syracuse a three point advantage. Tiny McMahan converted a foul for the Lions to make it 61-59. Syracuse then put on a freeze with two minutes to go.

Tough To Lose

It was a tough game for State to lose. The Lions outscored Syracuse from the floor, 25 to 24, and held the taller Orange team even on the rebounds. Syracuse made 35 per cent of its shots, scoring on 24 out of 69. State shot at a 32 per cent clip, making 25 of 77 attempts.

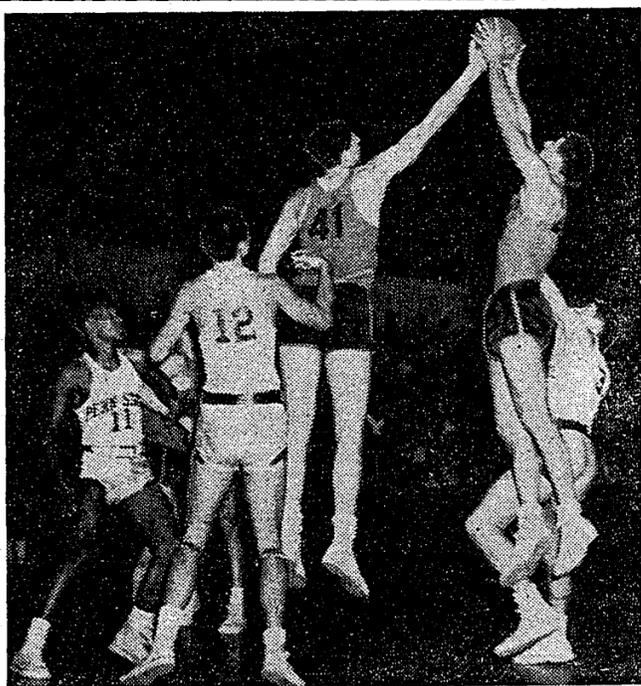
Syracuse won the game at the foul line, making 13 of 20 while the Lions scored on only 9 of 15.

As for individual performances, you have to pick Kiley, Lou Lamie, and Ted Panoplos. Kiley's 17 points were high for Syracuse and his set shots were what beat the Lions. The Orange captain shot at a 21 per cent clip, making 8 out of 28, seven of those from beyond the key.

Lamie Gleams

Lamie's performance was superb. Leavin' Lou kept up his amazing shooting percentage by netting 8 out of 17 attempts for a 47 per cent mark. The Lion cap-

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SYRACUSE'S HEIGHT advantage crops up here as Ed Miller (41) and Tom Huggins vie for a rebound under the Penn State basket. Floorbound State players are Hardy Williams (11), Tiny McMahan (12), and Lou Lamie (3).

Wil Lancaster, Former Lion Sprinter, Switches To Khaki

Former Nittany track star Wil Lancaster has been assigned to the 8th infantry division, Fort Jackson, S.C., after completing processing at Fort Meade, Maryland.

Lancaster, who graduated last June, holds several Penn State dash records. He tied the 100-yard dash mark of the great Barney Ewell in a meet last spring, turning in the fast time of 9.6 seconds. In addition, Lancaster was anchor man on the teams which hung up new records at the Penn Relays last year in the 440-yard, 880-yard and mile relays.

Lancaster was a member of the team which set new Penn State records in the indoor quarter-mile relay three different times during last winter's indoor season.

He is a native of Philadelphia where he starred in track in high school. At Penn State he joined with Jim Gehrdes, sprint and hurdles star, to give the Lions an almost unbeatable sprint duo against some of the country's best competition.

Only Dudley Foster, of Wayne, Pa., will be back next year to defend Penn State's 1950 sweep of collegiate cross-country honors.



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Cameron Chalks Up Fourth Boxing Win

By BOB VOSBURG

Beta Theta Pi's flashy, hard-hitting Dick Cameron, pounded out a win over wrestler Mike Rubino, of Alpha Phi Delta, in their 165-pound IM fight last night, to tally his fourth win of the year.

It was a rough battle, featuring two hard-punchers, but Cameron's chief weapon, a stunning right, was too much for Muslin' Mike.

Tom Lucas, of Sigma Nu, and Al Friestak, of Theta Kappa Phi, a pair of 128-pounders, clashed in the evening's first bout, with Lucas coming out on top. Throughout the fight both boys disregarded their size, and slugged it out toe to toe, like a couple of heavyweights. Lucas was the champion in the 121-pound class last year.

Bill Nichol Wins

In a 155-pound battle, Bill Nichol, of Alpha Gamma Rho, trimmed Bob Leyburn, of Sigma Nu. Nichol, the taller of the two, gained the nod on his ability as a better boxer. Leyburn was wild most of the time and threw sev-

eral power-labeled uppercuts, which unfortunately for him rarely found their mark.

George Wolfram, of Phi Kappa Psi won by a TKO in the third round of a 121-pound match, from Don "Judge" Watkins, of Phi Delta Theta. It was a fairly even fight for the first two rounds, then Wolfram opened up in the third with a good left hand, and built his victory edge.

Lacrosseman Phil Benedetti, of Delta Upsilon, lost a 128-pound go to Vince Petrozza, of Alpha Phi Delta. It was a wild battle all the way, with the rugged Petrozza (Continued on page five)

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