

Cagers Seek 5th Win Tonight Over Syracuse

Lion Courtmen Win One, Lose Two in Tournament

Although Penn State's record in the All-College tournament wasn't too impressive, only one win as against two losses, it was a good one considering the fact that the Lions were pitted against nationally ranking teams.

Both Oklahoma A&M and Western Kentucky, the two losses, are top seeded quintets with the Aggies in seventh place and the Hilltoppers in 10th place.

The lone win was over Bowling Green by a 67-56 score.

Sledzik Outstanding

The big bright spot in State's holiday excursion was the performance turned in by its captain—Herm Sledzik. His coach, Elmer Gross, commenting on his playing, said "Sledzik played excellent outstanding ball in the tourney!"

Herm's 54 points in three games led the Lions in scoring and also helped to gain him honorable mention on the tourney all-star teams along with teammate Jesse Arnelle.

The 6-4 senior from Indiana used his overhead shot very effectively and scored 18 points against the Aggies; 20 against Bowling Green; and 16 tallies over West Kent. Currently, Sledzik is leading the team in scoring with 101 points on an average of 16.8 a game.

Aggies Win Tourney

The Lions opened their three-day contest against top-seeded Oklahoma A&M coached by Hank Iba. The Aggies, eventual winners of the classic and winners nine times in 16 years, were paced by a 6-10½ monster named Bob Mattick and Gerald Stockton who tied Sledzik as the games' high scorer with 18. Mattick and the Lion's Joe Piorkowski each had 15. Final score read 61-68 in favor of the Aggies.

The Lions have pinned their hopes on their scoring ace Jesse Arnelle, but the big 6-5 center hadn't rounded out to basketball form yet and was off in his shooting. He could only get 5 points. He was also being guarded by Mattick which would help to account for his low scoring.

Playing before a sell-out crowd of 5500, the Aggies had little trouble in penetrating the zone defense set up by the Lions. Only in the early moments was the game tight with the score tied at 4-4 and 6-6.

The Staters showed a mark of 29 per cent on its field goals

while their opponents were connecting on 36.2 percentage.

In the second night contest, the Lions had their sliding zone working better, and took a 67-56 contest over the Bowling Green quintet. This time Arnelle began to show his old form and tallied 21 points which was high for the

Fail To Find Bucket

Both teams couldn't find the bucket in the final six minutes of play and failed to make a shot from the field. However, the Falcons were successful on eight free throws during that period while State was making only two.

By defeating the Falcons the Lions gained the right to enter the consolation finals and on the last night of play they met the Hilltoppers of Western Kentucky.

The Staters lost 91-78, but the score was a record for the 17-year holiday classic. The combined total of 169 points was a new all time high two-team mark.

32 Point Outburst

The Hilltoppers hit on 46% of their shots and that pretty much is the story within itself. They were paced by two big men, Art Spoelstra, 6-9; and Dan King, 6-7. Spoelstra, who outplayed the famous all-America Walt Dukes of Seton Hall not so long ago, scored 21 points while King had a grand high total of 27 tallies.

With Sledzik leading the way, Penn State was only behind four points at the half—37-33. But the Kentuckians came to life and ripped the game wide open with a 32 point outburst. The Lions stubbornly clung on and managed to make the score read 72-66 in the final quarter but they fell behind.

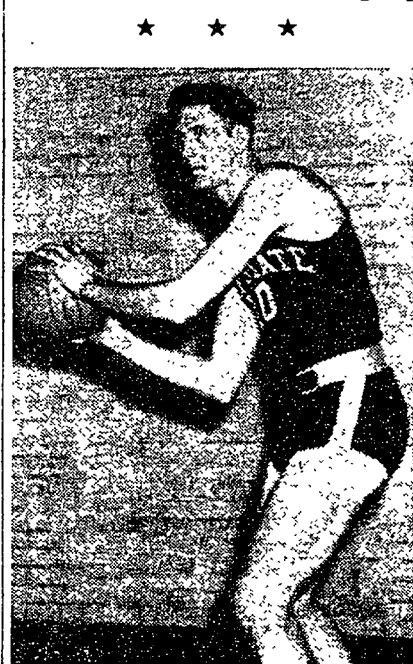
TOURNEY SUMMARIES

Penn State	Fg	Ft	Aggies	Fg	Ft	TI
W'd'h'mer,f	3	1-1	Stockton,f	8	2-4	8
Piorkowski,f	5	5-5	Haskins,f	2	4-8	4
Sherry,c	4	2-5	Fuller,c	2	0-2	4
Arnelle,c	2	1-1	Mattick,g	5	5-9	15
Hill,g	1	0-0	Hendrick,g	0	4-5	4
Haag	0	3-4	Pearson	0	1-1	1
Sledzik	12	15-18	Shaffer	0	0-0	0
Rohland	0	1-1	Rogers	5	0-0	10
			Sheets	1	2-2	4

A much wiser and more experienced Lion court team resumes regular season play at 8 tonight when it hosts the Orangemen of Syracuse University.

The freshman team will play Phi Sigma Delta fraternity at 6 p.m. in a preliminary match.

The Lions will be hoping to improve their four and two record. They have defeated Alfred University, 56-43; Washington and Jefferson, 62-50; and Colgate, 68-55; in regular scheduled contests. Over the holidays the Staters competed in the all-College tournament in Oklahoma and lost to the Oklahoma Aggies and Western Kentucky while picking up their lone win over Bowling Green.



Herm Sledzik Has Hot Holiday

Penn State	Fg	Ft	Aggies	Fg	Ft	TI
Piorkowski,f	0	0-0	Roarak	0	0-0	0
W'd'h'mer,f	3	4-7	Bianchi,f	4	4-7	12
Arnelle,c	6	9-10	Ellis,f	4	5-9	14
Sledzik,g	7	6-11	Reis,c	0	3-4	3
Haag,g	2	1-1	Slesinger,g	1	5-7	7
Sherry,f	0	1-1	Drago,g	3	1-7	7
Phillips,f	2	1-2	Sekershek,f	0	0-0	0
Brewer,f	0	0-0	Sherin,c	0	1-1	1
Hill,c	1	1-4	Ray,g	2	2-2	6
Rohland,g	1	2-2	Rogers,g	0	1-2	1
			Server,g	1	3-5	6

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Penn State	17	13	Bowling Green	18	11	61
Aggies	24	17		29	8	68

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Sherry,f	1	2-2	Marshall,f	4	3-3	11
Piorkowski,f	4	3-3	King,f	9	9-12	27
Arnelle,c	5	2-3	Spelstra,g	8	5-6	21
Haag,g	5	4-4	Beard,g	1	2-2	4
Sledzik,g	6	4-5	White,c	7	1-2	15
Weid'haer	3	4-6	Greer	1	0-2	2
Phillips	1	1-2	Cole	0	0-0	0
Hill	3	1-3	Smith	0	1-1	1
Brewer	0	0-0	Vest	1	2-2	4

Penn State	Fg	Ft	W. Kenty	Fg	Ft	TI
Penn State	28	22-28	W. Kenty	21	16-32	91
Bowling Green	10	18	Penn State	11	22	78

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