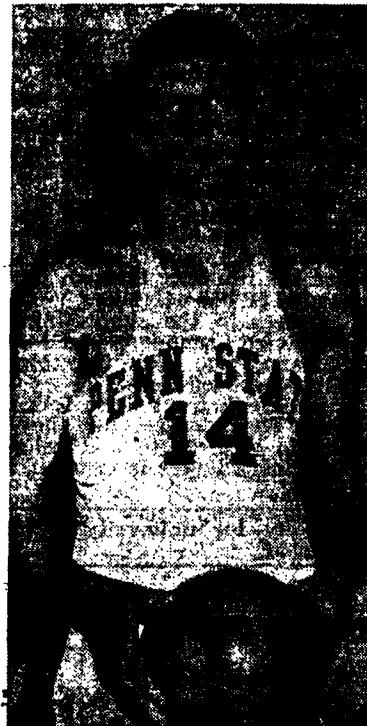


Set for Wolfpack



Bob Ramsey
6-7 Pivotman
★ ★ ★



Joe Hartnett
Returning Letterman
★ ★ ★



Norm Hall
First Varsity Start
★ ★ ★

Untried Lions Face NC State Tonight

A basketball rebuilding program which hasn't been equaled for some time in the Nittany Vale gets its initial test tonight in Raleigh, N.C.

John Egli's Lions, with only two starters back from last year's squad, which finished with an 18-10 record, go against powerful North Carolina State in the mammoth Raleigh Coliseum before a crowd which is expected to total upwards of 10,000.

The Blue and White has been tabbed a decided underdog for tonight's start-of-the-season en-

KDR's Win Paces IM Cage Action

Nine basketball teams—five independent and four fraternity squads—were victorious in intra-mural cage contests Thursday night at Rec Hall.

The Trojans, led by sharp-shooting Dave Watkins, walloped an outmanned Dorm 43 team, 29-7. The Trojan forward scored 15 of the winner's points.

Dorm 23—with John McDermott and Greg Schwendeman accounting for 28 points between them—beat the Yum Yums, 36-26. Pat Farrell scored 12 points for the losers.

The Crusaders won a forfeit victory over the LB Five. It was the only forfeit of the night.

Vulcans Edge Bill Towners

The Vulcans edged the Bill Towners, 24-19, behind a nine-point effort by guard Bob Reese.

An aggressive College Co-op aggregation defeated Atherton Hall Men, 22-17. Ernest Carter scored nine points for the winners.

In the fraternity games, Kappa Delta Rho rode to a resounding 59-12 victory over Zeta Beta Tau on the shooting of Billy Kane and George Simpson. Kane scored 18 points while Simpson hit for 12 for the defending IM titleholders.

Tau Kappa Epsilon defeated Alpha Phi Delta, 28-9. Lou Trautman scored eight points to spark the winner's attack.

Phi Sigma Kappa Wins

Phi Sigma Kappa eked out a 23-22 win over a hard-fighting Delta Upsilon squad. Paul Reagan hit for 14 points for the winners; Jim Lockerman scored eight for the losers.

In the final contest of the evening, Alpha Sigma Phi defeated Alpha Epsilon Pi, 35-15. Dave Murphy and Lew Lynch combined to score 17 points between them, beating the total AEpi output. Jonathan Plaut was the game's high scorer, dunking 10 of the loser's points.

Enviable String

Penn State's football team posted its 17th straight winning campaign (more wins than losses) in 1955.

gagement for at least three big reasons.

First, Coach Everett Case's high-riding cagers, titlewinners in the Atlantic Coast Conference last season, are expected to walk away with the crown this year; second, the Wolfpack is paced by 6-9 senior center, Ronnie Shavlik, who plastered his court doings in every corner of the ACC for two consecutive years, and is now a prime prospect for the 1956 All-American team; and third, tonight's host team inaugurated its 1955-56 season on a sweet note Thursday night with an 88-63 win over Florida State in an inter-sectional contest.

Speed Matches Height

Case's starting five, which averages in the neighborhood of 6-6, is said to have a wealth of speed to supplement its height advantage.

On the other hand, the Lions will present a starting quintet which measures an average of 6-2 per man—one of the smallest teams to represent Penn State on the basketball floor in recent years.

The Lion coach has decided to go with Co-Captains Earl Fields and Bobby Hoffman, Bob Ramsey, Joe Hartnett, and Norm Hall tonight, but indicated earlier this week that Rudy Marisa and sophomores Ron Rainey and Steve Baidy will probably see action against the Wolfpack.

Hopes for Speed, Hustle

With a definite height disadvantage facing the Lions, Egli is counting on speed and hustle to combat a strong Carolina offense which averaged better than 88 points per game last year.

The Nittany mentor expects the Wolfpack to use a 1-3-1 zone defense and possibly go into an all-court press. Against the zone he will use the starting five, but against the press, he may pull Ramsey and Hall in favor of Rainey and Baidy in order to keep possession and tire the taller Carolina quintet.

Lions Will Use Zone

Egli will use the "Penn State zone" against the Wolfpack, with three men sliding with the ball out front and two Lion players guarding the basket.

The Lions left University Park at 2 p.m. yesterday, and traveled to Raleigh by train. They were expected to arrive at 5:30 this morning, and will return immediately following tonight's game.

They make their second appearance of the season Wednesday against Dickinson at Carlisle.

Ski Instructions

Outing Club Opens New Course Today

The Winter Sports Division of the Penn State Outing Club will open a ski instruction course from 2-4 p.m. today, Joe Phillips, division president, announced.

Initial sessions will be held in the water tower behind Beaver Field Stadium to orientate those taking the course with skiing fundamentals.

When the weather permits, instruction sessions will move to the ski slope at Bald Top—located on Tussey Mountain where the division has a 1000-foot rope tow.

The deadline for the signing-up for the ski instructions is 5 p.m. Friday, at the main desk in the Hetzel Union Building.

The division will also hold three half-hour movies by Ernie McCulloch—head instructor of the largest ski school system in Canada—to aid those taking the instruction course.

Two ski trips are also being planned by the division although it is not necessary to go on either trip to enroll in the skiing instruction program.

The first trip will be to Cannon Mountain, Franconia, New Hampshire from December 27 to January 2. The deadline for signing-up for this trip will be at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 20, at the Hetzel Union desk.

For the second trip, the group will journey to Allegheny State Park, ten miles north of Bradford, Pa., in New York state.

This trip will last from January 26 to January 31. The deadline for signing up for the trip is 7:30 p.m., January 17, at the HUB desk.

Both trips will be run on a coed basis. However, those going on the excursions must be members

Florida Site of Fifth Annual Lacrosse Forum

The fifth annual lacrosse forum, sponsored by the Inter-collegiate Lacrosse Coaches Association and the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Palm Beach, Fla., will be held Dec. 20 to Jan. 3 at West Palm Beach. Ernie Baer, assistant Penn State lacrosse coach, announced.

Baer said that any member of the varsity or freshman lacrosse squads who is interested in attending the forum should contact him at 211 Recreation Hall for further details.

An exhibition game will also be played.

Opening On Road

Penn State's basketball team, which opens its season Dec. 3, will make its first home appearance against Rutgers, Dec. 14.

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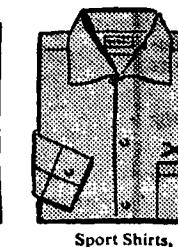
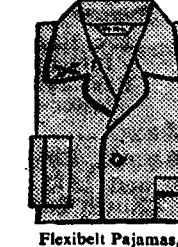
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