

Panthers Top Record, Defeat Lions, 100-90

By ROG BEIDLER

The Pitt Panthers, displaying uncanny ability from the foul line, broke the all-time opponent's scoring mark as they administered a 100-90 setback to the Lions Saturday night in Recreation Hall.

The Panthers, outscored from the field 33-31 by the Nittanians, capitalized on 38 of 47 free throws to defeat the Blue and White for the second time this year and become the first visiting team to score 100 points in Rec Hall. The Panthers total was also the highest ever registered by a Pitt team on a foreign court.

Pitt's shooting ability wasn't limited to the foul circle either as it connected on 31 of 62 field goal attempts for an average of 50 per cent. The Nittany cagers were successful on 24 of 38 fouls, and from the floor shot a 40 per cent average.

Approximately 50 persons were called against both teams and three men left the game early via the foul route. Co-captain Bob Hoffman and senior forward Rudy Marisa walked the plank mid-way in the second half for the Lions and Pitt's sophomore flash Julius Pegues departed late in the final period.

Co-captain Earl Fields took advantage of his fellow seniors' early exits and tallied 18 markers to win the Lion scoring crown for the season. He finished with 354 points and Hoffman and Marisa were as close as possible with 353. Fields went into the game trailing the front-running pair by eight points.

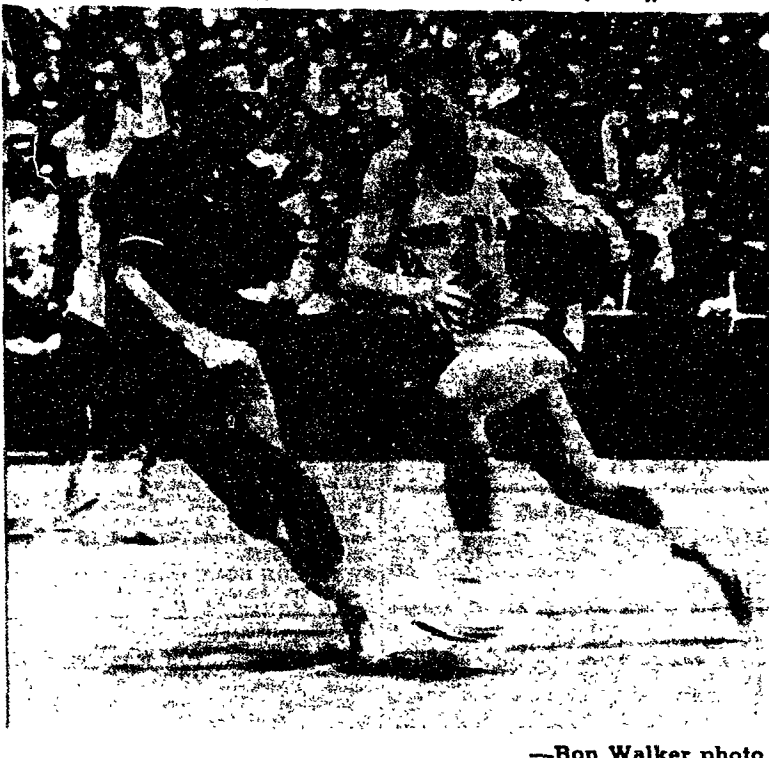
Below the .500 Mark
The loss was the Lions' 14th. They won 12. This year was the first time a Penn State cage squad has finished in the red since 1949. Pitt's record now stands at 15-9. The cagers from Skyscraper U are now awaiting an NCAA bid.

Five players hit the double figures mark for the Jungle Cats. John Riser was the big gun as he flipped in 11 fielders and nine charity heaves for a total of 31 points. Riser found the Lion zone defense had many holes as his driving layups went un-stopped throughout the game.

Lazor Hits 23
Center Bob Lazor was second in line for the Panthers with 23. His jumps and one-handed pushes from the pivot netted him nine fielders. Senior Joe Fenwick hit a hot streak in the opening period and connected on five long set shots and finished with a total of 14 points. Chuck Hursh and Pegues finished with 12 each.

Fields' 18 markers was high for the Lions and three other teammates hit in the two-figures. Bob Leisher came through with 16, sophomore Steve Baidy collected 14 and reserve forward Norm Hall hit for 13.

The Panthers opened the game with a four-point lead, and quickly lengthened that to 10 at the 5:15 mark. The lead was in-



—Ron Walker photo
LION FORWARD Bobby Hoffman (4) drives past Pitt's Joe Fenwick (22) for two points in Saturday night's basketball contest at Rec Hall. The Lions lost to the Panthers 100-90 to end the season.

creased to 13 at the eight-minute point but the Lions, led by Fields, cut the spread to four with eight minutes remaining in the half.

The team exchanged fielders until the 17:50 mark when Steve Baidy drew the Nittanians to within two with a one-handed set. Leisher then added two fouls to knot the game at 41-41. This was the nearest the cagers got to the lead as the Panthers quickly pulled to a six-point advantage at the intermission.

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Fg	F	Tl.	Fg	F	Tl.	
Marisa	4	1-2	9	Pegues	2	8-8
Hall	5	3-4	13	Hursh	2	8-8
Leisher	5	6-7	16	Zimmovan	0	0-0
Rainey	2	0-0	6	Lazor	9	5-10
Jordy	0	0-1	0	Brautigan	0	4-4
Ramsay	2	2-4	6	Riser	11	9-11
Hoffman	3	2-3	8	Kleiman	1	2-4
Baidy	6	2-5	14	Fenwick	6	2-2
Fields	5	8-12	18	Markovich	0	0-0
Totals	33	24-38	99	Totals	31	38-47
Penn State				43	90	
Pitt				49	100	

Only Penn State team which has lost more often than it won over a 50-year span is lacrosse.

Penn State will be host to the Olympic tryouts in gymnastics for the third time, April 27-28.

High spot of Penn State baseball history was the 30-game win streak in the 1920-21 seasons.

SPE Moves Closer To Loop F Crown

By LOUIE PRATO

Sigma Phi Epsilon—leading Fraternity League F by a full game—moved to within one game of the loop title Friday night, scoring a convincing 35-16 win over Acacia.

SPE meets Sigma Chi tomorrow night in the season's finale. SPE owns a 6-1 mark while Sigma Chi—who knocked Theta Kappa Phi out of a tie with SPE Friday—possesses a 5-2 slate. The men from Theta Kap also hold a 5-2 record.

A win by Sigma Chi, coupled with a Theta Kap victory over Delta Tau Delta, would result in a three-way deadlock for the league lead. A playoff would then be necessary to crown the circuit champion.

Meredith Tallies Eight
SPE used an all around team scoring balance to top the Acacia cagers. Ten of the winners scored with Tom Meredith's eight points leading the way.

Sigma Chi dimmed the title aspirations of Theta Kap with a 22-16 victory. Bernie Kazmerski scored all of the loser's field goals four of them—and emerged the high scorer of the game with eight points.

Delta Tau Delta rallied in the second half to stop Phi Epsilon Pi, 31-28, in another League F fracas. Phi Eps held a 16-14 lead at the intermission but couldn't hold on to it through the second stanza.

Leo Stankavage led the DTD offensive with 14 points. He made only three tosses from the field but capitalized on eight of 11 charity throws. Joe Malone helped the DTD cause with 12 points. However Al Robbins, of the Phi Eps, captured scoring honors with 16 points—12 of them coming in the first period.

Triangle Gains Forfeit
One other loop F game was scheduled but it ended in a forfeit win for Triangle when Tau Phi Delta failed to appear. It was the final game for Triangle who closed the campaign with a 3-5 record.

Six teams in fraternity League E, where Phi Kappa Tau holds down the top spot, also saw action. Alpha Gamma Rho came from behind to defeat Phi Sigma Delta, 27-25; Beta Sigma Rho

stopped Beta Theta Pi, 28-15, and Alpha Chi Sigma scored a humiliating 40-2 win over Phi Kappa. Lee Maimon topped the Beta Sig scorers with 15 points. With one game remaining for both quintets, only Beta Sig has a chance to pull its record over the .500 mark. Beta Sig is 3-4 while the Betas are 2-5.

Alpha Chi Sig Sets Record
Alpha Chi Sigma set an IM cage record in racking up Phi Kappa's floormen, 40-2. Alpha Chi Sig limited Phi Kappa to two foul shots—one in each half. No official record is kept on the lowest defensive score registered by an IM cage team, but the Alpha Chi Sig's total would come very close to the record.

Two independent games were also played Friday. The Knicks topped Dorm 44, 35-22, and the Baby Sans defeated Dorm 40, 18-10. Both games were in League J.

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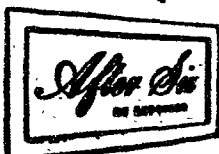
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