

# Cagers to Use Faster Floor Game; Host Carnegie Tech Saturday Night

Penn State basketball fans can look for a faster, more wide open type of floor game this year when the Nittany Lions take the Recreation Hall hardwoods.

Coach John Egli has decided to switch from the conservative brand of ball that the Lions have been using in the past three or four seasons and concentrate on a high-scoring offense instead.

This does not mean that the cagers have forgotten completely about defense. On the contrary, Egli plans to stick to the familiar 3-2 sliding zone defense which has proven so successful in past years.

### Strong Offense Necessary

This year, however, the Nittany mentor feels that his club will have to boast a strong offense if it is to cope with some of the high-scoring teams it will meet during the regular season.

This season, the defense will set the Lion offensive patterns. During past practice sessions, Egli has been drilling his team to take advantage of all defensive mistakes. Once the defensive commits itself foolishly, the cagers should move immediately into a potential scoring pattern.

The Lion coach said he was pleased with the way his team has been progressing, although he said that "defense needs some brushing up."

### Host Carnegie Tech

At the moment, it looks as though Steve Baidy, Ron Rainey, Captain Bob Leisher, Bob Ramsay,

and Carmen Palmiero will be in the starting lineup when the cagers open their 1956-57 season against Carnegie Tech Saturday night at Rec Hall.

With the exception of sophomore Palmiero, all of the starters have seen previous varsity action. Ramsay was first team center most of last year while Leisher, Rainey, and Baidy all saw considerable playing time, sometimes in a starting role.

In reserve, Egli has letterman Jim Jordy, Rod Perry, Greg Schwendeman, Bob Edwards, Tom Hancock, Ted Kubista, Jim Patterson, and Jim Lysek. All but Jordy and Lysek will be playing in their first varsity season.

### Reserves Key Factor

Record-wise, reserve strength could be the key factor in the Lion season. Should two or three of the reserves adjust rapidly to the varsity brand of ball, the Lions will be tough to handle.

Hancock, Edwards, and Perry have impressed Egli with their play in practice. Egli said that Perry was still improving and has shown "a lot of ability, however, he still has to learn by experience."



Bob Leisher  
Flashy Playmaker

### Lions' Largest Crowd

The 82,000-plus fans who saw Penn State upset Ohio State at Columbus represented the largest crowd ever to see the Nittany Lions in action. Previous high was the 71,000-plus who saw the Penn-Penn State duel at Franklin Field in 1948.

# U.S. Track Aces Win 9 Gold Medals, Strengthen Lead in Olympic Activity

MELBOURNE, Nov. 27 (AP) — Olympic track and field records, proving as outdated as last Easter's bonnet, figured to be in for another mauling tomorrow with possibility of at least one, and perhaps two American sweeps as United States aces go after their 10th and 11th Gold Medals.

With the games entering their fifth day and the halfway point of the track and field program, America's overall mastery was unquestioned.

The terrific American success to date brought from Kenneth Wilson of Chicago, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, comment that the team was "the greatest we have ever fielded."

The U.S. athletes already hold nine of the 12 Gold Medals decided so far in men's track and field.

Even the 200-meter dash record hung up by Jesse Owens in a fabulous field day in the 1936 games at Berlin finally gave way Tuesday. Bobby Morrow, the self-described "cotton farmer from San Benito, Texas," cracked the 20-year-old mark by winning in 20.6 seconds to become the Olympics' first double winner in the sprints since Owens in '36.

Morrow, who won the 100 last Saturday, snipped a tenth of a second off the standard while leading defending champ Andy Stanfield of Jersey City and Thane Baker of Elkhart, Kan., in a sweep.

It was the first of two American sweeps of the day, and the third of the games, as the Yanks pushed their leading point total to 262 points. Russia is runnerup with 150.

The other sweep came in the discus, won by Al Oerter of New Hyde Park, N.Y., with a record toss of 184 feet, 10 1/2 inches. That broke the 1952 record set by Sim Inness of the U.S., at 180-6 1/2.

Fortune Gordien of Brightwood, Ore., and Desmond Koch of Shelton, Wash., took second and third.

It took a pair of sweeps and a pair of records to keep the track and field stars even with American rowers, who capped their most successful Olympics with a brilliant comeback victory by Yale's great eight. Beaten in the first heat last Friday by Australia and Canada, the Elis came back through the repechages to nose out Canada and the Aussies in the final and give the U.S. team its third Gold Medal of the rowing competition.

The Yanks also picked up two second place medals and a third—a bronze substitute for the Gold Medal Jack Kelly Jr. was shooting for in a third and last try to match his dad's 1920 triumph in the single sculls. Russia's Viktor Ivanhov was the winner with Aussie Stuart MacKenzie second.

Bill Sharpe of Philadelphia was an unexpected fourth in the hop, step and jump and Willie White of Greenwood, Miss., came through with a surprising fourth in the women's broad jump.

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# 9 Win Indie Cage Tilts

Nine independent teams scored victories in intramural basketball action Monday night at Recreation Hall. Only one win was via the forfeit route, the Rebels handing Jordan Two the victory.

The Red Knights, led by Dave Slagle's eight tallies, overcame an 8-7 Atherton Men halftime lead to score a 19-9 victory in the opening encounter.

In another league A contest, the Hungry Five scored a 34-25 decision over the Black Knights. The winners led at halftime, 12-8. Don Stitzel scored 10 points for the winners while Jack Roberts scored 16 in a losing effort.

### Geeche Birds Win

League B action saw the Geeche Birds gain a 24-19 verdict over the Bulls. A 14-7 halftime bulge gave the victors a comfortable cruising lead. Tom Allshouse led the winners with 13 points. Frank Soroko had eight tallies for the Bulls.

In the final League B encounter, the Gnarps ran roughshod over the Panthers en route to a 33-20 victory. Led by Jan Thompson's 17 points, the winners held a 19-6 halftime lead to win going away. Bruno Snyder sparked the Joser's attack with 12 points.

The Hamilton Skins topped

League C action by eking out a 22-20 decision over Schmoos' Boys. Despite Tony DeGeorgio's 12 points, the losers failed to cut the Skins 13-8 halftime advantage in a futile last half effort. Jim Funk topped the winners with eight tallies.

### Deuces Top Aces

In the other League C contest, the Deuces Wild contingent managed to keep the Aces' last half rally in check to cop a 31-26 victory. The winners led at halftime, 19-11. Dick Fredericks was the big scorer for the victors with 11 points. Fred Wolff pushed nine points through the hoop for the losers.

Pollock 4 displayed a potent defense, along with a creditable offense, to wallop the Treys, 27-10, in the first League D tilt. The winners put the game on ice by taking a 20-0 halftime lead. Larry Snodgrass and Jack Krall each scored eight points to lead the Pollock 4 victory attack.

In the final game of the evening—another League D contest—the Kreams edged a spirited Dorm 13 aggregation, 27-23. The winners took a 19-12 halftime lead and retained a last effort haul by the losers to grab the victory. Hugh McShane scored 10 points

for the winners. Elmer Bergman scored 10, Dick Condo nine for the losing squad.

### Moore-Patterson Title Bout Friday

CHICAGO, Nov. 27 (AP)—Archie Moore, who is ready to prove that life begins at 40 or more, has nothing but disdain for hecklers who intimate that Rocky Marciano may have pushed him over the hill.

Marciano kayoed Moore in the ninth round of their heavyweight title fight 14 months ago. Rocky's retirement now has brought about a unique situation that will make boxing history.

Patterson, by winning, can become the youngest titleholder and the first Olympic champion to take it. Moore will be the oldest if he wins.

Penn State's 43 points against Holy Cross was its highest point total on Beaver Field in eight years.

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