

Cagers Open Here Tonight

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The Penn State basketball team opens its 1956-57 season at 8 tonight when it plays Carnegie Tech's pesky Tartans on the Recreation Hall court.

This is the opening game for both teams. Carnegie Tech, however, has one exhibition contest under its belt, losing to the Akron Goodyears—a semi-professional contingent—105-55.

Coach John Egli, beginning his third year at the Nittany helm, plans to start his 6-0 senior captain, Bob Leisher, at one guard post with 6-2 junior Steve Baidy at the other slot. Bob Ramsay, 6-8 senior, will play center with junior Ron Rainey, 6-2, and 6-4 sophomore Carmen Palmiero at forwards.

In reserve, Egli will use 6-3 Jim Jordy, a junior letterman. Bob Edwards, 6-5 sophomore center, sophomore Tom Hancock, 6-4, Rod Perry, 6-1 senior, and 5-9 sophomore Greg Schwendeman. Sophomores Ted Kubista, 6-4, and Jim Patterson, 6-4, and senior Jim Lysek, 5-7, complete the Lion squad.

Coach Mel Cratsley's opening Tartan lineup is unknown. However, senior Alan Frank, the only starter returning from last year's club, and junior letterman Frank Sobolewski are expected to be in the starting lineup.

Frank was the Tartan's starting center last year and is expected to be one of the top Tech scorers this season. He tallied 14 points against Akron.

Sobolewski, the tallest man on the visiting squad at 6-4, spent most of last season in reserve. Cratsley, however, is counting on Sobolewski's height to play an important part in his plans this year. He scored 10 points against the Goodyears.

For the past two years, the Tartans have proven to be one of the toughest clubs for the Lions to handle. In the 1954-55 season, the



Bob Ramsay Improved Center

Tartans upset a Jesse Arnelle-led cage squad, 66-56, at Carnegie Tech. Last year, Cratsley's crew scored a 69-62 win over the Nittanians.

Inexperience will be the trademark of both teams tonight. On the Lion side of the ledger, Ramsay is the only consistent starter returning for another season. With the exception of Palmiero, who played creditable ball with the frosh last year, the remaining starters were used periodically in the opening lineup.

Despite the inexperience and

Pitt Gets Bid To Gator Bowl

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Nov. 30 (AP)—The Pittsburgh Panthers' football team will play in the Gator Bowl game Dec. 29 and, if Gator Bowl hopes are realized, their opponent will be Georgia Tech.

That would be a rematch of the Sugar Bowl game last Jan. 2 when Tech beat Pitt 7-0 as the result of a disputed pass interference ruling against Bobby Grier, Pitt's Negro fullback.

Pitt has no Negro players this year.

Glenn Marshall Jr., selection chairman, announced the selection of Pitt today.

At Pittsburgh, Athletic Director Tom Hamilton said the team voted unanimously on Tuesday to accept a bowl bid but didn't know at the time which bowl. Pitt also received a Cotton Bowl offer.

IM Bowling Mark Topped by Pollard

Gordon Pollard, Pi Kappa Phi, set a new single-game high of 225 in IM bowling last night.

Pi Kappa Phi trounced Sigma Tau Gamma, 4-0; Phi Kappa Tau spilled Alpha Phi Delta, 3-1; Phi Sigma Kappa bumped Delta Tau Delta, 3-1; Beta Sigma Rho beat Alpha Rho Chi, 3-1; and Sigma Phi Epsilon whitewashed Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 4-0, in League D action Thursday night at Recreation Hall.

Pollard chalked up a 571 total in leading his quintet to triumph. Ron Gray, with 407, led the losers. Andy Logan was the big gun for Phi Tau, while Herb Hollowell paced DTD and Joe Weiss showed the way in Beta Sig's win over Alpha Chi Rho.

loss of last year's three top scorers—Rudy Marisa, Bob Hoffman, and Earl Fields—Egli seems to view the coming year with an optimistic outlook.

This year's team has shown steady improvement, an aggressive attitude, and a lot of hustle.

U.S. Olympic Lead Cut by Red Rally

MELBOURNE, Saturday, Dec. 1 (AP)—Two track events—the 400 and 1,600-meter relays—and basketball, three Gold Medals which have been looked upon as sure bets for Yank athletes, today became "musts" if U.S. Olympians are to out-last Russia for the unofficial team point title.

There wasn't much doubt that all three were in the bag for the U.S. but there remained the chance of an upset—a fumbled baton pass in the relays, on a cold night on the basketball court—and there was no guarantee that

even all three events, a total of 30 points, will be enough to withstand the Russians through the final week of the 1956 games.

Going into the final week the Americans have 20 championship Gold Medals, 15 Silver and seven Bronze compared with 12 Gold Medals, 11 Silver, and 12 Bronze for Russia.

Despite a brilliant one-two finish by record breaker Milt Campbell and Rafer Johnson in the demanding decathlon, the U.S. was outscored by the Soviets 50-29 yesterday. That left the Yanks with a 347 to 269½ unofficial point edge going into today's competition.

What little was accomplished by the Yanks yesterday was the work of Campbell, the big guy from Plainfield, N.J., and Johnson, the world record holder in the decathlon from Kingsburg, Calif., who competed with his left knee bandaged and his tummy taped.

Campbell won four of the 10 events in the two-day program to better the 1952 standard of 7,887 points set by American Bob Mathias. Campbell, who was second in '52 at Helsinki, fell 48 points short of Johnson's world mark, due to a poor 11 foot 2 inch showing in the pole vault—

a disappointment that left the 205 pound, 6-3, 23-year-old giant sobbing in the pit.

Harriers Pick Kerr As New Captain; 8 Win Letters

Junior Fred Kerr was elected to captain the 1957 Lion cross-country at the annual harrier banquet Thursday night. It is the first time since 1949 that a junior has been selected as a harrier captain.

Kerr, retiring captain Don Woodrow, Clem Schoenebeck, Ed Moran, Ron Lewis, Al Jones, Jay Kirby, and Bob Thompson were named varsity letter winners.

Freshman numeral winners were: George Jones, Len Donahue, Dick Engelbrink—who was also named honorary frosh captain—Joe Thompson, Bill Bickham, Ron Houghton, Jack Williams, Sam White, and Ken McClure.

Jim Schry was also selected as the new cross-country head manager. He succeeds Frank McFaden.

6 Lions in Olympics

Penn State will be represented by two athletes in each of three sports at the 1956 Olympics. The Lion standard-bearers are Horace Ashenfelter and Curt Stone, track and field; Dick Packer and Ron Coder, soccer; and Armando Vega and Karl Schwenzfeier, gymnastics. This is Stone's third Olympic appearance.



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2:30



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