

Cagers Stress Defense For Wolfpack Contest

With Carnegie Tech and Rutgers out of the way, the Lion basketball team stressed defense in last night's practice session in order to ready itself for a high-scoring North Carolina State quintet.

The Lions play their first strong opponent of the season when they meet the Wolfpack tomorrow night at Raleigh, N.C.

Despite winning both home games by comfortable margins, Coach John Egli stressed defense—an almost obsolete item in today's world of high-scoring offenses—last night because he felt that his boys may have been a bit careless defensively because of their overwhelming margins.

The Lion defense, except for the early minutes of the Tartan game, was never under pressure because neither visitor was capable of unleashing a strong offense for any serious length of time.

This is not likely to be the case with the Wolfpack, however. Coach Everett Case's quintet is noted for its high-scoring tactics and is ranked by many experts to be in the upper echelon of collegiate basketball. Thus, the Lions stress defense.

The cagers showed a great deal of improvement in their win over Rutgers, shooting for a better percentage, passing more smoothly and playing another strong game under both backboards.

The Lions hit for a 51.4 field-goal percentage against Rutgers, compared to a 42 percent mark against the Tartans. However, their foul shooting could be improved upon, hitting on only 52 percent from the free-throw line.

Egli said that he was satisfied on the whole with the Lion performance, although he thought his second unit was a bit careless on defense to concentrate on scoring more points.

In North Carolina State, the cagers will be facing one of the toughest opponents on its schedule, needless to say, the toughest they have yet to meet. The Wolfpack beat Pittsburgh, another Lion foe, in its first game.

Rumored Sprinters Evade Challenge

Chick Werner, varsity track mentor, indicated last night that the rumored sensational sprinters whom he challenged have failed to appear.

Earlier this week Werner defied the student body of over 13,000 to produce a sprinter who can break 10.2 in the hundred yard dash.

He has been hard pressed to replace Captain Art Pollard and Bruce Austin, the Lions' two top sprinters last year.

"For years I have been hearing about the tremendous sprinters on campus, from townspeople, alumni, and students, but these rumored sensations never show up at Recreation Hall," Werner commented.

"After years of searching for these elusive track wonders, I am inclined to think that they are hiding or more feasibly do not exist," he added.

Last night Werner advanced an additional theory that there may be several students in the University who have potential track ability, but who are reluctant to report to Rec Hall because they feel that the track team is loaded with exceptional track talent and that they would be embarrassed.

He indicated that this situation does not exist.

"Curt Stone had a reputation

of running the 880 in 2:13 before coming to Penn State, and Horace Ashenfelter never competed in track before he came here," he commented.

Ashenfelter won a gold medal in the 3000 meter steeplechase at the 1952 Olympic Games in Helsinki and competed in the 1956 games in Melbourne this month. Stone competed in the 1948, 1952, and 1956 Olympic festivals in the 5000 meter run.

Werner emphasized that previous track experience is not required and that candidates for track are not cut from the squad by the coaches, but by themselves.

Students interested in competing in freshman or varsity indoor track should report to Werner or Norm Gordon, freshman coach, at 4 p.m. in Rec Hall as soon as possible.

Bonus Rule Stays

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 6 (AP)—Minor leagues voted against changing the baseball bonus rule today but unanimously adopted a proposal to trim major league rosters to 28 players by opening day so more talent can be sifted down sooner to lower leagues.

Penn State's athletic director, E. B. McCoy, is a former Michigan player, coach and administrator.

Delta Chi Registers Only IM Bowling Whitewash

Delta Chi registered the only shutout victory in Wednesday night's Intramural "B" Bowling League, when they dropped Phi Kappa, 4-0.

Recording 3-1 decision wins were Alpha Chi Sigma defeating Phi Mu Delta; Triangle downing Kappa Sigma; Alpha Sigma Phi topping Alpha Epsilon Pi; Sigma Chi besting Delta Theta Sigma; and Theta Chi dropping Phi Epsilon Pi.

Delta Chi outscored Phi Kappa in total points, 2238-2061, while Bucke paced the winners with 195 points in a single game.

After losing the first game to Phi Mu Delta, Alpha Chi Sigma retaliated by scoring three points and registering a 3-1 win. Jim Brown, 190-452, led the victors and Alpha Chi Sig bowled the high score for a team effort, 751.

Triangle duplicated the feat of Alpha Chi Sig when it staged a rally to down Kappa Sigma, 3-1.

Although AEPi's Gordon was the individual game winner, Alpha Sigma Phi combined team effort to win 3-1. High man for the winners was Bob Johnson with 481 pins in three games.

Sigma Chi swept all honors in downing Delta Theta Sig, 3-1, and outscored their opponents, 2136-2096. Sigma Chi was bolstered by Frank Rich and Tony Agnone.

Theta Chi downed Phi Ep by virtue of a third game win and

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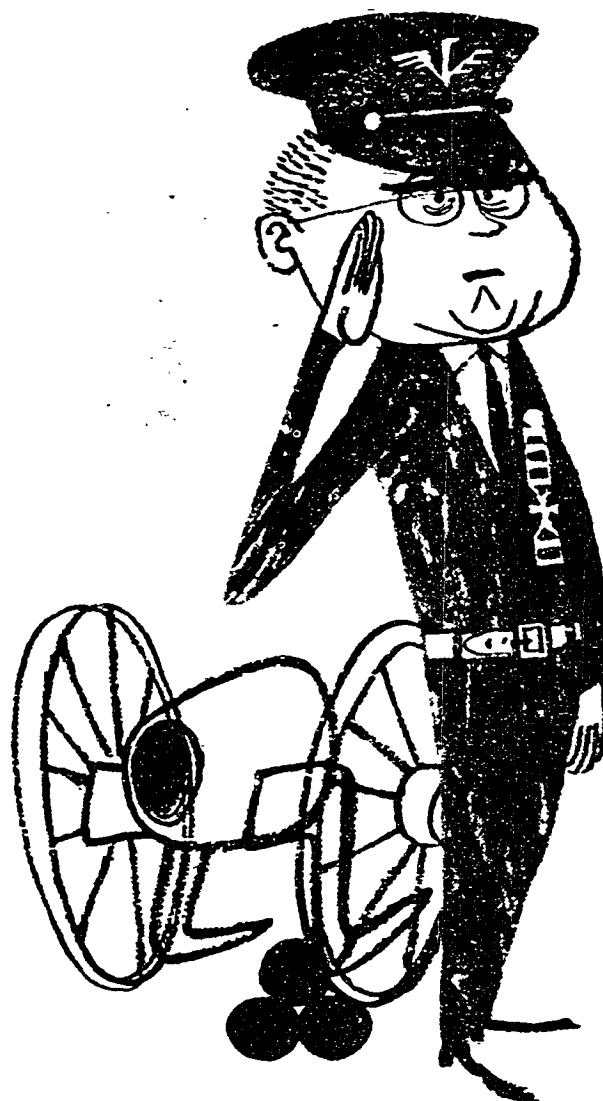
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