

# Mounties Topple Cagers, 81-66

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West Virginia's Mountaineers handed the Nittany Lion cagers their second consecutive loss of the season, 81-66, last night at Morgantown.

Spearheaded by All-America candidate "Hot Rod" Hundley, the Mounties were never headed in a game which Lion Coach John Egli later termed "the worst game we've played."

The Lion shooting percentage was a mere 20.9, compared to a 40.1 average for the host team. West Virginia, although held to a six-point halftime lead, 40-34, took advantage of a complete Lion collapse in the second half to turn the game to a near rout.

Junior forward Ron Rainey led the Lion scorers for the second straight game, tossing 19 points through the hoop. Thirteen of those came via the foul line, a new West Virginia field house record—for free throw percentage. Rainey's 13-13 mark broke the 1939 11-11 record set by another Penn State cager, Harry Brooks.

Lloyd Sharrar, 6-10 junior center, topped all scorers with 20 points. Hundley scored 17, Clayce Kisbaugh 16, and sophomore Bob



Ron Rainey Sets Court Record

Smith 10, for the bulk of the Mountaineer scoring.

Hundley strengthened his bid for All-America honors with his fine all-round game. He grabbed 16 rebounds, tops for both clubs, and was the Mountaineer "take-charge" player from the opening buzzer.

Junior Steve Baidy and Captain Bob Leisher were the only other Lions to hit double figures, Baidy scoring 14 and Leisher hitting for 13.

The Lions were weakened slightly when sophomore starter Carm Palmiero did not make the trip due to a severe cold. Egli had said yesterday that Palmiero was a doubtful starter, but the 6-4 sophomore was still confined to the University hospital yesterday morning when the team left for Morgantown.

Sophomore Bob Edwards replaced Palmiero in the starting lineup and scored 9 points.

According to a report from West Virginia, the Lions battled the Mountaineers on even terms for the major part of the first half. However, once the second half was underway, the Nittanians did a complete turn-about and were never serious contenders the rest of the way.

This was the third consecutive game that West Virginia has beaten the Lions. Last year the Mounties won two squeakers, 81-79 at Morgantown and 76-73 here.

It was the fourth time in five attempts that a Hundley-led Mountaineer club toppled the



Bob Leisher Wiry Team Leader

Lions. The only time that Penn State could defeat West Virginia with Hundley in the lineup was in 1955 when Jesse Arnette led the Lions to victory.

The three Penn State "big" men, Bob Ramsay, Tom Hancock and Edwards, fouled out late in the contest to crush any slight

Lion hopes which may have remained.

Hundley, noted for his clowning antics late in a game, was taken out with four minutes remaining, thus eliminating any chance of displaying his extraordinary feats with a basketball.

The "Hot Rod" did, however, put on a one-man freeze with two minutes remaining in the first half. He stood over the center-court line and simply held on to the ball, hoping to pull a Lion defender out of position. The Lions refused to bite the bait, content instead on preventing any further Mountaineer score.

Penn State fans will get a chance to see the Mountaineer sensation when the Lions play West Virginia Feb. 16 on the Recreation Hall court. Right now, however, Egli will turn his plans toward a strong Colgate contingent—the Lions play Colgate Saturday night at Rec Hall.

PENN STATE			WEST VIRGINIA				
FG	F	TP	FG	F	TP		
Rainey	3-13	19	Hundley	6	8-5	17	
Baidy	6	5-2	14	Kishbaugh	4	8-8	16
Ramsay	1	7-5	7	Sharrar	6	12-8	20
Leisher	4	7-5	13	Smith	4	5-2	10
Jordy	0	0-0	0	Gardner	1	2-1	3
Hancock	1	0-0	2	Vincent	3	2-2	8
Edwards	3	3-3	9	Eddy	1	1-0	2
Schwed'n	0	0-0	0	Barnett	1	0-0	2
Perry	0	0-0	0	Constantine	1	0-0	2
Kubista	1	0-0	2	King	0	0-0	0
			Retton	0	2-1	1	
			Schertz'ker	0	0-0	0	
			Totals	19	35-22	66	
			Totals	27	40-27	81	

## Heavy Classes Lack Experienced Wrestlers

(This is the last of a series concerning the prospects for the 1956-57 varsity wrestling team. Today we look at the 177-pound and heavyweight classes.)

There is no doubt that the 177 and heavyweight classes hold the key to the future of the Nittany Lion matmen for the 1956-57 campaign. Not one man with any varsity experience is listed among the several candidates who are seeking a starting job in these two weights.

Missing from the Lion wrestling team's pre-season drills for the first time in three years are 1955-56 co-captains Joe Krufka and Bill Oberly. Krufka was the 177-pound regular for the Nittanians for three years while his teammate held the heavyweight post through three seasons.

Oberly was runner-up in both the National and Eastern Heavyweight Championships last year. In the 1954-55 season, the 200-pound matman won the heavyweight national championship.

Krufka lost only to Ed Dewitt in the regular season last year but an injury kept him from winning any honors in the Eastern or National tournaments. The year before, Krufka placed second in both post-season tournaments.

Three men—Bruce Gilmore, Bob Berberich, and Henry Norwood—head the list of aspirants for Krufka's old stronghold. All three are sophomores and saw action on last season's freshman mat team.

### Gilmore on Frosh Team

Gilmore, who was a standout halfback performer for Coach Rip Engle's gridders this past fall, was the starting 177-pound man on the 1955-56 frosh aggregation. He split in two dual encounters, winning over a Cornell man but losing in a Lehigh meet.

Berberich wrestled in only one meet last year, losing to a Navy grappler in the 177-pound class. Norwood fought to a draw with a Cornell opponent last year in his lone match of the campaign. He was a heavyweight then.

### 5 Heavy Prospects

In the heavyweight class, Coach Charley Speidel's best prospects are Sam Markle, Dan Revie, Les Walters, Bob Gardner, and Dick Jenkins. Markle and Gardner are seniors, Walters and Revie are juniors, and Jenkins is a sophomore.

Either of the five men could move into the starting lineup. In an intra-squad match earlier this week, Markle defeated Walters on a close decision. He has the best shot at the first team heavyweight spot if he beats Revie in another practice match this week.

### 3 Booters Score 13

Three players shared scoring honors as Penn State's soccer team won 8, lost 2 and tied 1 in 1956. Tied for top honors, each with 13 goals, were Per Torgeson, of Altoona via Norway, Tom Nute, Kennett Square, and Mike Stollmeyer, British West Indies.

## 4 Fraternity Shutout Wins Top Intramural Bowling Matches

Four shutouts highlighted the activity in intramural fraternity bowling Tuesday night.

Theta Xi whitewashed Phi Sigma Delta, 4-0. The winners' Les Boyer led the way for his fraternity with a 502 series score.

Tau Kappa Epsilon, led by Bob Campbell and his evening's sum of 528 pins, blanked Tau Phi Delta, 4-0. Jim Wolf headed Tau Phi Delta's scoring with 387 pins.

Al Rose, whose night's total of 552 pins led all keglers for the evening's action, paced Sigma Alpha Mu to a 4-0 shutout over Alpha Zeta. Bill Wallace paced

Alpha Zeta with a score of 387. Jim Lockerman, captained Delta Upsilon to a 4-0 shutout over Phi Gamma Delta. Lockerman scored 452 points while Bob Manning felled 417 pins for Phi Gam.

Kappa Delta Rho defeated Phi Delta Theta, 3-1, thanks to Joe Corini's three game total of 547.

Theta Delta Chi's bowlers scored a 3-1 triumph over the keglers from Alpha Tau Omega. Guido D'Angelo appeared at the head of Theta Delta's scoring column with a 526 total. ATO was paced by Lou Gomlick with 516 total points.

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