

Lions Overcome Bisons, 59-56

Ron Rainey, Bob Ramsay Lead Cagers

By VINCE CAROCCI
Rallying to overcome a seven-point deficit midway through the final period, Penn State went on to score a tight 59-56 victory over Bucknell in a basketball thriller last night at Recreation Hall.

Down 40-33 with 13 minutes remaining in the game, the cagers, led by Ron Rainey's two quick jump shots and Steve Baidy's basket, cut the Bison lead to one, 40-39, with 11 minutes left.

Center Bob Ramsay, who sat out most of the first half, put the Lions in the lead temporarily with two foul shots one minute later, 41-40.

A jump by Bucknell's Norm Voorhees and a layup by Baidy pushed the score to 43-42. Penn State, Rainey's three-point play on a driving layup and a foul gave the Lions their biggest lead of the night, 46-42, with 7:30 left in the game.

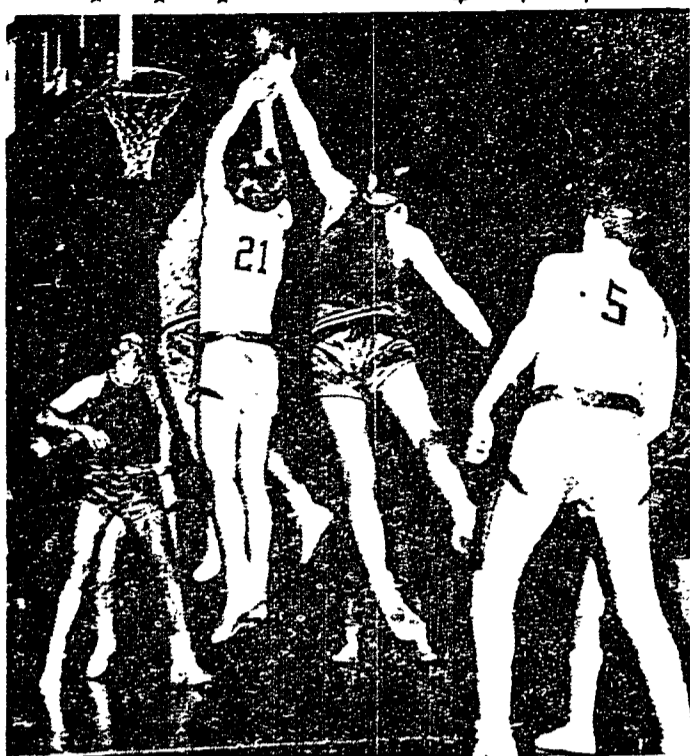
Another Voorhees goal and a jump by sophomore Dick Kniffin tied the score at 46-46 with 5:30 to go. From then on it was touch and go all the way with the two clubs trading baskets until the score read 54-54 with 2:30 left.

A foul by Baidy gave the Lions a 55-54 advantage only to have Jack Flanagan push the Bisons into their final lead of the night, 56-55.

Bob Edwards' two fouls with 1:24 left gave the Lions a 57-56 lead with Bucknell driving desperately for a score. Voorhees missed the shot and the Lions went into a freeze.

With 24 seconds left, Kniffin fouled Rainey, who converted the two single-tally clinchers for the victory. Ramsay blocked John Strizzi's futile three-point scoring effort. Rainey grabbing the loose ball, to shoot the Bisons to the ground.

Rainey and Ramsay, who lost



—Daily Collegian Photo by George Harrison
SOPHOMORE BOB EDWARDS goes high in the air to battle Bucknell's Norm Voorhees (partially hidden by Edwards) and Hal Danzig for a rebound during the Lions' 59-56 victory at Rec Hall last night. The Lions' Ron Rainey (5) and Bison Mike Beatty (36) look on.

their starting posts for the first time this season last night, were definitely the two key figures in the Nittany victory.

Rainey, looking like his old self again, scored 11 points in the second half, seven of them coming in the Lions' mid-period rally.

Ramsay, never a major Lion scoring threat, came through with two timely baskets and two fouls to keep the cagers in the game. He was also a bulwark on defense, holding high-scoring Hal Danzig to one basket in the second half.

"They won the game for us," Coach John Egli said happily after the game.

The first half was comparatively dull considering the tight moments at the game's ending. Bucknell, playing a conservative

offensive game, took an early lead only to have the Lions come back to take a 23-22 edge on Rainey's goal with 1:50 left in the period.

Two Bison fouls by Kniffin and a layup by Beatty, were answered by Edwards' jump at the buzzer, giving Bucknell a 26-25 halftime advantage.

Shooting percentages read: Bucknell—45.7 per cent on 21 goals of 46 attempts; Penn State—38 per cent on 25 goals of 65 attempts.

PENN STATE				BUCKNELL			
	FG	F	TP		FG	F	TP
Hancock	0	0-0	0	Beatty	2	2-3	10
Baidy	6	1-2	13	Kniffin	4	4-4	12
Edwards	7	2-4	16	Danzig	4	8-10	16
Leisher	2	1-2	5	Bacrelli	2	0-0	4
Schwend'n	3	0-0	6	Flanagan	4	0-0	8
Rainey	5	3-3	13	Voorhees	3	0-0	6
Ramsay	2	2-2	6	Strizzi	0	0-0	0
Totals	25	8-13	59	Totals	21	14-17	56

Nittanies, Cadets Pace EIGL at Mid-Way Mark

It's Army and Penn State once again as the Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastic League heads into the home stretch this Saturday.

The Nittany Lions invade Syracuse in a meet that will mark the mid-point of the campaign.

Going into Saturday's meet the Lions boast a perfect 2-0 slate, the same as Army's. Army has defeated Pitt and Syracuse, while the Nittanies have beat Temple and Navy. Penn State's score against Syracuse may serve as a tape measure for the Feb. 23 meeting between the Cadets and the Lions at University Park.

Syracuse is 1-1 in League competition with a triumph over Pitt. Gene Wettstone plans only one change for the meet with the Orange. The maneuver will shift Armando Vega back to the horizontal bar from the side horse and bring Walt Heiler into the action lime-light again on the difficult side horse.

Wettstone has been experimenting with Vega ever since the outstanding performer returned from the Olympic games at Melbourne. Vega, who holds the national parallel bars title, has been piling up the first place points in his specialty, plus first places in the flying rings competition that was more or less a last minute decision. Vega's other event was the horizontal bar. Then, just this past Saturday the Nittany tutor put Vega on the side horse, now he's back on the horizontal bar.

Wettstone explains his actions thusly:

"I am trying to build up Armando's all-around ability and we're hoping that he can take the N.C.A.A. all-round title this March."

Elsewhere, Wettstone is sticking with his original line-up: Dave Dulaney, Adie Stevens and captain Dion Weissend, tumbling; Vega, Gil Leu and Weissend, horizontal bar; Vega, Leu, and Bob Foht, parallel bars; Vega, Ed Sidwell and Jack Donahue, flying rings; Phil Mullen, Dick Rehm and John Hidinger, rope climb; and Heiler, Jack Beisterfeldt and Gil Leu, side horse.

Wettstone again expressed concern over the foreign field house, commenting that the team will have to give a better-than-average performance if they are to win and keep pace with Army.

Lacrosse Managers
Any 3rd or 4th semester students interested in becoming assistant Lacrosse managers should report to the new locker room, next to the ice skating rink any afternoon after 3.

Frosh Top Bisons, 64-55

Wally Colender tallied 26 points to spark the Lion freshman cagers to a 64-55 victory over the Bisons of Bucknell.

Colender, assuming the role of the team's "take charge guy," sparkled offensively with a series of drives and layups and teamed with Paul Sweetland to give the Lions control of the boards throughout the game.

Trailing 5-4 after three minutes, the Lion cubs moved ahead, 10-9, with Frank Magalski clicking on a hook and Colender pushing through a jump shot and a drive. The Penn State five increased the lead to 21-9 midway through the first half, pouring through 11 points without an answer.

At intermission, the Lions held a 32-23 advantage. Colender provided the bulk of Penn State's scoring load, netting 13 of his counters in the first half.

The Bisons, led by scrappy forward Pete Matz, roared back to grab the lead with less than 10

minutes gone in the second stanza. Matz connected for nine of his 19 points during this period. Teammate Pete Sylvester swished a set shot and a layup to knot the count at 40-40, and Matz and Tony Constantino added another pair of fielders to vault Bucknell into a 44-40 lead, their biggest edge of the night.

With five minutes of play, Colender again showed the way as Penn State rebounded from a 52-50 deficit to win going away. He fired in a jump shot to deadlock the contest, then registered a three-point play to hand the Lions a lead which they held the rest of the way.

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Lion Sprinters Visit Michigan

All-American shotputter Dave Owen will lead Michigan's powerful track squad against the Nittany Lions tomorrow night at Ann Arbor.

Owen, a two-time Big Ten shot put champion, heaved the 16-pound ball 59 feet last Saturday at the Michigan Amateur Athletic Association Relays at Ann Arbor.

The Wolverine coach, Don Canham, and many experts believe that Owen will become the fourth person in the world to put the shot better than 60 feet.

World's record-holder Parry O'Brien, Bill Nieder of Kansas and Ken Bantum of Manhattan are the present members of the 60-foot club.

Brendan O'Reilly, an Irish champion who has been flirting just under the seven foot mark, and Stan Menees will give the Wolverines a powerful one-two punch in the high jump.

All-American steeple chaser Geert Kielstrup from Denmark



Dave Owen
Wolverine Shotputter

and sophomore Cam Gray from Canada will represent Michigan in the distance events. Kielstrup has run the mile in less than 4:20.

Football halfback Jimmy Pace, who took second in the 60-yard dash in the Big Ten Indoor Championships last year, will be the Wolverines top entry in the sprints.

Bob Rudesill, Dick Flodin, Laird Sloan and Robin Varian, who took third places in the 300, 440, 600 and 1000-yard runs in the Big Ten indoor championships, (Continued on page eight)

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