

# Nittany Cagers to Test Faster Offensive Game

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Penn State basketball fans can look for a faster Lion offensive game topped by a wedge-like zone defense this year—at least if developments go according to Coach John Egli's liking.

Because of a severe lack of speed and qualified scorers, Egli's teams were forced to play a cautious, control-the-ball offensive game for the past two seasons.

This year, however, the cagers may be able to throw most of the caution to the sidelines and open their offense a bit. Although the speed situation does not seem to have improved greatly—the cagers are still on the slow side—Egli does have a greater abundance of potential double-figure scorers to work with this year.

Last year, Egli had only three men who could be called steady high scorers—Ron Rainey, Bob Edwards and Steve Baidy. All three return again this year—Rainey and Baidy are the co-captains—and juniors Tom Hancock and Ted Kubista seem to have to offensively found themselves after a year of varsity play.

Hancock and Kubista, both always strong defensively, have been scoring steadily in Lion practices, putting a bigger smile on Egli's face. Should they continue to score at their present rate, the Lions could be a high-scoring unit capable of matching points with the best.

Those five figure to be the Lion starters—during the early part of the year, at least. However, sophomore Wally Colender has been flashing a good bit of potential, both offensively



Tom Hancock



Bob Edwards  
... they're two offensive threats

and defensively, and could easily be the Lions' sixth scoring threat.

With this in mind, Egli, speaking of his offense, said: "There'll be a little more individualism in our offense this year... we'll weave more, screen and cut more, have a more wide open game in general."

This does not mean the Lions will be a racehorse club, however. But, as Egli put it, "we'll just control the ball when we have it."

Defensively, Egli will go with the three-two sliding zone defense which has worked so effectively for him in the past. In the sliding zone, the Lions place three men up front near the foul circle and two men under the

basket. The defenders slide to either side with the movement of the ball.

The key post in the zone is the center forward spot, which will probably be handled by Edwards when the starting five is in action. Rainey and Baidy will man the other front positions with Hancock and Kubista back.

Colender, however, will probably handle the center slot when he is in, with Edwards probably moving to a back post. The sophomore has been the best Egli has seen there this year, but his inexperience makes him a slight gamble. Rainey has also been used at the center defensive post and can play it in case of emergencies.

# IM Boxing Program Begins Action Today

By BILL JAFFE

Penn State's Intramural boxing program will get underway at 5 p.m. today with the beginning of preliminary matches in the eight weight classes in both the fraternity and independent divisions.

In the fraternity division, the field will be wide open as none of last year's champions are returning to action. Delta Upsilon won the team championship last year and Theta Kappa Phi placed second.

The lone independent champion last year to return for another year is John Collins at 155-pounds. Collins won at 145 pounds in 1956. However, a 1955 champion, Harry Stack, who won the 155-pound crown, will enter the 165-pound class this year.

The bouts will begin each day at 5 p.m. The tournament will be held today and tomorrow, Monday through Friday of next week, and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of the following week.

The finals will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19.

A bout consists of three rounds, with the maximum time length of each round not more than two minutes. Headgear and mouth protectors must be worn and 16 oz. gloves will be used.

Referees for the bouts will be Eddie Sulkowski, former Lion boxing coach, Frank Patrick, assistant football coach, and Ken Hosterman, soccer coach.

Some of the top fraternity boxers returning include Charles Zendi, Lambda Chi Alpha, and John Maher, Delta Upsilon, at 121 pounds. Returnees at 128-pounds are Morris Movsovich, Phi Sigma Delta,

Richard King, Lambda Chi, Edward Grass, Phi Kappa, and Sydney Kurtz, Theta Kappa Phi.

Eugene Woy, Beta Theta Pi, a finalist last year, heads the list of returnees at 135-pounds.

Phi Delta Theta's Ken Todd will return at 145-pounds, while Craig Kauffman, Kappa Sigma, and Pat Rielly, DU, will again see action at 155-pounds. At 165-pounds Beaver House's George Sullivan and Sigma Alpha Epsilon's Daniel Lessig lead the pre-tourney contenders for the crown.

Donald Gray, Lambda Chi, will be one of the top men at 175-pounds and Frank Urban, Phi Delta Theta, will be the lone veteran in the heavyweight division.

## Phillies Reject Bid For Robin Roberts

The Cincinnati Redlegs were turned down in their attempt to gain pitcher Robin Roberts from the Philadelphia Phils yesterday, according to the Associated Press.

The Reds offered an unidentified player to the Phils for Roberts and were told they could have him in exchange for center fielder Gus Bell. This was rejected. The AP said the unidentified Redleg was probably outfielder Wally Post.

## Fowlers, Navy Lead Keglers

The Fowl 4-and-1 and the Navy each took double scoring honors on Monday night as intramural bowling resumed play after its holiday break. Both teams had league high singles bowlers—Jim Nardi for Navy with 215 and Bob Nelson for the Fowlers with 236. Each team was the high game scorer in its league, the Fowl 4-and-1 totalling 910 points and Navy scoring 867.

The action on the League A lanes saw the Fowl 4-and-1 defeat the Hucksters, 3-1; the Vets beat the Hamilton Hornets, 3-1; McKee I defeat the Capitalists, 4-0; McKee II top Nittany 34, 3-1; Pollock defeat the Bruins, 2-1; and the Ten Pins beat RAR, 4-0.

## 9 Win IM Cage Tilts

In the most exciting intramural basketball game of the night, Delta Tau Delta, trailing throughout most of the game, forged ahead with two minutes remaining, to win over Phi Mu Delta, 23-20, Monday night at Recreation Hall.

In other close tilts, Delta Sigma Phi beat Tau Kappa Epsilon, 28-22; Phi Epsilon Pi defeated Phi Kappa Alpha, 26-22; Acacia edged Phi Sigma Delta, 21-17; and Alpha Zeta won over Beta Theta Pi, 24-18.

The two leading scorers of the night matched shots in the Delta Upsilon-Delta Chi game. Delta

Chi's Paul Chiavacci scored 15 points to edge by Delta Upsilon's Bill Mullin by a point, but DU won the game, 46-24.

Sigma Nu defeated Triangle, 31-22; Phi Kappa Psi won over Tau Phi Delta, 32-11; and Beta Sigma Rho beat Sigma Pi, 27-18, in other games.

Players in double figures were: Joe Fenkel (13); Fred Wolff (12); Dick Jackowsky (11); George Mabey (10); Don Robinson (10); and Joe Forney (10).

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