

Cagers Meet Temple at Palestra Tonight

By JIM KARL
Sports Editor

Penn State faces tourney-hopeful Temple at Philadelphia's Palestra tonight in the second game of a doubleheader, and unless the Lions find their shooting eyes they may give the Owls a push towards a post-season tournament bid.

St. Josephs and St. Peters (N.J.) play in the first game.

Temple has a 15-7 record so far this year with a game remaining against Gettysburg Saturday.

Temple and St. Josephs are in the running for the Middle Atlantic Conference title and the winner will go to the NCAA tournament. If Temple should lose the race, it still

has a chance for a bid to the NIT, provided it beats State tonight and Gettysburg Saturday.

The Lions don't have any tournament bids to worry about, but John Egli is concerned about State's poor shooting nights of late.

"We're certainly due for a good shooting night," Egli said yesterday, "and I just hope it comes against Temple, because we'll need it at the Palestra."

State hasn't been able to surpass 68 points per game for six straight games, yet the Lions have won four of those, largely because of an airtight defense.

In the four games State has won, they have limited the opposition to 55 points or less. They held Carnegie Tech to 45 points, Gettysburg to 43, Army to 36 and Pitt to 55.

During that period the Lions were beaten by Bucknell, 69-68, and West Virginia, 79-60. The 79 points by the Mountaineers were six below their average of 85, which puts them among the top 10 teams across the nation in average points per game.

ONE OF THE main reasons for the opposition's inability to score against State is the zone defense devised by coach Egli.

Egli is acknowledged as a master of this phase of basketball. He has completed the first two chapters of his book of "trade secrets" of the zone defense, and he's scheduled to talk for 45 minutes on his zone at the NCAA coaches convention at Lexington, Ken., late in March.

"We don't have the speed or the man power to run and shoot with teams like Gettysburg and



EARL HOFFMAN



JOHN PHILLIPS

... starters tonight

Army," Egli said the other day, "so we slow down the game with a good defense."

The strength of Egli's zone (either a two-out, three-in, or a three-out, two-in) lies in fast footwork and getting a good position.

EGLI EXPLAINS the fundamentals something like this:

"When you have the ball in any area, we play you man-for-man in the zone. When you cut, somebody picks you up right away."

"Did you see how confused Generalovich (Brian, a Pitt sophomore) was out there Saturday?"

He'd make a move around one of our players and before he could get off a shot somebody else would be on top of him."

Egli will start the same five players against Temple that opened the game against Pitt — Gene Harris, John Mitchell, Earl Hoffman, John Phillips, and Ulo Kart.

EGLI WAS PLEASED with the way Kart played in the final minutes against Pitt. With the Panthers breathing down State's back, 54-53, and less than three minutes to go, Kart came through with four valuable points.

"He still gets tired and I have to take him out," Egli said, "but he's coming along. If he keeps working he'll be alright."

Two-Point Decision Highlights IM Swim

By ED CARPENTER

A two-point victory by Berks, 21-19, over Nittany 23 highlighted the independent half of the IM swimming competition at Glennland Pool last night.

Berks had a comfortable lead of 21-14 going into the final event, the 120-yard relay, on the strength of a second place finish in the free style by Bob Scranton, a first place in the breaststroke by Leland Lantz, and a one-two sweep by Mike Lewis and "Kap" Stauffer in the backstroke.

THE SEVEN-POINT margin almost proved insufficient, however, as Nittany 23 copped first place in the relay with a winning time of 1:11.5.

In other independent swimming action, the Aquanauts won by forfeit over Nittany, 21-2. Despite this, the Aquanauts took to the water for unofficial timing.

Ted Parsons, the top swimmer for the group, made the spectators regret the time was unofficial. Parsons swam both the backstroke and breaststroke, narrowly missing the IM records in each event. Hampered by a cold, and without competition, he swam the backstroke in 37.4 seconds—4 off the record—and the breaststroke in 35.4 seconds, only .1 of a second off the mark.

In the fraternity half of the competition, Delta Tau Delta defeated Delta Sigma Phi, 21-11. Firsts in the freestyle, breaststroke, and backstroke accounted for the Deltas' victory.

DELTA SIG managed to cop first place in the diving. Taking top honors was "Dek" Kitchen with a score of 16.8. Kitchen gained his points with a 5.6 on his front dive, a 4.8 on his back dive, and a 6.4 on his optional attempt; a forward one and a-half pike position.

Indies Advance In IM Handball

In games concluded in the quarter-final round of the independent handball tournament last night at Rec Hall, footballers Steve Popp and Pete Liske defeated Ron Avery and Gary Oberst, 21-13 and 21-1.

It took Howard Schrack and Eric Vanderheid three games to defeated Craig Young and John Buck, 21-17, 14-21, and 21-6.

In other games Michael Bradshaw and Eugene McLaughlin defeated Robert Eshenbaugh and Robert Fritchman, 21-11 and 21-20. Finally, Don Benner and Bruce Blanning, the independent handball singles champion, trounced John Staples and Richard Halmar, 21-0 and 21-1.

The tournament will be resumed again tomorrow night when the victors will meet in the semi-final round. The competition will pit Popp and Liske against Schrack and Vanderheid, and Bradshaw and McLaughlin versus Benner and Blanning.

The fraternities, too, moved along in their handball doubles tournament. In their competition, Ron Pifer and Richard Pae of Beta Theta Pi defeated Sigma Pi's Richard Jantzer and Thomas Molnar, 21-3 and 21-13. Other action found Richard Kessler and Kenneth Hickok of Alpha Zeta

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Jay Balks at Salary Terms

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—Joey Jay, a 21-game winner with the National League champion Cincinnati Reds last year, threatened to quit unless his salary demands are met.

Jay, a key figure in the Reds' surprising drive to the 1961 pennant, was frank in discussing figures.

He said he was paid \$15,000 last year and was offered \$20,000 for 1962. But, he added, he is asking \$30,000 or more.

Dewitt said the last offer to Jay was \$22,500.

Jay declared "the next move is up to Dewitt and I have made no move to contact him. Maybe if he doesn't want me some other club does. If not, I have no alternative but to quit."

Jay is part owner of five West Virginia oil wells.

He said he had been in the major leagues for six years and that now is the time for him to get a "big raise."

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