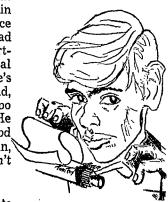
## Are The Frosh Missing Out?

By RON KOLB Assistant Sports Editor

It was about a half-hour after Penn State's 83-73 loss to Syracuse at Madison Square Garden, and basketball coach John Egli was busy explaining what went wrong. One reporter who was particularly impressed with the desire exerted by one of Egli's players, asked about the boy.

"What about Tom Daley?" the writer asked. "He looks like he's going to be a good one."

Egli agreed, but there were things in Daley's performance that point totals had obscured from reporters. "Tom's a real hustler, and he's quick," the coach said. "but he still makes too many mistakes. He didn't have a real good year as a freshman, and really, we don't play freshman ball."



The Penn State freshman basket ball

team traveled to Bucknell Monday night to play the Bison frosh. State jumped to an eight-point lead, when suddenly every player semed to panic. One player was by himself under the basket for an easy layup. He almost threw it over the backboard. Others made 10-foot jump shots look like missed half-court bombs.

The young Lions shot only 15 for 29 from the foul line, and though they won in rebounds, 49-46, they lost in points, 79-73. "I don't know what happened," coach Holmes Cathrall lamented. "Everyone tightened up."

Bucknell had played 10 freshman games before Monday's tilt. The Bisons' record was 8-2. Penn State had played two games against Altoona Campus prior to the latest loss. The Lions had won both by nearly 20 points.

Gary Murphy is a 6-3, 180-pound freshman from Coraopolis. He played scholastic ball at Moon Township High School where, as a senior, he averaged 30 points. Michigan State, Southern Cal, Minnesota, Pitt and 21 other schools wanted him on their team. He chose Penn State.

"I liked the campus and the math department here," he said about his choice. "Also, my Dad wanted to see me play. He sees every game, except he missed the Bucknell game because fog held up his flight home from Detroit."

Murphy is one of Penn State's brightest prospects in several years. He hit 9 of 16 shots from the floor Monday and scored 22 points, high man on the team. However, 18 of those points came in the second half, after he had shaken off some early

"We need more freshman games," Murphy said. "We don't run up against the competition the other schools do, so we are behind in development. As for Altoona campus, none of their players could make our team, so it doesn't help us that much. We've won every game, and we can get

away with missing some shots. That's no good." Murphy continued to talk about the Penn State team — how it's a potpourri of players who all starred for their respective high schools and who must adapt to the new situation that everyone is as good as the next person on the team. Only hard competition with someone in the same situation will help the club improve, he said.

"I'd really like to see us play the Big Five teams, or Pitt or Duquesne, or St. Francis, or even the small schools like Indiana."

Syracuse, an Eastern independent, plays 16 freshman games each year. Every school in a conference plays the other conference schools several times in a season at the freshman level. Even little Gettysburg plays 18 games.

Major colleges across the country quote the freshman statistics of the top players in the nation, plus the won-loss records of those teams. Penn State plays six games, two with Altoona Campus. Scoring averages here don't really mean much.

Cathrall was preparing his team for tonight's freshman game against Mansfield State, at 6:30 in Rec Hall. He said Mansfield has one of the roughest frosh teams in the State. He also gave his version of Penn State's philosophy on freshman ath-

By scheduling fewer games, they can keep the boys on their toes academically. I guess it's more important to get a good basic start in college, to keep them from dropping at the freshman level. They can then go on to varsity easier."

Ernest B. McCoy, Penn State athletic director, has said of the freshmen, "It's a new adjustment for all of them, being on their own, not being told when to study or when to come in at night. They're under enough strain in the classroom without adding the unnecessary pressure of varsity athletics."

Gary Murphy will be playing the third of six freshman games tonight, along with Willie Bryant, Mark Killian, Burce Mello and Charles Morton. In the varsity game, Tom Daley will not start

for the first time all year.

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#### **Temple Faces Lions Tonight at 8**

# Owls Display Philly Basketball

Philadelphia basketball is a sports phenomenon. There are five schools known as the "Big Five" which play each other for the right to be called Philadelphia's best. What goes on during those Big Five battles has psychologists baffled.

Amid raucous antics, foot-stomping, name-calling and Amid raucous antics, foot-stomping, name-calling and sheer mayhem, a basketball game progresses. Each one involving Penn, Villanova, LaSalle, St. Joseph's and Temple is the most important game of the century at that time. Upsets are the rule rather than the exception, while an uninteresting game is a rarity.

Once in a while, the five teams stray from their Palestra confines to show the rest of the country what Philadelphia basketball look like. St. Joseph's did it at the Gator Bowl Tournament, teaching Florida a lesson in court

Gator Bowl Tournament, teaching Florida a lesson in court strategy. Villanova did it just last week at St. Johns, pushing its winning streak to nine in a row.

The Temple Owls have played in the Palestra four of their last five games. After tonight, the next three will also be in the Philly pressure cooker. But tonight at 8, Philadelphia basketball is on tour again, and University Park gets the show.

The Temple contingent is led by a short, rather rotund gray-haired man who looks more like a neighborhood grocer than a basketball coach. Harry Litwack, in his 15th year at the job, can be recognized by the cigar that never

seems to leave his lips.

Litwack has been lighting that cigar to celebrate wins for many years, and this season hasn't helped him break the smoking habit. The Owls have won 11 while losing just four. The latest defeat came last Saturday in one of those manic-depressives in Philadelphia. St. Joseph's fans screamed a bit louder than Temple's as the Hawks won, 67-62.

Looks Like Misprint

Everyone thinks it's a misprint when he sees that hapless Pitt defeated the Owls just before Christmas, 80-63, for Temple's worst loss of the season, but it's true. The squad only lost to Davidson by three and to Army by six.

Nevertheless, Temple hasn't hurt its city's public relations across the country. The Owls defeated Providence, Wisconsin and St. Francis on their way to the Quaker City Tourney championship, using speed and strength to dominate all 11 victims.

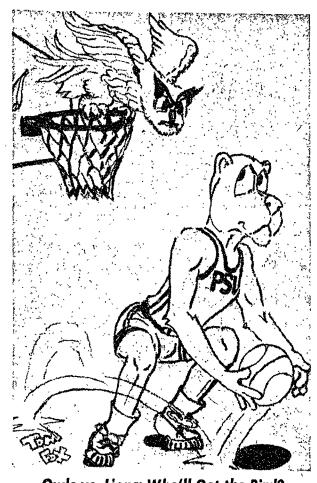
No one is classier on any court than Clarence Brookins, a leaping 6-4 senior forward. Brookins is averaging 17.6 points a game, also grabbing 130 rebounds, second on the team. With him in the front court is John Baum, a rugged 6-5, 195-pound muscleman. Baum has 158 rebounds and a 16.4 scoring average this season.

Height is one thing the Owls enjoy as a major advantage over most squads. Eddie Mast, at 6-9 and 205, doesn't score much (9.4 a game) but he has 121 rebounds to his credit. And Joe Cromer, a steady performer, is 6-5, has 77 rebounds and a 10.1 scoring average.

If it's depth that's needed to win, Temple has that, too. Tony Brocchi (5.1), Jack McEntee (2.1) and Jim Snook (5.6) are all potential starters with a lot of experience behind them. Team speed is excellent, but then team speed is excellent, but then team speed

is a prerequisite for Palestra racehorse basketball.

It isn't as though John Egli and his Lions haven't seen a team like this before. West Virginia employed similar tactics and blew them off the Rec Hall floor. Boston Col-



Owls vs. Lions: Who'll Get the Bird?

## **Bulletin**

Penn State defensive tackle Mike McBath was chosen by the Buffalo Bills of the American Football League as the professional draft closed its first session

lege never stopped running in New York. And now, after seeing what happened, Egli has his squad running. And running. They may still be running.

At this week's scrimmage session, Egli split the team into two groups and told them to play a game. The team that wins will start against Temple, he said. Surprisingly, the game was "no contest," and as a result, the lineup will look a bit different tonight.

State's leading scorer and rebounder captain Jeff

will look a bit different tonight.

State's leading scorer and rebounder, captain Jeff
Persson, will stay as a starter, hitting 18.2 a game and
clearing 102 rebounds. So will Jim Linden (7.4) and Bill
Young (9.3), second in rebounding with 97. The two new
faces will be Gregg Hamilton, a 6-0 guard, and Galen
Godbey, who has been a regular reserve but will now move
in at starting forward. Hamilton has been effective in
limited activity, while Godbey could gain effectiveness
with a bit more consistency and a bit less aggression.

Two Gone

Gone from the top five are 6-8 Bill Stansfield and 6-2
Tom Daley, who have both lacked the hustle in past

Tom Daley, who have both lacked the hustle in past games that Egli feels is necessary.

By the way, the new starters defeated the Stansfield-

Daley-Schweitzer-Egleston-Nichols team by 28 points in

Litwack won't be counting his cigars before they're rolled. He did that at Pitt. But he sure wouldn't like to give Philadelphia basketball another bad name. Like the

one University Park basketball has acquired lately

Two streaks are on the line tonight. Penn State has lost three in a row and are now 5-7. Temple hasn't won in Rec Hall since 1945, losing 12 straight since then. One of those streaks will end shortly.

the scrimmage.

McBath, a 6-4 240-pounder from Woodbury, N.J., was the fifth draft choice of the Bills. A member of the All-East second team this year, McBath started 28 consecutive games as a Lion lineman until he was injured late last season.

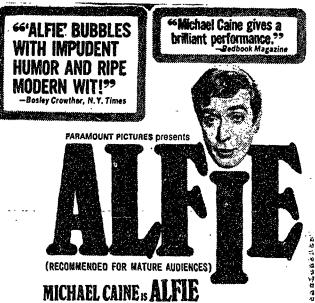
Only five rounds were completed in the draft yesterday. The draft sessions continue in New York today.

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## Coed Cagers Open Against Polyclinic

The Penn State women's basketball team opens its season at 7 p.m. today when it meets Polyclinic School of Nursing in Harrisburg.

"The team has the most potential it's had since I've

been on the team," said Marion Homer, now in her fourth year with the varsity cagers. "Everyone's talking about an undefeated season this year."

In addition to Miss Homer, five other members of the varsity team are Penn State basketball veterans. They include Mary Ann Charleson, Barb DeWitt, Marlys Palmer Linda Rouger and Benny Shater. The frackers New Year. mer, Linda Rouzer and Penny Shaton. Two freshmen, Nan Lucas and Rose Keith, and transfer Barbara Hartley complete the varsity team lineup.

Although Polyclinic was undefeated until last Saturday, hopes for a Lioness victory tonight are high. The basis for the optimism is found in the nurses' score against Shippensburg State College last weekend, 70-3.

Penn State lost to Shippensburg last year, but by a considerably closer score. According to Miss Homer, the Lady Lions and the Shippensburg team are closely matched. Under the coaching of Marie Lintner, the Penn State team will play a total of six varsity and four junior varsity games this season. The junior varsity will not play against Polyclinic tonight.

The Lady Lions will play their first home game at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, when they will meet the Shippensburg Red Raiders in White Hall gym.

Penn Staters who no longer appreciate the efforts of the men's basketball team may find coed basketball quite a change of pace sport. The teams consist of six players each, only four of whom may be in one half of the court at a time. Players range from heights of five feet

court at a time. Players range from heights of five feet and up, and there are few chances for an official to call goaltending.

### Judo Clubbers Win

Judo Tournament held in Wil- armiracture hold mington, Delaware. Also representing Penn State were Verne Kohava and Steve Cohan.

George Mower of the Penn ticipant of Judo to utilize vari-State Judo Club placed first ous techniques in combinations last Sunday in the middle- which will effectively defeat his weight brownbelt division, and opponent. A July match may also won the overall brownbelt be won by a throw, a chokeclass, at the Middle Atlantic hold, a mathold, or with an

The Penn State Judo Club will host an individual tournament on Feb. 25 in Recreation Competition enables the par- hall.

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