

PENN FIVE TOPPLES COLUMBIA BY 63-56

Takes Second Place in League
Standing From Lions—Beck
Registers 24 Points

CORNELL IS 69-65 VICTOR

Morton Helps to Halt Syracuse
Rally for First Triumph in
5 Tests With Orange

EASTERN LEAGUE STANDING

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Cornell	4	0	Princeton	0	2
Penn	4	1	Dartmouth	0	3
Columbia	2	1	Harvard	0	3
Yale	1	1			

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PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 4—Pennsylvania remained a top threat for the Eastern League basketball title tonight by beating Columbia, 63—56, in the first game of a Palestra double-header.

In the second game, Villanova defeated Canisius, 93—80.

The victory, Penn's twelfth against two losses, was the Red and Blue's fourth in five league games. The Quakers lost to Yale early in the season.

The Lions, who had a ten-game winning streak snapped by Holy Cross Saturday, suffered their first Ivy loss after two victories.

Ernie Beck, Penn's defending league-leading scorer, netted 24 points to lead both teams. It was also Beck's jump-shot field goal that put Penn in front, 57—56.

Six Fouls Converted

After that, Bart Leach converted six fouls in the final minutes to insure Penn's victory, its fourteenth in a row at home.

Columbia trailed almost all the way from the middle of the first quarter until after three minutes had gone by in the fourth period. Larry Wilkov's drive-in tied it at 53—53. About a minute later it was deadlocked at 55 on baskets by Tom Holt for Penn and Wilkov.

With 5:47 left, Columbia started to play possession ball and killed 2 minutes 13 seconds until Holt fouled Wilkov, who converted to make it 56—55 in favor of Columbia.

Beck's jump-shot from the outside put Penn ahead with 2:31 to play and Columbia fouled the Red and Blue in efforts to get possession. Leach's accurate foul shooting nullified that strategy.

Jack Molinas' 21 points led Columbia's attack. The triumph moved Penn into second place ahead of Columbia and just behind Cornell.

The Columbia-Penn line-up:

PENN (63)					COLUMBIA (56)				
	G.	F.	P.	P.		G.	F.	P.	P.
Heylman, lf.	1	5	3	7	Brandt, lf.	4	2	3	10
Leach, rf.	4	9	4	17	Molinas, rf.	8	5	3	21
Beck, c.	9	6	3	24	Lehman	0	0	0	0
Lavin	0	0	0	0	Gordon	0	0	0	0
Holt, lg.	3	0	4	6	Johnson, c.	1	3	3	5
Hoaglund, rg.	4	1	2	9	Maratos	0	1	3	1
Gramigna	0	0	0	0	Naley	2	1	2	5
					Wilkov, lg.	3	2	3	8
Total	21	21	16	63	Fickeisz, rg.	3	0	2	6
					Guittar	0	0	0	0
					Rohan	0	0	0	0
					Total	21	14	19	56
Pennsylvania	18	20	12	13—63					
Columbia	19	13	14	10—56					

Free throws missed—Pennsylvania: Leach 4, Beck 3, Heylman. Columbia: Molinas 4, Maratos 2, Wilkov 2, Brandt 2, Naley.

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