

Manhattan and Purdue Reach Final of Festival

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Darryl Eady, Dino Larry and 32 free throws put Manhattan College into the final round of the Holiday Festival basketball tournament last night before a disappointing Madison Square Garden crowd of 7,102.

The only two freshmen on the roster accounted for 27 points as the Jaspers upset Penn, 68-61. They did well at the free-throw line, especially in the second half. Their 32 free throws came in 39 attempts, including 24 of 26 in the second half. The last 13 Manhattan points in the final 4 minutes 25 seconds were on free throws.

In the other semifinal, Purdue jumped out to a 17-point halftime lead and went on to overwhelm Georgetown, the pretournament favorite, 83-65. Manhattan and Purdue, which won its fifth game in eight, will play tonight for the championship.

In the game for fifth place, three free throws by Kim Malcolm gave Long Island University a 64-61 victory over Fairfield.

The 6-foot-6-inch Eady, out of Marist High School, Bayonne, N. J., was not a household name among college recruiters. By Eady's own admission, "I wasn't a very good high school player, only good enough for a second-team spot on the Hudson County All-Star team."

Zone Defense Foils Penn

But the way Eady shot the ball and hit the boards last night, he may be a find for Manhattan. In his first start, he scored 16 points and had a team high of seven rebounds. Before last night he had averaged 3.5 points for the first six games, four of which the Jaspers had lost.

The 6-5 Larry, his real first name is Levurtus, was recruited out of Poughkeepsie (N.Y.) High. He collected 11 points, but more importantly played a key role in the 3-2 zone defense the Jaspers threw at Penn early in the second half. It foiled the Penn running game, forcing the Quakers to shoot from the outside and foul excessively.

Manhattan went into the zone after Keven McDonald, Penn's top scorer with a 24.3-point average, picked up his fourth foul. The Quakers were ahead, 42-39, at the time.

"We had to go to the zone," said Jack Powers, the Manhattan coach. "We were in foul trouble and we had only seven men. The guys told me during the timeout they were a little tired. I would have to say that switching to the zone was the key to the victory. It upset the tempo of their game."

Powers had revamped his starting lineup because of an injury to Mike Bruno, his 6-9 center, who suffered an injured thumb of his left hand in Tuesday's practice.

Steve Grant, who finished with 18 points, moved to center. Dick Pope, because of his defensive skills, and Eady played at forward and Larry and Ricky Marsh made up the backcourt. The move sent Tom Courtney, the 5-11 backcourt man, to the bench. Courtney later played a key role in the zone and getting the ball to Grant and Eady.

Pope, whose forte is defense, was matched with McDonald, the Eastern College Athletic Conference sophomore of the year last season. The 6-4 Pope did the defensive job asked of him. He limited McDonald to 4 points in the first half, denying him the ball, forcing him to rush his shots and boxing him off the boards. McDonald was 1 for 9. In the second half McDonald did better and finished with 14 points. He fouled out with 58 seconds left.

Penn started the season as the favorite to regain the Ivy League title it lost to Princeton last season. The Quakers were accorded the high ranking because they had an outstanding freshman team last season. But amid all the glowing predictions, Coach Chuck Daly had warned that his players had big high school reputations and little experience.

"I'm sorry to have to say I was right," said Daly, after his team lost for the third time in five games. "Often when you have a lot of talent it takes time to put it together."

"Our trouble tonight was that Manhattan rattled us, forced us to take bad shots and foul. It's not that they drew so many more free throws than we did, but maybe we were half a step slower than they were."

Parkinson Purdue Star

Purdue, the big, strong representative from the Big Ten Conference, matched up well against equally big Georgetown. However, in handing the Hoyas their second loss in nine games, Purdue was the more physical team, played better defense, had the deeper bench and boxed out well under the boards.

Bruce Parkinson, the Boilermakers' outstanding guard, controlled the tempo of the game, scored 13 points and added six assists.

In the first half when it turned the game into a rout, Purdue shut off Georgetown's running game and shot 57 percent.

In the second half, in a desperation move, Georgetown turned the game into a schoolyard chase. The Hoyas succeeded in cutting Purdue's margin to 50-40 with 13 minutes left. At that point Fred Schaus, the Purdue coach, called a timeout and resettled the team. They gradually returned the game into a rout.