

Cornell Routed by Penn, 98-61, As Another Black Quits Quintet

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ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 12— Penn had one of its easiest games of the season today as the defending Ivy League basketball champion trounced Cornell, 98-61, to remain on top of the league with six Ivy games to go.

However, Cornell continued to have player-coach problems that appear to be racial as another black player, Carmel Stewart, quit the team today vowing not to return unless Jerry Lace was replaced as head basketball coach.

Originally all six black players on the Cornell basketball team quit in December missing two games before returning Dec. 29. Since then four of them have left the team, including Brian Wright, the leading scorer.

Wright and Stewart were among the 2,500 spectators at Barton Hall today. Both are sophomores.

Stewart said, "It's not a racial problem. It's the coach. He's just incompetent." Stewart was a starter in recent games including Thursday night's loss to Princeton.

Stewart, who lives in Pittsburgh, said he would transfer to another college if Lace returns as coach next season. The athlete said he would like to move to the University of Pittsburgh or Duquesne, another college in Pittsburgh.

Wright agreed with Stewart that the problem was "the coach," and the Brooklyn athlete said he would also like to transfer to another school, where he could play if Lace is kept as coach next season at Cornell.

Lace, in his fourth year as Cornell's coach, said he did not know why Stewart quit the team today. He said he had not talked with the sophomore, but would try to shortly.

PENN (98)			CORNELL (61)				
	G.	F.	P.	G.	F.	P.	
Morse	10	2-3	22	Newby	3	3-5	9
Hankinson	7	1-1	15	Amato	4	2-6	10
Littlepage	4	1-2	9	Story	1	1-3	3
Calhoun	4	2-2	10	Willmot	1	1-3	3
Cotler	2	4-5	8	Loruki	2	2-4	6
Walters	2	2-3	6	Coles	5	0-1	10
Jablonski	1	1-7	3	O'Neill	3	0-0	6
Dillingalea	2	1-1	5	Hulse	1	2-2	4
Varga	0	0-0	0	Munier	3	3-4	9
Sonnenberg	2	0-0	4	Bartholm'w	0	1-2	
Finger	1	0-0	2				
Fields	2	0-1	4	Total	23	15-30	61
Batory	1	4-4	6				
Hansen	1	2-4	4				

Total 39 20-28 98
 Half-time score—Penn 46, Cornell 20.
 Officials—MacArthur and Casey.
 Attendance—2,500.

Otis Story, a sophomore from Jamaica, Queens, and John Coles, a junior from Washington, are the two remaining black players on the Cornell team.

In the game today Penn ran away from the Big Red to gain its 16th victory of the season against two defeats and increase its Ivy League won-lost record to 7-1. Four of the Quakers' six remaining Ivy games will be at home in Philadelphia's Palestra.

The first of these games will be with Brown Friday night. That contest may settle any remaining question about Pennsylvania winning its second straight Ivy crown and the resulting berth in the National Collegiate championship.

The Quakers quickly ended the plans Cornell had of slowing the game down today. Led by Bob Morse, Alan Cotler and Craig Littlepage, Penn jumped to a 6-0 lead in the first minute and a half and then increased it to 16-3 during the opening six minutes.

It was too late then for Cornell to slow things down so the Big Red had no choice but to run with the much taller and better players from Philadelphia. It was a hopeless cause for Cornell in a game witnessed by an Eastern television audience.