

Y Teams Lose In Philly Cage

The Huntington YMCA invaded Philadelphia with four basketball teams and came home bruised with a five won, seven lost record. The Polecats, the Y's oldest group, made the finals of their division in the Penn Academy Tourney, the Bobcats reached the consolation finals and the Kittens played in the semis. They all lost. The Tomcats were dropped from the Tourney in two straight.

The Tomcats ended on a happy note, however, as they nipped Our Lady of Calvary, 43-41, on their way home in North Philly. Chris Sanders was red hot with 16, all coming from the 12-15 foot range. The Toms lost to Penn Academy, 47-35, and to Somerton, 45-39, in their tourney games. Kurt Sohn had 11 and 17 to lead the way both times. Bob Benney and Gary Lamberta had double figure totals for the two games, 15 and 11, for the Toms.

The Bobcats dropped their tourney opener, 51-43, to the Yankee-Rebs, who had four players in the 6-2-6-3 range. The Bobs' top offensive threats were Ron Ryan 10, Tom Martilla 8 and Jim McIntyre 8. Mike Diamond's backcourt leadership kept the Bobcats close.

They came back to whip Liberty Bell, 50-37. Well divided scoring was led by Joe Gazzini, Mike Diamond and Steve Basil with 8 each, Mike Russell 7 and Ed Strazzulla and Martilla 6 each. Then, they faced a scoring drought, bombing out to Hempstead, 37-17, with Bob Driscoll's five high. The trip ended for the Bobcats with an overtime 56-53 loss to Our Lady of Calvary. Basil had 16 and Russell 14 for the Y.

The Kittens won their first game, 42-21, over the 26th PAL. Myron Bell had 13, Mike Byrnes 8 and Mike Ryan 6 to lead the way. In the semifinal, they held a 12-4 lead and then went the other way to lose, 37-23. Bell had 12, Brian Kelly 6 and Ray Schultz 4 for the Kittens.

The Polecats, made up of Bobcat alumni now playing school ball, won their first game, 59-40, over Bellmawr, N. J. Charlie Gugliotta and Scott Cushing had 13 each, Pete Sinatra 12. In the second game, the Y topped Elmont, 50-45. Cushing had 17, Gugliotta 15, Sinatra and Mike Burnette 8 each.

Then came the championship game and a 68-46 drubbing by Vogt AC of Philly. Gugliotta was the only offensive threat with 19 points.