

# Cornell to Face Brown Courtmen

Cornell's varsity basketball team returns to Barton Hall at 8:15 p.m. tonight, still in quest of their first Ivy League win. Brown, picked by the coaches to finish last in the league, provides the opposition.

If the local cagers hope to make a strong showing in this season's Ivy title race, a win over Brown is a necessity.

The Big Red now possesses an 0-1 league record as a result of the 21 point defeat administered by Harvard last weekend.

Brown has improved over their mediocre 7-18 record of 1954-55. The Bruins hold wins over Tufts, Rhode Island, and Northeastern. Only Providence College was able to defeat the Ivy Leaguers in their opening game of the season.

However, this outstanding record may be deceptive. The Bruin's three victories came over teams with a combined season's mark of 1-10. The team lacks size and experience. No man on the Brown squad is taller than 6-4, but for that matter this height problem also plagued Harvard. About the only thing certain is that Brown has improved; how much they have improved will not be known until tonight.

The Bruin's 74-71 overtime win against Rhode Island was particularly gratifying to Coach Stan Ward. Joe Tebo, a sophomore guard, scored 29 points against the Rams, while the rest of the Brown team also performed well in this upset victory. Tebo is averaging 21 points per game after the first four contests.

However, Tebo is not the only Brown scoring threat. Center Jerry Alaimo, a natural forward who has been converted to the pivot spot due to a lack of height, has been deadly on his inside shots. The 6-3 sophomore has scored 23 field goals out of 50 attempts, and also leads in rebounds with an average of 16.3 per game. Brown's starting lineup is completed by three seniors—Capt. Chuck Merritt, Phil Gerould, and Pete Campisi.

Cornell also appears to be much better, at least than their play in the Harvard game would indicate. Colgate, who Cornell defeated by six points, split a pair of one point decisions on the road against Princeton and Columbia this week. Both of these teams are strong Ivy title contenders.

Coach Royner Green will call upon Ray Zelek, Chuck Rolles, Dick Meade, Larry Pearson, and Bo Roberson to open against the visitors.

Rolles and Zelek appear to be the key men of this year's Cornell team. The 5-6 backcourtman looks like a cinch to better his sixth place finish in last year's Ivy scoring race. In the three contests played to date, Rolles is averaging 22 points per game, and has a 53.1 field goal percentage.

Sharing the team height honors with 6-5 Flip Calkin, Zelek has been doing a large share of Cornell's rebounding. Although poses-

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