

# Basketball Banter

By Bob Bock

Three teams—Battenfeld, Templin, and the Betas—all have had very good followings at the games, which is more than can be said for the other league teams who have not had nearly as much support from the sidelines.

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We believe that you can get some real enjoyment out of attending some of these games as many of them have really been nip and tuck battles. Also, there is no admission charge whatsoever. So, how about coming out some night this week? What do you say?

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We are going to try to list a few of the "supposed-to-be" better games this week, but after going down the line, we found that we would have to include nearly all of the games since there are so many evenly-matched teams playing.

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The three most exciting games so far have undoubtedly been the J. Moore-Phi Psi, the Templin-Beta, and the Battenfeld-Templin affairs. In case you have forgotten, J. Moore won by three points in an overtime after Scott had scored five points for the Phi Psi's in the last 30 seconds to tie the score, Templin won by one point, and Battenfeld also won by one point after an overtime

period. Two of these games were so close and excitement so high, that the scorers got rattled and missed out on part of the scoring, which resulted, naturally, in some nice little hot discussions around the scorer's table at the game's conclusion.

In the J. Moore-Phi Psi game the scorer had not got down Scott's last two field goals and an earlier free throw, and Dr. Allen had to help straighten out the squabble that resulted, with it finally being decided that the game had ended at 46 all. In the Templin-Beta the scorer, a Beta, had missed one of Beta Bob O'Neil's field goals and a Templin free throw, and when with about two and a half minutes remaining, Dr. Allen, who was working the game, asked what the score was, he was told that it was all tied up at 34 instead of 36 to 35 Beta, as it actually was. So the Templin boys wisely froze on to the ball after taking a on epoint lead on a charity toss and incidentally kept that supposed one point advantage intact to the game's end. Then after the game when the missed field goal was pointed out by Beta followers, quite a squabble ensued. But Dr. Allen logically declared that the score must stand at 35 to 34 Templin as Templin would naturally have not played the stalling type of game if they had known that they were not ahead.

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Bill Mowery, the Beta's broad-shouldered, slick-passing guard, has dropped out of school, desiring to get in a couple of weeks of rest before beginning the old grind again

under the Navy College Training Program, July 1. Bill undoubtedly was one of the "better boys" in intramural circles.

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The Phi Gam's looked strong in their first and only game in which they trampled Battenfeld 40 to 29, but because of injuries, lack of interest and players as well, they decided to forfeit the remainder of their games. Marshall Hulett, who was high man in the Phi Gam's lone contest with 14 points, probably would really be a big help to some of the other teams.

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Talking about free throw percentage, in the J. Moore-Phi Psi battle last week, Kirk Scott of the Phi Psi's hit 13 out of 17 charity tosses, while Bob Bock of the J. Moore outfit dropped in nine out of 12, which adds up to 22 good out of 29 trys which "ain't bad at all" under the heat of battle, or any time for that matter.

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The "all-star" team to be chosen at the league's close next Tuesday night will probably include some of the following who have played well to date: Kirk Scott, who in two games has scored 53 points, better than a 26 point games average, and Paul Carpenter of the Phi Psi's, Bob and Bill Mathews and D. McCormick of the rangy Tennessee Club, Diehl, Malott, and O'Neil of the Betas, the Corder brothers and Doores of Templin, Haynes and Moffet of the J. Moore-Delts, and several others.