

1928-1929 State Tournament...

## FREMONT'S GOLIATHS OF BASKETBALL



The hopes of Fremont basketball fans will ride with the above group of boys, undisputed champions of the Little Big Seven, who enter the district tourney at Sandusky tonight with Fostoria high as their opponents. Reading from left to right, the group consists of Cal Montague, guard; George Lerch, forward; Captain Lester Binkley, center; Edgar Newton, forward; J. W. Miller, guard and William (Bunk) Ross, coach.

### GOB NOW ROARS FOR SHOT AT JACK DEMPSEY

By JACK SHARKEY  
MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 28.—Bring on Jack Dempsey now that I defeated Young Stribling in our ten round bout here I want to fight the former champion again. There is one heavyweight I am certain I can lick, and he is Dempsey.

When we fought in New York, I almost knocked him out in the first round. I promise to stop him if he ever enters the ring with me again. I have already signed with the Madison Square Garden corporation to battle Dempsey in the event he re-enters the ring. I have been guaranteed \$100,000 and also have the privilege of accepting 25 per cent of the gate receipts. I feel that Dempsey and myself would draw a great crowd and they would see a real battle.

Dempsey has always been my idol. I consider him one of the greatest fighters to ever enter a ring. I rate him up with John L. Sullivan, the famous Boston strong boy.

Bill Carey cannot sign Dempsey up any too quickly to meet me. I will be ready for this shot early in June if Dempsey says the word. My better body punching and ability to score with left jabs enabled me to win from Stribling.

I could nail him easily with straight left jabs, while he was a target for left hooks to the body and right hand smashes to the body. Stribling scored with just one clean punch. That was in the third round when he nailed me with a right hand on the whiskers.

I'll tell the world the young Georgian had plenty of dynamite behind that smash. I grit my teeth when the sock landed, sailed to close quarters and let go a barrage of blows to the body. I have always believed that a strong offense is the best defense. Perhaps it was the scoring of that blow that caused Stribling to go down to such a decisive defeat. He is right hand crazy.

I would pull out of the way of his punch without moving my feet and drive terrific right hand uppercuts to the body. I occasionally varied my attack by driving left hooks to the body. At times when I scored to the body, Stribling jumped into the air. Referee Lou

### FREMONT HIGH IN BIG WHIRL WITH FOSTORIA

Goliaths All Set; St. Joe Prepares for Bowling Green

The winding road to Sandusky from Fremont will get one awful pressure of wheels this evening, when the purple and white basketball supporters start their whirl down that direction to witness the opening game in the class A tourney where Fremont high is billed for a hook-up with its ancient and honorable enemy, Fostoria high.

The sale of student and adult seats here indicates that several hundred will make the trip and be in the section that is reserved for them in Community gym. Fremont and Fostoria take the floor at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening and the going promises to be hot and heavy.

The Goliaths, fresh from their conquests in the Little Big Seven have been working out at the local gym for the past two days, taking it sort of easy after slipping through their league without a setback. They are the favorites and they should win. The fact that the purple and white offering for the cage this year is sort of in and out, good one night and just ordinary the next, sort of puzzles the backers, but it is proven that the Goliaths are better abroad than they are at home and this means that they have the necessary bit of nerve to carry them on in cases of emergency.

Coach Ross will take his entire first string of ten men down to the frat, but will start his regulars, Captain Binkley, center; Lerch and Newton Forward; Montague and J. W. Miller, guards. All these boys are in prime shape and they, if the dope works true, should have no trouble in easing out on top in this tourney and working their way to a shot at bigger things at Findlay next week.

Some of the wise men of the cage have predicted that Fremont high and Bucyrus high, winners of the Central Ohio league championship, will shoot it off for the big tourney honors.

### YOUNG WILLIAM SHOWS HIMSELF A GAME LOSER

By W. L. STRIBLING

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 28.—Jack Sharkey was the better man tonight. And that is the main part of the story of why I tossed off the decision to him. He proved to be a smarter fighter than I imagined, with a lot of the something that's called "class" and he proved to me tonight that he can take a heavy bombardment, stand up and then come in for more. I was mighty hopeful of winning until the fourth when the wobbly rib on my left side went partially out of commission and the old power and zip went out of that arm. After that it was a case of trying to batter down a good man fighting a great fight and doing it with an arm and a half. I wasn't equal to the job and Sharkey slipped out in front.

Without attempting to take credit from Sharkey in victory, I can't help but say that Sharkey as a puncher, wasn't a ferocious citizen. He nailed me in the body and dropped a few on my chin, but never a one jarred me. It was the cleverness of Sharkey, his ring generalship and his ability to take all I could crack onto his head and body that won for him.

Defeat hasn't discouraged me in my ambition to climb to the heavyweight peak, it merely has proven to me that I need a little more bulk and a little more experience against the real topnotchers of the game.

I learned a lot fighting Sharkey tonight. Perhaps if my left arm hadn't slowed and lost its power, I might have whipped the man from Boston, but having failed I'll just keep in memory the things learned and make that knowledge useful in the future, and, in conclusion, doff my hat to Sharkey who fought fair and clean and fought the better fight.



Did George Sisler ever pitch in a

# GOLIATHS GET ANOTHER OFF NIGHT SHOCK

Drop Close Contest 15 to  
11; Great Tournay  
Upset

FAILURE TO LOCATE  
BUCKET IS CAUSE

Close Guarding Big Fea-  
ture During Opening  
Game

Fostoria High 15, Fremont High  
11.

Knocked out in the first round is  
the fate suffered by the Goliaths of  
Fremont, champions of the Little  
Big Seven League, and favorites, up  
until the wallop landed, to take  
the district cage fuss that was ar-  
ranged among ten classy high  
school crews at Sandusky.

There is always a thrill connect-  
ed with the event that surrounds  
the upset of a favorite in any kind  
of a sporting event, but the unex-  
pected set-back at the hands of  
Fremont ancient, but very honor-  
able enemy, Fostoria, in the first  
whirl of the fuss at the stepping  
stone that might have lead to a  
state championship, was anything  
but a thrill to the great multitude  
of the faithful who followed the  
purple and white to Sandusky just  
as they have trekked in its wake to  
fields of battle in the past and will  
to the same thing again in the fu-  
ture.

It was a wallop, this defeat, a sad  
awakening to the fact that, as far  
as future cage activities for the  
season of 1929, Fremont high is  
through.

It was not exactly a case of how  
good Fostoria was, they being  
pretty fair at that, but the entire  
development revolves around a  
cycle that pertains to the fact that  
the cage in the Goliath machine did  
not function properly.

Known as an in and out team, a  
bear cat one night and just ordi-  
nary the next time out, Fremont  
high went into this all-important  
test out of gear and that's about all  
there is for an alibi.

The game was tighter than a  
Scotch mile society after a wild  
scoring first quarter and develop-  
ed into a contest of endurance in  
which each team evaded the  
breaks. Fostoria, taking advantage  
of the purple and white's off night  
doings, eased out in front, won the  
opener, beat the favorite and is  
now a red hot selection to cop the  
honors in the tournay.

Leonard sank a free toss to start  
the scoring, but Captain Binkley,  
playing his last game of basketball  
for Fremont high, and Cal Mon-  
tague, also performing in his final  
game, sank fielders while George  
Lerch, tall player, another player  
who was putting finish on his F. H.  
S. athletic career, shot a hooster  
from the bread line. Slosser, of the  
Fostoria brigade shot a fielder and  
was fouled during the process. He  
sank both free tosses and the count  
was knotted, five per.

It looked like one of those free  
for all scoring affairs when Bink-  
ley put Fremont in the lead with a  
fielder. McFadden, Fostoria's wee  
man of might shot his basket and  
it was even Stephen, 7 all. Roth  
boosted the foemen to another  
fielder and the quarter ended 9  
and 7 in favor of the Fostorians.

In the second round Binkley shot  
his final fielder and Fostoria boost-  
ed its total to 11 points. The count  
at the half was 11 and 10 and it  
was anybody's ball game.

The purple and white shifted to  
a zone defense late in the first half,  
abandoning the man for man busi-  
ness that had predominated for a  
while.

The final half was one in which  
both teams patrolled the guard line  
with great care and fielders were  
as few and far between as cakes of  
soap in a Bolshevik boarding house.

In the 16 minutes of play, but  
five points were scored, Fostoria  
helping itself to four, while Fre-  
mont's share was a free toss, Lerch  
making the hoist. McFadden and  
Doyle each drew a fielder for Fos-  
toria's share.

A grand recapitulation of the big  
upset, where an out and out favor-  
ite was pushed out of the picture,  
shows that Fremont shot at the  
bucket 10 less than 50 times, play-  
ing but four shots for fielders. This  
shows which way the wind blows,  
as Fostoria had but 12 chances for  
the iron hopped and bagged six of  
them. George Lerch, Fremont's big  
forward, certainly had an off night,  
missing each and every one of ten

shots he had at the bucket. Bink-  
ley was high man on the evening,  
caging six points.

Fostoria also had the edge on the  
bread line, converting three out of  
eight tries while Fremont breaded in  
three out of nine.

It was a tough break for Coach  
Roes and his crew, all of whom  
have worked hard pointing to this  
big trial. The team of 1929, col-  
est crew that ever wore the purple  
and white, had great possibilities  
this season, but like a set of false  
teeth with two nails missing on the  
upper rack and three gone from  
the lower, they couldn't click when  
they wanted too and therefore they  
went out of the picture.

At times this team played like  
whirlwinds, beating some powerful  
outfits. At other times they worked  
just the opposite. They did, how-  
ever, and they deserve all the credit  
in the world, cop the Little Big  
Seven pennant, going through their  
season in the league undefeated and  
for this Fremont and the rest of  
northern Ohio gives them credit.

They are a great set of boys, but,  
as has been said before, they fell  
out to click last evening when the  
clicking would have been sweet  
music to a lot of outspread ears.

The summary:

Fremont 11	F. G. P.
Lerch, lf	0 2 2
Newton, rf	0 0 0
Binkley, c	3 0 0
Montague, rf	1 0 0
Miller, lf	0 1 1
George, rg, lf	0 0 0

Totals	4 3 11
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Fostoria 15	F. G. P.
Leonard, rf	0 1 1
Doyle, lf	1 0 2
Roth, c	2 0 4
McFadden, rg	2 0 4
Slosser, lg	2 2 4

Totals	6 3 15
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Score by quarters:

Fremont	7 3 1 0-11
Fostoria	9 2 2 2-15

Officials—Wilson of Denison and  
Bechtol of Wittenberg. Time of  
quarters, 8 minutes.

## MIAMI TO BE WINTER CENTER OF RING WORK

Success of Recent Bout  
Has Capped Big  
Climax

By JAMES L. KILGALLIE

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MIAMI BEACH, Fla., March 1.—

Miami will be the winter boxing  
capital of the nation for the next  
five years, it was indicated today  
following an agreement made be-  
tween the Miami city commis-  
sioners and William F. Carey, vice  
president of Madison Square Gar-  
den Corporation, who co-operated  
with Jack Dempsey in staging the  
Sharkey-Stribling spectacle at Fla-  
mingo park, Miami Beach, last  
Wednesday night.

The Miami commission agreed to  
provide \$10,000 for tearing down the  
Flamingo park arena and erecting  
it again on a site in City park, Mi-  
ami. Carey, in turn, agreed to give  
it to the city and pay any cost in  
excess of \$10,000. A contract is to  
be drawn up in which it will be  
stipulated that the Madison Square  
Garden Corporation will stage an  
annual mid-winter bout of national  
calibre to be given under the aus-  
pices of the local post of the Amer-  
ican Legion. The city is willing to  
provide a site, and the funds for  
rebuilding the arena.

Carey is leaving here tomorrow  
night in charge of a delegation of  
New York, Boston and Philadelphia  
boxing writers who will go north on  
a special train.

Dempsey, elated over his success  
as a promoter in his first venture,  
will depart for New York next  
Monday, accompanied by his wife,  
Estelle Taylor, seven star. Jack  
has some business to clean up, in-  
cluding his 25 per cent profits of  
the Sharkey-Stribling spectacle.  
After a short stay in New York, he  
will go to Detroit to look over the  
boxing situation in that city.

It is reported that he may stage  
a battle in Detroit between Sammy  
Mandell, lightweight champion, and  
Ray Miller of Chicago, at the De-  
troit baseball park, next May.

Revised figures made public to-  
day show that the gross receipts of  
the Sharkey-Stribling fight were  
\$396,369. The net profits will be  
close to \$100,000, one-fourth of  
which will go to Dempsey. The  
Garden will probably wind up with  
a profit of \$50,000. The actual paid  
attendance was 29,468. Carey esti-  
mated the total expenses at about  
\$225,000. This includes Stribling's  
share and the \$100,000 guarantee

# MILLER WINS BERTH ON TOURNEY TEAMS

Officials covering the class A tourney at Sandusky, divided their first tourney team between Shelby, Tiffin, Sandusky and Mansfield. J. W. Miller, best high school guard in the state, was given a position on the second team, but Jayson is the only man wearing the purple and white of Fremont, to elbow into the proceedings, although Binkley, the Fremont captain, is considered by many as the peer of all centers in the north central Ohio district.

The Sandusky first and second team selections are as follows:

## **First Team**

Bock, Sandusky, right forward.  
Schreffler, Shelby, left forward.  
Schuster, Mansfield, center.  
Kerchner, Tiffin, right guard.  
Sharp, Mansfield, left guard.

## **Second Team**

Parker, Sandusky, right forward.  
J. Callander, Galion, left forward.  
Blum, Tiffin, center.  
J. Miller, Fremont, right guard.  
Lucky, Mansfield, left guard.