

## 1967-1968 Season Review



## OPEN SCRIMMAGE SATURDAY

# Four Lettermen Drill For Ross

New Coach Don Purvis got a second game conditions look at his 1967-68 edition of the Ross high school basketball team Wednesday night in the local gymnasium. The Little Giants held their second scrimmage of the season against Elmwood. This followed a drill last Saturday with Bowling Green.

Fans will share the coach's look at the Little Giants Saturday in a three-way scrimmage in the Ross gymnasium. The 10 a.m. scrimmage will feature Ross, Toledo DeVilbiss and Willard high school teams.

Purvis, a veteran of six years as reserve coach, takes over the varsity helm this year from Richard Norman. Very little change in the basic basketball strategy is anticipated since Purvis worked under Norman throughout his stay as reserve coach. Norman resigned to assume the head basketball coaching job at Heidelberg College.

Purvis will be building around four returning lettermen. There is no king-size height but a good

height balance on the current Little Giant team.

Returning lettermen are Steve Parker, 5-10; Wes Fahrbach, 6-3; Phil Garry, 6-2, and Steve Fausey, 6-2. Garry is a junior and the others are seniors.

Purvis can also call upon three other players who had some varsity experience last season. These are Tom Perkins, 6-2; Kevin Hahn, 6-1, and Jon Schwartz, 6-0. Hahn and Schwartz are juniors, Perkins a senior. Moving up from the reserves to add still more height is Tom Weisz, a 6-3 junior.

It is still early, but in the Elmwood scrimmage Purvis was working most of the time with a first unit combination of Parker and Hahn at guards, Garry, Fahrbach and Fausey in the front court.

The Little Giant cagers open the season November 25 with Toledo Woodward at home. Buckeye conference play opens at home December 1 with Mansfield.

Basketball season tickets now

are on sale at Tremper's. The season ticket sale will continue until Saturday. Those ordering tickets may pick them up at Tremper's the week of November 19-25. Faculty manager Gary Nossaman advises adults planning to follow the Little Giants to get season reserve seats. He indicated the increased student following is sure to fill three-quarters of one side of the gymnasium this year.

The season tickets cover a 10-game home schedule. Prices are \$12 for adult reserve, \$10.50 for adult general admission and \$5 for student season. Buying a season ticket represents a \$3 saving for adult reserve tickets over the season and \$2.50 for general admission and student.

### National Hockey League

Montreal	5	Minnesota	1
Toronto	4	Boston	2
Chicago	4	St. Louis	1
Pittsburgh	5	Philadelphia	0
Oakland	4	Los Angeles	1

## INJURY HAMPERS INITIAL GAME PLANS

## Ross Cagers Open With Woodward

Little Giant basketball plans an unproved Ross team on the walk into the opening game on the doubtful foundation of a sore ankle today. That ankle is a vital part of the underpinning of Phil Garry, 6-2 junior, slated to start at a forward for Fremont Ross.

Ross opens its basketball season Saturday night at home against Toledo Woodward. Coach Don Purvis has had scrimmages against five teams on which to judge his product prior to the opening game.

The scrimmage results were encouraging and Purvis had expressed belief it would be

an unproved Ross team on the court this season.

Garry, a regular much of last year, was counted on for one of the starting forward slots. He injured the ankle in a Wednesday night practice drill. Coach Purvis indicated Garry was

very doubtful for Saturday, but would base his judgment on a doctor's examination of the ankle.

"You plan and plan and have to change it the day before the game," lamented Purvis. He reported the scrimmages showed his team "was steadily improv-

ing."

With Garry in action Purvis will employ almost a double pivot offense with the 6-2 junior and Wes Fahrbach, 6-4, senior, riding either side of the lane. Plans as formulated before the injury had this pair working in the starting lineup with Steve Parker, 5-11, guard; Steve Fausey, 6-2, forward and either Kevin Hahn, 6-1, or Jon Schwartz, 5-11, at the other guard. Hahn appeared to have the edge since Schwartz got a late start from football.

In looking forward to the possibility of Garry seeing service

Purvis said he would be inclined to hold the forward out of the non-league opener rather than risk further damage.

If Garry is unable to play Purvis can point to one of four others to fill the gap. These are senior Tom Perkins, 6-2; or juniors Tom Weisz, 6-2; Tom Decker, 6-4, and John Fahrbach, 6-2.

Examination of the ankle today will determine if he plays.

Lack of height and experience both contributed heavily to the Ross 3-16 record last season. This year Purvis does not have any great height but does have

good height balance. Wes Fahrbach and Decker are the tallest at 6-4, but only two players on the 12-man varsity squad are less than 6-0 in height. Those two are Parker and Schwartz at 5-11.

Seven of the varsity saw at least late season limited varsity action last year. Parker at guard gives speed and an outside threat. He scored 153

points in the regular season a year ago, second highest on the team. Garry chipped in 132 points, Fausey 95 and Fahrbach 78 in relatively regular varsity action.

Of the starting five used in final games last year by Coach Richard Norman, now head coach at Heidelberg college, only Ron Ritzman, leading scorer is missing.

Other members of the varsity squad are Bill Fausey, Junior, 6-0; Jack Dudley, Senior, 6-0.

Saturday's foe, Woodward, opened its season Wednesday with a 54-40 victory over Toledo Whitmer. Coach Purvis reported, "Woodward is not big but quick. They have a lot of speed." Jim Grant, a 6-2 forward, is the Woodward pacesetter.



**ROSS LITTLE GIANT CAGERS**—Fremont Ross basketball team will open its 1967-68 basketball season tonight at home against Toledo Woodward. Two new coaches will be at the helm of Ross varsity and reserve teams as the season opens with a non-league contest. Members of the varsity and coaches are: Front row — Jon Schwartz, Jack Dudley, Reserve

Coach Alex Clark, Head Coach Don Purvis, Kevin Hahn, Bill Fausey. Center — Steve Parker and John Fahrbach. Back Row — Tom Weisz, Steve Fausey, Tom Perkins, Wes Fahrbach, Tom Decker, Ben Chapin and Phil Garry. The opening game is at Ross gym, reserve starting at 6:45 p.m. (News-Messenger Photo)

**New Coach  
Not Enough**

## FOUL LINE WORK ERASES VICTORY HOPE

## Ross Cagers Drop Opener, 62-52

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL

N-M Sports Editor

Some first game tightness and problems at the foul line were stumbling blocks Saturday night as Fremont Ross dropped its first basketball game of the season, 62-52. Victors in the opening contest at Ross Gymnasium before a near capacity crowd of almost 2,000 were the Toledo Woodward Polar Bears.

It was a tight quick guard Woodward showed the unison pose of a veteran team with one game under its belt in putting the season's second victory.

Inability to cash in on foul shooting opportunities, particularly on one-and-one situations, prevented the Little Giants from making up a field goal deficit.

The free throw opportunities were there, but Ross could con-

nect on only 43.8 per cent, 14 they never relinquished on a

of 32 at the line. Worst part of field goal by Donnie Fletcher

had six one- and one and five point lead in the first quarter.

This was a potential of 26 point, 11-10, as Steve Faussey hit

shots but it was converted to a jump shot from the head of

the key with 56 seconds re-

maining in the first.

The 10-point lead at the end

of the half was the largest of

the half and Ross had been

within two, 24-22. This close

half as Phil Grant followed a

teammate's shot and put the

rebound into the basket.

With one of the quick guards

John Okenna, twice stealing

the ball and driving the length

of the floor for layups Woodward

moved to a 15-point lead. This

42-27 margin came with 3:42 to

play in the third quarter.

Kevin Hall hit a pair of field goals as Ross matched Woodward the rest of the third stanza. In the fourth quarter Little Giants displayed their best basketball of the night.

Wes Fahrbach became a factor.

Woodward couldn't handle

an outside shooting threat, were

second high with nine points

each for Ross.

Okenna with 15 and his out-

side running mate at guard

Marion Szczeczowski, with 13

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Grant, the team captain, added 12.

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before reviving in the second

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a 15-19 win.

Wes Fahrbach had himself in

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the third quarter.

The moves of Fahrbach in the

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field goals for 10 of his team

high 12 points in the fourth

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# Six-Minute Chill Kills Little Giants, 66-62

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
N-M Sports Editor

Were out the sour notes played in the third quarter and you have a victory song, but Fremont Ross Little Giants blew a horn of despair for six minutes. The story told in those six minutes and at the foul line the final 1:37 of the game spelled defeat.

The Little Giants proved one thing, they don't know how to quit as they fell to Mansfield, 66-62.

Asleep at the switch the Giants fell behind 6-0 at the game start, but fought back to

take a 26-25 lead with 2:17 remaining with the half.

Ross went six minutes without scoring a point in the third quarter, falling from a two-point halftime deficit, 32-30, to 13 points, 43-30, before the Ross basket was pierced.

Yet, it took flawless foul shooting by Admiral King to survive. With Phil Garry and Tom Weisz leading the way, Ross battled to a 56-56 tie with 1:33 to play. Mansfield then made six for six at the foul line in the final 1:37 to stay ahead of Ross.

Ross was a team of spurs,

first cold, then hot. Neither team was a ball of fire in the first eight minutes but seven of 16 free throws kept Ross in early contention. The Little Giants then made eight of 14 second quarter from the field.

In the third quarter Ross tried 12 shots before hitting a field goal. In the same period the Little Giants missed all four of their field shot attempts.

Like a new team at the quarter change, Ross rallied with 11 of 20 from the field and four of six from the line in the final quarter.

Following the disappointment

Coach Ron Purvis bemoaned,

"For three quarters we were the better ball club . . . What are you going to do?"

Ross cut off the visitors from the field 24 goals to 23. As a team, despite the 0-6-12 period of Little Giants hit 41 percent of their field goal attempts by Weisz. Nine of Garry's and eight of Weisz's tallies came in the last quarter.

Parker used his speed to drive around picks for layups and to steal the ball as nose man on the defense.

Weisz was a marksman from the sides while Garry pulled down 15 rebounds, 11 off the offensive boards.

Ross outrebounded Mansfield,

outside marksmanship of Tom 41 to 35.

Coach Alex Clark's reserves

of Steve Parker were big spots pulled off a second half rally

that worked for a 49-44 victory.

The Ross reserves trailed by eight points, 26-18, at halftime.

Smith 0-0-0, Wright 3-6-12, TO- TA'S 23-20-6.

ROSS 13 17 6 26-62

MANSFIELD 18 14 13 21-66

RESERVE

ROSS JV — Zimmerman 3-2-

12, Chapin 1-1-3, O'Brien 1-3,

Pitts 0-4-4, J. Fahrbach 3-2-8,

Brough 2-3-7, Whatley 0-1-1, Bos- kouch 2-3-7, Ferguson 1-4-2, B.

Fausner 3-4-4. TOTALS 18-13-49.

MANSFIELD JV — Petty 2-

5-4, Roan 3-2-8, Hager 2-4-4,

Ward 1-4-2, Gross 6-1-3, Sil-

MANSFIELD — Bryarsky 0-2-4, Pagan 2-0-4. TOTALS 8-10 11 20-49

ROSS JV 8 10 11 20-49

Amsbaugh 1-0-2, Madison 3-2-8, MANSFIELD JV 13 13 4 14-44



**GARRY REBOUNDS**—Ross' Phil Garry steals a rebound off the defensive board in the second quarter against Mansfield Friday night. Garry takes the ball away from Mansfield's Don Blakely, 23. Ross teammate Wes Fahrbach, 50, waits to be of help if needed. (News-Messenger Photo)

## HUSTLE, DESIRE LAUNCH GOLDEN BEARS

# Gibsonburg Topples Streaks, 57-45

By ROY WILHELM  
N-M Area Editor

GIBSONBURG — A scrappy defense and an ability to find an open shot provided the difference as the Gibsonburg Golden Bears opened the 1967-68 basketball campaign with a 57-45 nonconference victory over Fremont St. Joseph's Friday night.

Hustle and desire—two trademarks of the Ray Burkart coached Gibsonburg squad which rolled to an impressive 1966-67 season — were in evidence again Friday and helped launch the new season in the

right direction for the Golden Bears.

With Dave Fahle showing the way, the Golden Bears led at the end of every quarter. In fact, the Crimson Streaks led only once and that was after Mike Eberly sank a foul shot to start the scoring.

### Defensive Edge

It was that little extra hustle that made the difference as both teams struggled through the season's opener. The Golden Bears intercepted a number of wayward St. Joe passes and moved quickly on offense to find holes in the sometimes slow

moving St. Joe defense. The Gibsonburg defense contributed at least partially to the frigid St. Joseph shooting which prevented the Streaks from having a better fate. The visiting Streaks connected on only 27.8 per cent of their field goal attempts. Gibsonburg hit on 33 per cent.

Big spurts in the first and third periods moved Gibsonburg toward the victory. WIC senior guard Dan Clair scoring eight of his ten points, the Bears moved from a 11 to 18-13 lead before Eberly grabbed a rebound and put up

St. Joe's first bucket of the game with 2:05 left in the first quarter. Clair outmaneuvered his man three times for layups and also hit a jump shot from the outside to spark the Gibsonburg rush.

### Zone Defense Helps

A switch to a zone in the second quarter cut off the easy bucket and helped bring the Streaks back into the contest momentarily.

But, just when the Streaks narrowed the gap to 32-30, the Bears spurred again. Buckets by Jim Schwartz, Fahle and Mike Ernsthausen pushed the

margin up to eight. Then, with the margin down to six early in the fourth period, Fahle hit twice and Ernsthausen once to stretch the lead to 12 points and start the game headed down hill.

While the zone had helped in the first half, it seemed to hurt in the second as the Streaks stayed too tight and failed to come out after the ball.

Typical of many an opening day high school basketball game, the contest was sometimes ragged and the offenses—especially St. Joe's—failed to generate much steam.

Through the fog of the early season game, however, both coaches could probably see lights of potential brightened by periodic displays of sharpness.

### Fahle Sparks

Brightest among the lights was that of Dave Fahle, 6'1" senior forward, who paced the Golden Bears with a total of 21 points, including nine field goals and three foul shots. Fahle was rugged on the boards and displayed an ability to score from many spots on the court, fighting inside for the two pointer in a crowd and hitting a smooth jumper from outside.

Ernsthausen, the rugged Bear footballer, showed his strength as he often came up with the loose ball, both off the boards and in the scrambling. The burly Bear pivot man also connect-

## Collegiate Cage Scores

East  
Buffalo 87, Toronto 63  
Ithaca 89, Colgate 87  
Rutgers 100, Pittsburgh 74  
Vermont 67, Dartmouth 65  
South  
Duke 74, Virginia Tech 66  
Louisville 118, Georgetown, Ky. 86  
Davidson 91, Bucknell 70  
Washington & Lee 86, Bridgewater, Va. 79  
The Citadel 73, Auburn 70  
Tennessee 93, Richmond 45  
Florida 108, Jacksonville 73



# Ross Records First Cage Win, Fostoria Falls In 67-40 Fray

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL

N-M Sports Editor

"I feel we have gotten better each time out." Those were the words of Ross basketball coach Don Purvis and the final score Saturday night gave evidence that he spoke the facts.

Ross Little Giants showed improved shooting percentage and a good floor game to top Fostoria, 67-40. The hot hand of

Tom Weisz rendered the Fostoria zone defense of little use and the leaping ability of Phil Garry more than equalized the brute size and strength of the Redmen's 6-5 Dean Peeler.

Ross wasted little time in displaying its superiority and had things its own way, 36-18, at half-time.

Weisz utilized long range accuracy to lead all scorers with 21 points on nine field

goals and three free throws. Practically all of Weisz's shots came from the sideline and he scored on nine of 17 attempts.

Garry who played little more

than two quarters before incurring an ankle tallied 10 points and pulled down 11 rebounds. The 6-2 junior had 10 rebounds at halftime. He left the game with 3:15 to play in the third quarter. Coach Purvis reported the injury was not

serious but he turned an ankle in pre-season drills. He was removed to avoid further aggravation.

Purvis said that in the first two games the team played good basketball in spurts. Saturday according to the coach

"The shooting was exceptional. They got all together for the whole ball game." There were no down periods such as

the scoreless six minutes which

were the difference between winning and losing Friday night to Mansfield.

The exceptional shooting con-

tributed to a 45 per cent mark

from the field, 26 field goals in

67 shots. The Little Giants left

some to be desired at the foul

line where they cashed in on

seven of 13 charity tosses.

At the same time Fostoria was suffering from first game woes, making only 15 of 55 field goal tries, 27 per cent, and 10 of 17 free throws.

Victory was the first for Coach Dan Purvis at the helm of the Ross varsity. The promoted junior varsity coach had seen his varsity charges drop games to Toledo Woodward and Mansfield before Saturday's victory.

In crediting his boys with a full game of good basketball, Purvis pointed to their ability to utilize a game plan. When the shooting of Weisz pulled the defense out, the guards hit Phil Garry at the head of the key. Garry scored four of his five field goals on turnaround shots or drives from that type feed.

Purvis had praise for the floor game of Steve Parker. "Parker scored only eight points but he had two or three passes which led directly to baskets," remarked Purvis. One of these was on a fast break when Parker passed up a possible shot of his own to hit Kevin Hahn for a layup.

Hahn, who shared Purvis' praise for the work at guards, was the second high scorer with 14 points.

Garry opened the Ross scoring with two field goals but Fostoria tied it at 11. Weisz then hit two straight shots from the side, giving Ross an 8-4 lead with 3:41 to play in the first quarter. The Little Giants never again relinquished the lead. The margin was as great as 30 points in favor of Ross.

With Garry at 11 and Weisz at 10 Ross led the rebounding 43 to 27. Ross players cleaned 11 rebounds off the offensive boards and 32 off the defensive. Weisz in addition to his scoring and rebounding had four interceptions for a busy night.

Ross had a total of 12 interceptions for the night.

Purvis was able to clear his bench and neither Parker nor Garry played in the fourth quarter.

Coach Alex Clark also displayed an improved junior varsity team in the reserve game. The Ross reserves won their second game, 45-30. A 17-point second quarter broke the game open. Rusty Zimmerman led the reserve scorers with 10 points.

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## WOODVILLE-OTSEGO

WOODVILLE — Shaw 7-14; Weber 1-24; Ripple 1-2; Rosper 2-15; Harman 4-8; Rodger 0-1; TOTAL 15-35.

OTSEGO — Roe 6-24; Goodman 11-24; Hartman 2-15; Sprout 4-3-1; Jensen 6-13; TO-

WOODVILLE 5 12 15 3-35

OTSEGO 19 14 15 19-67

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## CLYDE-G. SPRINGS

CLYDE—Claus 6-15; Mathews 3-3; Archer 4-16; Jen-

nings 0-6; Baker 5-7-17; Mc-

Pherson 3-1-2; A. Bennett 3-3

13; TOTAL 39-78.

GREEN SPRINGS — McCon-

nell 6-4; Stuckey 7-16; Drown-

5-12; Birch 8-3-19; Preston 3-2;

Berkamp 5-6-10; TOTAL 29-

13-69.

CLYDE 22 20 21 17-80

G. SPRINGS 29 7 24 9-69

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## MARGARETTA-LAKESIDE

MARGARETTA — Wollen-

ger 6-1-9; Nuber 7-4-18; R.

Frederick 5-2-12; Stander 5-0-

10; Behnke 0-3-3; TOTAL 26-

10-62.

LAKESIDE — Gdovick 10-8-

28; Danchisen 1-2-4; Porter 2-0-

4; Kryzock 1-2-4; Cassel 8-5-21;

Waldron 4-2-10; Turinsky 2-3-5;

Perry 0-2-2; TOTAL 25-22-78.

Margarett

13 20 16 13-62

Lakeside 18 14 15 31-78

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## LAKOTA-MOHAWK

LAKOTA—Ritter 8-6-22; Be-

low 6-1-1; Hagen 0-2; Zimmer-

man 1-2; Harpster 2-3-7; Smith

3-6; Creerer 3-4-10; TOTAL—

18-14-50.

MOHAWK — Sampson 8-3-19;

Riedel 4-4-8; White 1-5-7; Bo-

gard 6-2-14; Meyers 1-2-4; TO-

TAL 20-12-52.

Lakota 9 12 10 13 2 4-50

Mohawk 14 6 9 15 2 6-52

TOTALS 18-14-52.

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## RESERVE

ROSS JV — Zimmerman 3-4-

10; Knipp 0-1-1; Schultz 1-0-2;

Chapin 1-1-3; O'Brien 4-0-8; Pitts

0-0-6; J. Fahrbach 3-1-7; Brough

1-1-3; Whately 1-0-2; Boskovitch

3-0-6; Fausey 1-0-2; Ferguson 0-

0-0; TOTALS 18-9-45.

FOSTORIA JV — Fiores 1-1-

3; Green 0-2-2; Conine 0-2-2;

Feucht 0-4-4; Ash 2-0-4; Ward

2-2-6; Earl 2-0-4; Sharlach 2-1-

5; Eashardt 0-0-0; TOTALS 0-1-2.



FIRST DOWN OFF TACKLE—The action appears to be football rather than basketball as Ross' Phil Garry springs toward an open hole in a line of Fostoria defenders. It actually was a scramble as Garry came off the boards

with one of his 11 rebounds, high for the Saturday night game won by Ross, 67-40. Fostoria players are Dean Peeler (55), Larry Graves (Kneeling), Greg Filitor (15) and Jim Flack (far right). (News-Messenger Photo)

## AREA SCHOLASTIC CAGE ACTION

### Republic, Clyde, Lakeside, Elmore Winners

Republic held its lead in the Seneca County League, Osgeo took victory number two in the Lakeshore Conference and Lakota fell in double overtime, Clyde and Lakeside won, to highlight area high school basketball play.

Republic had unexpected trouble before conquering wireless Bettsville, 39-31. This left Republic the only unbeaten in Seneca County League. Old Fort, which had shared this allwinning status until falling to Republic Friday, fell for a second and third Saturday, an 89-77 victory of Bloomville.

Also in the Seneca County League New Riegel raced past wireless Thompson, 102-81.

Osgeo, which beat G. and D. Rapids Friday in its early Lakeshore start, made it two in a row Saturday by stopping Woodville, 67-35.

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## BILLIARD TABLES



LITTLE GIANT FOES:

# Lorain, Findlay Surprises

Two teams which have been surprises — one because it is winning and one because it isn't — provide the weekend opposition for Fremont Ross basketball team. Friday night's foe, Lorain, has been a surprise because it is unbeaten in four games. Saturday night opponent, Findlay, was not expected to be a world-beater but neither was expected to be winless after four games.

Lorain lacks height with only a sophomore over 6-2, but it has posted wins over Avon Lake, Berea Midpark and Buckeye Conference foes Findlay and Sandusky.

Part of Findlay's problems could be its early season schedule which lists Lima Senior, Lorain, Toledo Libbey and Elyria. Lima and Libbey are expected to be among the state powers this season, while Elyria was the preseason choice to dominate the Buckeye Conference.

Lorain and Findlay each are built around three lettermen. For Lorain the returnees are Jim Griesser and Ray Dudziak, 6-0, and Mark Pavlick, 5-10. Griesser who had a 15-point a game average last year is again the leading scorer.

Lack of height was pointed

out by Coach Bob Telatnik in his pre-season estimate of the Steeler chances. Tallest man is sophomore Cal Parker, 6-3, who sees little action.

Lorain last year in its first season under Telatnik had a 13-8 overall record and finished fourth at 7-7 in Buckeye Conference.

Lettermen back for Findlay are Mark Ammons, 6-1; Dave Evans, 5-11, and Steve Woodruff, 6-0. Working in the lineup most of the time with the three lettermen have been sophomore Greg Lishawa, 6-1; or juniors Mike Rieker, 6-3½, and Mike Wall, 5-8.

Coach John Stozich is having trouble replacing Scott Carlin, second team All-State choice last year who scored 442 points.

## 4-Game Scoring

Player	FG	FT	TP	Ave.
Tom Weisz	21	7	49	12.3
Phil Garry	20	7	49	11.8
Steve Parker	15	8	38	9.5
Kevin Hahn	14	9	37	9.3
Wes Fahrbach	5	13	23	5.8
Jon Schwartz	6	0	12	3.0
Steve Fausey	4	3	11	2.8
Tom Decker	0	2	2	
Tom Perkins	0	2	2	
Jack Dudley	1	0	2	
John Fahrbach	0	1	1	
TEAM TOTALS	86	52	224	56.0
OPPONENT	98	57	253	63.3

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# End-Of-Half Wilt Costs Ross In 60-48 Defeat

The first half was 50 seconds too long and Jim Greisser got out of the cage Friday night, nullifying a presentable Ross defense. The two lapses resulted in a 60-48 Lorain victory over the Little Giants. Final score was the largest margin

of the same

Ross defense held up much of the game, but suffered end of the quarter lapses which gave Lorain an advantage. The Little Giants pulled to within two points, 25-23, with 52 seconds remaining in the first half. A turnover, a defensive lapse, a foul and Lorain expanded that lead to 30-23 by the end of the half.

Gim Greisser is the sparkplug of the unbeaten Steelmen but he couldn't break loose to score a point for the first 14 minutes

and 13 seconds of the game. Greisser had only two field goals in the first half and both came in the final 1:47 of the half.

The second half was a different story as the dead-eyed Greisser broke lose long enough to launch his jump shot. He found the range 16 points in the second half to raise his total to game high of 20 points.

"I'm tired of being close, I want to be a winner," was Coach Don Purvis' remark following the game. He pointed to the lapse before the end of the half as a key point in the game. Purvis was puzzled by the defense which worked too well against Greisser in the first down but broke down in the second half.

Although the two teams were of equal height, Lorain controlled the boards with better position. Ross had only eight rebounds the first half and 26 for the game. Lorain pulled down 46 rebounds.

Lorain also displayed the better shooting percentage with 22 of 48 field goal tries going through the hoop. This represented a 46 per cent marksmanship. The Little Giants made only 18 of 45 field goal tries, 37 per cent.

Ross reserves suffered a similar fate, staying even with Lorain until the final three minutes, then falling 53-43. The foul line was the big difference in the reserve game with Ross hitting 11 of 23 charity tosses, 48 per cent. Lorain reserves made 19 of 34.

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ROSS—Garry 43-11, Perkins 2-2-6, Fausey 2-0-4, Weisz 3-1-7, Fahrbach 2-1-5, Decker 0-1-1, Parker 3-3-9, Hahn 1-1-3, Schwartz 1-0-2. TOTALS 18-12-48.  
 LORAIN—Dudziak 4-0-8, Parker 5-7-17, Schroeder 2-5-9, Greisser 8-4-20, Pavlick 2-0-6. TOTALS 22-16-60.

ROSS 7 16 13 12—48  
LORAIN 15 15 12 12—48

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RESERVES  
 ROSS — Zimmerman 1-3-5,  
 Knipp 0-1-1, O'Brien 7-1-15,  
 Fahrbach 2-4-8, Brough 3-1-7,  
 Ferguson 1-1-3, Boskovitch 2-0-4,  
 TOTALS 16-11-43

TOTALS 16-11-10.	
LORAIN	— Sanchez 3-3-9.
Haines 4-3-11.	Felton 4-4-12.
Grassie 1-3-5.	Willoughby 5-6.
16 TOTALS 17-19-53.	
ROSS	12 9 14 8-43.
LORAIN	11 15 9 18-53.

## Rodriquez Wins, Moves Closer To Title Chance

NEW YORK (AP)—Luis Rodriguez, a unanimous-decision winner over Bennie Briscoe Friday night, will be offered a Jan. 22 Madison Square Garden date with Don Fullmer for the right



## STEVE PARKER DRIVES FOR LAYUP BASKET Little Giant Flies Past Lorain Defender

# Pistol Pete's Mighty Guns Not Enough

By TED MEIER  
Associated Press Sports Writer

Pistol Pete Maravich, college basketball's latest hot shot, fired a Milwaukee Classic record of 42 points for Louisiana State, but it wasn't enough to beat Wisconsin.

The Badgers of the Big Ten edged the Tigers from the Southeastern Conference 96-94 on Mike Carlin's two free throws with 18 seconds left in an exciting first-round game of the Classic Friday night.

Pistol Pete, 6-foot-5 sophomore and son of LSU coach Press Maravich, led a Tiger rally that erased a 13-point Wisconsin lead in the last seven minutes. He fouled out with two minutes remaining and left the court with a slight limp.

His fifth personal foul was called on him for charging as he drove for the basket and rammed against a padded basket support. He writhed in pain under the net as the referee blew his whistle and pointed at him as the offender.

59      Pistol Pete got his 42 points on  
56 16 field goals and 10 of 13 free  
throws. Joe Franklin led the  
Badgers with 27.

- 9. Tulsa edged Army 55-53 on Rob Washington's tip-in at the final buzzer and Tennessee walked off Illinois 66-42 in the opening of the Volunteer Classic at Knoxville, Tenn. Santa Clara nipped Chicago Loyola 91-88 and Western Kentucky trounced Sam Francisco 90-70 in the opening of the Cable Car Classic at San Francisco.

Eighth-ranked Davidson, the only team in the Top Ten to see action, beat William and Mary 81-75 at Charlotte, N.C. Kansas beat Cincinnati 67-61 and Kansas State downed Texas A&M 82-77 in the Sunflower Classic. Doubleheader at Lawrence, Kan. Southern California defeated Oklahoma 76-63 and Los Angeles Loyola humbled Colorado 71-61. State University 93-69 in a twin bill at Los Angeles.

33. A free throw by George Hick-  
er after the final buzzer gave  
66 Syracuse a 90-89 overtime victo-

## FINDLAY WINS ITS FIRST GAME

# Final Shot Tops Ross, 60-58

FINDLAY — With 15 seconds to play the score was tied 58-58 as Findlay's Dave Evans walked to the foul line. Fremont hopes rose as Evans missed the free throw but the ball ricocheted into the corner. With time running out Mark Ammons retrieved, jumped and fired. The basketball creased the nets, Findlay won 60-58 and Ross added another near-miss to its record of frustration.

The Little Giants have been out of only one ball game they played this season, but the loss to Findlay left them winless in four Buckeye Conferences out-

ings and 1-5 overall for the young season.

Findlay used a full-court press the entire game and at times it bothered the Little Giants. Result was 12 Findlay interceptions during the game and Findlay getting 17 more shots at the basket.

Fremont had the better shooting percentage and rebounding, but the turnovers largely responsible to the press were the difference.

The two teams were identical at the foul line, each making 12 of 22 free throw attempts, 55 per cent.

From the field Ross scored 29 goals on 59 shots, 39 per cent. Findlay was accurate with 24 of 76 shots, 32 per cent.

Little Giants, led by Wes Fahrbach, pulled down 43 rebounds, 28 of them off the defensive board. Findlay had 33 rebounds. Fahrbach was the game's leading rebounder with 13, eight offensive and five defensive. Fahrbach had better than half the Ross 15 offensive rebounds.

The 6-4 pivot also was Ross' high scorer for the game with 18 points.

In the reserve game strong second and fourth quarters were the difference as Findlay topped Ross, 63-55.

### —11— VARSITY

ROSS—Garry 3-15, Perkins 1-0-2, S. Fausey 1-1-3, Weisz 2-0-4, W. Fahrbach 7-4-18, Parker 2-2-6, Hahn 3-2-8, Schwartz 1-0-2. TOTALS 23-12-58.

FINDLAY — M. Ammons 9-1-19, G. Lishawa 0-2-2, Woodruff 5-0-10, Taylor 1-0-2, Hollingsworth 1-1-3, Evans 4-2-10, Rieker 4-1-9, Wall 0-5-5. Totals 24-12-60.

### Score By Quarters

ROSS 8 14 17 19-58

FINDLAY 13 15 14 18-60

### RESERVE

ROSS—Zimmerman 3-2-8, O'Brien 2-0-4, J. Fahrbach 1-10-12, Pitts 1-0-2, Brough 1-0-2, Ferguson 5-1-11, Boskovitch 8-0-16. TOTALS 21-13-55.

FINDLAY — Lishawa 5-4-14, Myers 0-6-6, Ferguson 4-0-8, Poff 1-0-2, Steiner 0-2-2, Bookwalter 2-2-6, Warner 2-1-5, Alter 1-4-6, Baron 2-0-4, Brumley 5-0-10. TTOTALS 23-19-63.

### Score By Quarters

ROSS 15 16 12 12-55

FINDLAY 13 20 13 17-63

## Blue Streaks Muscle Way Into Town Friday Night

Balance and muscle are trademarks of the hard-luck Sandusky Blue Streaks which bring their basketball forces to Fremont Friday night. Ross Little Giants will be looking for victory number one in Buckeye Conference play and Sandusky is a tough customer to try and sell defeat.

The Blue Streaks currently have a 3-3 record overall and are 1-3 in Buckeye action. The

three Sandusky league defeats are by a total margin of 10 points. Sandusky has fallen to unbeaten Lorain 65-62; to unbeaten in league play Marion, 57-51, ad to Elyria, 65-64.

The one league victory was an 85-73 waltz over Findlay. Physiques of football players, which most of them are give testimony to the strength of the Sandusky team.

Cage leaders who also were

key men in the undefeated Sandusky football power include: Ed Williams, 6-0, 200; Tom Darden, 6-1, 173; Lino Venerucci, 6-2, 197; David Rather, 6-1, 174; Barry Schirg, 5-9, 143; Williams, Darden, Venerucci and Rather are particularly strong on the boards. They make up for height with spring and muscle.

Balance has been evident in Buckeye conference games as

three different players have been point leaders. Top scorers in various games have been Williams, Venerucci and Darden. All three of these players and Rather are averaging in double figures for Buckeye Conference games.

The Friday game will match two teams who have made a speciality of near misses. Ross has been in contention in all but one game with Marion, but a

momentary lapse has meant defeat. Ross league losses have been to Mansfield, 66-62; Marion, 85-43; Lorain, 60-48, and Findlay 60-58.

Phil Garry over the weekend took the Ross scoring leadership. Garry now has 73 points in six games, an average of 12.2. In conference competition Garry has been even more effective with 59 points in four games, 14.7.

### SIX-GAME SCORING

PLAYER	FG	FT	TP	NAve.
Phil Garry	30	13	73	12.2
Tom Weisz	26	8	60	10.0
Steve Parker	20	13	53	8.8
Kevin Hahn	18	12	48	8.0
Wes Fahrbach	14	18	46	7.7
Steve Fausey	7	4	18	3.0
Jon Schwartz	8	0	16	2.7
Tom Perkins	3	4	10	.7
Tom Decker	0	3	3	.5
Jack Dudley	1	0	2	.3
John Fahrbach	0	1	1	.2



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Coach Gives Instructions To Team In Time-Out Conference



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## Sandusky Burns Ross, 75-46



HIGH SCHOOL

Buckeye Conference

Admiral King 83, Findlay 74  
Sandusky 75, Fremont Ross

Marion 66, Mansfield 62  
Elyria 51, Marion 46

Lakeside Conference  
Elyria St. Paul 79, Green  
Riverside 66

akeside 77, Grand Rapids 51

Great Lakes League

Ivyland 66, Port Clinton 65

Other Games

Bellevue 104, Clyde 67

Johnsburg 51, Tiffin Calvert

Lakota 70, Genoa 62

Bossford 78, Northwood 40

Thompson 67, York 63

Euclid 81, Cleveland St. Jo

sh 70

Huron 69, Sandusky St. Mary

Lima Senior 60, Bowling

reen 58

Lima Shawnee 75, Piqua 74

Lorain St. Mary 92, Cleveland

John Cantius 61

COLLEGE

OHIO

Ohio State 71, Butler 69

Minnesota 73, Ohio Univers

ity 63

Bowling Green 87, Syracuse

Purdue 67, Miami, Ohio 65

Miami 92, Canisius 65

Steubenville 76, Belmont

Way N.C. 68

Point Park, Pa. 94, Franklin

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EAST

St. Joseph's, Pa., 78, Pennsyl

ania 57

Fordham 71, Columbia 66

Pittsburgh 80, Temple 63

Duquesne 83, St. Mary's

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SOUTH

St. Bonaventure 92, Baltimore

Iowa 78

Georgetown, D.C., 93, Holy

ross 59

West Va. 77, VMA 57

Florida St. 57, Rutgers 77

Louisiana St. 111, Miss. St. 87

MIDWEST

L.A. Loyola 82, DePaul 77

SOUTHWEST

New Mexico 82, Creighton 67

Oklahoma City 83, Baylor 75

Houston 81, Arizona 76

Far West

UCLA 109, Bradley 73

California 79, Iowa 73

Stanford 74, Illinois 72

Fresno St. 110, Sacramento

ate 71

Marquette 73, Portland 65

Santa Clara 80, Brigham Young 75

Tournaments

Sun Bowl Tournament

Championship

Tex.-El Paso 81, San Fran. 61

Consolation

So. Ill. 73, Maryland 72, et

Vanderbilt Invitational

First Round

Vanderbilt 85, Seton Hall 67

Oregon 76, Wake Forest 58

Sun Devil Classic

Championship

Arizona St. 92, Michigan 91

Consolation

Oregon St. 49, Okla. State 48

ENTUCKY INVITATIONAL

(Lexington, Ky.)

South Carolina 64, Cincinnati

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Kentucky 88, Dayton 83

Amphibious Forces Tournament

(Virginia Beach, Va.)



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Ross' Hahn Dribbles Past Streaks' Darden

### OHIO COLLEGE BASKETBALL:

## Dayton, Cincinnati, Miami Lose By Narrow Margins

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

press at Miami to cut down a 11-point deficit and sneak past the Redskins for a victory.

Miami yielded when Purdue started pressing with 11 minutes to play.

Ohio University had narrowed the gap to 46-45 with 12:51 to play, but three quick buckets from reserves Larry Mikon and Wayne Barry started a drive to help put the Vikings out of reach.

At Indianapolis, Ohio State watched a 21-point lead vanish and trailed by six points with 4:22 left. Nine free throws then turned the trick for the Buckeyes.

Ohio State's lead was cut to 74-69 with 11 seconds left when Building Bill Mauck intercepted a Buckeye pass. But he could not get the shot off before the buzzer sounded.

In other games, Walt Piatkowski and Al Hairston com-

peted as ice. The hosts were able to hit the mark on only 19 of 70 attempts for 27 per cent and committed 17 turnovers, including several in the second quarter when they just couldn't get to the rim in time.

It was that second quarter that broke the game wide open. The Blue Streaks outscored Ross 25-8 in that period with the big spurt coming in the early portion of the quarter.

After giving promise that an interesting ball game might be in the making, the Little Giants slipped quickly behind late in the first period and throughout the second. Trailing by scores of 8-6 and 14-10, the Little Giants suddenly went cold. Sandusky reeled off 15 straight points and Ross scored a point for the first 3:45 of the second period. The margin went to 33-31 before Ross got its first field goal of the second quarter. That came with 2:55 left in the half.

It was the second quarter that made the margin what it was, as the Little Giants played a respectable second half.

Analyzing the contest afterwards, Ross Coach Don Purvis praised the speed of the visitors. "They were just too quick for us." He pointed out that they were able to get a team a man down and then get it back before the Ross offensive man could adjust and pass the ball.

And, those speedy Streaks showed they love to run. They roared up and down the court and fired away for quick points. They molded the speed together with balanced scoring as four men hit double figures. Tom Darden led all scorers with 22 points, but possibly the most impressive of the visitors was junior guard Jim Venerucci, who pulled down 17 rebounds and added a dozen points.

The work of Wes Fahrbach was a bright spot for the Little Giants, even though the 6'4" pivot man fouled out relatively early. Fahrbach led Ross in both scoring and rebounding, netting 13 points and pulling in 14 missed shots.

In the reserve contest, the Ross squad fell 47-45 after nearly pulling out the victory. John Fahrbach paced the local reserves with 12 points.

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### RESERVES

ROSS — Zimmerman 5-17, Knipper 0-8-8, Chapin 4-11, O'Brien 2-2-6, Fahrbach 4-11, Hosfield 1-2-4, Farris 3-8-8 TOTAL 32-11-75.

ROSS — Garry 1-2, Perkins 0-1-1, W. Fahrbach 6-1-12 Weisz 3-8-8, Parker 2-1-5, Hahn 4-12, Decker 0-0-0, Schwartz 2-1-5, Fausey 1-2 TOTAL 19-8-46.

Score By Quarters

SANDUSKY 16 23 20 14-75

ROSS 10 6 21 9-46

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### RESERVES

ROSS — Zimmerman 5-17, Knipper 0-8-8, Chapin 4-11, O'Brien 2-2-6, Fahrbach 4-11, Hosfield 1-2-4, Farris 3-8-8 TOTAL 32-11-75.

SANDUSKY — Sampson 4-13, Halleck 2-8-12, Kastor 1-2-4, Hartung 3-2-8, Roberts 2-0-4, Dubois 0-0-4, Tanchon 2-0-4, TOTAL 15-17-47.

Score By Quarters

SANDUSKY 14 11 12 10-47

ROSS 14 7 9 15-45

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## ROSS IS HOST TO ELYRIA

## Tallest Team In Buckeye Invades

Tallest team in the Buckeye Conference and one which has just gained its full personnel will be the invader at Ross high gymnasium Friday night. Elyria, a team pushing for the top of the conference, comes to the local floor with a 4-1 Buckeye record and a 5-1 overall tally.

The Pioneers will display a starting five which averages 6.31 per man with a 5-9 guard in the lineup. The giant front line of the Pioneers consists of Harold Day, 6-5; Bill Bailosky, 6-7, and Gary Ballas, 6-6. At the guards will be dangerous out shooter Rod Hill, 6-2, and playmaker and ball-handling whiz Ben Mathews, 5-9. Ballas is just back to playing form after sitting out the first three games with an elbow dislocation suffered in a preseason scrimmage.

Ballas celebrated his return to form last week with 14 points to lead Elyria in a 51-46 conquest of Marion. Marion is the only team this year to completely outclass Ross Little Giants, toying with the visitors in a 55-43 victory.

The absence of Ballas for the better part of five games gave Elyria a chance to give experience and strength to the sixth and seventh man position. When Ballas was on the sidelines Hill moved to forward and the second guard spot alternated between Ike Drummer, 5-8, and Jeff Gaskalla, 5-10.

Day is the Pioneer's leading scorer with 103 points in six games, 18.1 per game. Hill has 79 points and a 15.8 average. Bailosky is also in double figures average-wise at 11.1.

In Buckeye Conference play Elyria suffered its only loss in the first league game, 63-59, to Admiral King. Consecutive victories have since followed over Mansfield, 59-56; Findlay, 81-63; Sandusky, 65-64, and Marion, 51-46.

This gives the Pioneers a 63-point a game offensive average. Defensively, foes have been held to 57 points a contest.

Elyria has been a money ball club this season. Its chief characteristic has been ability to

come up with what is needed which is obviously a better gets the ball inside to Phil Gar- come to win. Often, this need has been compensated for ill-fortune or not improved enough to cause a major Ross problem. The Lit- tle Giants have been able to manage only a 51.4 points per game average in five conference games and have failed to top 50 three times. Overall Ross

has won only one game. Ross has averaged only 49.9 points in seven games.

Defensively, Ross has allowed opponents 69.2 points a game in conference and 67.9 overall. Momentary lapses have been the stoppers in three conference games where Ross was in contention. A shot in the last 13 seconds allowed Findlay victory, six minutes without a point was Mansfield's gift and with 10 and Day with 11 points each at the end of both halves in the fourth quarter to pull out the game.

Putting together an offense, frustrations continue for Ross particularly a floor game which

Phil Garry 31 13 75 10.7  
Tom Weisy 29 8 66 9.4  
Kevin Hahn 22 16 60 8.5

## BUCKEYE STANDINGS

Team	W	L	P
Lorain	5	0	1
Elyria	4	1	1
Marion	4	1	1
Admiral King	3	2	1
Sandusky	2	3	1
Mansfield	1	4	1
Findlay	1	4	1
Fremont Ross	0	5	1



CLYDE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM of 1962-63 football season was honored at a Wednesday night reunion dinner at Green Hills. The dinner was in conjunction with the Alumni versus varsity basketball game at Clyde high school. Members of that team shown the year they won the Sandusky Bay Conference champion-

ship are: Front row — Dan Daugherty, Robert Meyer, Bill Coleman, Tom Dewey, Roger Dick and Pat Archer. Back Row — Coach Henry Smith, manager George Ritter, Larry Baker, Donald Link, Charles Brining, Rich Robinson, Bill Tea, Terry Bennett and manager Dennis Scheck.

## Undefeated Clyde SBC Championship Cage Team Of 1962-63 Holds Reunion

Memories of a championship

Among those attending the Dewey, law student at Ohio

were renewed Wednesday night

Wednesday reunion were: Coach State University, Bill Coleman,

## Ohio State Loses First To Marquette

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ohio State's basketball Buckeyes took a long trip to lose their first game of the season Wednesday night, and Coach Fred Taylor is probably taking a long look down his bench for some scoring help.

The Bucks' tall and talented front line of Bill Hosket, Dave Sorenson and Steve Howell totaled 52 points in a 64-60 loss to Marquette in the opening game of the Rainbow Classic in Honolulu. The highest scorer among the other four Buckeyes who played was Mike Swain, with four points.

The three big Buckeyes have scored 183 of the team's 209 points in the last three games.

Dayton warmed up for a Saturday night clash with Cincinnati by romping over Portland 124-68 Wednesday night, and several other Ohio schools joined Ohio State in the holiday tournament swirl.

Ohio State, seeking to make its record 6-0, led with 2½ minutes to play against once-beaten Marquette, but Byron Brunkhorst tied the score at

## DREAM OF VICTORY TURNS TO OVERTIME NIGHTMARE

## Elyria Press Evaporates Decisive Ross Lead

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
N-M Sports Editor

"It really hurt us when we lost our only big man." The lament of Fremont Ross Coach Don Purvis was tinged with disbelief. With 48 seconds to play his Little Giants had the biggest upset of the young season in their hip pocket.

They were leading the tall, talented Elyria Pioneers by six points. When the two teams left the floor the Little Giants had been beaten by 10 points.

The Pioneers utilized a zone press to evaporate the Ross lead in the final 48 seconds and then turned the height on in overtime for a 69-59 victory.

The big man who had left the scene was 6-4 Wes Fahrbach, a giant of a Little Giant but a midget compared to the Elyria front line dimensions. Elyria had a starting lineup with 6-7 6-6 and 6-5 operatives. One of these, 6-6 Gary Ballas had departed prior to Fahrbach but it still left Elyria at a definite height advantage with Harold Day, 6-5, Bill Balosky, 6-7, and Rod Hill, 6-2, on the floor.

While in action Fahrbach had been a giant in name and action. He had been the leader as the scrambling Ross team outrebounded and outdefended the visiting Pioneers. Ross led the rebounding 42 to 39 with Fahrbach getting 13 of those. Phil Garry added nine rebounds for the losers.

Coach Purvis admitted to gambling on a special defense devised for the Pioneers and for four quarters it worked. Purvis was close-lipped on the details of the defense but it gave Ross superior position on the defensive boards and kept the tall Pioneers from getting that second and third shot. The added chance due to strong rebounding is a trademark of the Pioneers.

The first year coach and his Little Giants had reason to hold their heads high in defeat. Until thrown into a last minute panic they had been the team in control. Actually they had trailed until the second half but always within striking distance. I thought we out hustled them, stated Purvis. He gave credit to his team for

playing the best game of the year.

The nightmare of that final 48 seconds left cheers choking in the throats of Ross fans.

Four consecutive times the Little Giants failed to get the ball to midcourt and three of those failures ended in Elyria field goals. The fourth gave Elyria a final shot which could have won the game but bounced off the rim with the score 53-53 and the clock running out.

With 35 seconds remaining Ben Mathews intercepted a Ross pass in bounds, jumped and canned a one-hander. The score was 53-49. Elyria again batted down the inbounds pass and a jump ball was called. Day tapped the jump ball to the towering Balosky under the basket and the margin was two points, 53-51. Another intercep-

tion, a pass to Rod Hill and a drive under the bucket for the tying goal with 20 seconds to play.

The fourth attempt got the ball inbounds but it was at midcourt. Elyria called time out with 11 seconds to play and the final shot by Day was set up.

In the overtime it was simply too much height and Elyria managed to control the game as it had failed for the regulation four quarters. Day was the difference, controlling the boards and scoring six points. Balosky and 5-9 Ike Drummer each had four. Hill added a fieldgoal.

In the final four minutes of play Elyria scored more points than they did in any one period. They had 22 points in that period. 16 in the overtime three

minutes and six in the final 11 of 26 free throws, 42 per 48 seconds of regulation time, cent. In contrast Elyria made 21 of 32, 66 per cent.

Ross had parted with 212 in regulation, 12 one-and-one bonus foul time. Elyria scored 28 points shot opportunities and missed in slightly more than five minutes. The first shot eight times. The Little Giants did not convert.

Ross was never more than a one-and-one for two points eight points behind and this until Kevin Hahn did it three times, but did not take the times in the final six minutes lead until 3:27 had expired in the game.

In the reserve game Ross

From then on the score was suffered a third quarter led once, 38-38, but Ross never down and fell to Elyria, 45-40. Trailed until the overtime, Jon The Ross reserves trailed by Schwartz hit outside shots to only two, 22-20, at half time.

Give Ross eight point leads but was outscored by four

at 49-41 with 2:25 to play and points in the third stanza.

51-43 with 1:58 remaining, but it was down hill the rest of the way.

Final analysis showed the ROSS - Garry 4-1-9, Perkins difference was at the foul line, 1-0-2, Weisz 5-0-10, Fausey. Both teams had 24 field goals 2-1-5, W. Fahrbach 3-2-8, but Ross could score on only Parker 4-1-9, Hahn 2-6-10,

Schwartz 3-0-6.

TOTALS 24-11-59.

ELYRIA - Day 5-10-20,

Hill 4-4-12, Ballas 4-2-10,

Gaskalla 1-0-2, Balosky

6-2-14, Mathews 2-1-5,

Drummer 2-2-6.

TOTALS 24-21-69.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS 12 10 14 17 16-59

ELYRIA 16 9 8 20 16-69

## RESERVE

ROSS - Zimmerman 3-2-8,

O'Brien 2-2-6, Chapin 1-0-2,

J. Fahrbach 3-0-6, Ferguson

1-1-1, Brough 1-0-2,

Boskovich 6-0-8, B. Fausey

1-1-3. TOTALS 17-6-40.

ELYRIA - Reinhart 7-0-14,

Husband 2-2-6, Corn 3-4-10,

Sheldon 1-3-5, Fitzpatrick

1-0-2, Webb 3-2-8.

TOTALS 17-11-45.

## VARSITY

ROSS - Zimmerman 3-2-8,

O'Brien 2-2-6, Chapin 1-0-2,

J. Fahrbach 3-0-6, Ferguson

1-1-1, Brough 1-0-2,

Boskovich 6-0-8, B. Fausey

1-1-3. TOTALS 17-6-40.

ELYRIA 14 8 11 12-45

Last Clean  
Slate Soiled  
In Buckeye

Undefeated is a status nonexistent in the Buckeye Conference today. The Marion Presidents saw to that as they dumped previously all-winning Lorain and threw the conference race into a three-way tie for first place.

Marion did what five other conference teams could not do by beating Lorain, 71-62. At the same time Elyria needed overtime to get by Fremont, 69-59; Sandusky upended Admiral King, 84-76, and Findlay topped Mansfield, 67-53.

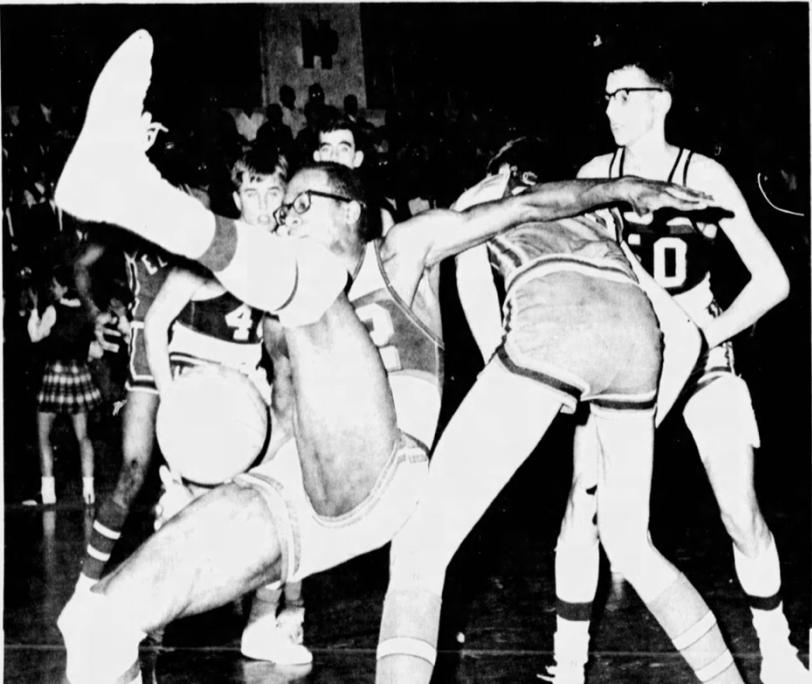
The Friday night results left Marion, Lorain and Elyria all in first place at 5-1. Sandusky and Admiral are tied with 3-3 marks.

## BUCKEYE STANDINGS

Team	W.L.
Marion	5.1.
Elyria	5.1.
Lorain	5.1.
Sandusky	3.3.
Admiral King	3.3.
Findlay	2.4.
Mansfield	1.5.
Fremont Ross	0.6.

KING-SANDUSKY  
ADMIRAL KING—Guerrier:  
7-0-14, Brown 3-3-9, Ashley 3-2

8, Hitchens 8-1-7, Taylor 7-6-20



KICK, ONE, TWO—Fremont Ross' Phil Garry looks as if he is doing a high-kicking dance step. Actually, the 6-2 Ross junior is falling after being jostled in a battle for a rebound by Elyria's 6-7 Bill Balosky, back to camera. Other Little Giants in the action are Tom Weisz, 40, Kevin Hahn, behind Garry's head, and Wes Fahrbach, 50, right. Fahrbach and Garry, despite giving away a height advantage to Elyria, took down 22 rebounds between them. (News-Messenger Photo)

HAPPY

## LITTLE GIANTS POST SECOND VICTORY OF SEASON

## Ross Masters Visiting Port Clinton, 80-66

A hot-shooting flurry in the third period which allowed Ross Little Giants to pull within a single point lead to 12 in a period of one minute, 28 seconds was the turning point Saturday night. It slapped down the pecky Port Clinton Redskins and gave Ross its second win of the season, 80-66.

Port Clinton had trailed from the time Wes Fahrbach made the first field goal of the game after 31 seconds of play, but never was beyond reach until this hot spot for the Giants. From then on it was a matter of the Little Giants fighting the

the collapse that has cost them several close decisions in the Buckeye Conference.

Ross has now won its two of three ventures outside the conference, defeating Fostoria and Port Clinton, both of the Great Lakes League. In the Buckeye Conference, the Little Giants are 1-2, minus a one minute threat but unable to win in seven games. The Little Giants record to date is two wins, eight losses.

Phil Garry and Wes Fahrbach were the big men for Ross in more than stature. They helped the Giants to dominate the

borders and both tallied 20 at the foul line in the fourth period. Ross could have made the game more of a rout, but converted only 33 per cent of its shots from the foul line, 28 of 83.

Port Clinton became its own worst enemy in the fourth period as fouls kept the visiting Redskins in trouble. Before the fourth period, the Little Giants had scored a near 29-point a game clip was held to eight points and three field goals. Two of these field goals and six points came in the final four minutes after Coach Don Purvis had freely substituted and the game was beyond doubt.

Ross had its most prolific period in the fourth with 29 points, but 17 of these were from the charity stripe. Ross was the

Giants to dominate the fourth period. Ross could have made the game more of a rout, but converted only 33 per cent of its shots from the foul line, 28 of 83.

In the reserve game Ross made a good night all the way, beating Port Clinton, 59-48.

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ROSS

Garry 6-20, Perkins 3-9, Fausey 1-5, Weisz 2-4, Fahrbach 7-20, Parker 3-3, Schwartz 1-2. TD 18. TALK 2-6.

PORT CLINTON — Shumaker 0-6, Perry 1-2, Shewes 1-4, Larson 3-2-8, Lemon 4-1-9, LaMarr 5-2-12, Kokinda 2-1-5, Fritz 2-2-6, Ihnat 4-7-13, Bruno 0-5-5. TOTALS 22-22-66.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 14 18 19 23-80  
PORT CLINTON 10 8 13 9-40

## Score By Quarters

ROSS 8 10 16-58  
PORT CLINTON 10 8 13 9-40

## Cage Scores

## OHIO

Ohio 18, Purdue 80  
Tulsa 82, Cincinnati 59  
Marquette 83, Dayton 68  
Western Michigan 85, Ohio University 84  
Toledo 91, Miami (Ohio) 89  
Bowling Green 61, Marshall

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Baldwin-Wallace 65, Wittenberg 60  
Capital 78, Oberlin 66  
Denison 71, Heidelberg 64  
Mount Union 76, Marietta 65  
Hiram 70, Muskingum 68  
Oberlin 91, Wilmington 84  
Bluffton 105, Malone 83  
Penn State 52, Kent State 50

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## FINDLAY STRONG IN FREESTYLE

## Little Giant Tankers Sink

Freestyle strength and depth first place in five of 11 events, three sophomores and one senior gave Findlay an advantage. Fremont Ross could not sink Saturday night, but Wes Fahrbach made only 46-42, with the seven-point 400-yard freestyle relay remaining to be contested. Findlay came through with its second loss in two days for the Little Giant Splashes, who were beaten 53-42. The day before the Ross team had lost its first meet to Western Reserve Academy after opening 400 Free relay got best team. Even though our completely disappointed by the season with three victories. The Little Giants managed

their time, 3:46.8, since we had



LITTLE GIANT WES FAHRBACH JUMPS FOR TWO  
Mike Lemon, 21; Shumaker Watch Below

## South, North Divide Two

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## OPEN SECOND HALF OF BUCKEYE CAMPAIGN

## Ross Has Second Chance At Tyger

A team they gifted with a six-minute slumber earlier this season and one which is battling for Northern Ohio League championship repeat are weekend basketball foes for Fremont Ross. Ross opens the second half of Buckeye Conference action Friday at Mansfield, then travels to Tiffin for a non-conference test against Columbian.

"For three quarters we were the better team," was the post-game comment of Little Giant mentor Dan Purvis after his team fell to Mansfield, 66-62. This game was the Buckeye Conference opener at the Ross gymnasium. The one quarter exception was the third which compared to a Mansfield 20 of 1-9 overall and 1-6 in the conference started with Ross failing to 27 free throw mark and erased

score a point for six minutes.

In those six minutes the Little Giants slipped from a 32-30 half-time deficit to a 43-30 trailing count.

In six minutes starting the second half Ross missed 12 field goal tries and four free throw attempts without scoring a point. The Little Giants fought back and the tally, 56-56, with 1:53 left on the clock. The Tygers made six of six free throws in the final 1:37 of action for victory.

There was an anti-Ross game in the foul line where the Little Giants made 14 of 28 free throws. This was the Buckeye Conference opener at the Ross gymnasium. The one quarter exception was the third which compared to a Mansfield 20 of 1-9 overall and 1-6 in the conference started with Ross failing to 27 free throw mark and erased

a one goal Ross advantage from the field.

The man who led the Tyger scoring against Ross, Phil Browarsky with 16.8 points, is the team leader for the season. In nine games Browarsky has scored 151 points, 16.8 per game. Averaging 10.4 with 94 points each are 6-6 Duane Hill, 6-6 Shawne Madson, Hill and Browarsky are the three lettermen on the Tyger squad.

As a team in nine games Mansfield has averaged 38.7 points per game and given up an average of 66.7. Mansfield's only win this season has been over Fremont. The Tygers are 14 of 28 free throws. This is more height among the non-

Tiffin Columbian is a team with a 6-3 overall record and a 4-2 good for a second place finish in Northern Ohio League. Columbian is the defending NOL champion. A year ago, as Ross struggled to one of its worst seasons in history it beat only Tiffin Columbian and Port Clinton.

This season Tiffin has averaged 80 points against Port Clinton, 89 points against Mansfield and 74 points per game. The Tyrdanders' defensive average has been 50.1 points per contest.

Columbian is a veteran contingent with returning lettermen—Joe Blasz, 6-1; Kent Cartwright, 5-11½; Jerry Janeson, 5-10; Scott Keiffer, 6-2, and Mike Loudenslager, 6-2. There

is one Little Giant averaging only one Little Giant averaging in double figures. Phil Garry is the team's top scorer with 112 points in 10 games. Four others are averaging more than eight points per game. Garry and 6-4 Wes Fahrbach both came to the line for 20 points in the Port Clinton win.

18 GAME STATISTICS

Player	FG	FT	TP	Ave.
Phil Garry	45	22	112	11.2
Wes Fahrbach	34	29	97	9.7
Tom Weisz	41	10	92	9.2
Kevin Hahn	29	27	85	8.5
Steve Parker	30	21	81	8.1
Jon Schwartz	18	5	41	4.1
Steve Fausey	14	11	39	3.9
Tom Perkins	7	12	12	2.6
Tom Decker	3	4	10	1.0
Jack Dudley	1	0	2	
John Fahrbach	0	1	1	

## COLLEGE CAGE SCENE:

## Tim Thomas Leads Upset Victory For Wittenberg

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In a light Ohio schedule, a couple of teams were upset. Wittenberg was beaten only once in their 10 field shots en route to 20 points to pace Wittenberg, 5-7.

And Findlay was beaten only

for the second time, losing 85-

71 to Ohio Northern. The Oilers

now 9-2, tried 98 field goals,

but connected on only 31.

In the others, Larry Lewis

led St. Francis, Pa., past Steubenville, 77-73; Dave Fros

poured in 24 points in Malone's

74-59 victory over Thiel, and

Tim Thomas hit on seven of 10 field shots en route to 20 points to pace Wittenberg, 5-7.

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WHO GETS EXCITED? — A former Fremont wrestling great gets into the cheering act at his old school's match against Vermilion Tuesday. Leading the Ross boosters is George Branco, who two years ago went to the state tournament as a Ross wrestling representative and was All-Ohio in football. He is now at Heidelberg college where he still wrestles at 167 pounds. (News-Messenger Photo)

# Final Team Shot Futile, Ross Drops Another Thriller

MANSFIELD — Second period and home team Mansfield is at the foul line. Officials allow Mansfield's Bob Blakely to line up under the basket, rather than in the second spot with a Fremont player nearest the basket. The foul shooter misses

and Blakely leaps, taps the ball in for a field goal.

There is an argument but Ross Coach Don Purvis loses and the basket counts. What's the problem? It's only two points.

Two points were the difference

as Ross, like a broken record, repeated its history of close game losing. The Little Giants were caught and passed by Mansfield for the second time this season, losing 69-67.

With five seconds to play and trailing by two points Ross

called a time out. The Little Giants had the ball out of bounds at midcourt with time for one shot. The shot was set up, but went wild. Victory by a margin of four points or less went to the opposing team for the fifth time this season.

The defeat kept the Little Giants at the bottom of the league, winless in eight league games. It was a repeat win for Mansfield over the only team they have mastered this season.

Coach Don Purvis sat on the bench late in the contest. His Little Giants held a three-point lead. This had happened before, but Coach Purvis told himself, "The luck is bound to change. It is our turn to win a close one." It wasn't and the close one got away again.

Purvis had nothing but praise for his team, the two big men in particular — Phil Garry and Wes Fahrbach. "We were hurting them inside," noted Purvis, adding, "We were feeding Wes and we were scoring."

Fahrbach was the leading Ross scorer with 26 points and 18 rebounds. Garry played only three quarters and still scored 16 points, took 11 rebounds.

Inability to stop Mansfield's Phil Browarsky was the Little Giant downfall. The Ross team was playing without Steve Fausey, Garry, Tom Perkins and Tom Weisz all had four fouls and Purvis protected them on the bench. This cut the Ross forward corps to nothing. Perkins had done a good job of defending Browarsky. He held the ace who scored 32 points to one field goal in the first half.

In the reserve game Ross lost another squeaker, 50-48.

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## RESERVE

ROSS — Zimmerman 5-2-13, Denis O'Brien 3-1-7, Chapin 1-1-3, Fahrbach 3-0-6, Pitts 0-1-0, Boskovich Brough 1-2-4, Fausey 2-1-3. TOTALS 9-17-13-99.

MANSFIELD — Roane 5-2-13, Pagani 2-3-7, Hager 1-1-3, Hoy 3-3-9, Petty 7-1-15, Windbiger 3-4-10. TOTALS 22-14-69.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS	9	17	13	9-48
MANSFIELD	12	16	13	17-40

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## VARSITY

ROSS — Garry 6-4-16, Perkins 0-1-1, W. Fahrbach 9-8-26, Weisz 1-0-2, Decker 0-0-0, Parker 6-1-13, Hahn 3-1-7, Schwartz 0-2-2, TOTAL 25-17-67.

MANSFIELD — Browarsky 10-12-32, Nixon 2-1-5, Blakely 5-1-11, Hill 2-0-4, Madison 0-2-2, Smith 1-3-5, Stilwell 4-0-8, Wright 1-0-2 TOTAL 25-19-69.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS	21	15	17	14-67
MANSFIELD	9	24	22	14-69

## Little Giant Wrestlers Win With Rally

FINDLAY — Fremont Ross wrestlers dug a deep hole Friday night, but heavyweights of the team clawed themselves to the top and victory.

Jose Alejandro, Ross 105-pounder, opened the meet with a Fremont victory, but then things began to look lean. The Little Giants lost the next four matches and trailed 14-5 before Scott Decker turned the tide.

Decker won a 4-0 decision in the 140-pound class and Ross

was on its way. The Little Giants won all but one of the final six weight classes.

The Little Giants were not in the lead until the next to last match when 177-pounder Dick Bowersox pinned his foe. This gave Ross a 21-19 advantage, which was capped when heavyweight Brad Lawrence came through with a final match pin.

Victory evened the Ross winning record at 3-3 and broke a three-match losing string. In re-

serves Ross won 44-3.

### SUMMARY

105 — Jose Alejandro (R) pinned Bind, 4:36; 5-0.

114 — John Balisburg (F) de-

cisioned Gordon Roach, 5-2; 5-3.

122 — Jim Claeui (F) pinned

Mike Vargo, 3:51; 5-8.

129 — Clark Slimeall (F) de-

cisioned Mike Lieske, 7-6; 5-11.

135 — Pat Connors (F) de-

cisioned Jim Bullinger, 7-4; 5-14.

140 — Scott Decker (R) de-

cisioned Mike Delancy, 4-0; 8-14.

147 — Mike Brinkman (F) pinned Mike Dowell, 5:55; 8-19.

156 — Bud Weiser (R) pinned

Dave Oberly, 3:08; 13-19.

167 — Al Reiter (R) de-

cisioned Myron Rialcy, 11-1; 16-

19.

177 — Dick Bowersox (R) pinned Gary Shanks, 4:54; 21-19.

Heavyweight — Brad Law-

rence (R) pinned Dick Bishop,

3:14; 26-19.

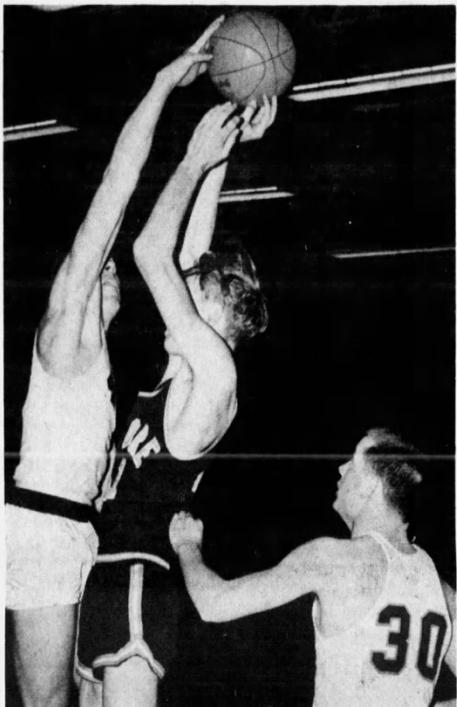
## News-Messenger SPORTS

### Gibsonburg Holds Edge On Defense

GIBSONBURG — The Gibsonburg Golden Bears downed Elmore 52-43 in a tight defensive battle at Gibsonburg Friday night. The nonconference win raised the Gibsonburg record to 8-1.

Gibsonburg Coach Ray Burkhardt, although displeased with his squad's 28 per cent field goal percentage, praised the Bears for strong defensive work and an outstanding rebound performance. According to Gibsonburg statistics, the Bears out-rebounded Elmore 52-26, doing an especially impressive job of boxing out Rex Durdell, Elmore's powerful board man. Durdell finished the night with ten rebounds, while Mike Erns-hausen had 15 and Steve Fahle had 12 for the Bears.

Gibsonburg's defense supplied the victory. Offensively the squad hit only 22 of 79 field



# Tornadoes Blow By Tired Ross Five

TIFFIN — Two close games and two tiring road trips in two days took their toll in the fourth quarter for Fremont Ross basketball team here Saturday night. The Little Giants led most of the way and then faltered in a 61-54 defeat by Tiffin Columbian. It was the second loss in four non-conference games for Ross and dropped the overall mark to 2-10. Ross had fallen by two points Friday at Mansfield.

Ross led by three points at halftime and expanded this to eight points, 44-36, at the three-quarter mark. In the final eight minutes the long two days and foul trouble began to take their

toll. Four of five Ross starters contracted a fourth personal and Coach Don Purvis had to intermittently sit members of the quartet on the bench. Despite this caution biggest man and co-leading scorer for the Little Giants, Wes Fahrbach, fouled out of the game.

The Tornadoes took advantage and blew up a point storm in the fourth quarter, outscoring Ross 25-10. Tiffin Columbian did not gain the lead until the final two minutes of the game.

Much of the fourth quarter Tiffin rally was the direct result of Ross fouls. Tornadoes were

awarded 12 free throws in the

last quarter and converted nine

of these into points.

Scott Kieffer was the fourth quarter leader for Columbian with half of his 18 point total in that stanza.

Neither team enjoyed a good shooting night. Tiffin Columbian won despite scoring on only 20 of 78 field goal attempts, 26 per cent. At the foul line the Tornadoes scored 21 points on 31 shots. Ross made only 30 per cent of its shots from the field, 18 of 60, and 18 of 31 from the foul line. On the boards Ross had 47 rebounds and Tiffin 43.

Joe Blust of Tiffin was the game high-scorer at 19, followed by Kieffer with 18. Fahrbach

and Steve Parker each had 17 to lead Ross.

Ross reserves salvaged some of the night with a 46-36 win in the preliminary. The Littlest Giants had four players with eight points or more led by John Fahrbach and Dennis O'Brien at 10.

## VARSITY

ROSS — 1-3-5, Perkins 0-1-1, Weisz 5-0-10, W. Fahrbach 5-7-17, Decker 1-0-2, Parker 5-7-17, Hahn 1-0-2, Schwartz 0-0-0. TOTALS 18-18-54.

TIFFIN COLUMBIAN — Loecher 1-2-4, Fruth 0-1-1, Kieffer 7-4-18, Watson 4-5-13, Cartwright 0-3-3, Janson 1-1-3, Blust 7-5-19.

TOTALS 20-21-61.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS	12	17	15	10-54
TIFFIN	13	13	10	25-61

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## RESERVE

ROSS — Zimmerman 3-2-8, O'Brien 3-4-10, Chapin 1-0-2, J. Fahrbach 1-8-10, Boskovich 4-0-8, Brough 2-0-4, Ferguson 2-0-4. TOTALS 16-14-46.
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TIFFIN — Loescher 4-3-11, Gooding 3-0-6, Van Horn 1-0-2, Goodrich 0-2-2, Hoeric 2-0-4, Dillard 2-0-4, Herron 1-0-2, Hoenshell 1-3-5. TOTALS 14-8-36.
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## Score by Quarters

ROSS	11	16	11	8-46
TIFFIN	12	13	7	4-36

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WES FAHRBACH CAPTURES ROSS REBOUND  
Mate Tom Weisz Screams Vocal Support

## MARION TOPS ROSS, 74-63

## First Quarter Turnovers Slay Little Giant

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
N-M Sports Editor

Three minutes of carelessness and the rest of the night tried to catch up with the Little Giants. The second time Marion Harding 74-63. It was a far cry from the 85-83 humiliation early in the season at Marion, but equally as frustrating.

The most recent frustration stemmed from the fact that the final three minutes in the first quarter were all that separated the two teams. Ross broke on top but was shot down in the five points twice the first quarter by its own turnovers.

The Little Giants in the final quarter went 0-5 of the first quarter and opened his market and sold from a 19-9 lead to a 17-11 deficit to the opposition. Precise

cit. In that first quarter Ross team committed 11 turnovers with many of these in that period. Marion had 11 in the first quarter. Friday night to shut off the Ross rally. Merchant made seven of eight free throws in the fourth quarter with a six-for-six mark in the final 1:06 of the game.

The Little Giants trailed by only five points, 67-62, with 1:06 to play when Merchant's charity line work took over. From then on Marion pulled away as Merchant was fouled three times and turned six free throws into six points.

The heart of the Ross comeback was the third quarter when the Little Giants scored 24 points. It was longer than coach-

Dave Merchant, who scored 11 points in the first quarter to set up the first game winner 11 in the second quarter. Friday night to shut off the Ross rally. Merchant made seven of eight free throws in the fourth quarter with a six-for-six mark in the final 1:06 of the game.

The Little Giants had a good night from the field with near 50 per cent shooting, but the foul line work was once more stumbling block. Merchant scored on all five field goal tries, but the Ross scorers with 18. Hahn had 14 and Parker 12.

Fahrbach, Hahn and Steve Garry were kept busy. Marion defense losses with his speed and drives, were all in double figures for Ross. Fahrbach led

the Ross scorers with 18. Hahn had 14 and Parker 12.

Merchant was the game's leading scorer with 27 points.

In the reserve game Marion made it a sweep with a 45-34 victory.

## VARSITY

ROSS — Garry 1-3-5, Fausey 3-2-8, Perkins 1-2-2, Weisz 2-0-4, Fahrbach 7-4-18, Parker 3-6-12, Hahn 4-6-14. TOTALS 21-21-63.
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## Score by Quarters

ROSS	11	11	24	17-63
MARION	17	14	18	20-74

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## RESERVES

ROSS — Zimmerman 0-0-0, O'Brien 3-4-6, Chapin 0-2-2, Fahrbach 6-3-10, Boskovich 2-2-4, Ferguson 1-1-1, Fruth 1-0-2, Brough 0-2-2. TOTALS 12-10-34
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MARION — Gibson 5-0-10, Hardman 5-5-15, Patrick 1-4-3, Turner 3-2-8, Reese 2-5-9, Holmes 0-0-0. TOTALS 16-13-34
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## Score By Quarters

ROSS	7	9	7	11-34
MARION	15	9	6	15-45

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## BUCKEYE:

## Lorain's Fall Adds

## To Chase

Five of the eight teams are within one game of the Buckeye Conference lead. The standings scramble continued Friday. Lorain, undisputed leader prior to Friday, fell to Sandusky, 66-60.

This dropped the Steelmen into a tie with Marion, 74-63 conqueror of winless Fremont. One more tick of the leaders in a three-way tie for second place between Sandusky, Elyria and Admiral King.

Friday night Elyria needed overtime to stop Findlay, 56-54; Admiral King whipped Mansfield, 87-85.

King led by the 27 points of Mike Brown in its romp.

Ed Williams scored 25 points to lead the Sandusky upset of Lorain. Sonny Day had 32 points for better than half the Elyria point production.

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## BUCKEYE STANDINGS

Team	W	L
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## News-Messenger SPORTS



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## ROSS, ST. JOSEPH FACE TWO-GAME WEEKEND

# Giants, Streaks Get Second Chance At Friday Foes

Ross and St. Joseph high schools each get a road trip second chance at teams they failed to master earlier in the season. It is a double game weekend for both Fremont teams with the Little Giants starting at Lorain and St. Joseph at Margareta Friday. Saturday, the Ross quintet comes home to face Findlay and St. Joseph runs into Clyde a second time in two weeks.

The local teams had similar problems in their first encounters with Friday's foes. Both teams suffered defensive lapses, rebounding weaknesses and a hot-shooting one man to lead the foe.

Lorain has been the surprise team of the Buckeye Conference

and shared the lead with Marion at a 7-2 record. Despite the effectiveness of the Steelers, Ross was very much in contention until lapsing in the final two minutes of the game.

The Little Giants did an effective defensive job on Lorain's leader, Jim Greisser, in the first half. In the second half Greisser made the defense look like it had disappeared. He led the Lorain winning surge with 16 points in the second half and 20 for the night.

Coach Don Purvis was a little puzzled at the Ross defensive breakdown in the second half. Part of the defensive problem may have been ineffective rebounding. Lorain is not a tall team and Ross is even if not

at a slight advantage in the height department. This would have been hard to believe when final statistics of the Lorain game showed the visitors with 46 rebounds to 26 for the Little Giants. With the improvement of Wes Fahrbach, 6-4 center, Ross rebounding has improved since that time. Phil Garry, 6-2 jumper at forward, when right combines with Fahrbach to give a good one-two rebounding unit.

Also not helping the Little Giants in that first game was a 37 per cent shooting record from the field.

Defense, rebounding and a one-man dynamo also stymied St. Joseph in its first meeting with Margareta. That one man

was 6-4 Ken Nuber who tallied 30 points. The big fellow also dominated the rebounding picture as Margareta dominated the boards. Offensively Nuber worked inside for easy shots on the way to his big night.

In that first meeting Margareta built up a 16-point margin before the St. Joseph attack revived. The 'Crimson Streaks rallied in the fourth quarter to pull as close as three points.

St. Joseph in recent weeks has jelled into a stronger unit. This has shown in a string of three consecutive wins after playing to a 1-7 record in the first eight games.

Clyde, the Saturday night foe, was the one which St. Joseph used to launch its recent come-

back. The Crimson Streaks top back. The Crimson Streaks top could begin to clear. With slightly more than two weeks remaining in the basketball season there is not a clear-cut

leader in any of five leagues in the area. Marion and Lorain

are tied for first in the Buckeye

with Sandusky, Admiral King,

and Elyria only one game behind the leaders.

Gibsonburg will be going after its fourth SBC victory without a loss at Lakota. Margareta and Sandusky St. Mary each have only one loss. St. Mary

is not in league action this weekend and has only one league game remaining with Lakota.

February 17, Margareta is in a must win situation in its encounter with St. Joseph.

Elsewhere in area action the knotted league race situations

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# Little Giants Shine Defensively, Attack Too Little To Upset Lorain

LORAIN — Name of the game was defense. The team leading the league could score only 49 points against the team on the bottom. Winless Fremont Ross tightened the clamp on the Lorain attack, but could not muster enough attack of its own in falling 49-41. It was the second time this season that the largest margin in a nip-and-tuck battle between Ross and Lorain was the final score.

Ross held a 17-16 halftime lead and the score was deadlocked 36-36 with 3:20 to play. "She was anybody's ball game

until about the last minute, lamented Ross Coach Don Purvis. In the final minute the foul began to take its toll.

It was not that Ross players were getting in foul trouble. This was not a factor until too late, stated Purvis. Rather, it was the free throw opportunities gotten by Lorain.

The Steelers took 31 foul shots in the game and 27 of these opportunities came in the fourth quarter. Lorain cashed these 27 charity tosses into 11 of its 19 last-period points.

Effectiveness of the Ross defense was shown in holding two of the leading scorers in the Buckeye Conference, Cal Parker and Jim Greisser to only four field goals and 16 points between them. Greisser, who scored 21 points in leading Lorain to its first victory over Ross, did not score a point in the first half.

Steve Parker was the man responsible for holding down Greisser as he utilized his speed in keeping a tight guard on the Lorain leader. Tom Perkins and Steve Fausey alter-

nated in keeping a watch on the 6-4 Parker. Bothered by the tight defense, Greisser was only two for 12 from the field and Parker four for 22.

With Phil Garry leading the way Ross had the edge in rebounding, 37 to 34. Garry pulled down 13 rebounds, second only to the 14 recovered by Lorain's Parker. Garry also was the Ross point leader with 12.

Tom Decker, pressed into service because of illness to Wes Fahrbach, plugged up the middle defensively for Ross. He blocked two shots in the fourth quarter and had five rebounds in slightly more than one-half of play.

Fahrbach missed school most of the week with the flu and played slightly less than two quarters.

The foul shot was the difference at the end, but earlier it had been to Ross' advantage. Ross had its best foul-shooting night of the year, 68 per cent, making 23 of 34 chances.

Both Ross and Lorain were cold from the field. The Little Giants were nine of 42, 21 per cent, and Lorain 16 of 73, 22 per cent.

Lorain made it a clean sweep in the reserve game, winning, 47-39.

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### TIPPING OFF DUCKS



AVOID THE USUAL RED HUNTING CAP AND ANY CLOTHING THAT DOESN'T BLEND WITH, OR MATCH, THE NATURAL COLORS AROUND YOU. FROM THE AIR, YOU WOULD STAND OUT LIKE A DANGER SIGNAL TO INCOMING DUCKS.

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IF DUCKS AVOID YOUR OUTFIT ALL DAY, IT MUST ALARM THEM.

## Bowling Honor Roll

### Men's 225 Game

Tom Zappia, Paul's Auto Sales	227-255
Marv Burner, Paul's Auto Sales	247
John Hannan, Strange Well Drilling	246
Frank Cicanese, Woodville Bank	246
Chet Conley, Wdvl. Bnk.	234
Vern Bohnhoff, Connors	233
Al Mollgaard, Paul's Auto	226
<b>Men's 600 Series</b>	
Tom Zappia, Paul's Auto	658
Chet Conley, Wdvl. Bnk.	640
Lee Greenley, Wdvl. Lime	633
Dario Alesi, Huston Imp.	604
<b>Women's 185 Game</b>	
Sharon Whitcomb, Quikut	229

Barb Conrad, Camie's	185-225
Betty Strausbaugh, Rnbw.	207
Mary Bennett, Rnbw. Lanes	205
Nelore Hampshire, Otto-Urban	193
Alma Vickery, Eckrich	192
Doris Klisz, Ideal Mower	192
Betty Sebeto, 2 Plus 2	191
Janet Clyde, Go Getters	190
Marg Morley, M & M Uphl.	189
Gladys Jones, Alley Cats	188
Sue Gee, Rainbow Ladies	185
<b>Women's 500 Series</b>	
Sharon Whitcomb, Quikut	591
Barb Conrad, Camie's Rest.	577
Betty Strausbaugh, Rnbw.	549
Marg Morley, M-M Uphl.	532
Alma Vickery, Eckrich	526
Doris Klisz, Ideal Mower	500

### NBA Results

#### Friday's Results

Pittsburgh 115, Minnesota 107	
Denver 104, New Orleans 97	
Dallas 122, Houston 96	
Kentucky 96, Anaheim 93	
<b>Today's Games</b>	
Kentucky vs. Oakland at Fresno	
Denver at Dallas	
Minnesota at Indiana	
<b>Sunday's Games</b>	
Dallas at Anaheim	
New Jersey at Pittsburgh	
<b>Monday's Games</b>	
Dallas at Denver	
New Orleans at Houston	
New Jersey at Minnesota	

#### Today's Games

St. Louis at Cincinnati
Los Angeles at Detroit
Baltimore at San Diego

#### Sunday's Games

Philadelphia at Boston
San Francisco at New York
Los Angeles vs. St. Louis at Miami
Baltimore vs. Seattle at Tacoma

#### Monday's Games

No games scheduled

### Cage Carnival Set For Green Springs

GREEN SPRINGS — Thirteenth annual basketball carnival will be held Saturday, February 17, 6:30 p.m. Teams from the grade school program, plus junior high school teams, will play in the carnival. All proceeds from the carnival will go to the Athletic Department.

## VARISITY

Ross—Garry 3-6-12, Fausey 1-1-3, Perkins 2-2-6, Fahrbach 0-3-3, Decker 1-1-3, Parker 0-8-8, Hahn 2-2-6. TOTALS 9-23-41.

LORAIN — Stephenson 2-0-4, Parker 4-1-9, Svoboda 1-2-4, Greisser 2-3-7, Pavlick 3-7-13, Schroeder 2-3-7, Holliman 1-0-2, Dudziak 1-1-3. TOTALS 16-17-49.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS	7	10	10	14	41
LORAIN	5	11	13	19	49

## RESERVES

ROSS—Zimmerman 4-3-11, O'Brien 0-0-0, Chapin 0-2-2, J. Fahrbach 2-1-5, Pitts 0-1-1, Bokovitch 2-2-6, Schwartz 2-0-4, Whatley 4-2-10. TOTALS 14-11-39.

LORAIN—Sanchez 4-5-13, Wiloughby 0-1-1, Felton 1-1-3, Grasnick 3-6-12, Washington 3-1-7, Cunningham 0-2-2, Lopez 1-3-5, Meyers 1-0-2, Wargo 1-0-2. TOTALS 14-19-47.

## Score By Quarters

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LORAIN	20	8	5	14	47

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## BUCKEYE LOSING STREAK ENDS AT 24 GAMES

## Ross Hustles To 80-76 Victory Over Findlay

Hustle, Hustle, Hustle! is the frequent exhortation of the two best games we have played this year," announced Coach Don Purvis. "Phil Garry was the team lead, with 15 and Wes Fahrbach had 16.

"They hurt us in the back," said Purvis, "and we were in the front [sic]!" was the way Coach Purvis looked at the game in which Ross' rebounds neutralized turnovers. Findlay, a smaller and quicker team, pressed on defense all the way.

The result was 19 Ross turnovers, nine in a jittery first quarter.

The Little Giants made up for this on the boards with 51 rebounds, only 19 for Findlay. There were leaders, but rebounding like the entire game was a team accomplishment.

Every player to see action had at least five rebounds. Phil Garry was the team lead with 15 and Wes Fahrbach had 16.

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Parker and Faussey were the game's leading scorers with 24 markers, tallied eight in the second quarter.

Parker utilized his speed to drive the lane and the result was eight field goals and eight points on foul shots. He drew 16 shooting opportunities with his driving brand of play.

Strong work by Garry and Fahrbach in the paint was the key to Ross' success.

Not only did they get 23 rebounds between them but scored 26 points. Garry 11, Fahrbach 15. The two scored many of their points as they put offensive rebounds back up for field goals. Of 11 goals between the two players, 10 came from inside the lane. Ross moved into the lead this pair scored 18 of 26 points. Faussey had 10 of his game total 16 points in this stanza.

The statistics on shooting were even and as Findlay

Coach John Steinich saw the difference. "They apparently wanted to win more."

The statistics showed Ross made 30 of 82 field goal tries, 48 per cent, to Findlay's 28 of 60, 47 per cent. Both teams were 20 of 33, 61 per cent, at foul line.

Rebounders who had been on the short end of a close score earlier at Findlay, were 35-35 victims this time.

**VARSITY**  
ROSS — Garry 5-1-11, Faussey 6-18, Decker 1-2, Perkins 3-2, Fahrbach 6-3-15, Parker 8-24, Hahn 1-24. TOTALS 30-30.  
FINDLAY — Ammons 7-6-20, Woodruff 4-10, Lishawa 2-6. TOTALS 15-33.

**Score By Quarters**

ROSS 18 26 15 21-80  
FINDLAY 24 13 23 16-76

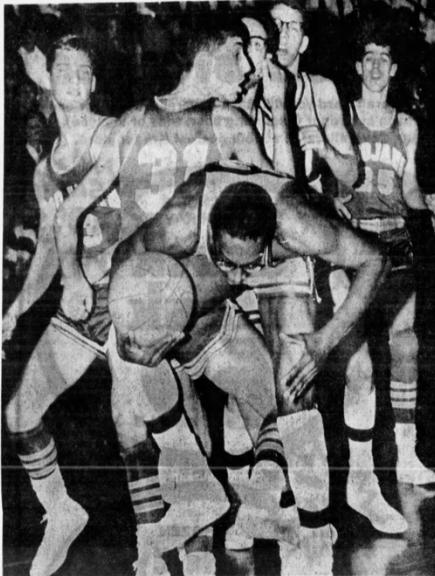
**RESERVE**

ROSS — Zimmerman 1-0-2, O'Brien 3-1-7, Chapin 2-4, J. Fahrbach 1-0-9, Pitts 0-2-2, Ross 1-0-2, Brough 1-4-6, Whistler 1-0-2, Ferguson 2-4. TOTALS 1-8-33.

**FINDLAY** — Steiner 1-0-2, Ferguson 3-1-7, Myers 3-0-6, Bookwater 2-0-4, Warner 2-2-6, Lishawa 3-4-8, Poff 4-0-8, Aller 3-0-6, Baron 1-1-3, Brumley 2-1. TOTALS 23-9-55.

**Score By Quarters**

ROSS 7 10 11 10-38  
FINDLAY 6 19 12 18-55



**GARRY CHARGES**—Ross' Phil Garry, head down as he charges through the line in football, comes down with one of his 15 basketball rebounds Saturday night. Garry led Ross rebound domination in an 80-76 victory over Findlay. Shown in the action Findlay's John Poff (15), Don Lamb (11), Ross' Tom Perkins, Wes Fahrbach, and Findlay's Tom Myers, 25. (News-Messenger Photo)

## Lakota Ends St. Joseph Domination, Captures Sandusky Bay Mat Crown

They billed the Sandusky Bay Conference wrestling championships as a dual meet between Lakota and St. Joseph. Lakota had its all-time record of 100-0, and St. Joseph was 99-1. In many ways the tournament was just that, but it was a battle for second place. The strong boys from the southern corner of the conference, Lakota, pushed six wrestlers into the finals and won five championships to score 86 points and win the team title.

It was the first time in the history of the SBC wrestling tournament that anyone except St. Joseph had worn the crown.

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The breadth of a shoulder separation might well have been

previously had won at the lower 135-pound class. Terry Biddle of Lakota and St. Joseph's Fiber Krumb, respectively, defended their titles at 114 and 167 pounds respectively. Beller was champion for the second consecutive year, adding the 145-pound title to the 140 crown he won a year ago. Two champions as sophomores in 1966 added second championships at a heavier weight in their senior year. Jerry Biddle, 129, was the 112-pound champ in 1966. Blechinger was 165-pound king in 1966 and made the second consecutive at 135 pounds.

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**FINAL RESULTS**

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129—Jerry Biddle (L) defeated Beller (C) in a close one. Coleman (L) pinned Long (SM), championship. Davis (C) pinned Harder (OH), consolation.

135—Larry Blechinger (SJ) pinned Long (SM), championship. Davis (C) pinned Harder (OH), consolation.

140—Fiber (SJ) defeated Frank (C), championship; Nehm (M) defeated Cassidy (L).

177—Feller (C) defeated Hammer (L), overtime, championship; Giuffre (SM) won by forfeit, consolation.

Heavyweight—Nighswander (SJ), championship; Dick (C) defeated Petrick (SM), consolation.



## LAST CHANCE AT REDEMPTION

## Ross, St. Joseph Conclude Cage Seasons

Last chance to redeem seasons of questionable success confronts Ross and St. Joseph high school basketball teams this weekend. The Ross Little Giants close the season at home Friday night in a Buckeye Conference battle with Lorain Admiral King.

St. Joseph has a double - dip serving with a Friday night Sandusky Bay Conference road meeting with Oak Harbor and a Sunday home game against Mansfield St. Peter.

Ross nearly pulled the surprise of the Buckeye Conference the first time it met Admiral King. Playing on the Lorain school's home court the Little Giants came within three points of a team then sharing first place in the conference. Ross could not stop Admiral captain Vic Guerreri who scored 28 points in the 74-71 Admiral King victory.

All season long the Little Giants have been the hard-luck team of the conference. They have dropped four games by a margin of four points or less, two by two points. Yet another game against Elyria, Ross led until the final seconds to be tied and lose by 10 in overtime.

Ross has maintained a 58.7 point offensive average for the year with 998 points in 17 games. On defense the Little Giants have been touched for 1,132 points, an average of 66.6 per game.

In individual statistics there are only two players averaging in double figures. These are

Wes Fahrbach, 202 points and an 11.9 average, and Phil Garry, 172 points, 10.1 per game. Close behind Garry is guard Steve Parker who is averaging 9.8 with 168 points.

St. Joseph faces two contrasting challenges over the weekend. Friday they will have to guard against overconfidence and Sunday they will have to rise to meet the challenge of one of Ohio's top Class A teams.

Oak Harbor, with whom St. Joseph closes the season, is winless in 16 games. St. Joseph needs a win here to avoid sharing the SBC cellar the year after the Crimson Streaks won the title. St. Joseph has only one victory to date in six league outings.

Mansfield St. Peter brings a 15-3 record to town. The three losses all have been by two point margins to Parma Padua, 78-76; Elyria Catholic, 60-58, and Cleveland St. Joseph, 68-66. A measure of the St. Peter strength is the Cleveland game. Fremont St. Joseph dropped an 82-61 battle with this same team.

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Ron Scherer, 14 per game, and Ted Mecurio, 6-1, 12.7 per game.

As a team the Spartans are averaging 80.6 per game and allowing opponents to score 60.9.

St. Joseph, 5-11 overall, has scored at a 62.4 per game clip with 999 points. They have given up 1,072 points, 67 per game.

St. Joseph has met with better success outside the conference. In games counting toward the

league title they are 1-5 and 4-6 outside the conference. Against schools not in the conference St. Joseph is 3-3. Part of the non-conference record is against SBC schools who they play twice, one game not counting in the standings.

Dan Benton, 17.9, leads a trio of point-makers averaging in double figures. The others are John Bovard, 14.4, and Mike Eberly, 10.5.

## Bowling Green Tips Toledo, Tops MAC

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bowling Green leads the Mid-American Conference basketball race today, thanks to the high goals set by Coach Bill Fitch.

"We had set our goals to be as good as Toledo," Fitch said of Bowling Green's arch rival in the tough conference.

They were more than just "as good" Wednesday night as they trimmed the Rockets 85-78 and took over undisputed first place in the seven-team league. The teams were deadlocked at 6-2 before the game at Bowling Green.

Bowling Green now has the inside track for the championship, its first since the 1962-63 season. Toledo, defending champion, dropped to third place at 6-3. Marshall, idle Wednesday night, is in second place with a 7-3 record.

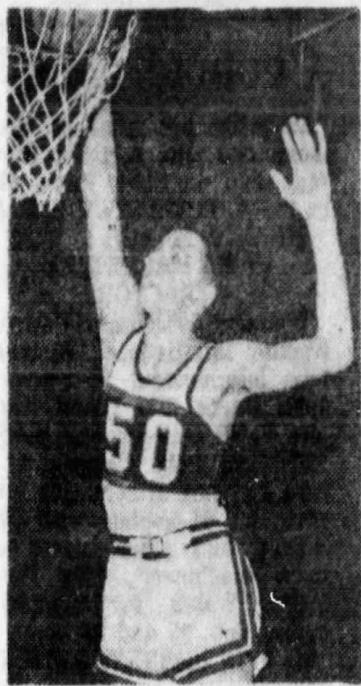
The teams battled on even terms in the first half, ending in a 37-37 tie. Bowling Green went ahead for good, 49-47 on a basket by Piatkowski, and the Falcons steadily pulled away.

In another MAC game, Miami downed Kent State 86-70 behind 32 points from Phil Snow and 22 from Fred Foster.

Sophomore Tyrone Curry, playing only his fourth game of the season, led Wittenberg past Otterbein as the Tigers gained their fourth straight victory. Curry, injured the first 17 games, scored 18 points.

In other Ohio Conference games, Ira Porterfield scored 34 points as Capital belted Ohio Wesleyan 103-88, and All Washington's field goal in the last two seconds of an overtime gave Oberlin a 58-56 decision over Mount Union.





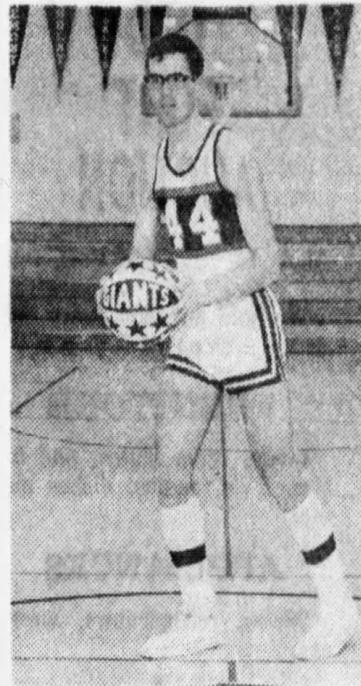
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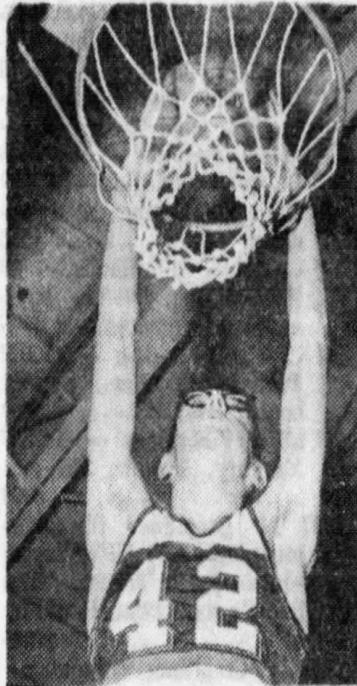
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**ROSS CAGE SENIORS**—The seniors will be honored tonight when Ross high school plays its final basketball game of the regular season. The Little Giants will close at home against Lorain Admiral King in the Senior

Night game. Playing their final home game for the Ross team will be Wes Fahrbach, Steve Fausey, Steve Parker, Tom Perkins, Tom Decker and Jack Dudley. (Hertzer Photos)

# Ross Turns Over Game To Admirals, 69-66

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL

N-M Sports Editor

There wasn't apple in the turnover but it was dessert to the fans Friday night as Admiral King dined on a main course of jump shots and capped the feast with a Ross turnover.

Ross Little Giants ended the season of frustration with a 69-66 defeat to Admiral King on the local floor Friday night. Ross had a 10-point lead in the final 16 seconds, but lost its fifth game of the season by four points or less.

The Little Giants committed 20 costly turnovers, too many to give the run loving, shoot-happy Admirals. The fast break

is featured in the Admiral of 73, but this does not accurately depict the hot shooting. Ross got back fast and cut off the layup conclusion to the fast despite the fact King missed its first six shots and was only 6 of 21 in the first quarter, less than 29 per cent. In the middle two periods King hit 51 per cent of its shots.

The King shot charts looked like sketches of rambunctious children running, leaping and shots leaped from base line to foul line and back to base line at an approximate 15 foot distance.

Ross worked the ball, looking for the home fans one to remember. For him Senior Night was a shining display of shooting six of 10 shots and scoring the big fellow made nine of 10 shots from the field, scored 21 points and pulled down 13 rebounds. Fahrbach then six of

15 free throws back up on

taps or layups for field goals.

In the rebounding department Fahrbach had a strong assist from Phil Garry, who had 14 rebounds, and Steve Fausey and Parker.

After 33 seconds of the second quarter Admiral King took the lead for the first time, 15-14 on a shot under the basket by Hanchak. Then Admiral King never again trailed and moved in front by as many as nine points midway in the third quarter. Ross cut the lead to one point 52-51 at the three-quarter mark. Admiral King on a fast break by Purvis had a nine-point fast start including a four jump shot field goals.

Ross concluded the season with a 15-15 record. In the reserve contest Ross had its highest point total of the season, but ran into fresh-

men trouble. A trio of freshmen scored 33 points for Admiral King, as the visitors won 62-57. Big man was fresh Steve Kish with 26 points. The other freshmen, Mike Lozano, scored one and Nick Chawansky tallied six.

Eleven Ross reserves figured in the scoring.

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VARSITY

ROSS — Garry 5-8-0, Purvis 4-1-6, S. Fausey 1-2-4, Fahrbach 5-8-2, Hanchak 1-2-2, Park 2-2-6, Hahn 3-3-9, Schwartz 2-0-4, TOTALS 27-11-6.

ADMIRAL KING — Jesko 5-4-4, Kish 9-2-6, Kraly 2-0-4, Lozano 0-1-1, Paskowich 4-1-9, Chawansky 3-0-6, Norlin 1-0-2, TOTALS 25-5-7.

Score By Quarters

ROSS — Zimmerman 1-0-2, Schulte 2-0-4, O'Brien 5-1-1, Chapin 0-1-1, Fahrbach 2-0-4, Pitts 1-1-1, Sterling 1-0-2, Fausey 4-1-0, Boskovich 3-2-0, Brough 2-0-4, Whately 4-1-0, TOTALS 25-5-7.

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Most Valuable winners of the most valuable trophies in three winter sports at the annual banquet to honor swimmers, Lawrence, wrestling, Lawrence and Bowersox, wrestling and basketball players. Tuesday at Ross high school. Trophy winners were Dick Purvis, wrestling, Wes Fahrbach, basketball and Bill Slemmer, swimming and Brad

sot tied for the wrestling most valuable trophy. (News-Messenger Photo)

#### SPRING EXHIBITION ROUNDUP

## White Sox Drop Pitchers, Sell Colavito To Dodgers

By MIKE RECHT  
Associated Press Sports Writer

Spring training will be a little late this year for Jim Kaat, but Bob Shaw and Jim O'Toole are wondering whether it will come at all for them.

Shaw and O'Toole, two of baseball's top pitchers several years ago, were looking for employment when the Chicago White Sox dropped them Tuesday. At the same time, the Sox gave veteran slugger Rocky Colavito a new chance by selling him to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Kaat, Minnesota's ace left-hander, who pitched the twins to the 1966 pennant, started his spring training Monday by hurling 15 minutes of batting practice, and that was as far as he got. The sore elbow that plagued him last year was back again. Kaat's next appearance is not expected until after the season begins April 8.

Jim Bunning, however, indicated he still is one of the National League's indistructible pitchers as he tuned up for an expected leading role in Pittsburgh's pennant chase.

The new Pirate, acquired from Philadelphia last winter, hurled a two-hitter for eight innings as Pittsburgh downed Boston 2-1 on Manny Mota's two-run homer in the first.

In other games, Cincinnati belted Los Angeles 7-2, the New York Mets blanked St. Louis 1-0, Atlanta edged Baltimore 2-1,

last Sept. 30 failed to heal completely during the winter.

The elbow still twinges when O'Toole, 31, whose 1967 victory helped Cincinnati to the 1967 pennant, had a sore shoulder most of 1967 after the Reds acquired him from the Red Sox. He and Shaw each started this season as free agents.

Colavito, a 30-year veteran who pitched the White Sox to their 1969 pennant struggle, is in spring training to two rookies. Buddy Bradford and Bill Bross.

A former World Series hero pitcher, Larry Sherry, was cut by the Houston Astros, who also named outfielder Jackie Brandt a player-coach with Dallas-Fort Worth in the Texas League.

Minnesota gave up without Kaat, the scheduled starter, Jim Perry and Dick Sot. Moe Ogrodnik stopped the Yankees and John Roseboro slammed a two-run single in the eighth inning.

Cisco Carlos, Bob Priddy, Wiltbur Wood and Hoyt Wilhelm stopped the A's on six hits in the White Sox victory.

Pitcher Cecil Upshaw singled home a run in the bottom of the ninth with two out for Atlanta's triumph. The Mets scored three runs in the ninth, but the Cards'inning double by Bud Harrelson and Ken Boswell while No. 100 Ryan, Bill Short and Dan Frisella blanked the Cardinals.

San Francisco also won in the ninth as Cub Manager Leo Durocher was ejected for protesting a pitch and relieved Pete

Francisco, planned to contact Boston and Pittsburgh for a trade, said Tuesday they are willing to offer Hayes \$500,000 for the same period.

"He isn't worth \$750,000 to San Diego late Tuesday," said Bill Breithard, owner of the Rockets. Hayes was not available for comment following the meeting.

However, Breithard said he hopes to sign Hayes before he returns to college.

"I'm interested in building a good basketball team, and Hayes is the man I need to do it," Breithard said.

He had indicated he would rather play in the NBA. However, this was prior to the Houston salary announcement.

"They (San Diego) have a young team and the only place for them to go is up," Hayes said earlier. "I think I can be as great an asset to them as they can be to me. If they meet my price, I'm ready to sign."

The A's draft will not be held until April 8 but the Marlin's announced two weeks ago they had obtained the league's negotiation rights for Hayes.

Hayes can accept the Houston offer from the two leagues do not have a working agreement under which they forbid any player from seeking the best possible contract.

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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## ROSS WINTER SPORTS BANQUET

# Lawrence, Bowersox, Fahrbach, Slemmer Presented Top Honors

Three Buckeye Conference champions and a third team all-conference choice were named most valuable in their respective sports at Tuesday's Ross Winter Sports banquet. Selected by their teammates, the top two wrestlers, one basketball player and one swimmer were chosen.

Members of wrestling, basketball and swimming teams were honored at the annual banquet in Ross high cafeteria.

Presented the coveted most valuable trophies were Wes Fahrbach, basketball; Brad

Lawrence and Dick Bowersox, wrestling; Bill Slemmer, swimming.

Laurene, wrestling, Lawrence and Bowersox, basketball players. Tuesday at Ross high school. Trophy winners were Dick Purvis, (News-Messenger Photo)

and Dick Bowersox, swimming. Fahrbach was a third team All-Buckeye Conference selection. Lawrence was repeat as Conference heavyweight champion and Bowersox won the 157-pound title in wrestling.

Slemmer, who went through his first 10 appearances this season undefeated, was conference heavyweight champion and the most valuable winners were selected by the vote of their teammates.

Fahrbach, who had a season 12-point average, was a double trophy winner. Also

by the vote of teammates he was named the honorary basketball captain. The trophies as most valuable and captain were presented by Coach Don Purvis.

A third basketball trophy for best foul shooter, was presented to Kevin Hahn. Hahn, a junior guard, made 70 per cent of his foul shots for the season.

Scott Decker was named as the winner of the new most improved wrestler trophy. Decker was the Little Giant 138-

pounder.

Five trophies were presented in swimming as the winners of the annual post-season events program were: most valuable, Jon

Zak, swim co-captain, was the winner of the all events.

Trophies for this competition also were presented to Mike Aten, second, Steve Miller, third, and Scott Keller, fourth.

In addition to Purvis, trophy presentations were made by

Mal Mackey, wrestling, and Jack Balsizer, swimming.

Mackey pointed to the prom-

ise of the future in making his presentations. The varsity wrestling team, the only winning team in Ross high school so far this season, had a 6-3 record. It was backed by a 40 sophomore squad record, 8-1 for the reserves and 9-0 for the freshman wrestling.

In basketball the varsity had a 10-2 record and the reserves were 4-1. Coach Purvis and assistant Coach Alex Clark both commented on the number of close losses. "We were truly in every ball game except three," noted Purvis. Two losses were by two points, two by three points to Lorain Admiral King, a representative in the regional tournament, and one in overtime.

There is a strong nucleus also returning for swimming. The final 20-man varsity squad included only five seniors, nine sophomores and six juniors. This year's edition of Ross swimmers had a 4-7 mark with victories over Mansfield Malabar, Mansfield Senior, Perkins and Lima Senior. The seven losses were to swimming powers of the state. State Champion Toledo St. Francis University school, the only team to outscore St. Francis this season, Western Reserve Academy, Findlay (twice) and Sandusky (twice).

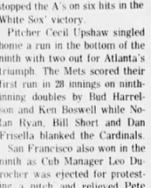
To support the 15 returning varsity swimmers will be the graduates of the junior high school team which was unbeaten in dual meets.

Zak, in addition to his all-events award, was given the trophy for winning the most varsity points. "There was no trophy but Coach Balsizer cited Mike Aten as the finest sophomore swimmer in Ross history. He swam every event except the backstroke in dual meet competition and was second in all varsity events with 78. Also honored was Rick Koebel, who recorded the third fastest butterfly time in Ross history.

Winners in the all-events competition included five sophomores, two juniors and three seniors. The all-events is run like a decathlon with points accumulated according to how fast the swimmers are.

After the four events, the winners of the top finishers were Rick Koebel, Scott Keedler, Alan Stephenson, Mike Frey, Jerry Semer and Dan Ahney. Miller, Zink and Koebel are seniors, Semer and Keller juniors and the rest sophomores.

Clayton Tooley, member of the Ross faculty, served as toastmaster. Appearing on the program beside the coaches were Dr. D. L. O'Conor, superintendent of schools; Dr. George Conti, high school principal; Mrs. Don Purvis, cheerleader advisor; Richard Sherman, athletic director, and the Rev. George Jensen, who offered the invocation.



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Dallas now will play the winner of the New Orleans series

## Rifle Club Snare Crown

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