

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 Fahrback, 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, Fahrback 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 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 improved 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 improving."

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 133 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 34-40 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.



New Coach Not Enough

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)



WOODWARD REBOUND — Jim Grant (45) comes off defensive board with rebound for Toledo Woodward. Phil Garry, Ross, (hand in air) battled with Grant. Tom Becker, Ross, blocks out Woodward's Pat McGrath. (News-Messenger Photos)

Bloomville's Dragons Spit Flames At York

CLYDE—Bloomville gave evidence of Seneca County League strength Saturday night. The Dragons stepped out of the league and outclassed independent York, 89-56, on the loser's court.

Bloomville raised its early season record to 2-1 with the victory. The defending Seneca champions had won two and lost one in league play prior to its first independent game of the season.

The towering Bloomville height took away one of the York strengths in its first game

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. Led by a pair of quick guards Woodward showed the additional poise of a veteran team with one game under its belt in posting 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 not

connect on only 43.8 per cent, 14 of 32 at the line. Worst part of this figure was the fact Ross had six one - and - one and seven two-shot opportunities. This was a potential of 26 shots but it was converted to only 10 points. Ross missed the first shot of a one-and-one three of the six times and made both shots on the bonus situation only once. Woodward was the hotter shooting team from both field and foul line. The Polar Bears made 48 per cent of its field goal attempts, 25 of 52, compared to 19 of 45, 42.2 per cent for Ross. At the foul line Woodward scored on 12 of 22 shots, 54.5 per cent. Ross scored first on a free throw by Wes Fahrbach, but Woodward took the lead which they never relinquished on a field goal by Donnie Fletcher. Woodward pulled to as much as five point lead in the first quarter but Ross was within one point, 11-10, as Steve Faussey hit a jump shot from the head of the key with 34 seconds remaining in the first. The 10 - point lead at the end of the half and Ross had been within two, 24-22. This close point came with 3:45 left in the half as Phil Garry followed a teammate's shot and put the rebound into the basket. With one of the quick guards, John Okenka, 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 Hahn hit a pair of field goals as Ross matched Woodward the rest of the third stanza. In the fourth quarter the Little Giants displayed their best basketball of the night. Wes Fahrbach became a factor for Woodward couldn't handle after he returned from the bench. Fahrbach had himself in foul trouble and sat out much of the third quarter. The moves of Fahrbach in the pivot drew six fouls in the fourth period. The Ross pivot converted these chances into six of 11 free throws, plus two field goals for 10 of his team high 12 points in the fourth quarter. This display allowed Ross to cut the lead to seven points, 64-46, with 4:03 to play. Shortly after this spurt Ross lost both Fahrbach and starting guard

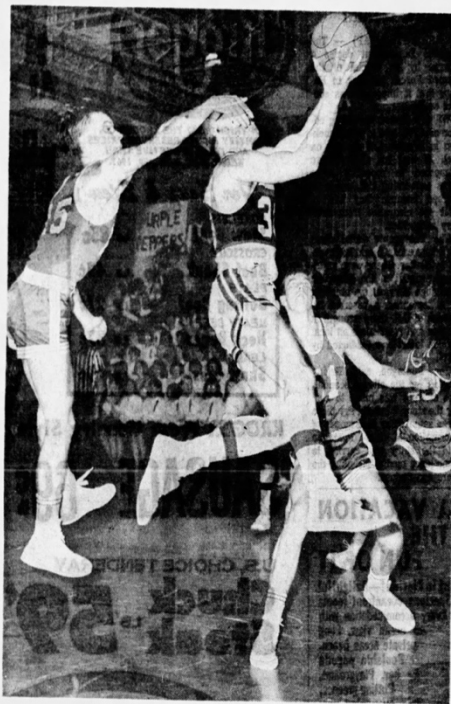
Steve Parker on fouls and the threat was over. It was a rough night all the way for Parker who received a cut nose, bruised lip and turned ankle in the melee. Parker and Tom Weisz, who proved to be an outside shooting threat, were second high with nine points each for Ross. Okenka with 15 and his outside running mate at guard, Marion Szczechowski, with 13 points led Woodward. Jim Grant, the team captain, added 12. In the reserve game Ross couldn't find the key in the first half and was too far behind before reviving in the second half. Result was a 55-42 loss to a tall Woodward Jayvee unit.

SCORE BY QUARTERS
Ross 10 12 11 10—52
Woodward 15 17 16 14—62
RESERVE
ROSS — Zimmerman 2-3; Chapin 1-1; J. Fahrbach 3-3; Brough 3-3; Boskovich 4-2-10; B. Faussey 1-1-3; Whalley 6-1-1. Total 14-44-2
WOODWARD — Brewton 3-2-8; Malaska 6-3-3; Minnifield 5-16; Linzy 8-2-2; Crenshaw 2-4-4; Alsup 6-3-15; Tyburski 3-3-7. Total 18-45-55
ROSS JV 6 7-13 16-42
WOODWARD JV 13 15 19 8—55

College Grid Scoreboard

East
Brown 14, Columbia 7
Boston College 25, Mass. 8
Conn. 3, Holy Cross 0
Penn St. 42, Pittsburgh 6
Cornell 33, Penn. 14
Dartmouth 17, Princeton 14
Rutgers 31, Colgate 28
Yale 24, Harvard 20
Southwest
Texas Tech 31, Arkansas 27
Southern Meth 16, Baylor 10
Texas Christian 14, Rice 16
South
Florida St. 21, Florida 16
Tennessee 17, Kentucky 7
Virginia 12, Maryland 7
Georgia 21, Georgia Tech 14
Memphis St. 29, N. Texas St. 29
Clemson 23, S. Carolina 12
Mississippi 28, Vanderbilt 7
LSU 41, Tulane 27
Florida A&M 30, Texas Southern 7
Midwest
Indiana 19, Purdue 14
Illinois 21, Iowa 19
Kansas 17, Missouri 6
Michigan St. 41, Northwestern 27
Ohio State 24, Michigan 14
Minnesota 21, Wisconsin 14
Oklahoma St. 49, Kansas St. 14
Tulsa 22, Houston 13
Far West
Colorado 33, Air Force 0
Brigham Young 67, San Jose St. 8
Colorado St. 43, Wichita St. 11
Syracuse 22, UCLA 14
Texas-El Paso 28, Washington 7
Arizona St. 47, Arizona 7
Utah St. 31, San Diego St. 25

Rahrig Fires Monroeville



JOHN OKENKA (15) MAKES SEEING BASKET DIFFICULT
Steve Parker (38) Drives Past Okenka, Dennis Jazwiecki (51)

Buckeyes Make Year Success, Tip Michigan

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Beat Michigan and that's just about all it takes for Ohio State to have a successful football season. The Buckeyes did just that at Ann Arbor Saturday, belting the Wolverines 24-14 and ended up with a 6-3 record and 52 Big Ten mark for the year. It was one of only two games on the Ohio college football card. The other saw Bowling Green easily ramble over Los Angeles State 42-7.

"We got the jump on them and that proved to be the ball game," said Buckeye Coach Woody Hayes after putting the wraps on his 17th year at the Ohio State helm.

The Bucks held a 21-0 lead in the second quarter with half-back Rudy Hubbard getting the first two touchdowns on runs of 22 and 12 yards. Quarterback Bill Long got the remaining Buckeye TD on a one-yard run, and Gary Cairns polished off Buckeye scoring with a 37-yard field goal in the final period.

Port Clinton Falls Victim To Tiffin

PORT CLINTON — Consistent Tiffin Columbian shooting from the field combined with weak eyes at the foul line for Port Clinton Saturday as the visiting Columbian team took a 53-48 victory.

It was the second victory in as many nights to open the season for the defending Northern Ohio League champs. The independent contest was the first loss after a Friday night victory over Tiffin Calvert for Port Clinton.

Columbian scored on 43 per cent of its shots from the field. This helped compensate for a less than sensational 39 per cent at the foul line, 13 of 22.

Port Clinton had even more trouble at the foul line and its 12 of 29 shooting, 41.3 per cent.

Ohio State refused to let the Wolverines cross the Buckeye 40 yard line until late in the second period. Michigan drove 80 yards to get on the scoreboard with Dennis Brown hitting Jim Berline with a six-yard touchdown pass with 30 seconds to play in the half.

Michigan's final tally came in the third period when Brown hit John Gabler with a 13-yard scoring aerial.

At Pasadena, Bowling Green quarterback P. J. Nyitrai connected on touchdown passes of 40 and 33 yards to halfback Dave Cramer to highlight the Beehive victory.

Area Cage Scores

Toledo Woodward 62, Ross 52
Tiffin Columbian 53, Port Clinton 48
Monroeville 72, Green Springs 46
Bloomville 89, York 56
Toledo Libbey 96, Newark 49
Newark 55, Marion Hardin 30
Berlin Heights 68, South Am-

Six-Minute Chill Kills Little Giants, 66-62

By B. JEROME and P. BELL
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Wine 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 in 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 spurts,

first cold, then hot. Neither team was a ball of fire in the first eight minutes but seven of 10 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 foul 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 outlasted the visitors from the field 24 goals to 23. As a team, despite the 0-40-12 period, Little Giants hit 41 per cent of their field goal attempts, 24 of 58.

Work at the foul line was the difference with Ross hitting only 14 of 28 charity shots.

Mansfield in contrast made 20 of 27, 74 per cent. From the field, Mansfield was accurate with 23 of 63 shots, 37 per cent.

Rebounding of Phil Garry,

outside marksmanship of Tom Weisz, both juniors, and speed of Steve Parker were big spots in the Ross performance. Garry was game high scorer with 19 points to 17 for Parker and 14 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 marksmen from the sides, while Garry pulled down 15 rebounds, 11 off the offensive boards.

Ross outscored Mansfield,

41 to 35. Coach Alex Clark's reserves pulled off a second half rally that worked for a 49-44 victory. The Ross reserves trailed by eight points, 26-18, at halftime.

ROSS JV — Garry 9-1-19, J. Brough 2-3-7, Whatley 8-1-1, Boskovitch 2-3-7, Ferguson 1-0-2, B. Fauser 3-0-4. TOTALS 18-13-49.

MANSFIELD JV — Petty 2-5-9, Roan 3-3-8, Hager 2-0-4, Ward 1-0-2, Gross 6-1-13, Stillwell 2-0-4, Pagani 2-0-4. TOTALS 18-8-44.

ROSS JV 8 10 11 20-49
MANSFIELD JV 12 13 4 14-44

Smith's 0-0-0, Wright 3-6-12, TOTALS 22-20-66.

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 1-1-3, Pitts 0-0-0, J. Fahrbach 3-2-8.

MANSFIELD JV — Petty 2-5-9, Roan 3-3-8, Hager 2-0-4, Ward 1-0-2, Gross 6-1-13, Stillwell 2-0-4, Pagani 2-0-4. TOTALS 18-8-44.



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 spurs in the first and third periods moved Gibsonburg toward the victory. With senior guard Dan Clair scoring eight of his ten points, the Bears moved from a 11 tie to a 13-2 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 spurted again. Buckets by Jim Schwartz, Fahle and Mike Ernsthause pushed the

margin up to eight. Then, with the margin down to six early in the fourth period, Fahle hit twice and Ernsthause 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 offense—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.

Ernsthause, 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
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
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"I felt 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 6-3 Dean Peeler.

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

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 reinjuring 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 injured in pre-season drills. He was removed to avoid further aggravation.

Purvis noted 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 contributed to a 45 per cent mark from the field. 29 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 38 field goal tries, 39 per cent, and 10 of 17 free throws.

Victory was the first for Coach Don 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 6-4. 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 4-2 to 27. Ross players cleaned 11 rebounds off the offensive boards and 22 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.

VARSIITY

ROSS — Garry 5-0-10, Perkins 6-1-1, Weisz 9-3-21, S. Faussey 1-1-3, W. Fahrback 2-0-4, Decker 0-0-0, J. Fahrback 0-0-0, Parker 4-0-8, Dudley 1-0-2, Hahn 6-2-14, Schwartz 2-0-4, R. Faussey 0-0-0. TOTAL 20-7-47.

FOSTORIA — Browning 3-1-7, Belshaw 1-1-3, Filiator 2-2-6, Peeler 3-1-7, Ward 1-0-2, Graber 0-0-0, Graves 1-1-3, Flack 4-4-12. TOTALS — 15-10-40.

ROSS 18 18 14 17-47
FOSTORIA 10 8 8 14-40

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 0-0-0, J. Fahrback 3-1-7, Brough 1-1-3, Whatley 1-0-2, Boskovich 2-0-4, Faussey 1-0-2, Ferguson 0-0-0. TOTALS 18-9-43.

FOSTORIA JV — Flores 1-1-3, Green 0-2-2, Conine 0-2-2, Feucht 0-4-4, Ash 2-0-4, Ward 2-2-4, Earl 3-0-4, Sharlach 2-1-3, Earnhart 0-0-0. TOTALS 9-12-30.



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 Filiator (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, Otsego 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 winless Bettisville, 59-51. This left Republic the only unbeaten in Seneca County League.

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

Otsego, which beat Grand Rapids Friday in its early Lakeshore start, made it two in a row Saturday by stopping Woodville 67-35.

Lakota broke into action the hard way Saturday, losing 52-50 in double overtime. The two teams were tied 44-44 at the end of regulation time.

Each scored only two points in the first overtime before Mohawk took a 6-4 advantage in the second extraperiod.

Efficiency at the foul line and on the boards kept Lakota in contention. The Raiders of Coach Larry Hiedden scored on 14 of 21 foul shots, 66 per cent. This compared to 40 per cent, 12 of 30 for the winners on the boards big Tom Ritter pulled down 18 rebounds as Lakota led rebounding 40-23. From the field Mohawk was enough better to win with 20 of 36, 55 per cent.

Lakota made only 18 of 59 field goal attempts, 31 per cent. Ritter led all scorers with 22 points. Over Green Springs the Clyde Fliers, who had gone a year without a victory, liked Friday's winning taste and took another bite Saturday. This time it was an 80-60 bite from the leg of Green Springs. Five Fliers were in double figures as the winners hit 29 of 74, 39 per cent from the field, and 22 of 33, 67 per cent. Green Springs

was 28 of 78, 36 per cent, from the field, and 13 of 29, 45 per cent.

Chuck Gdovick scored 28 points as Lakeside made Margaretta its third victim without a defeat, 78-62. Mark Cassell added 21 for the winners.

Rebounding was led by Clyde, 43 to 32. Tom Claus had 18 rebounds for Clyde and 16 rebounds by Rob Berlekamp was tops for Green Springs. Green Springs' Steve Birch was high point man with 19.

In reserve games Clyde beat Green Springs, 56-38; Lakota topped Mohawk, 49-23; Genoa beat Elmore, 44-41; Lakeside beat Margaretta, 48-40; Otsego stopped Woodville, 63-36; Bettisville beat Republic, 29-25.

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BETTSVILLE-REPUBLIC
BETTSVILLE—Benner 4-0-8; Channels 7-0-14; Mader 5-6-16; Soto 3-1-7; Liggett 1-0-2; Windau 0-2-2; Burd 1-0-2. TOTAL 21-9-51.

REPUBLIC — Depinet 9-0-18; Tom Bogner 3-0-6; Wall 5-5-15; Niedekohr 1-2-4; Burkholder 5-0-10; Tim Bogner 2-2-4. TOTAL — 20-9-59.

BETTSVILLE 9 11 19 12-51
REPUBLIC 10 15 15 10-59

WOODVILLE-OTSEGO

WOODVILLE — Shaw 7-1-14; Weber 1-2-4; Rippke 1-0-2; Rospert 2-1-5; Harman 4-0-8; Rodriguez 6-1-1. TOTAL 15-5-35.

OTSEGO—Roe 6-2-14; Goodman 11-2-24; Hartman 2-1-5; Sproul 4-3-11; Jensen 6-1-13. TOTAL 29-9-67.

WOODVILLE 5 12 15 3-35
OTSEGO 19 14 15 19-47

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CLYDE-G. SPRINGS

CLYDE—Claus 6-3-15; Matthews 3-3-9; Archer 6-4-16; Jennings 0-0-0; Baker 5-7-17; McPherson 4-3-10; A. Bennett 3-1-3. TOTAL—29-22-60.

GREEN SPRINGS — McConnell 0-4-4; Stuckey 7-2-16; Brown 5-2-12; Birch 8-3-19; Preston 3-2-8; Berlekamp 5-0-10. TOTAL 28-13-79.

CLYDE 22 20 21 17-80
G. SPRINGS 29 7 24 9-69

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MARGARETTA-LAKESIDE

MARGARETTA — Wollenslaeger 9-1-19; Nuber 7-4-18; R. Fredrick 5-2-12; Stauffer 5-0-10; Behnkey 0-3-3. TOTAL 26-10-62.

LAKESIDE — Gdovick 10-8-28; Danchisen 1-2-4; Porter 2-0-4; Krynock 1-2-4; Cassel 8-5-21; Waldron 4-2-10; Turinsky 2-1-3; Penry 0-2-2. TOTAL 28-22-78.

Margaretta 13 29 16 13-62
Lakeside 18 14 15 31-78

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LAKOTA-MOHAWK

LAKOTA—Ritter 8-6-22; Below 0-1-1; Hagen 1-0-2; Zimmerman 1-0-2; Harpster 2-3-7; Smith 2-0-4; Creager 3-4-10. TOTAL—18-14-50.

MOHAWK — Sampson 8-3-19; Riedle 4-0-8; White 1-5-7; Bogard 6-2-14; Meyers 1-2-4. TOTAL—20-12-82.

Lakota 9 12 10 13 2 4-50
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LITTLE GIANT FOES:

Lorain, Findlay Surprises

Two teams^N 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 Paylick, 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^N, 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 32 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.

Jim 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 loose 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.

--- VARSITY

ROSS—Garv 4-3-11, 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 18-42-48.

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 18—60

--- RESERVES

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

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

Rodriguez Wins, Moves Closer To Title Chance

NEW YORK (AP)—Luis Rodriguez, 5-8, 160 pounds, decision winner over Bennie Briscoe Friday night, will be offered a Jan. 22 Madison Square Garden date with Don Fullmer for the right

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 soph 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.

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

Tulsa edged Army 55-53 on Rob Washington's tip-in at the final buzzer and Tennessee walloped Illinois 66-42 in the opening of the Volunteer Classic at Knoxville, Tenn. Santa Clara nipped Chicago Loyola 91-88 and Western Kentucky trounced San 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. Kan. Southern California defeated Oklahoma 76-63 and Los Angeles Loyola humbled Colorado State University 93-69 in a twin bill at Los Angeles.

A free throw by George Hick after the final buzzer gave Syracuse a 90-89 overtime victory



STEVE PARKER DRIVES FOR LAYUP BASKET
Little Giant Files Past Lorain Defender

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 Conference 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 for 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 Fahrback, pulled down 43 rebounds, 28 of them off the defensive board. Findlay had 33 rebounds. Fahrback was the game's leading rebounder with 13, eight offensive and five defensive. Fahrback 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.

--- VARSITY

ROSS—Garry 6-3-15, Perkins 1-0-2, S. Fausey 1-1-3, Weisz 2-0-4, W. Fahrback 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. Fahrback 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, Allder 1-4-6, Baron 2-0-4, Brumley 5-0-10. TOTALS 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, and 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 Venierucci, 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	Ave.
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 Fahrback	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 Fahrback	0	1	1	.2



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Lorain 66, Mansfield 62
Elyria 51, Marion 46
Lakeshore Conference
Coraopolis 77, Paul 79, Green
Rings 46
Akron 77, Grand Rapids 51
Great Lakes League
Cleveland 66, Port Clinton 65
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Bellevue 104, Clyde 67
Hibsonburg 51, Tiffin Calvert
Akron 70, Genoa 62
Rossford 78, Northwood 40
Thompson 67, York 63
Euclid 81, Cleveland St. Jo-
h 70
Huron 60, Sandusky St. Mary

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OHIO
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Innesota 73, Ohio Univer-
sity 83
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Purdue 67, Miami, Ohio 65
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Sun Bowl Tournament
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Tex.-El Paso 81, San Fran. 61
Consolation
So. Ill. 73, Maryland 72, ot
Vanderbilt Invitational
First Round
Vanderbilt 83, Seton Hall 67
Oregon 78, 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
Kentucky 88, Dayton 85
Amphibious Forces Tournament
(Virginia Beach, Va.)

STREAKS HOT, GIANTS COLD

Sandusky Burns Ross, 75-46

By ROY WILHELM
N.M. Area Editor

Unlike the breeze that normally comes from that direction, the Streaks from the North that blew into town Friday night was as hot as a Miami summer, but its effect on the localities was as freezing as the Old North Wind.

Lorain Last
Undefeated
In Buckeye

Lorain took over undisputed possession of first place in the Buckeye Conference Friday night, winning its fifth league game without a defeat. The Steelmen, who topped Mansfield, 66-62, remain as the lone unbeaten in the team.

Previously unbeaten Marion dropped its first league game to Elyria, 51-46. In other league action Admiral King topped Findlay, 83-74, and Sandusky added another loss to winless in league Fremont Ross, 75-46.

Lorain built up a seven-point halftime lead and then held on for victory. Jim Greisser led the Lorain scorers with 26 points. Elyria hit a sizzling 31 per cent from the field, 23 of 31, in stopping Marion.

Thirty points by Jim Guerrieri was the difference for Admiral King in its win over Findlay.

In reserve action Findlay beat Admiral King, 66-60; Elyria topped Marion, 37-32, and Mansfield nipped Lorain, 52-50.

BUCKEYE STANDINGS

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

LORAIN-MANSFIELD
LORAIN — Parker 3-6-12, Schroeder 1-0-2, Greisser 7-12-26, Paulick 5-7-17, King 3-1-7, Stevenson 1-0-2, TOTAL 20-26-66.

MANSFIELD — Browarsky 6-10-20, Bigelow 0-2-2, Nixon 1-0-2, D. Hill 5-3-13, Madison 3-6-6, Blankely 2-2-8, Sullivan 2-3-8, Wright 0-4-4, TOTAL 20-22-62.

Score By Quarters
LORAIN 14 17 19 16—66
MANSFIELD 11 13 20 12—62

MARION-ELYRIA
MARION — Creasap 10-2-23, Young 4-3-11, Crosswell 2-0-4, Merchant 4-0-8, TOTAL 20-16-46.

ELYRIA — Ballas 6-2-14, Day 9-2-20, Bailosky 2-1-5, Drummer 2-0-4, Mathews 4-8-8, TOTAL 23-5-51.

Score By Quarters
MARION 12 12 10 12—46
ELYRIA 14 11 14 12—51

FINDLAY-KING
FINDLAY — Ammons 11-5-27, Evans 11-2-24, Woodruff 4-0-8, G. Lishawa 1-1-3, Rieker 3-1-7, Wall 2-1-5, TOTAL 32-10-74.

Tangled in their own turns and haunted by a cold hand from the floor, the Ross surrounding the Little Giants, high Little Giants were blitzed by that Streak from the North — a lightning fast band of Sandusky Blue Streaks that rolled into the Ross high gymnasium and strolled out with a 75-46 victory.

The heat generated by the

Blue Streaks was the other side of the coin from the cold air hand from the floor, the Ross surrounding the Little Giants. The run and shoot Streaks burned the nets for 47 per cent of their field goal attempts and all but scorched the gymnasium floor with a blistering fast break. Meanwhile, the Little Giants were cold shooting and at times found the ball as slip-

pery 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 seem to hang on to the ball.

It was that second quarter that broke the game wide open. The Blue Streaks outscored Ross 25-6 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 8-4 and 14-10, the Little Giants suddenly went cold. Sandusky reeled off 15 straight points as Ross failed to score a point for the first 3:48 of the second period. The margin went to 32-11 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 double team a man on defense and then get 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 center Lino Venerucci, who pulled down 17 rebounds and added a dozen points.

The work of Wes Fahrback was a bright spot for the Little Giants, even though the 6'4" pivot man fouled out relatively early. Fahrback 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 Fahrback paced the local reserves with 12 points.

VARSITY
SANDUSKY — Williams 5-3-13, Darden 10-2-22, Venerucci 5-2-12, Rahter 6-0-12, Schrig 2-0-4, Hosfeld 1-2-4, Farris 3-2-8 TOTAL 32-11-75.

ROSS — Garry 1-0-3, Perkins 0-1-1, W. Fahrback 6-1-13, Weisz 3-0-4, Parker 2-1-5, Hahn 4-4-12, Decker 0-0-0, Schwartz 2-1-5, Faussey 1-0-2 TOTAL 19-8-46.

Score By Quarters
SANDUSKY 18 25 20 14—75
ROSS 10 6 21 9—46

RESERVES
ROSS — Zimmerman 3-1-7, Kipp 0-0-0, Chapin 0-1-1, O'Brien 2-2-4, Fahrback 4-4-12, Pitts 0-0-0, Brough 1-2-4, Ferguson 2-4-8, Baskovitch 3-1-7, TOTAL 15-15-45.

SANDUSKY — Sampson 4-5-13, Hallack 3-8-12, Kaskor 1-2-4, Hart 1-0-2, Hartung 3-2-8, Roberts 2-0-4, Dubois 0-0-0, Tanchon 2-0-4, TOTAL 15-17-47.

Score By Quarters
SANDUSKY 14 11 12 10—47
ROSS 14 7 9 15—45



GET OFF MY BACK THERE FELLOW
Ross' Hahn Dribbles Past Streaks' Darden

OHIO COLLEGE BASKETBALL:

Dayton, Cincinnati, Miami Lose By Narrow Margins

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

For Friday night's Ohio college basketball action, it was crying time—and perhaps just by so.

For instance: Dayton nearly got the best of seventh-ranked Kentucky before dropping an 88-85 decision.

Cincinnati came out on the short end of a 64-61 barnburner with South Carolina, Miami, after leading Purdue at halftime, finally yielded to the Boilermakers 67-65.

And Ohio University was doing a commendable job before Minneapolis finally shook off the Bobcats for a 73-63 triumph.

Ohio State nearly saw its perfect record go down the drain but rallied in the final seconds to slip past Butler 71-69.

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 Mikan 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 71-66 with 11 seconds left when Bulldog 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-

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 3/4 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 85-43 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 to win. Often, this need has compensated for ill-fortune or a shortcoming in another department.

The Pioneers easily defeated Findlay despite 34 turnovers as they were nearly flawless at the foul line. Against Mansfield Day and Hill, the top two scorers both fouled out shortly after the half but Bailosky got hot for his best scoring night.

At Sandusky, Elyria was 13 points down when Hill came up with 10 and Day with 11 points in the fourth quarter to pull out the game.

Frustrations continue for Ross

which is obviously a better team than last year, but still not improved enough to cause trouble in the Buckeye Conference. Ross has won only one of seven games with nothing but losses in the five conference outings.

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 wilts at the end of both halves gave Lorain victory.

Putting together an offense, particularly a floor game which

gets the ball inside to Phil Garry and Wes Fahrbach, has been a major Ross problem. The Little 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 averaged only 49.9 points in seven games.

Defensively, Ross has allowed opponents 69.2 points a game in conference and 67.9 overall.

SEVEN-GAME STATISTICS

Player	FG	FT	TP	Ave.
Phil Garry	31	13	75	10.7
Tom Weisy	29	8	66	9.4
Kevin Hahn	22	16	60	8.5

Wes Fahrbach	20	19	59	8.4
Steve Parker	22	14	58	8.3
Jon Schwartz	10	1	21	3.0
Steve Fausey	8	4	20	2.9
Tom Perkins	3	5	11	1.6
Tom Decker	0	3	3	0.0
Jack Dudley	1	0	2	0.0
John Fahrbach	0	1	1	0.0

BUCKEYE STANDINGS

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



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 cham-

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

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

Memories of a championship were renewed Wednesday night

Among those attending the Wednesday reunion were: Coach Dewey, law student at Ohio 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 2 1/2 minutes to play against unbeaten Marquette, but Byron Brunhorst 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 Bailosky, 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 outbounded and outdefensed 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 or the defensive boards and kept the tall Pioneers from getting that second and third shot. The added chance due to strong rebounding is a trade-mark 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 Bailosky 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. Bailosky 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 48 seconds of regulation time. From the time Fahrbach departed with 2:12 in regulation time Elyria scored 28 points in slightly more than five minutes.

Ross was never more than eight points behind and this only once, but did not take the lead until 3:27 had expired in the third quarter.

From then on the score was tied once, 38-38, but Ross never trailed until the overtime. Jon Schwartz hit outside shots to give Ross eight point leads at 49-41 with 2:25 to play and 51-43 with 1:58 remaining, but it was down hill the rest of the way.

Final analysis showed the difference was at the foul line. 1-0-2, Weisz 5-0-10, Fausey 2-1-5, W. Fahrbach 3-2-8, but Ross could score on only Parker 4-1-9, Hahn 2-6-10,

11 of 26 free throws, 42 per cent. In contrast Elyria made 21 of 32, 66 per cent. Ross had 12 one-and-one bonus foul shot opportunities and missed the first shot eight times. The Little Giants did not convert a one-and-one for two points until Kevin Hahn did it three times in the final six minutes of the game.

In the reserve game Ross suffered a third quarter letdown and fell to Elyria, 45-40. The Ross reserves trailed by only two, 22-20, at half time but was outscored by four points in the third stanza.

VARSITY

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, Bailosky

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

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

Boskovitch 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,

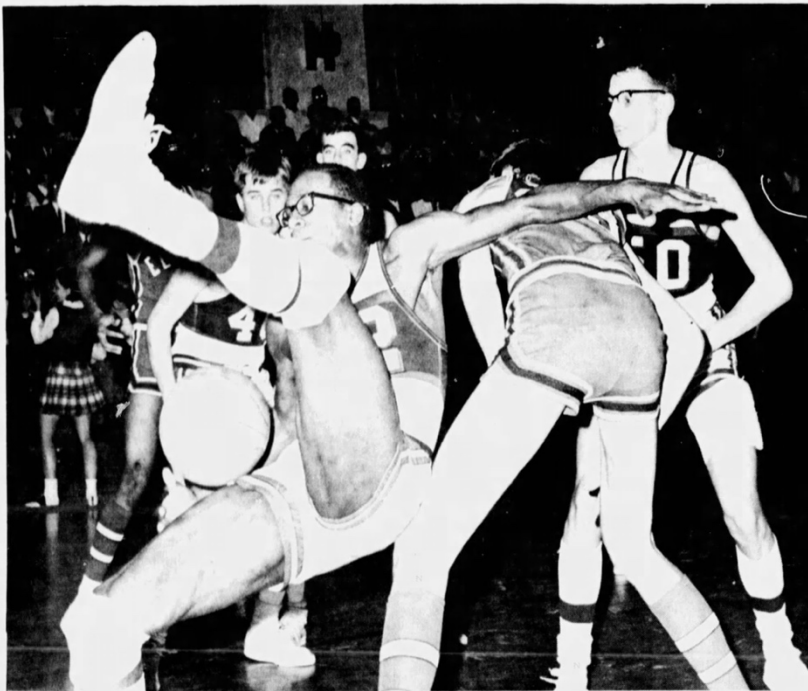
Sheldon 1-3-5, Fitzpatrick

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

TOTALS 17-11-45.

ROSS 10 10 7 13-40

ELYRIA 14 8 11 12-45



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 Bailosky, 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)

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 8-1-17, Taylor 7-6-20

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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 Fahrback. "We were hurting them inside," noted Purvis, adding, "We were feeding Wes and we were scoring."

Fahrback was the leading Ross scorer with 26 points and 18 rebounds. Gary 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.

RESERVE

ROSS — Zimmerman 5-2-13, Denis O'Brien 3-1-7, Chapin 1-1-3, Fahrback 3-0-6, Pitts 0-1-0, Boskovitch 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

VARSITY

ROSS — Garry 6-4-16, Perkins 0-1-1, W. Fahrback 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 heavy-weight Brad Lawrence came through with a final match pin.

Victory evened the Ross won-loss 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) decided Gordon Roach, 5-2; 5-3.

122 — Jim Claeni (F) pinned Mike Vargo, 3:51; 5-8.

129 — Clark Slimeall (F) decided Mike Lieske, 7-6; 5-11.

135 — Pat Connors (F) decided 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) decided Myron Rialcy, 11-1; 16-19.

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

Heavyweight — Brad Lawrence (R) pinned Dick Bishop, 3:14; 26-19.

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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 Durdal, Elmore's powerful board man. Durdal finished the night with ten rebounds, while Mike Ernschausen 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



Packers Two TD Favorites

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — With a record gross of more than \$3 million already assured, professional football's second annual Super Bowl has started its kickoff countdown.

"I think we're ready to play," said Green Bay coach Vince Lombardi, whose National Football League champion Packers remain two touchdown favorites over American League champion Oakland.

Raider coach John Rauch said his club is also set.

"We feel we've covered all the situations that need to be covered," said Rauch. "We'll be ready for the game."

Miami's Weather Bureau may not be. A forecast Friday night called for scattered rainfall Sunday with skies clearing about noon and temperatures dropping to between 65 and 70.

"Weather," said Lombardi, whose Packers won the NFL title in 13 below zero temperature at Green Bay, Wis., two weeks ago, "is in the mind."

So is money and that's a major part of what the Super Bowl is all about.

With a sellout of more than 75,000 assured for the Orange Bowl and tickets scaled at \$6, \$8 and \$12, the gate gross is expected to be over \$10 million.

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—Garry 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—Loesch 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, Boskovitch 4-0-8, Brough 2-0-4, Ferguson 2-0-4. TOTALS 16-14-46.

TIFFIN — Loesch 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, Hoen-shell 1-3-5. TOTALS 14-8-36.

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 JERRY CAMPBELL
N-M Sports Editor

Three minutes of carelessness and the rest of the night trying to catch up were fruitless Friday night as Ross fell for the second time to Marion Harding, 74-63. It was a far cry from the 65-43 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 first quarter by its own turnovers.

The Little Giants in the final 3:05 of the first quarter went from a 10-9 lead to a 17-11 defi-

cit. In that first quarter the Ross team committed 11 turnovers with many of these in that final three minutes. Marion faced with a trailing situation, went into a full-court press defense, but this was seldom a factor in the turnovers. Most of the mistakes were on missed passes in the open.

After the first quarter Ross began to settle down with 14 points, 67-62, with 1:05 to play when Merchant's charity line work took over. From then on Marion pulled away as Merchant was fouled three times and five points twice in the fourth quarter.

But for the second time this year the Merchant of Marion opened his market and sold defeat to the opposition. Prexie

Dave Merchant, who scored 11 points in the first quarter to set the tone for the first game, scored 11 in the last 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 1:05 of the game.

Ross trailed by only five points, 67-62, with 1:05 to play when Merchant's charity line work took over. From then on Marion pulled away as Merchant was fouled three times and five points twice in the fourth quarter.

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

es could remember when a Ross team scored over 20 points against defense-conscious Marion in one quarter.

The Little Giants had a good night from the field with near 50 per cent shooting, but the foul line work was once more a stumbling block. Ross scored on 21 of 43 field goal tries, but at the line the Little Giants could score on only 21 of 36 free throws. This poor foul shooting night came despite the fact Kevin Hahn was six for six at the line.

With Wes Fahrbach doing much of the work and Phil Garry coming on strong in the final six minutes Ross had the edge on the boards. Ross rebounders pulled the ball off the

board 45 times to 37 rebounds for Marion. The big difference showed in the turnover statistics. Compared to Ross' 17 turnovers, Marion had nine.

Fahrbach, Hahn and Steve Parker, who kept the Marion defense loose 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 46-34 victory.

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

MARION — Creasap 4-3-11, Young 4-1-9, Boyd 1-1-3, Crosswell 5-0-10, Garver 2-0-4, Merchant 9-9-27, Fry 1-2-4, Rizzo 2-2-4. TOTALS 38-18-74.

Score By Quarters

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

RESERVES

ROSS — Zimmerman 0-0-0, O'Brien 3-0-6, Chapin 0-2-2, Fahrbach 6-5-15, Boskovitch 1-2-4, Ferguson 1-1-3, Faussey 1-0-2, Brough 0-2-2. TOTALS 12-10-34.

MARION — Gipson 5-0-10, Hardman 5-5-15, Patrick 1-1-3, Turner 3-2-8, Reese 2-5-9, Holmes 0-0-0. TOTALS 16-15-45.

Score By Quarters

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

Bellevue, Two Others Hold Share Of Top Spot

The four-way deadlock for first place was reduced to three teams in the Northern Ohio League Friday night. Upper Sandusky slipped from the top notch as Willard stayed among the leaders, 65-57. None of the leaders had an easy time as Bucyrus fought off a Norwalk rally, 62-58, and Bellevue nipped Galion, 57-52. In the fourth NOL game Tiffin Columbian defeated Shelby, 61-50.

Eight points was the farthest spread and Galion was within one point of Bellevue with four minutes to play. The Redmen stayed in the share of first place by hitting 20 of 35 shots from the field and 17 of 31 at the foul line. Bellevue also controlled the boards with 60 rebounds. Galion was 19 of 60 from the field and 14 of 23 on charity tosses.

Tom Nation led Bellevue with 17 points and 20 rebounds. Willard had four players in double figures as balance counteracted the 21-point performance of Gary Koehler for Upper Sandusky.

NOL STANDINGS	
Team	W L
Bellevue	6 2
Willard	6 2
Bucyrus	6 2
Upper Sandusky	5 3
Tiffin Columbian	5 3
Galion	2 6
Norwalk	1 7
Shelby	1 7

Bucyrus-Norwalk
BUCYRUS — Samm 3-10-16, Seele 6-2-14, Robinson 2-0-4, Roberts 5-5-5, Sears 4-5-13. TOTAL 20-24-62.
NORWALK — Draxler 4-2-10, Grose 2-1-5, Fisher 2-5-9, Diringer 7-3-16, Shagle 5-2-12, Buckingham 1-0-2, Edward 3-0-4. TOTAL 23-12-58.

Bucyrus
BUCYRUS — 17 16 15 14-62
NORWALK — 15 13 12 18-58
UPPER-SANDUSKY — Koehler 9-3-21, Dean 0-4-4, Kinn 3-2-8, Gontfried 6-1-13, Cross 3-5-9, Newell 1-0-2. TOTAL 22-13-57.
WILLARD — Langhurst 6-2-14, Cox 5-3-13, Dawson 4-2-10, Grundish 2-4-8, Wilson 0-2-2. TOTAL 23-14-57.

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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 after 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 Ross. One game back of the leaders is 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, 67-55.

King was led by the 27 points of Ike 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.

BUCKEYE STANDINGS
Team W L

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 Margaretta 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 Margaretta. That one man

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

In that first meeting Margaretta 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 topped Clyde 83-64 at home with the largest St. Joseph offensive output of the season.

Ross missed victory by 15 seconds in the first meeting with Findlay. This time the home court advantage will be with the Little Giants. Mark Ammons picked up a loose ball and arched a shot from the corner with 15 seconds to play for a 60-58 Findlay victory for the first time.

In this game Ross was bothered by a full-court press and committed 12 turnovers. A similar maneuver last Friday by Marion caused Ross to commit 17 turnovers in a loss.

Elsewhere in area action the knotted league race situations

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. Margaretta 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, Margaretta is in a must win situation in its encounter with St. Joseph.

Lakeshore Conference leader Ottawa Hills (5-0) does not ant-

cipate too much trouble from winless Green Springs. Danbury-Lakeside (3-1) has a game with Woodville Friday. Elmore (3-1) goes to Otsego (3-1) Saturday in games involving Ottawa Hills top challengers.

Republic (9-2) faces little trouble at home against winless Bettsville but Bloomville (9-2) meets strong rebounding Old Fort (5-5) in Seneca County games. Republic and Bloomville are only one-half game behind Attica (9-1) in that league. Attica is at Hopewell-Loudon.

Willard, Bellevue and Bucyrus all are long-jammed at 6-2 at the head of the Northern Ohio League stream. Bellevue faces the toughest Friday test at Upper Sandusky, a team Bucyrus meets Saturday.

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 down Greisser as he utilized his speed in keeping a tight guard on the Lorain leader. Tom Perkins and Steve Fausey alternated 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 Fahrback, 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.

Fahrback 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.

VARSIITY

Ross—Garry 3-6-12, Fausey 1-3, Perkins 2-2-6, Fahrback 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. Fahrback 2-1-5, Pitts 0-1-1, Boskovitch 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, Grasnac 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

ROSS	11	10	12	6	39
LORAIN	20	8	5	14	47

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

Men's 600 Series	
Tom Zappia, Paul's Auto	658
Chet Conley, Wdvl. Bnk.	640
Lee Greenley, Wdvl. Lime	633
Dario Alesi, Huston Imp.	604

Women's 185 Game	
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 Sebetto, 2 Plus 2	191
Janet Clyde, Go Go Getters	190
Marg Morley, M & M Uphl.	189
Gladys Jones, Alley Cats	188
Sue Gee, Rainbow Ladies	185

Women's 500 Series	
Sharon Whitcomb, Quikut	591
Barb Conrad, Camie's Rest.	577
Betty Strausbaugh, Rnbw.	549
Marg Morley, M-M Uphlst.	532
Alma Vickery, Eckrich	526
Doris Klisz, Ideal Mower	500

NBA Results

Friday's Results

Los Ang'es 118, Boston 112
Phila'phia 123, Cincinnati 113
St. Louis 103, New York 94
Baltimore 125, San Fran. 110

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

SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST *By Hal Sharp*

TIPPING OFF DUCKS

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

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.

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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 coach. Hustle, Hustle, Hustle was the way the Fremont Ross Little Giants played the game Saturday to break a 24-game Ruckeye Conference basketball jinx. The Little Giants outshined and as a result dominated the backboards in stopping Findlay, 80-76.

Not only was it the first victory in Buckeye Competition this year, but the first after 24 straight losses. The last time Ross won a Buckeye Conference basketball game was the final contest of the 1966-67 season. In that game the Tim Thomas-led Little Giants scored over 100 points.

"This and the Elyria game were the two best games we have played this year," apprised Coach Don Purvis. "They hurt us in the back court and we hurt them in the front court" was the way Coach Purvis looked at the game in which Ross rebounded, 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 more than made up for this on the boards with 51 rebounds to only 19 for Findlay. There were leaders, but rebounding like the entire game was a team accomplishment. Phil Garry went up for a jump

shot at the head of the key. He spotted Decker and flipped a pass to him under the basket instead of shooting himself. Decker made the shot and Ross had a four-point lead.

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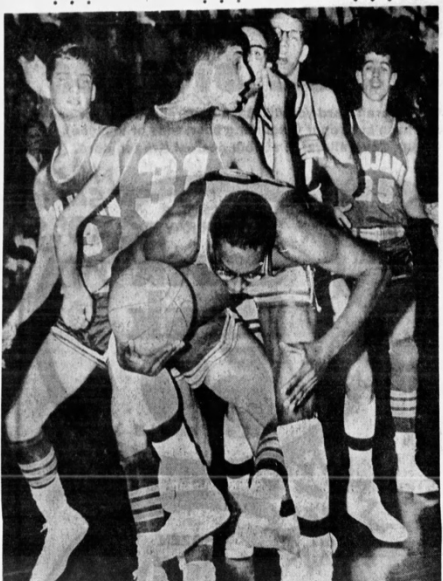
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GARRY CHARGES—Ross' Phil Garry, head down as if to charge through the line in football, comes down with one of his 16 basketball rebounds Saturday night. Garry led Ross

rebound domination in an 80-76 victory over Findlay. Shown in the action Findlay's John Poff (13), Don Lamb (21); Ross' Tom Perkins, Wes Fahrback, 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 defending champion St. Joseph and its arch rival, Clyde. 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 won the crown. The Crimson Streaks on the basis of their unbeaten dual meet record, including victories over Lakota and Clyde, were considered once more as favorites.

Lakota's strength in the lower weights was more than St. Joseph could counter. For Clyde the difference was the performance of the two teams in the finals. The Flyers fell victim to their head-to-head clash with St. Joseph and Lakota wrestlers in the finals, particularly the Streaks.

Clyde also had six reach the finals and St. Joseph boasted of five survivors. In those finals Lakota won five of six matches,

the difference between victory and defeat for St. Joseph. The shoulder involved was on St. Joseph's 177-pound Robert Kramb. Kramb was leading on points against Lakota's Steve Hammer when he suffered the injury. The crippled Kramb completed the match but lost to Hammer decisively. Victory in this match, although not assured at the time of the injury, would have turned around the number of finalists for the two schools.

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122 — Herbert (M) decisioned Keegan (C), championship; Muehling (S) defeated Pfeiffer (OH), consolation.

128—Jerry Biddle (L) decisioned Etna (SM), championship; Haslinger (SJ) decisioned Sampkins (OH).

135—Larry Blechinger (SJ) pinned Long (SM), Championship; Davis (C) pinned Harder (OH), consolation.
140 — Coleman (L) pinned Skinner (OH), championship; M. Blechinger (SJ) defeated Shaefer (SM), consolation.

147 — Beier (SJ) decisioned Meggett (C), championship; Bloom (L) defeated Colvin (M), consolation.

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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 Fahrback, 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.

St. Peter is led by one of the highest scoring guards in northern Ohio, Doug Alt. Alt has tallied 404 points, an average of 24.7 per game. The 6-0 Alt gets strong scoring help from 6-3

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 Wellington's field goal in the last two seconds of an overtime gave Oberlin a 58-56 decision over Mount Union.



WES FAHRBACH

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STEVE FAUSEY

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STEVE PARKER

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TOM PERKINS



TOM DECKER



JACK DUDLEY

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 Admiral Friday night. 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 came within two points 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 last break

is featured in the Admiral's menu Friday night. Ross defense got back fast and cut off the layup conclusion to the last break. The Admirals resorted to the 15-foot jump shot and seldom missed.

The King shot charts looked like sketches of rainbows. Curved numbers indicating made shots arched from base line to foul line and back to base line at an approximate 15 foot distance.

Ross worked the ball, looking for the good shot and the bounces under the basket on the Giants got these shots. Overall shot chart showed the Little shooting percentage was 27 of 62.44 per cent, as a result, Admiral King shot 41 per cent, 30

of 73, but this does not accurately depict the hot shooting. This 41 per cent figure came despite the fact King missed his 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 loss overshadowed one of the strongest individual performances of the season for Ross. Wes Fahrbach, 6-4 senior pivot, made his last game before the home fans one to remember. For him Senior Night was a shining display of offensive rebounding and scoring.

The big fellow made nine of 10 shots from the field, scored 21 points and pulled down 13 rebounds. Fahrbach put six of

defensive rebounds 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 Faussey with nine. Ross and Admiral King each pulled down 46 rebounds.

It was the turnovers where the game was decided. Compared to the 29 turnovers on back passes had violations for Ross, Admiral King turned the ball over 12 times.

Coach Don Purvis started on all-senior lineup of Fahrbach, Faussey, Steve Parker, Jack Dudley and Tom Perkins. With the aid of the cold Admiral start this group held a 14-13 quarter lead. Purvis then went

closer to his normal lineup with the insertion of Kevin Hahn and Garry to work with Fahrbach, Faussey 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 Harold Taylor. 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 once more moved to a nine-point lead, 64-55 with 3:40 to play. Ross then scored nine of the next 13 points and trailed only 68-66 with 16 seconds to play. The game went beyond reach

with seven seconds to play when Bob Hannibal of King was fouled. Hannibal made one of two free throws to ice the game for the visitors.

The man who proved to be the difference with their jump shots were Bob Hitchens and Ed Ashley. Hitchens had 17 points and Ashley 15 as they hit the jumper unmolested. Hitchens hit six field goals in the second period alone. Ashley took over when Ross threatened a last quarter comeback with a nine-point final stanza including four jump shot field goals. Ross concluded the season with a 3-15 record. In the reserve contest Ross had its highest point total of 30-49.

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

Eleven Ross reserves figured in the scoring.

Score By Quarters
ROSS 14 13 24 18-68
ADMIRAL K. 13 20 17-66

RESERVE

ROSS — Zimmerman 1-0-2, Schultz 2-0-4, O'Brien 5-1-11, Chapin 0-1-1, Fahrbach 2-0-4, Pitts 1-1-3, Sterling 1-0-2, B. Faussey 4-1-9, Boskovich 3-2-4, Brough 2-0-4, Whatley 4-1-9, Totals 25-73.

ADMIRAL KING — Jesko 3-4-14, Kish 9-8-26, Kraly 2-0-4, Lozano 0-1-1, Paskowich 4-1-9, Chawansky 3-0-6, Norius 1-0-2, Totals 24-66.

Score By Quarters
ROSS 10 15 15 17-57
ADMIRAL KING 13 19 17-62

Sandusky Buckeye Champion

Sandusky showed its usual balance while Marion stumbled Friday night. The combination gave the Blue Streaks undisputed championship of the Buckeye Conference in basketball. This adds the cage sport title to football, cross country and swimming conference crowns already won this school year by Sandusky.

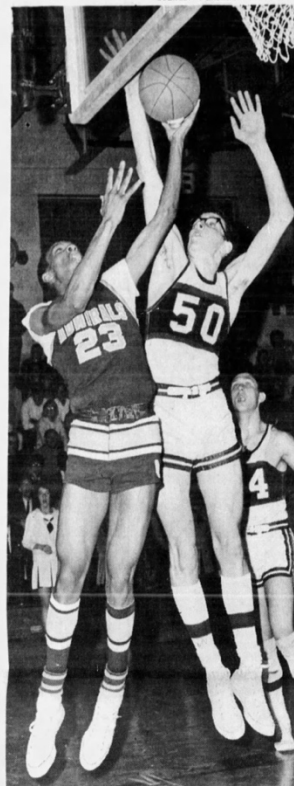
The champions had five players in double figures as they beat Mansfield, 83-71, in the same time Marion lost its grip on a share of the title with a 70-59 loss to Findlay. Marion was tied with Sandusky until failing to the seventh place team in the eight-team league.

BUCKEYE STANDINGS		
Team	W	L
Sandusky	11	3
Marion	10	4
Lorain	10	4
Admiral King	9	5
Elyria	7	7
Mansfield	4	10
Findlay	4	10
Ross	1	13

MARION FINDLAY		
MARION	Creasap 8-5-21, Merchant 3-8-14, Crosswell 4-3-11, Conley 1-0-2, Fred 1-3-5, Rizzo 1-2-4, Bird 1-0-2, TOTAL 20-19-39	
FINDLAY	Ammons 7-3-12, Evans 8-4-22, Woodruff 3-0-6, Reiker 3-4-12, Wall 2-0-4, Lishawa 2-3-7, Taylor 1-0-2, TOTAL 26-19-70	

Score By Quarters		
MARION	15 17 16 11-59	
FINDLAY	20 13 18 19-70	

ELYRIA-LORAIN		
ELYRIA	Day 7-5-19, Drummer 1-5-7, Ballas 5-4-14, Reinhardt 3-2-4, Hill 2-0-4, Mathews 0-1-1, Ballosky 1-0-2, TOTAL 17-17-55	
LORAIN	Greisser 3-12-18, Dutrak 2-1-5, Paulick 1-5-7, Schroeder 2-5-9, Parker 4-3-13, Svoboda 0-2-2, Stephenson 1-2-4	



ROSS' WES FAHRBACH BLOCKS SHOT
Stops Effort Of King's Bob Hitchens

SANDUSKY BAY CONFERENCE Gibsonburg Subdues Final Challenge To Title

The Gibsonburg Golden Bears roared away in the second period and crowned themselves as undisputed champions of the Sandusky Bay conference with a 74-54 victory over the visiting Margaretta Polar Bears Friday night.

The Golden Bears finished the season without a conference defeat. Boasting a 7-0 conference mark, the Bears are 16-1 overall.

Dave Fahle and Dan Clair paced the Gibsonburg attack. The burly Fahle pumped in 11 field goals and three free throws for 25 points, while Clair hit six free throws and 12 foul shots for 24 points. Clair, in spite of the fact that he was battling against several bigger

men, was credited with 17 rebounds.

In grabbing the title, Gibsonburg hit 28 of 70 field goal attempts for 39 per cent and sank 18 of 29 foul shots for 62 per cent. The Golden Bears also rebounded Margaretta 38-25.

Going into the contest, the Margaretta squad had a chance to tie for the crown, but by halftime the chance had grown very slim and the Gibsonburg squad kept up enough pressure to leave little doubt as to who was the champion.

Ken Nuber, Margaretta's big center, paced all scorers with 32 points. The lanky pivot man connected on 14 field goals and four free throws.

In other conference action,

Oak Harbor nipped St. Joe's and Fostoria St. Wendelin upset Clyde.

A big first period by Fostoria put the Clyde Filers in a hole which they never escaped. St. Wendelin outscored Clyde 22-8 in the first period on the way to 70-64 win.

The Filers chipped away at the margin, but fell short at end. Ray Baker led Clyde with 20 points. Tom Riccardi added 15.

In reserve action, the Gibsonburg squad continued to give conference foes little hope for the future and St. Wendelin defeated Clyde. The Gibsonburg reserves won their 17th game without a defeat by downing

Margaretta 43-37. St. Wendelin beat Clyde 56-45.

SBC STANDINGS		
Team	W	L
Gibsonburg	7	0
St. Mary	6	1
Margaretta	5	2
St. Wendelin	4	3
Lakota	2	4
Clyde	3	5
St. Joseph	1	6
Oak Harbor	1	6

ST. WENDELIN-CLYDE		
ST. WENDELIN	Banks 8-0-16, Schultz 10-3-23, Hagemeyer 6-3-12, Peltier 2-0-4, Faith 3-3-9, Gilley 2-0-4, Marchion 0-1-1, Yarris 0-1-1, TOTAL 31-8-70	
CLYDE	Baker 8-4-20, Claus 3-1-7, Riccardi 4-7-15, Jennings	

0-3-3, Mathews 6-0-12, D. Bennett 2-0-4, Archer 1-0-2, Farchel 0-1-1, TOTAL 24-16-64.

Score By Quarters
ST. WENDELIN 22 17 12 19-70
CLYDE 8 21 17 18-64

GIBSONBURG-MARGARETTA		
GIBSONBURG	Fahle 11-3-35, Ernsthausen 2-0-4, Clair 6-1-6, Simcox 3-0-6, Schwartz 1-0-2, Egbert 8-2-10, Clark 1-1-3, TOTAL 28-18-74	
MARGARETTA	J. Frederick 1-1-3, Wolenski 1-0-2, Nuber 14-4-32, R. Frederick 0-1-1, Stauffer 6-2-14, Leber 1-0-2, TOTAL 23-8-54	

Score By Quarters		
GIBSONBURG	17 27 16 21-74	
MARGARETTA	14 11 13 16-54	

York Fails In Closer At Home

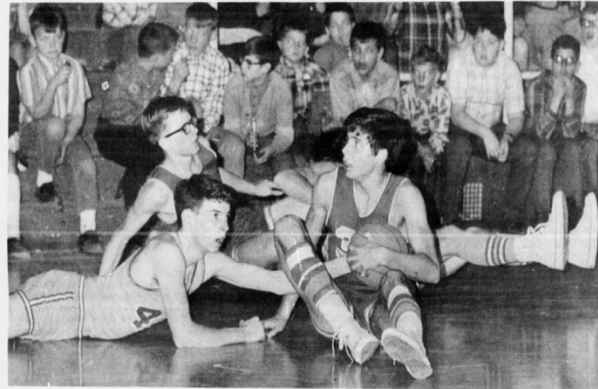
Clyde — It was a gallant effort but the York Panthers fell 72-64 Friday in what is likely the last home basketball game for the school. Sandusky St. Mary came up with a big fourth quarter to spoil the York Swan song.

York had held 49-47 lead going into that last eight minutes.

It is the final home game for York which will be absorbed after this school year into the Bellevue system. York high school, long Class A basketball power, will go out of existence. The Panthers close their season tonight at Margaretta with a 7-12 record.

York had the better field shooting percentage but St. Mary made up for it at the foul line. York was 25 of 57 from the field but only 14 of 24 on free throws. St. Mary made 24 of 67 field goals and 24 of 38 at the line.

St. Mary also dominated the



SANDUSKY ST. MARY'S RICH DAVIE HOLDS BALL AS PLAYERS HIT FLOOR AT YORK
York's Rich Kleinoder Sprawls But Keeps Hand on Ball Held By Davie

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CONFERENCE COACHES SELECT HONOR TEAM

Fahrbach Named Third Team All-Buckeye

Wes Fahrbach, 6-4 pivot man, was named to third team of the All-Buckeye Conference basketball team revealed today. The honor team was selected Monday by league coaches in a meeting at Serwin's here in Fremont.

Fahrbach averaged nearly 13 points a game for Coach Don Purvis' team. He tallied 223 points in 12 games, topping the 20-point mark three times. Fahrbach was noted as a strong rebounder.

Sandusky, league champion with an 11-3 record was dominant in the all-conference selection. One Blue Streak was named to the first team and two to the second team of the honor list. All eight teams in the conference were represented in the three honor teams selected by the coaches. Five different teams were involved in the first unit.

Named first team All-Buckeye Conference were Vic Guer-

rieri, 6-2, senior, Admiral King; Harold Day, 6-5, senior, Elyria, John Creasap, 6-2, senior, Marion; Tom Darden, 6-2, senior, Sandusky, and Mark Ammons, 6-2, senior, Findlay. Guerrieri, Day, Creasap and Darden were unanimous selections of the coaches.

Creasap was the Buckeye Conference leading scorer with 286 points in 14 games, an average of 20.4 per game.

The first team would give a

coach a dream lineup with a balanced height of 6-2½ with none shorter than 6-2. The top unit is all seniors with only three juniors on the 16-man honor list.

Making up the second team were Dave Merchant, 6-0, junior, Marion; Dave Evans, 5-11, senior, Findlay; Phil Brown, 6-0, senior, Mansfield; Ed Williams, 6-1, senior, Sandusky; Lino Venerucci, 6-2, junior, Sandusky.

Six names were listed on the third team. These were Jim Griesser, 6-0, senior, Lorain; Mark Pavlick, 5-10, senior, Lorain; Fahrbach; Duane Hill, 6-5, junior, Mansfield; Bob Hitchens, 6-1, senior, Admiral King, and Don Brown, 5-11, senior, Admiral King.

Hitchens and Brown were tied in the voting. They again tied in a runoff vote for the last spot on the first team and coaches decided to honor both.

