

1937-1938 Season Review...

Cage Season Ahead

The cork pops off the Fremont basketball season next week. Coach Ed Gabel calls out his hardwood aspirants at Ross high next Monday, while Mentor Louis Duchez will look over his St. Joseph's cage prospects for the first time next Tuesday. Duchez can bank on all possible aspirants when his drill at the Crimson Streak school opens, since the football season for the parochials ends today and the more versatile athletes who doubled in brass can switch directly from the gridiron to the cage court. However, Gabel's basketsteering must hobble along at a three-a-week practice clip, until the football season ends for the Little Giants Thanksgiving Day.

The men at both schools' cage helms are new this year, with Gabel replacing Bob Oldfather at Ross, and Duchez filling the vacancy left by Bernie Hoffman.

And both coaches are tackling sizeable jobs, since graduation rent large gaps in their respective squads. Mernie White, Fred Rice and Charley Wolfe, all stellar football players, are the only lettermen returning this year to the cage wars. Missing will be such stars as Pete Fox, Marty Auxter and Woody Grubbs. Loss of Grubbs and Fox undoubtedly will be keenly felt, since that pair provided most of the scoring punch last winter. Duchez will have one man around which to build his 1937-38 quintet, namely Jim Oberhauser, towering grid star, and only returning cage veteran. From the ranks of 1936 reserves, the Crimson Streak coach must select men to replace Carl Hotz, Barney Reineck, Red Peltier and Jerry Smola, stars departed from the St. Joseph's net-swishing squad.

Meanwhile at Ross high, Coach Ed Gabel announced the Little Giant hardwood practice would not get away to a "real" start until mid-week, when most of the football-playing basketeurs will have reported. Although he has not invited any of the gridiron performers to report, Gabel said he expected a good number of them would apply for cage togs.

It is from among the football players that Gabel must mold the nucleus of this year's team, since Fred Rice, Mernie White and Charley Wolfe, all grid stars, are the only lettermen returning from last winter's Purple and White quintet.

The Little Giants open their cage wars against Port Clinton at Fremont, December 10.

New Coach Ed Gabel Sends Purple Against Strong Foe

Fred Rice, Mernie White, Charley Wolfe Only Returning Veterans; Ross Reserves Open Against Port at 7 P. M.

Under new Head Coach Ed Gabel, the Little Giant cagers of Ross High school enter their 1937-38 campaign, facing a dangerous Port Clinton five at the Ross high gymnasium Friday night.

Succeeding Bob Oldfather as chief boss of the Purple and White quintet, Gabel sends a team of undetermined quality against a Port Clinton that already has scored easy victories over Lakeside and Oak Harbor.

Gabel has three veterans to send against the five Coach Arthur Burholt modestly admits will go to the state tournament at Columbus in March.

Brunover May Start

The three hold-overs from last season's team are Fred Rice, Mernie White and Charley Wolfe, important cogs on the 1937 Ross football team. Rice and White are certain starters at the guard posts while Wolfe may get the call at a forward berth over Bob Brunover, short, but speedy hoopster. Gabel announced he was doubtful whether Bob Shaw, towering football husky, or Al Rollins, loose-limbed wingman of the Little Giant reserve grid team, would open at center. Burdette Becker definitely will get the call at the other forward position.

Other Purple squad members who probably will see action, include Frank Kochoy and Jack Deemer, forwards, and Hobs Stull, Jim Vaffis and Dick Manahan, guards.

Gabel reports his cagers have been erratic in practices to date. On some occasions the Little Giants have shown extremely well, while on others they have been sluggish and basket-shy.

White Good Shot

From the pre-season drills, it is apparent that the Rice-White guard combination should provide considerable scoring punch, with Rice crashing through for a good number of short shots, and White swishing them through with a sharp eye from just beyond the free throw circle. Both Shaw and Rollins should use their height to advantage beneath the basket. Each possesses a fair hook shot.

Either Wolfe or Brunover are fast enough to break away consistently for points at the one forward, while Becker should prove an excellent floor man at the other forward.

The Port Clinton five is heralded as one of the finest to trot the hardwood floor in the Ottawa county city. Coach Burholt lost only two men from his last year's aggregation, namely, Dick Wolfe, center, and Delbert Tunnell, guard.

Scoring Twins

Playing forwards for the Port Clinton are Frankie Stevens and "Sunshine" Johnson, aptly called the "scoring twins." At present, Stevens is the big gun of the Clintonite attack, pacing his team to their two victories to date.

Veteran Don Everett will hold down one guard post, while Junior Sample is riding the inside track on the other guard job.

At center, Coach Burholt has Jim Sims, who transferred to Port Clinton high, after attending Groveport high school where last year he was a member of a quintet that was runner-up in the state tournament at Columbus. Sims, a lanky lad, standing well over the six-foot mark, is expected to capably fill the gap caused by departure of Pivot Star Wolfe.

In addition to the mentioned five, Burholt reportedly has a number of strong reserves.

First Game at 7 p. m.

Also competing for the first time this season will be the Ross reserve team of Phil Shippe, who supplanted Ed Gabel as coach of the Little Giant spares.

The Ross reserves will encounter the Port Clinton reserves in the curtain raiser, beginning at 7 p. m. The varsity game will follow directly. Coach Shippe announced the following probable starting Purple reserve line-up: Eugene Davis and Vernon Kane, forwards; Neil Berlekamp, center; Jack Carroll and John Ruland, guards.

The Ross-Port Clinton varsity line-ups follow:

Fremont	Port Clinton
Wolfe	F Stevens
Becker	F Johnson
Shaw	C Sims
Rice	G Sample
White	G Everett

Bowling

Valley Dairy, paced by Perde Hasselkus with a notable 643, was the only kegling team in the City class A League to annex a triple win in the competition at Pastime Bowling alleys Thursday night. Double winners were Ahner's Printers, Fremont Messenger, Kiwanis No. 2, Dutch Inn, Hauser's Produce, and J. C. Penney Company.

In the Hodes-Zink loop, bowling at Recreation, three two game victors were recorded as Shipping Department downed Cutting Department, Maintenance defeated Art Department, and Office set down Novelty Department.

The Swartzbaugh Mfg. Company of Toledo took three games from Davidson Enamel in a special match at Recreation.

CITY LEAGUE A

(Pastime Alleys)

Corvus Lancers	Handicap	375
E. Smith	140	167-467
G. Conklin	135	142-423
C. Hill	127	159-462
W. Kauffman	187	174-541
A. Ball	138	156-459
Totals	882	967-2767

Ahner's Printers	Handicap	474
C. Frank	158	158-474
H. Karshner	140	157-456
Hanselroder	124	151-428
N. Ahner	156	159-444
N. J. Ahner	151	147-418
Totals	961	955-2855

Fremont Messenger	Handicap	306
Lejeune	203	181-540
Mehling	124	165-486
Daubel	157	182-549
Burdell	185	141-500
Reardon	132	160-488
Totals	903	923-2862

Kiwanis No. 2	Handicap	411
Reichberger	178	146-525
Thatcher	162	148-510
Gillette	177	174-525
L. Score	145	145-495
Walker	169	137-499
Totals	793	952-2859

White Front Market	Handicap	411
C. Heffinger	140	179-525
E. Heuerman	105	139-482
R. Grob	153	147-476
R. Heffinger	114	147-466
A. Petenke	126	144-547
Totals	444	932-2797

Valley Dairy Ice Cream	Hds.	408
Chas.	206	178-583
Hasselkus	173	218-591
Witte	230	177-607
Tilton	181	215-608
Hetrick	200	204-607
Totals	1026	1629-5107

Dutch Inn	Handicap	288
E. Petenke	172	201-542
L. Hampshire	200	190-532
R. Zickstoss	135	142-478
F. Lawrence	186	168-559
E. Petenke	149	172-566
Totals	978	982-2865

H. & M. Bakers	Handicap	351
Patterson	200	152-542
Harris	154	147-543
Wolfe	151	148-493
Miesle	181	199-575
J. Prater	148	184-524
Totals	953	1044-2972

Hauser's Produce	Handicap	285
Slavik	181	182-563
L. Hamilton	171	156-482
G. Meyer	172	148-520
H. Frank	169	180-527
H. Beckenwald	156	139-531
Totals	947	923-2813

Oak Ridge Sanitarium	Hds.	501
E. Smith	187	158-545
D. Young	146	141-521
V. Hainen	124	145-532
R. Young	158	121-481
N. E. Young	223	188-598
Totals	1015	928-2825

J. C. Penney Co.	Handicap	345
N. Baskery	160	182-540
J. Brandt	176	147-470
C. Baskery	131	200-558
A. Pohanne	209	180-546
M. Baskery	177	178-532
Totals	963	1012-2877

Herbrand Co.	Handicap	417
H. Gerding	161	166-527
M. Hoffman	202	179-584
C. Smith	147	160-496
D. Shanahan	144	167-515
G. Jenkins	172	179-557
Totals	955	990-2900

HODES ZINK MFG. CO. LEAGUE

(Recreation Alleys)

Cutting Dept.	Handicap	411
R. Ward	152	204-520
A. Hagen	140	165-525
V. Bunting	122	137-526
C. Stout	118	174-529
H. Schoenfeld	163	218-557
Totals	833	1023-2857

Shipping Dept.	Handicap	428
L. Spriggs	190	181-567
C. Meyers	158	159-516
J. Schmitz	126	154-524
G. Douglas	109	158-526
C. Gruver	201	162-585
Totals	926	960-2868

Maintenance	Handicap	402
L. Boyer	137	131-488
E. Young	172	129-514
N. Wagoner	146	204-554
R. Wagner	184	147-523
A. Rohr	154	147-512
Totals	958	922-2869

Art Department	Handicap	570
W. Carnicom	181	151-517
P. Oroski	167	50-71-228
S. LaRima	127	138-465
L. Thurn	136	164-496
H. Hunt	121	144-511
Totals	962	880-2691

Office	Handicap	309
C. Becker	121	119-445
C. Cox	147	153-438
Totals	268	272-883

Purple Cagers Snare Close Battle As Bob Shaw Stars

Rookie Little Giant Center Drops in Nine Field Goals in See-Saw Scrap Friday Night

An alert, sharp-shooting Ross High team, paced by tall, husky Bob Shaw who banked in nine field goals, opened its 1937-38 hardwood warfare with a sizzling 40 to 32 victory over a high-geared Port Clinton quintet at Ross high school gymnasium Friday night.

Under fire for the first time in varsity basketball competition, Sophomore Shaw exhibited a keen eye and agile floor work to push his Little Giant mates through to a hard-earned triumph.

Climax of the game was a blistering third quarter in which the lead changed hands six times within as many minutes. However, the period finally ended with Ross ahead of the strong Port five by a 32 to 27 margin. In the final period, the Little Giants continued to blaze away at the hoop and finished with the eight-point advantage. Shaw did most of his damage in close to the basket on hook shots and follow-ups, despite a tight zone defense presented by the Arthur Burdell-coached Port team.

Fred Rice, husky veteran, rang up three baskets at guard to turn in a fine second half performance. Mervin White and Charley Wolfe, the two other returning lettermen, played excellent floor games.

Stevens Paces Lossers
However, considerable credit must go to little Bob Brunover, substitute forward, for the Ross answer to the Port Clinton challenge in the hectic third quarter. The speedy Brunover counted with baskets twice when the Little Giants were trailing and finding the going rough. It was during this same crisis that Rice came through with his three field goals. The classy cardinal-clad Port team was paced by Frankie Stevens, who lived up to advance notices as a "dead-eye Dick" by plunking in seven field goals and a free throw for a 15-point total.

Shaw was almost entirely responsible for an early 8 to 0 lead Ross gained over the visitors when the towering Little Giant pivot man found range for three baskets within the first four minutes of play, during which Wolfe also dumped in a field goal. Three successive free throws and a basket gave Port Clinton five points. Shaw scored another field goal from beneath the basket, but Stevens and Jim Sims, elongated center, fired in baskets in rapid order for the Clintonites. Rice was fouled in the act of shooting and converted both gift chances as the first quarter ended with Ross ahead, 14 to 9.

Knot Count
Port Clinton got right back in the ball game in the first few minutes of the second period. As Stevens whipped through a long one and sank a free throw, and "Sunshine" Johnson, forward, pocketed a distant try to put the red team in a 14 to 14 tie with the Little Giants. Shaw and Burdette Becker, forward, shoved Ross ahead again as each scored from the field. Port Clinton raised its total to 17 on a free throw by H. Stull, g., and a basket by the pettiforous Stevens. Wolfe added a pair of free throws to the Ross cause, giving his team a 20 to 17 margin at the end of the first half.

Third quarter scoring festivities were opened by Port Clinton with Stevens popping in two field goals to put his team ahead, 21 to 20. Several minutes later, Stevens again pierced the hoop from the field. It was then Brunover, replacing Becker, sank the first of his two field goals, leaving Port Clinton in front, 23-22. Rice followed with another field goal, putting Fremont ahead 24-23, but Don Everett, guard, scored almost immediately for Port Clinton, making it 25-24 in favor of the visitors. Again Rice slipped through a basket and again the score see-sawed, with Ross gaining the lead, 26-25. White double fouled Junior Sample, and the Port Clinton guard sang both free throws making the score, Port Clinton 27, Ross 26. Brunover came through with another field goal, followed by baskets by Shaw and Rice, and Ross held a 32 to 27 advantage as the wild third period ended.

The Port Clinton attack faded in the fourth quarter, while Ross edged into a more commanding lead.

Ross Pulls Away
A brief rally, with baskets by Bolte and Stevens, carried Port Clinton to within a single point of Ross, with the latter ahead, 32 to 31. But Shaw whipped through a field goal and Wolfe scored a charity fling to start Ross on its final surge. White dropped in a free throw, and Shaw scored his eighth and ninth baskets to make the Ross total 40 points. A free throw by Everett ended the scoring for both teams a few seconds before the final gun sounded.

The Ross team Coach Ed Gaber put on the floor played heads-up ball most of the way, and showed

TIFFIN COLUMBIAN IS 27 TO 23 VICTOR

TIFFIN, Dec. 11.—Tiffin Columbian High scored an upset here Friday night, defeating Bowling Green by a 27-23 count.

Bowling Green led at the half time after Mason, visiting forward, went on a scoring rampage the second quarter and piled up 10 points to forge his team ahead, 15 to 13.

Bero and Mitten, Columbian players, found the range for 10 points apiece.

A 14-8 advantage the last half paved the way for a Tiffin win. Columbian also won the reserve contest, 18-17.

PORT CLINTON RESERVES TOP ROSS, BY 27-25

Little Giants Make Strong Comeback in 2nd Half

Ross high school's reserve five dropped its initial game of the season to the Port Clinton reserves, 27 to 25, when a thrilling last quarter rally by the Little Giants barely missed overwhelming the rancorous Clintonites in a ding-dong battle at Ross high gymnasium.

Marked lack of accuracy at the charity stripe was the main factor contributing to the downfall of the Purple spurs, as they blew 15 gift shots in 18 chances.

Turn On Steam

After trailing, 18 to 11, at the half, Ross' reserves turned on the steam to reduce the Port team's lead to a one point margin of 19 to 23, with only several minutes remaining to play. However, Port Clinton's attack revived at this point and the big red-clad visitors scored three points against one basket counted by Jack Carroll, Ross forward, with five seconds left to play.

The Ross reserve quintet of new Coach Phil Shippe showed an admirable never-say-die attitude, best exemplified when the Purple reserves were trailing, 22 to 11, early in the third quarter, yet battling stubbornly.

Roland Gets 5 Baskets

Johnny Roland, tall blond forward, paced the Ross attack with 11 points, scored on five baskets and a charity toss. Port Clinton's two lanky forwards, Jim Hiss and Dick Statuk, almost carried their team to victory by themselves, scoring 21 points between them. Hiss dropped in four baskets and a free throw, while Statuk garnered five field goals and two free tosses.

Dick Mannahan played a strong game at forward in the second half for Ross, while Howey Stull, Little Giant guard, was impressive in his rebound work. Gene Davis and Jack Carroll, forward and guard substitutes respectively, gave sterling last half performances.

The summary:

Ross Reserves (33)	FG	FT	P
Mannahan, f.	2	2	6
Roland, f.	5	1	11
Berlekamp, c.	0	0	0
Jim Vaffin, g.	0	0	0
H. Stull, g.	2	0	4
Kane, f.	0	0	0
Chaney, f.	0	0	0
Carroll, f.	2	0	2
Davis, g.	0	0	0
Total	11	3	25

Port Clinton Res. (37)

FG	FT	P
Hiss, f.	4	9
Statuk, f.	5	12
Wooditch, c.	0	1
Smith, g.	1	3
Witt, g.	0	1
Coleston, c.	1	2
Total	11	5

Officials: Skilbbee, Bowling Green, referee; Klee, Ohio State, umpire.

SOPHOMORES LEAD MIAMI TO VICTORY

(By Associated Press)

Miami University's cage team matched a 43 to 38 victory from Georgetown (Ky.) college at Oxford last night in the final two minutes of play.

Three sophomores—Jack Turnbaugh, George Rung and Walter Scheiman—led the victors in a 13-point scoring spree after the lead changed hands eight times during a tumultuous second half.

The University of Cincinnati's Bearcats found Wilmington college a stubborn foe but emerged with a 31 to 26 win.

Marietta's basketballers trounced Palmetto (W. Va.) State college, 53 to 48, in a nip-and-tuck battle at the West Virginia city.

Ohio College of Chiropractic nose out Detroit Tech at Cleveland, 31 to 29.

promise of developing into a smooth-passing, dangerous five during the coming winter.

Next Ross cage encounter is against Tiffin Junior Order Home at Tiffin next Friday night.

The summary:

Ross 40	G. F. T.
Wolfe, f.	1 3 5
Becker, f.	1 0 2
Shaw, c.	9 0 18
Rice, g.	3 2 8
White, g.	1 3 3
Brunover, f.	2 0 4
Bollins, c.	0 0 0
Doerner, g.	0 0 0
Gosby, g.	0 0 0
Total	17 6 40

Port Clinton 32

Port Clinton 32	G. F. T.
Stevens, f	7 1 15
Johnson, f	1 0 2
Sims, c	1 0 2
Everett, g	2 3 7
Sample, g	0 3 3
Bolte, g	1 1 3
Kerr, g	0 0 0
Totals	12 8 32

Score by periods:

Ross	14	20	32	40
Port Clinton	9	17	27	32

Referee, Skilbbee, of Bowling Green; umpire, Klee, Ohio State.

THESE ROSS HIGH LITTLE GIANTS CARRY BATTLE ON BASKETBALL COURT



Bob Brunover

Dick Manahan

Jim Vaffis

Howard Stull

Jack Deemer

Frank Kochy

Charles Wolfe

Fred Rice

Bob Shaw

Al Rollins

Burdette Becker

(Mernie White, regular guard, was absent when the squad picture was taken)

Coach Gabel



Above is Coach Ed Gabel, who succeeded Bob Oldfather as chief d'affaires in basketball at Ross high school this year. Gabel was the best cage player turned out at St. Joseph's high school here, and went on to establish himself as a court luminary at college and in professional circles. His Little Giants provided Gabel with a fine welcome gift last Friday in trouncing a strong Port Clinton team, 40 to 32.

PURPLE SEEKS SECOND WIN IN GAME TONIGHT

Coach Gabel Announced Line-up Unchanged; Juniors Strong

The Ross high school cagers again swing into action Friday night when they trek to Tiffin to encounter a tough Junior Order Home five.

It will be the second start of the season for the Purple of Coach Ed Gabel, who last Friday defeated Port Clinton at Ross gym.

Lineup Announced

Gabel announced he will start the same team that opened last week, with Charley Wolfe and Burdette Becker, forwards, Bob Shaw, center, and Fred Rice and Mernie White, guards. There is a possibility, however, that Bob Brunover may get the call over Wolfe at a forward post. Short, but plenty swift, Brunover is a sure scorer.

Gabel has spent the week ironing out rough spots noted in the Port Clinton game. He warned his cagers that the Juniors, accustomed to their small home court, will provide stiff opposition. Virtually every man in the Home lineup is a consistently good shot, Gabel asserted.

Gridders Play

Coach John Starrett of Tiffin, probably will start Buckner and Edwards at forward, Ray at the pivot, and Austin and Owens, at guards. The latter two were Junior grid stars, as was Ernie Cook, who also fills in at guard.

In their recent tangle with Toledo Libbey, the Juniors dropped a 34 to 30 decision and were impressive even in defeat. Buckner, fast-cutting forward, is the leading offensive threat and will be the man to stop, Gabel declared.

Shaw to be Watched

It was expected the Juniors would concentrate their defense on Pivot-man Shaw of the Little Giants, who proved a deadly marksman from the field in the Ross opener against the Clintonites when he scored nine baskets for a total of 18 points.

The Ross reserves also will see action at Tiffin, encountering the Home reserves.

Unless the weather takes a decided turn for the worse, it is expected a sizeable crowd will follow the Little Giant cagers to Tiffin.

Probable starting lineups:

Fremont		Junior Home	
Wolfe	F	Buckner	
Becker	F	Edwards	
Shaw	C	Ray	
Rice	G	Austin	
White	G	Owens	

Well-balanced Purple Attack Brushes Aside Tiffin Quintet

Burdette Beeker Paces Little Giants in Second 40-Point Barrage of Season; Rice Defensive Star

Ross high school's promising quintet, clicking smoothly on all five, capped its second win of the season in as many starts at Tiffin Friday night by trimming the Junior Order Home team by a 40 to 21 score.

After showing little punch in the opening quarter which ended 6 to 4, in their favor, the Little Giants well-balanced attack began to function and they rolled to a 19 to 5 advantage at halftime, with the Juniors being limited to a single point in the second quarter.

Burdette Beeker, smooth-performing forward, paced the Ross attack with four field goals and two free throws, for a 10 point total, while Bob Shaw, husky center who last week garnered 18 points, and long-shooting Mernie White, veteran guard, tied for second highest Ross scoring honors with nine points each.

Gabel Unimpressed
The Ross offense worked effectively against the Tiffin five's man-to-man defense with every man in the Little Giant lineup collecting at least one field goal.

Despite the decisive Little Giant triumph, however, Coach Ed Gabel refused to become jubilant with his team's successful follow-up of a 40 to 32 defeat handed Port Clinton's strong quintet last week. He was not impressed by the 80 points rung up by the Purple and White in only two encounters. "We still have the tough ones to face, and when we do, there won't be any 40 points collected in each game," Gabel asserted.

Best defensive performance of the game was turned in by Fred Rice, muscular Ross guard, who checked Buckner, offensive Junior ace, to a lone basket in the first half.

CHANGE DATE
Next Ross cage clash will be against Bucyrus, Thursday instead of Wednesday, as previously scheduled, it was announced Friday night by Coach Ed Gabel of the Little Giants.

A conflict in the Bucyrus card necessitated the change, Gabel said. The game will be played at Bucyrus.

In the second half, Rice, with two personals against him, was switched from Buckner, and the Tiffin forward rang up three baskets and a free throw, to tie with Edwards, center, for high scoring laurels for the losers, each collecting nine points. Charley Wolfe, forward, who dropped in a pair of field goals for four points, also was a standout defensive player and exhibited strong rebound work.

Held Brief Lead
The Juniors held a brief lead early in the game as Edwards blundered in a field goal to draw first blood of the evening. A free throw by Beeker and a pair of long counters by White and Shaw put Ross ahead, 5 to 2. Buckner then made the only other field goal scored by Tiffin in the first half, and a free throw by White gave Ross a 6 to 4 lead at the end of the quarter.

Rice connected from the charity stripe and White fired in a long one for Ross, and Ray tallied the last point of the half for the Juniors, on a free throw. Then the Little Giants went to work and built up their lead with Rice, Shaw, Beeker, White and Wolfe hitting from the field to put Ross ahead 19 to 5 at the half.

Edwards opened the third quarter by scoring a basket and a free throw for Tiffin. Shaw slipped through a gift shot and Beeker hit from the side of the floor for Fremont. Buckner swished in a field goal for Tiffin. Shaw and Wolfe ran up two-pointers to give Ross a 25 to 10 margin. Then Buckner converted on a gift chance and Edwards raised the Tiffin total to 13, while White's clean shot gave Ross 28 points as the third quarter ended.

Subs Score
The Purple tallied five points in a hurry opening the fourth quarter as Beeker scored a basket and a free throw, and Shaw registered a field goal. Beeker and Bob Brunover, substitute forward, raised the Ross score to 37 with buckets from in close. Owens dropped in a free throw for the Juniors. Frank Koehy, Little Giant substitute, scored from the field and Brunover capped a foul toss as did Buckner for Tiffin just before the final gun sounded with the score Ross 40, Junior Order Home 21.

The summary:
Ross (40)
Wolfe, f. 2 9 4
Beeker, f. 4 10
Shaw, c. 4 1 9
Rice, g. 1 1 3
White, g. 4 1 9
Brunover, f. 1 1 3
Rollins, c. 0 0 0
Deemer, g. 0 0 0
Koehy, f. 1 0 2
Manahan, f. 0 0 0
Vaffis, g. 0 0 0
Totals 17 6 40
Junior Home (21)
Austin, f. 0 0 0
Buckner, f. 4 1 9
Edwards, c. 3 3 9
Cook, g. 0 0 0
Owens, g. 1 0 2
Ray, c. 0 1 1
Perry, c. 0 0 0
Totals 8 5 21
Referee: Winters (Ohio Wesleyan).
Score by quarters:
Ross 6 19 28 40
Junior Order 4 5 13 21

CAGE SCORES

OHIO HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL RESULTS

By Associated Press

Fremont Ross 40, Tiffin Junior Home 21.

Bucyrus 35, Ashland 26.

Postoria 32, Toledo Vocational 20.

Bellevue 25, Tiffin Columbian 23.

Toledo Woodward 21, Lima Central 20.

Toledo Walte 26, Sandusky 29.

Postoria St. Wendelin 30, Crestline 28.

Cincinnati Elder 28, Stivers 17.

Middletown 24, Roosevelt 21.

Lorain 28, Shaker Heights 27.

Lakewood 16, Cleveland Shaw 10.

Galion 39, Shelby 25.

Columbus Central 42, Pomeroy 11.

Columbus North 32, Jackson 14.

Granville 30, Columbus Grandview 16.

Springfield 25, Lima South 15.

Newark 43, Findlay 18.

Tiffin Calvert 25, Upper Sandusky 23 (overtime).

Columbus South 43, Gallipolis 17.

Marion Harding 48, Mt. Vernon 28.

Napoleon 26, Wauseon 18.

Cleveland Heights 23, Elyria 17.

Canton McKinley 33, Akron West 29.

SCHLEA STARS

IN BEAR WIN

Scores 17 Points as Gibsonburg Rallies to Win From Bradner, 32-20

GIBSONBURG, Dec. 18.—After a slow start, Gibsonburg's Golden

rangers romped to a 32 to 20 victory over Bradner here Friday night.

Gibsonburg's defense tightened in the second half to check Bradner to four points in the final two quarters.

Howard Schlea, hampered by illness in the past several games, returned to his former brilliant form, scoring 17 points on eight baskets and a free throw, pacing the Gibsonburg offense.

Harpster, Bradner forward, was the thorn in the side of Gibsonburg during the first half when he scored 10 points, mainly contributing to the 16 points the losers held at the end of the third quarter against 17 for the Bears. However, in the second half, Davis was assigned to the Bradner forward, and he checked Harpster to two free throws in the final half.

Dominic Ruggerio, forward mate of Schlea, accounted for eight points on four field goals. Plauk's basket in the final second of play was the only Bradner field goal in the second half.

In the preliminary game, Gibsonburg's reserves downed Bradner's reserves, 42 to 17.

Gibsonburg, G. F. T.

Ruggerio, f. 4 0 8

Schlea, f. 8 17

Shull, c. 0 1 1

Gabel, g. 0 0 0

Davis, g. 1 0 2

Walker, g. 1 0 2

Lillie, f. 1 0 2

Totals 15 2 20

Bradner, G. F. T.

Harpster, f. 5 2 12

Peoples, f. 1 0 2

Lyons, c. 2 0 4

Aldrich, g. 0 0 0

Plauk, g. 1 0 2

Lantz, g. 0 0 0

Totals 9 2 20

Score by periods:

Gibsonburg 8 16 17 20

Bradner 3 17 22 32

BUCYRUS UPSETS

ASHLAND, 35-26

ASHLAND, O., Dec. 18.—For the first time since March 5, 1921, Bucyrus High defeated Ashland at Ashland in a basketball game.

Marking the opening of North Central Ohio League competition for both teams, the Redmen defeated Ashland's Green team, 35 to 26.

Held to a 13-to-12 lead at the half by Ashland's team which had two freshmen in the lineup, Bucyrus rallied in the third quarter, scoring twelve points to Ashland's four for a 25 to 16 advantage.

Ross plays at Bucyrus next Thursday.

LITTLE GIANTS SEEK 3RD WIN IN BUC CLASH

Coach Gabel Will Use the Same Line-up of Squad

The up-and-coming cagers of Ross high school Thursday night will attempt to snare their third straight victory of the season when they face a tough Bucyrus quintet at Bucyrus.

Coach Ed Gabel announced the same starting line-up used in the encounters against Port Clinton and Tiffin Junior Home, won by the Little Giants, 40 to 32, and 40 to 21, would face Bucyrus. This will include Charley Wolfe and Burdette Beeker, forwards; Bob Shaw, center; and Mernie White and Fred Rice, guards.

Defeat Ashland

Bucyrus has a better than average team this season as evidenced in the Redmen's 35 to 26 victory over Ashland last week. It was the first time since 1921 that Bucyrus was able to defeat the Ashlanders.

Bud Carlisle, forward, who rolled up 10 points against Ashland is the leading threat of the Redmen, according to Coach Gabel. "Carlisle is a fine shot and good floor-man, and has paced the Redmen in all of their games to date," the Ross mentor reported.

Little Scrimmage

The Little Giants have not seen much scrimmage during the past week, with Gabel stressing fundamentals, including passing and foul shooting.

Thirteen Purple cagers were scheduled to go on the Bucyrus trip, which will be made in private cars. These include Wolfe, Beeker, Shaw, Rice, White, Dick Manahan, Jim Vaffis, Frank Kochy, Bob Brunover, Al Rollins, Bud Ruland, Jack Deemer and Howel Stull.

From this squad, will be selected a team to face the Bucyrus reserves in the preliminary, Gabel said.

Probable starting line-ups:

Ross		Bucyrus
Wolfe	F	Carlisle
Beeker	F	Henderson
Shaw	C	Deaver
Rice	G	Durr
White	G	Schemel

Sharp-Shooting Purple Five Whips Strong Bucyrus Quint

Shaw Heads Little Giant Attack With 10 Points; Every Man in Fremont Lineup Scores

BUCYRUS, Dec. 24.—Ross high school's basket-drilling quintet rolled on to its third straight triumph of the season by defeating a strong Bucyrus five, 28 to 27, here Thursday night.

After a slow first quarter start, the Little Giants, who previously had rolled up 80 points in downing Port Clinton and Tiffin Junior Home, began a well-balanced attack which put them ahead, 24 to 19, at the half, and 35 to 24, at the end of the third quarter.

Six men in the Ross lineup crashed the scoring column, with the lowest scorer getting four points.

Bob Shaw, towering Little Giant center, was the fulcrum of the Ross offensive as he plunked in four baskets and two free throws for a 10 point total.

Bill Carlisle, flashy Bucyrus forward, was high man of the game, finding the hoop for five field goals and two free throws for an aggregate of 12 points.

Still refusing to acclaim his Ross team for its three victories, Coach Ed Gabel asserted that results might have been different Thursday night, if Bucyrus had not met Shelby Wednesday night. Gabel said it was apparent the Redmen were tired when they faced the Little Giants.

Best Team Faced

The Ross mentor stated that Bucyrus was by far the best team yet encountered by the Purple and White despite the fact they were slowed considerably by two appearances in as many nights. Gabel said that it was fortunate the Little Giants were "hot" since they received few open scoring chances. Charley Wolfe, Little Giant forward, collected seven points, while Bob Brunover, who replaced him, and Burdette Beeker, forward, each tallied six points. Fred Rice, husky Ross guard, dropped in a basket and three free throws for five points, while Mernie White, at the other guard post, got four points on two field goals.

Bucyrus scored first as Henderson, forward, sank a free throw. Shaw countered with a charity toss and then sank a field goal from far out for Ross. Durr, Buc guard, knotted the score with a long one from the side. Rice tallied from the charity stripe, and Bucyrus went ahead on a field goal from past midcourt by Durr. The Little Giants then ran up their first quarter total to 13 points as Shaw, Wolfe and Beeker sank field goals, and Rice dropped a free throw. In the closing minutes of the period, Henderson and Deaver, center, scored baskets, and Carlisle registered a free toss.

Clinch Game

Brown, substitute guard, opened the second period with a field goal. Wolfe and Shaw sunk baskets and Brunover counted a gift shot to give Ross an 18 to 11 lead. Carlisle then sank the first of his five field goals, and Brunover scored a free throw. A free throw by Beeker and a basket by Brunover made the Little Giant lead, 22 to 13, before Carlisle again swished in a field goal. Brunover's basket from far out terminated the Ross scoring for the first half. Carlisle and Henderson kept Bucyrus right in the game, however, with field goals as the second quarter ended with the score 24 to 19 in favor of the Purple.

Wolfe and White drilled in field goals shortly after the third quarter opened and free throws by Shaw and Wolfe handed Ross a 30 to 21 lead, with Deaver scoring a basket for Bucyrus midway in the period. Carlisle dropped in a basket and Henderson tallied a free throw to make the Buc total 24. The Giants then staged a late period spurge as Beeker and Shaw hooped field goals and Beeker connected from the charity line, giving the Purple a 35 to 24 advantage as the quarter closed.

In the last quarter, Ross made only three points, while Bucyrus got the same number, as coaches of both teams made frequent substitutions.

The summary:

Ross (28)	G. T. P.
Becker, f.	2 2 6
Wolfe, f.	3 1 7
Shaw, c.	4 2 10
Rice, g.	1 3 5
White, g.	2 0 4
Brunover, f.	2 2 6
Totals	14 10 38

Bucyrus (27)	G. T. P.
Carlisle, f.	5 2 12
Henderson, f.	2 2 6
Deaver, c.	2 0 4
Durr, g.	2 0 4
Schemel, g.	0 0 0
Brown, g.	0 1 1
Totals	11 5 27

Score by quarters:	
Ross	13 24 35 38
Bucyrus	10 19 24 27
Referee: Bacon.	

ROSS RESERVES BEAT BUCYRUS

Snare 28-22 Win; Bucyrus Makes Strong Last-Half Rally

BUCYRUS, Dec. 24.—The Ross high reserves downed the Bucyrus reserves, 28 to 22, after staving off a strong last half rally by the Redmen spars here Thursday night.

After holding Bucyrus scoreless in the first quarter, and limiting the Redmen to five points in the second quarter, the Little Giant defense weakened in the final period, permitting the home team to climb within striking distance as the game ended.

Ahead 17-5 at Half

Ross led 17 to 5 at the half. Dick Manahan paced the Purple reserves with seven points scored on three baskets and a free throw, while Kemery, center, headed the Bucyrus offensive with nine points, garnered on four field goals and a free throw.

With the exception of Bud Ruland, regular reserve squad member, the Ross team was comprised of varsity substitutes. Only 13 Purple cagers made the long jaunt to Bucyrus.

The summary:

Ross Reserves (28)	G. F. T.
Manahan, f.	3 1 7
Ruland, f.	2 0 4
Rollins, c.	0 1 1
Stull, g.	2 2 6
Vaffis, g.	2 0 4
Deemer, f.	3 0 6
Totals	12 4 28

Bucyrus Reserves (22)	G. F. T.
Shoemaker, f.	0 1 1
Kanode, f.	0 0 0
Kemery, c.	4 1 9
Sells, g.	3 0 6
Gebhardt, g.	2 0 4
Mitchler, g.	1 0 2
Totals	10 2 22

Referee: Saffell.

MOUNT UNION TITLE THREAT

By FRITZ HOWELL

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—(P)—The basketball boys are doing a bit of scoring on the Ohio college hardwoods this season . . . with elimination of the tipoff giving them more time and opportunity to gather their points . . . but don't be too sure that the practically "scoreless" Mt. Union team won't grab the Ohio conference championship.

Couch Bob Wright of the Mounts has some refreshing ideas on this cage sport . . . and while the other coaches have their boys hanging at the backboard . . . he is drilling his Alliance crew in defense.

The result is that the Mounts have not only the best defensive record in the Buckeye realm for the infant season . . . but have three victories tucked away as well.

Last year the Mounts won 12 and lost five games . . . two of this year's victims were Buckeye conference members . . . Cincinnati and Dayton. The Mounts handed the Bearcats a 29 to 27 setback, and nosed out the Flyers 25 to 20. The other win was a 35 to 21 conquest of Findlay. And the Mounts won their three by averaging less than 30 points per contest.

Twice last season . . . against Hiram and John Carroll . . . the Mounts held the foe scoreless from the field for an entire half. That hasn't occurred yet this year, but Wright has hopes.

Not since 1922 has the Ohio conference championship gone to Mount Union . . . and that, in itself, is news. Since taking over the helm of Mount Union's basketball ship 12 years ago, Wright has coached his team to 159 victories and but 38 defeats for an average of .807.

OAK HARBOR ANNEX PAIR

OAK HARBOR, Dec. 24.—Oak Harbor high cagers, both varsity and reserve, defeated representative Gibsonburg teams here last night, 22-15 and 20-17, respectively. Mehlow tossed in four fielders and a free throw for nine of Oak Harbor's points, while Ruggerio scored five points for Gibsonburg in the varsity fray.

ROSS HIGH EQUALS FOE IN SCRIMMAGE

Coach Ed Gabel reported Thursday that his Ross high Little Giant cagers made "an average" showing in a scrimmage with Woodward high school in Toledo Wednesday.

"Both teams were on par, with Fremont playing about the same type of ball they have in the past three games," Coach Gabel said.

That being the case, Ross must have looked pretty good, since they have blazed along at a near 40-point-per-game clip since the season started.

Fast-Passing Purple Down Streaks In Lively Battle

Bob Shaw Heads Little Giant Attack With 14 Points; Win Gives Ross Edge in City Championship Series

By JERRY Liska
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Fremont's two high school basketball teams Monday faced the money stretch of the current season with a confident air, having assured their coaches and followers they are capable of playing a fast, aggressive and colorful hardwood game.

That confidence was born New Year's Day as Ross High's Little Giants defeated St. Joseph's Crimson Streaks by a 39 to 30 score at Recreation Hall.

In the holiday tussle, played before a capacity crowd of 500, not only did the triumphant Purple show impressive strength, but the vanquished Streaks of Coach Louis Duchez revealed form reminiscent of by-gone Crimson days.

It was a smooth-working Little Giant cage machine that subdued

St. Joseph's. The Purple quintet demonstrated a passing attack coupled with a fast break that clearly stamped it as an out-of-the-ordinary class team. But the Little Giants' smooth offensive, headed by tall Bob Shaw, failed to outclass much the scrappier St. Joseph's attack which bristled throughout the entire game.

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LITTLE GIANTS AFTER FIFTH STRAIGHT WIN

Coach Ed Gabel Expects Strong Battle From Trojans

The victory-flushed Ross high Little Giants Friday invaded Findlay for their Buckeye high school league opener and their sternest test of the season in a game with the Findlay high Trojans, defending conference champions.

Coach Ed Gabel revealed that his undefeated Purple cagers were ready to offer a good battle for their fifth consecutive triumph.

"We've been pretty lucky thus far, but probably Findlay will be just as good as we will tonight and Ross will be turned back," Gabel commented before the team left at 5:30 p. m.

Taylor Back

The Little Giant coach said he had little information on the Findlay outfit which lost all of last year's team via the diploma route, with exception of big Ed Taylor, the Trojan all-around star. However, Taylor is reported having a hard time holding down his center job this season.

"Taylor attempted to change his style of play this year, and while he was trying to do so, another lad stepped in and has been getting the call in his stead," Gabel stated.

Defeated Twice

Findlay has defeated Defiance, Lima Central and Van Wert, all strong teams, while the Trojans have fallen before Lancaster and Newark, fast-stepping quintets from the central part of the state.

The Ross line-up which already has defeated Port Clinton, Tiffin Junior Home, Bucyrus and St. Joseph's, and rolled up 157 points in doing so, will remain unchanged, Gabel announced. This includes Charley Wolfe and Burdette Beeker, forwards; Bob Shaw, center; and Fred Rice and Mernie White, guards.

Officials Named

The Ross reserves were scheduled to meet the Findlay reserves in the preliminary.

Officials for the game were Joel Burgholder, of Heidelberg, and Mack Shaffer, of Miami.

Trojans Stage Last Quarter Rally To Top Little Giants

Initial Purple Defeat in Five Starts; Ed Taylor Paces Victors With 10 Points; Charley Wolfe High Man for Ross

FINDLAY, Jan. 8.—The victory bubble of Ross high's Little Giant cagers here Friday night was shattered by a stubborn Findlay five as the defending Buckeye league champion downed Fremont, 28 to 25, in a loop opener.

STREAKS WILL PLAY JUNIORS AWAY TONITE

Coach Duchez Doubtful St. Joseph's Can Beat Tiffin Junior Order

St. Joseph's rejuvenated Crimston Streaks Saturday night were scheduled to meet the quintet of Tiffin Junior Home at Tiffin.

While record of the Junior Home outfit appears poor because of five consecutive defeats, the Tiffin five will offer strong competition, with Jim Buckner, Junior star, being one of the classiest players St. Joseph's will have faced.

Rounding Into Form

Coach Louis Duchez said his Streaks were slowly rounding into form but that he was doubtful whether they would be able to conquer Junior Home on the latter's floor.

He announced that Johnny Notheis and Ed Dorobek would start at the forwards; Jim Homan, at center; and Jim Oberhauser and Johnny Hoffman, at guards.

Reinck Improved

Notheis worked smoothly against Ross in the New Year's Day game and won the favor of Duchez who previously had benched him in favor of Cletus Mosser. The St. Joseph's mentor said Gene Reinck would see considerable action at one of the forwards, since he considered him the most improved player on the Streak court within the past two weeks.

Have Won Pair

The Streaks thus far hold victories over Townsend and St. Paul, while they have lost to Oak Harbor, St. Wendelin's and Ross.

Scheduled to serve as a curtain raiser to the varsity game was a tilt between the reserve of both schools.

A large crowd was expected to follow St. Joseph's to Tiffin.

ROSS RESERVES SUCCUMB, 26-19

Little Giants Fail to Maintain Pace in Second Half

FINDLAY, Jan. 8.—Unable to keep abreast with their opponents in the second half, Ross high's reserves dropped a 26 to 19 decision to Findlay's reserves here Friday night.

The score was knotted at the end of the second quarter, 11 to 11, but the Trojan spares collected 15 points in the third and fourth quarters, while Fremont was ringing up only 8.

Morrison, Findlay forward, led the winners' attack with 11 points, scored on five field goals and a free throw. Carroll was high for Ross, with two baskets and three free throws for a seven points total.

Johnny Ruland, Little Giant center, was dismissed from the game in the second half on four personals.

Third Quarter Bad

Findlay jumped into a 7 to 4 lead at the end of the first quarter, but Fremont tallied seven points in the second quarter, while the Trojans were held to three points, leaving the score knotted at 11 to 11 at the half.

The third quarter proved fatal for Ross as the visitors only counted two points, as Findlay made 12. In the final period, the Little Giants collected six points against only three made by Findlay.

It was the second defeat in five starts for the charges of Coach Phil Shippe.

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Eden, g.	1 0 2
Totals	6 7 19

Ross' quintet, undefeated in four previous starts, was unable to turn on the power that had carried the Purple along at a 40 point per game clip in victories over Port Clinton, Tiffin Junior Order Home, Bucyrus and St. Joseph's.

Paced by big Ed Taylor, at a guard position, the Trojans started and finished fast, holding a 14 to 8 lead at the end of the first quarter and coming from behind in the final minutes of the last quarter to finish with a three point margin.

Scores 10 Points

Taylor dropped in four field goals and two free throws to win scoring honors for both teams. Charley Wolfe, rugged Ross forward, led the Ross attack with eight points, garnered on two baskets and four free throws.

Bob Shaw, towering Little Giant center, who was the spark-plug of the Ross attack in its four victories, failed to cut loose with a scoring rampage against the well-drawn Findlay defense and had to settle for a single field goal and four free throws, for six points.

In the second quarter, Ross made its strongest bid, tallying 10 points to gain an 18 to 17 lead at halftime. The third quarter was a defensive episode with the Little Giants garnering three points and Findlay only getting one point. In the final period, with less than three minutes to play, Findlay turned on the heat, spanned a four point gap, and then went ahead by three points as the game ended.

Gain Early Lead

Wolfe scored the first points of the game with a field goal from the side. Findlay thereupon rang up nine points before Ross could score again, as Hayes, forward, sank a field goal and a free throw. Kinley, guard, hit from the floor twice and Mason dropped a pair of free throws. Beeker scored from far out for Ross and White counted two charity tosses. Taylor registered two points for Findlay on a field goal, then Rice drilled one in from mid-floor for the Little Giants. A basket by Taylor and a free throw by Wolfe, of the Trojans, gave Findlay a 14 to 8 lead as the quarter ended.

In the second quarter, Taylor's field goal and Kinley's free throw comprised the only Findlay scoring. For the Little Giants, Shaw scored a basket and a free throw. Wolfe tallied a field goal and two charity tosses. White sank a free throw, and Brunover caged an extremely long two-pointer, giving Fremont an 18 to 17 lead as the half ended.

A basket by White and a free throw by Wolfe was the only Ross scoring, while a lone free throw by Bell gave Findlay one point for the period.

Close Finish

Two free throws by Wolfe boosted the Little Giant lead to 22 to 18 early in the third quarter. Kinley then sank a free throw for the Trojans. With three minutes to go, Findlay recorded nine points, while Ross was making only two points. Bell sank a basket and a free throw for the Trojans, and Wolfe scored a gift shot for Ross. A basket by Taylor tied the score at 24 all. Then Ross crept ahead for the last time on a free throw by Shaw. With the timer eyeing the watch, Bell scored a field goal and Taylor dropped in a pair of free throws. Ross took time out and the game ended three seconds later, with Findlay ahead 26 to 25.

Hayes, Findlay center, had to leave the game in the second half because of four personals.

The summary:

Ross (25)	FG	FT	TP
Wolfe, f.	2	4	5
Becker, f.	1	0	2
Shaw, c.	1	4	6
Rice, g.	1	0	2
White, g.	1	5	5
Brunover, f.	1	0	2
Hollins,	0	0	0
Dewner,	0	0	0
Kochy,	0	0	0
TOTALS	7	11	25

Findlay (28)	FG	FT	TP
Wolfe, f.	0	1	1
Mason, f.	0	2	2
Hayes, c.	1	1	3
Kinley, g.	2	2	6
Taylor, g.	4	2	10
Bell, f.	2	1	5
Koffler, f.	0	1	1
TOTALS	9	10	18

Score by periods:

Ross	8	18	21	25
Findlay	14	17	18	28

Officials: Shaffer (Miami), umpire; Burgholter, (Heidelberg) referee.

Little Giants Play Host To Strong Tiffin Quint

Purple Five in Pursuit of Fifth Victory in Tilt Tonight; Columbian Has Best Team in Recent Years

One of the hardest-fought battles of the current Purple and White cage campaign is expected to take place at Ross auditorium Friday night when Fremont's Little Giants collide with Tiffin Columbian in a Buckeye league encounter.

GOPHERS SLIP TO GRID FORM

Michigan Favored to Beat Faltering Minnesota Saturday Night

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—P—Minnesota's Gophers, co-champion of last season's Big Ten basketball race, must snap out of their "football form" tomorrow night if they hope to retain consideration as a favored contender for 1938 honors. The Minnesota football team, expected to sweep all Big Ten opposition aside and rush on to national laurels, lost to Nebraska and looked bad against Indiana. The Minnesota basketball team, after a great pre-season record, dropped two straight games to Wisconsin and Indiana and has yet to show a resemblance to the squad which shared the championship with Illinois last year.

Lose Barclay

Minnesota's opponent at Minneapolis Saturday night will be Michigan, which has whipped Illinois and Ohio State. The Wolverines will be handicapped by the loss of Bill Barclay, forward, who dislocated a bone in the left knee in practice yesterday. But even without the veteran, Michigan will rate a slight favorite to hand the Gophers a third defeat.

Sharing honors in importance with that game will be the Northwestern Indiana tilt at Bloomington. Northwestern leads the race with three straight wins, while the Hoosiers' last start saw them turn back Minnesota.

Other games on tomorrow night's program: Chicago at Illinois; Iowa at Ohio State, and Wisconsin at Purdue.

PACEMAKERS FACE THREATS

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 14.—P—Eastern and western division pacemakers in the national professional basketball league girded themselves today for the onslaught on ambitious runners' up in feature games this week-end.

Akron's Goodyear of the eastern division, winners of nine out of 10, clash with their fellow townsmen, the Firestones, in a lone Saturday tilt.

The western pacemakers, Whiting, Ind., who forged into the front with wins over Dayton, O., and Oshkosh, Wis., must meet Fort Wayne's bid to regain the division leadership Sunday. Fort Wayne slipped with losses to Warren, Pa., and the Firestones.

Hymie Ginsburg of Pittsburgh, former Geneva college luminary, with an average of 9.7 points for 10 contests is leading individual scorers in the league which has retained the center jump.

TIFFIN FIVE WINS BY 39-36

By Associated Press

Last minute scoring spurts brought victory last night to Heidelberg and Alfred Holbrook basketballers in a pair of thrilling cage contests.

The Student Princes trailed Bowling Green's strong quintet by one point when Guard Don Vance netted two goals in rapid succession to give Heidelberg a 39 to 36 Ohio conference triumph.

The Bee-Gee aggregation, hitherto undefeated this season, led at half-time, 20 to 12. The victory was the third for Heidelberg in four conference battles.

Bliss Business College of Columbus, tumbled before the aggressive Alfred Holbrook machine, 29 to 27.

Columbian reportedly has one of its best teams in recent years and holds one Buckeye loop victory which it wrested last week from Sandusky by a 39 to 16 score. Ross, triumphant in four previous tilts, dropped its first game of the season and a Buckeye decision to Findlay last Friday, 28 to 25.

In the opinion of Coach Ed Gabel of the Little Giants, Columbian presents, by far, the strongest hard-wood combine yet faced by his hoopsters.

The forwards, Don Bero and Bill Kerchner, are extremely small, but their bursts of speed more than offsets their lack of stature, and their shooting ability brands them as much more dangerous than many taller forwards. To date, Bero heads the Columbian scorers with 30 points, while Kerchner is four points behind with 26 points.

The other three men in the Columbian line-up, Melvin Hoerig,

OUR WANDERING BOYS

Friday night's game here between Ross and Tiffin Columbian will be the first home encounter for the Little Giant cagers since December 10, when Coach Ed Gabel's charges opened their season with a 40 to 32 win over Port Clinton.

The Ross basketballers since have seen action at Tiffin, Bucyrus, Findlay and at Recreation Hall in Fremont.

center, and Willis Mitten and Tom Conrad, are six footers, and all threats once within firing range.

Blair Patterson, guard, is the first ranking substitute. He and the five regulars are all holdovers from the squad that last season went to the district finals before being shunted out by Ashland.

Lose to Bellevue

Columbian has been victorious in three out of four games. Its sole defeat coming at the hands of the undefeated Bellevue quint, by a 25 to 23 score. The Tiffin five has conquered Bowling Green, 27 to 24, edged out Findlay, 28 to 27, without services of Mitten, and then walloped Sandusky, 39 to 16.

Two members of the Columbian cage combine played football last fall, Hoerig being an end, and Bero, a halfback.

The Little Giants are primed to go with the same line-up that has started in the past five games, with Charley Wolfe and Burdette Baker at forwards; Bob Shaw, at center; and Fred Rice and Mervin White, at guards.

Impressive Wins

To date, the Purple cagers have beaten Port Clinton, 40 to 32, turned back Bucyrus, 38 to 27, squelched Tiffin Junior Order, 40 to 21, whipped St. Joseph's, 39 to 30, and fallen before Findlay, 25 to 28.

Shaw, rangy Little Giant pivot star, currently heads the Ross scoring with 57 points, scored on 24 baskets and nine free throws.

Coach Gabel dished out a little more scrimmaging than usual during the past week as he readied his cord-clippers for Friday night's game.

Reserve Game at 7 P. M.

Bobby Brunover, speedy utility man, received his share of attention as he was worked at both forward and guard positions. Although he has seen little sustained play, Brunover has caged 18 points.

Rube Betschel and Clark Pittinger, both of Toledo, were originally scheduled to officiate the game, but Betschel has been ill for the past few days, and will be replaced by Seitz, of Lima.

The Ross Reserves were scheduled to open Friday night's cage action, facing Columbian's reserves at 7 p. m.

Probable line-ups for the varsity game:

Ross		Columbian
Wolfe	F	Bero
Becker	F	Kerchner
Shaw	C	Hoerig
Rice	G	Mitten
White	G	Conrad

Dramatic Last Half Purple Rally Barely Misses Fire

Becker's "Post-Game" Free Throw Fails to Drop; Little Giants Trail 17-8 at Half; is Second Buckeye Defeat for Gabelmen

By JERRY LISKA
Messenger Sports Editor

A valiant, battling Ross high cage team was edged out, 25 to 24, by Tiffin Columbian's stellar quintet in a game that reached a story-book climax at a jammed Ross auditorium Friday night.

Most thrilling moment of the game, paradoxically enough, came after the contest was called final. Bud Becker, Ross forward, was fouled by Don Bero, Columbian forward, just as the final gun sounded. Becker stepped to the free throw line, having the chance to knot the score at 25 points each. However, his shot skirted the rim and bounced back onto the floor and with it bounced the hopes for a possible Little Giant victory.

The Purple team of Coach Ed Gabel staged a stirring uphill battle in the final two quarters, after trailing 17 to 8 at the half.

12 in Red Period
Unable to penetrate the Columbian zone defense in the first half, when they were limited to two baskets, the Little Giants turned to the pressure, even without aid of Fred Rice, regular Ross guard who was one of four players banished from the game on fouls. Ross collected 12 points in the third period to reduce the Columbian lead to 23 to 20, and in the final quarter, outscored the victors, four points to two.

The loss was the second defeat of the season and the second Buckeye League defeat for the Little Giants, while for Columbian it was the second straight league triumph.

Although a large number of fans expressed displeasure at the officiating of Marion Seitz, most school authorities asserted the Lima referee did a good job of handling the keenly-fought game. It was pointed out that Seitz was forced to work the game alone because of the unexplained absence of Pinky Pittenger, of Toledo, who also was slated to officiate. Seitz called 12 personals on each side which resulted in dismissal from the game of Bero and Merton White, guard of Ross, and Willie Mitten and Tom Conrad, Tiffin's guards.

More Confident
Bob Shaw, center, paced the Little Giants with three baskets and a free throw, while Bill Kerchner, the Columbian forward, led the winners with three baskets and two free throws.

Columbian took the floor apparently more confident than the Little Giants. During the early stages of the game, Ross played erratically, passing wildly and fouling recklessly. Within the first quarter, Rice had three personals chalked against him, which made imperative his removal in place of Bob Brunover.

Charley Wolfe, Becker, White and Brunover turned in outstanding all-around performances for Ross. This quarter played inspired ball in the dramatic third quarter, with Wolfe and White outfighthing the tall back-court pair of Mitten and Conrad in under-the-basket skirmishes. Becker and Brunover played flashy floor games throughout the second half.

Close 1st Quarter
Shaw was first to score either team when he dropped in one of two gift shots after Melvin Horrig, center, fouled him while shooting. Then, Mitten got Tiffin's first point on a gift shot. Kerchner added another free throw several minutes later. A free throw by White and a field goal by Shaw gave Ross a 4 to 2 lead. Mitten counted the third successive Columbian charity throw, and Charley Wolfe, scored a free throw for Fremont. Scoring for the first period ended when Mitten hooked in a field goal to knot the score at 3-all.

In the second period, Brunover scored all three points made by Ross on a long field goal and a free throw. Meanwhile, Kerchner found range for three baskets, Bero hit from the field once and scored a free throw. Horrig scored a basket and Conrad looped a free throw, giving Tiffin 12 points for the period and a 17 to 8 lead at halftime.

Make Spurge
Rice went out on personal fouls several minutes after starting back the game in the second half. Becker gave the Little Giants two points with a field goal, but Conrad came right back with a two-point shot for Tiffin. Then followed the spurge that boosted the flagging spirits of all Ross boosters. Shaw got a bucket from under the basket. White clicked with a short one, and then Brunover potted a long one, giving the Little Giants a 16 point total. Horrig's long basket, however, gave Tiffin 21. Then Shaw plunked in a short one. Bero fired in a field goal for Tiffin, and Wolfe came through with a close-in shot for Ross, giving Columbian a 23 to 20 lead at the third period close.

Becker scored the Magic fourth quarter with a field goal for Ross. A technical foul was called on Bero of Columbian, with White dropping in the loss. Kerchner sank a gift shot for Tiffin, and then a guard substitute, Wal, was fouled by White and sank what proved to be the winning point of the game, with two minutes remaining to play. Columbian then resorted to a stalling game which proved quite effective. However, with less than a minute to play, Wal was fouled by Wal, and coolly sank the point. Then, in an attempt to break clear for a shot directly in the center of the free throw circle, Becker was fouled by Bero. Simultaneously, the final gun resounded. Amid high-pitched excitement that fol-

ROSS RESERVES BOW TO TIFFIN

Waste 22-7 Lead Held at Halftime; Columbian Score 28 Last Half

Ross high's reserve team blew a 22 to 7 lead it held of Tiffin Columbian reserves at half time and lost to the victors, 35 to 27, in a lopsided game at Ross auditorium Friday night.

After they had established the wide margin, the regulars were taken out and second stringers inserted. Tiffin immediately began to find range in the third quarter and scored 12 points against one point tallied by Ross. The Little Giant first team was rushed back into the game, but was unable to hit a scoring stride.

Forge Ahead
Just after the fourth quarter opened, Columbian forged ahead and built up the comfortable eight point advantage they held at the close of the game. Dietrich, tall Columbian forward, was high point man, caging four field goals and four foul baskets for 12 points. Dick Manahan, Ross forward, paced the Little Giants with eight points.

Summary:
Ross Reserves 27 G. F. P.
Carroll, f 2 0 4
Jelen, f 0 0 0
Berkelamp, c 2 0 4
Jarratt, g 1 1 3
Davis, g 0 0 0
Manahan, f 3 2 8
Vaffis, g 1 0 2
Stall, g 2 1 5
Chaney, g 0 0 0
Berger, g 0 0 0
Totals 11 5 27
Columbian Reserves 35 G. F. P.
Dietrich, f 4 4 12
Philbrick, f 1 0 2
Bordner, c 2 2 6
Wall, g 2 0 4
Gaver, g 1 1 3
Korris, g 0 0 0
Welch, f 4 0 8
Totals 14 7 35
Referee, Seitz.

GOLDEN BEARS DOWNED, 27-23

GIBSONBURG, Jan. 15.—Gibsonburg's Golden Bears went down to defeat before Woodville by a 27 to 23 score in their game Friday night. Gibsonburg's reserves won the preliminary over Woodville's reserves, 24 to 13.

With every man in the regular Woodville line-up scoring at least four points, Gibsonburg was unable to cope with its rival's attack. Schlen, Golden Bear forward, was high point man for the losers with eight points, scored on four field goals.

The summary:
Woodville (27) G. F. P.
Spencer, f 2 1 5
Matteria, f 2 0 4
Mohrman, f 2 0 4
Dorfmeier, c 3 0 6
Langenberg, g 2 0 4
Magis, g 0 4 4
Dirnberg, g 0 0 0
Totals 11 5 27

Gibsonburg (23) G. F. P.
Schlen, f 4 0 8
Ruggerio, f 2 2 6
Shull, c 2 0 4
Davis, g 1 0 2
Walker, g 1 1 3
Rolf, f 0 1 1
Totals 8 7 23

BUCKEYE LOOP

STANDINGS
W. L. Pct.
Findlay 2 0 1000
Tiffin Columbian 2 0 1000
Sandusky 0 2 000
Fremont Ross 0 2 000

Friday Night's Results
Sandusky 21, Findlay 23.
Tiffin 25, Fremont 24.

COLLEGE SWIMMING
Kenyon 45, Wooster 36.
Penn 41, Ohio University 24.
Ohio Wesleyan 49, DePaul 35.

loved, Becker took his crucial shot and missed.

Frank Kochy, forward, and Al Rollins, at guard, saw service for Ross as substitutes.

The summary:
Ross (24) FG FT TP
Wolfe, f 1 3 4
Becker, f 2 0 4
Shaw, c 3 1 7
Rice, g 0 0 0
White, g 1 2 4
Brunover, f 2 1 5
Rollins, g 0 0 0
Kochy, g 0 0 0
Totals 3 6 24
Columbian (23) FG FT TP
Bero, f 2 1 5
Kerchner, f 3 1 7
Horrig, c 2 0 4
Mitten, g 1 3 4
Conrad, g 1 1 3
Patterson, g 0 0 0
Wall, g 0 1 1
Totals 8 7 23

Score by periods:
Ross 8 8 20 24
Columbian 5 17 23 25
Referee: Seitz, of Lima.

REINECK WINS FORWARD POST

Fremont High Schoolers Drill for Tough Week-End

Gene Reineck won back a forward berth on the St. Joseph's Crimson Streak five, Coach Louis Duchez revealed Thursday as he primed his charges for a heavy weekend on the hardwood.

Reineck, whose work has improved considerably within the past two weeks, will start against Lakeside Friday night, in place of Johnny Notheis, moved back to guard, Duchez said. Notheis will supplant Johnny Hoffman, whose shooting eye has been dull thus far this year.

To Fire Long Shots

Since Lakeside's big team probably will use a zone defense on the cigar box floor at Lakeside, Notheis will be counted upon heavily to drill in long shots Friday night. Ed Dorobek will be at the other forward, while Jim Homan will be at center and Jim Oberhauser at the other guard. St. Joseph's travels to Sandusky Sunday for a game with St. Mary's.

Meanwhile, at Ross high Coach Ed Gabel drilled his Little Giants for their Friday night clash with Sandusky's revived quintet, and for a battle the following night at Fostoria with the Redmen. Wednesday afternoon, the Ross cagers scrimmaged against the Fremont Moose independent team, comprised of such stars as Herb Miesle and Woody Grubbs. No score was kept, but the free lance quint was a strong match for the prepsters.

Little Giants Snare Ist Buckeye League Triumph

Bud Becker Paces Purple to Win Over Arch Rival
in Contest at Ross Auditorium; Footballers Play
Rough Game; Last Half Splurge

By JERRY LISKA
Messenger Sports Editor

With neither team forgetting for a minute it was comprised mainly of football players, Sandusky and Ross tangled on the hardwood here Friday night, with the Little Giants of Fremont emerging a lusty 44 to 25 victor, leaving the Blue Streaks holding a lone clutch on the cellar berth in the Buckeye high school conference.

The Purple charges of Coach Ed Gabel slammed back into winning stride in an impressive manner as they fought off the strong first half efforts of Sandusky and then opened the throttle themselves in the final half. The score at the half was 18 to 16 in favor of Fremont.

It was the first Buckeye loop of victory for the Little Giants in three starts, and their fifth win in seven attempts. For Sandusky the game provided the Blue Streaks' third straight league loss, and fifth defeat in six games. Charley Wolfe and Roy Shaw forward and center, respectively, on the Ross quintet, and Al Barnett, Sandusky forward, were chased from the game because of personal fouls. All three were gridiron players last fall, with Barnett the slippery streak, who proved the sensation of the Sandusky football season. In all, Fremont was guilty of 13 fouls while Sandusky committed 14 personal fouls. The officials called three technicals against Ross and one on Sandusky.

Miss Fouls
Sandusky might have made the game more closely contested during the last two periods, had the visitors been clicking on their free throws. However, the Blue Streaks connected only five times in 20 attempts from the charity stripe. Burdette Becker, Little Giant forward, was easily the most outstanding player on the floor, although his 15-point total was

GOLDEN VOICE
Maybe George Gruse, Ross junior high winning coach, brings the Little Giant capers luck when he fills the Ross auditorium with his doleful tones. At any rate, with Gruse at the public address system, installed last week, the Purple eagles won their first game in three weeks by trimming Sandusky.

Threatened by towering Irv Barnett, Blue Streak center, who hooped six field goals and two free throws for 14 points. Besides nagging five baskets and five free throws, Becker played a slick-smooth floor game, guilty of few blunders. He usually led the Ross "thru" down the floor and was a constant threat around the Streak basket.

Ross Shaw, center, Fred Rice and Mernie White, guard, other Ross brothers to whom the triumph meant revenge in a measure for the 26 to 0 trimming Sandusky handed the Little Giants in football. Thanksgiving day, also turned in performances worthy of mention. Rice especially caused Sandusky plenty of trouble with his rugged rebound work. Wolfe trailed Becker in scoring honors by five points as he rang up 10 points on four baskets and four free throws. Bobby Brunover, accurate shooting substitute, whipped through three baskets in the last half for Ross.

Fourth Defeat
The Little Giants battled to an 8 to 6 lead in the first quarter, edged in front, 18 to 10, at half-time, and forged ahead, 32 to 18 at the end of the third quarter. The defeat was the fourth for Sandusky in 12 games played with Fremont during the regime of Coach Wallace Glenwright as the Streak capo coach, beginning in 1932.

Becker opened the scoring with a shot from beneath the basket. Shaw duplicated the feat a few seconds later. Midway in the period Sandusky scored its first points, as Roy Gant, negro center, plopped one in from in close. Becker came through with another basket from the side. Gant scored a second Streak basket as he fired in a long shot. Wolfe dropped one in from an angle, and Barnett scored his first points with a two-pointer from directly in front of the basket, making the score, Fremont 8, Sandusky 6, as the first period ended.

Forge Ahead
A free throw by White and a bucket by Shaw increased the Ross lead slightly as the Streak missed four consecutive free throws before they finally scored on a basket by Capt. Howard Frey. Then the Little Giants rolled up seven points in short order as Wolfe flipped on in from the sidelines, Rice arched through a long one. Wolfe drove in for a short shot and White added a free throw. A long shot by Barnett gave Sandusky 10 points, training the Little Giants by eight as the half ended.

It was in the third quarter that the Fremont five really stowed away the game. Becker collected three points on a basket and a free throw. Shaw hooked one in for Ross from the side of the basket. Barnett registered a free throw for Sandusky. Wolfe drained half the length of the floor to sink a Purple basket, and then Ernie Thomas, forward, counted a basket for Sandusky. Then Ross tallied three points as Becker sank two gift shots, one of them a technical foul, and Shaw hooped another. A

moment later Wolfe added still another charity throw. Ogleby a reserve guard, sank a free throw for Sandusky and Barnett continued his one-man show by hooping a fielder. After firing throughout the game, White connected with a long shot from deep out. Becker added a point on a free throw and Sandusky's Barnett wound up the third period with a free toss. The score stood, Fremont 32, Sandusky 18.

The final period saw Coach Gabel substitute frequently, with Ross nonetheless, trying to "put it on" the Streaks. Brunover drilled through three baskets and Becker added a pair for Ross, with free throws being scored by Wolfe and Becker. For Sandusky, Barnett rounded out his scoring with two baskets and a free throw and Roy Gant tallied a pair of free throws, with the final score being, Fremont 44, Sandusky 25.

The summary:
Ross 44
Becker, f 5 5 15
Shaw, c 3 1 7
Rice, g 1 0 2
White, f 1 2 4
Brunover, f 3 0 6
Hollins, g 0 0 0
Keddy, g 0 0 0
Deemer, g 0 0 0
Manahan, g 0 0 0
Vaffis, g 0 0 0
Stull, g 0 0 0
Total 17 10 44

Sandusky 25
Barnett, f 0 0 0
Thomas, f 0 0 0
Barnett, c 6 2 14
Frey, g 1 0 2
A. Gant, g 0 0 0
R. Gant, g 2 0 6
Hartung, f 0 0 0
Ogleby, g 0 1 1
Total 10 5 33

Score by periods:
Ross 8 18 32 44
Sandusky 6 10 18 25

Officials: F. W. Bacon (Washington referee); Dave Klesher (Akron U) umpire.

**KNOX DEFEATS
PANTHER HERE**
First Loss for Negro on
Fremont Mat Show;
Nenoff Wins

Buddy Knox ended the myth of invincibility credited the Black Panther in this area Friday night, when the West Virginian copped two out of three falls from the negro muscle man at Jackson arena.

Knox, who gained immediate popularity with Fremont fans in his first appearance here last week, showed plenty of speed and stuff to take the Panther, one of the best grapplers in the middle west in his class. It was the first loss for the Panther in five starts at the Jackson.

Steve Nenoff won from Gil Lacrois in another attraction, as the bulky Bulgarian so handled the latter in coping the second fall, that he was unable to return for a third fall. Lacrois, by some plain and fancy villainy, took the first fall.

**FINDLAY WINS
BUCKEYE LEAD**
Tiffin, Jan. 22.—Findlay high school slipped into first place in the Buckeye High School league Friday night here by defeating Tiffin Columbian by a score of 28 to 24.

Big Ed Taylor, Findlay guard, accounted for 13 points to lead his team to victory. Columbian high school now holds second place in the league. The Tiffinites battled to a 24-23 lead with five minutes to go, but Findlay's recovery gave them the decision a moment before the gun cracked.

Findlay—28
Howard, f 2 0 4
Bell, f 2 1 5
Hayes, c 0 2 4
Kinley, g 2 0 4
Taylor, g 5 3 13
Tiffin—24
Bero, f 0 0 0
Kerchner, f 2 1 3
Horrig, c 3 0 6
Mitten, g 0 4 4
Conrad, g 4 1 9

BUCKEYE LOOP

STANDINGS
W. L. Pct.
Findlay 3 0 1.000
Tiffin Columbian 2 1 .667
Fremont Ross 1 2 .333
Sandusky 0 3 .000

Friday Night's Results
Fremont 44, Sandusky 25.
Findlay 28, Tiffin 24.

KINGFISH KONKED
AKRON, O., Jan. 22.—The mat ambitions of Kingfish Levinsky suffered today from a setback at the hands of Texas Danny Evans. Using a body actor, Evans, three-pointed Levinsky in five minutes and 40 seconds in the feature of a wrestling card here last night.

COLUMBIAN IS FOE OF LITTLE GIANT QUINT

Victory Will Put Gabel- men in Second Place Tie in Loop

Ross high's Little Giant cagers, sidetracked three occasions in their last four starts, Friday night journey to Tiffin to engage Columbian in a game that will establish the runner-up to Findlay in the Buckeye high school conference.

Should Fremont topple Columbian, then both teams will hold a .500 mark in the loop standings, with each registering two victories and two losses.

Not Favored

However, odds were against the court charges of Coach Ed Gabel, since Columbian has a team stronger than its earlier 25 to 24 victory over Fremont indicates. The Tiffin aggregation has one of the conference's best back court combinations in Willis Mitten and Tom Conrad, a pair of six-foot guards. Mel Hoerig, center, and Don Bero and Bill Kerchner, forwards, round out the dangerous Columbian five.

Coach Gabel has concentrated his team's drills on puncturing the zone defense Columbian probably will throw against the Little Giants. In anticipation of a repetition of the game with Tiffin here, in which Mernie White and Fred Rice, guards, were banished on personal fouls, Gabel has had Charley Wolfe playing forward, center and guard, with Bob Brunover filling in at forward.

Same Lineup

The starting Ross lineup probably will be comprised of Wolfe and Burdette Beeker, forwards; Bob Shaw, center, and Rice and White, guards.

Fremont won its first four games defeating Port Clinton, Junior Order, Bucyrus and St. Joseph's. Then Findlay and Columbian upset the Little Giants. Sandusky fell victim to Ross. But again the Purple cagers were downed last week as Fostoria handed them their worst defeat of the season, 37 to 29.

Tiffin Five Clinches Tilt With Third Quarter Rally

Fred Rice and Mernie White Lead Little Giant Scoring in Game at Tiffin Friday Night; is Purple's 2nd Loss to Columbian and 3rd Loop Defeat

Ross high's Little Giants were booted out of the Buckeye Conference picture Friday night as they came in on the short end of a 31 to 25 score after a valiant battle with Columbian at Tiffin.

It was the second time the Tiffinites had edged out Ross this season, marking the Purple's third defeat in four league contests and their fourth loss in nine starts.

Forwards Do Damage

Columbian's sharp-shooting forwards, Don Bero and Bill Kerchner, paced the attack that sank Ross after a nip-and-tuck scrap. The diminutive Tiffin pair scored 23 points between them, scoring all but a free throw during the first half, in which Columbian led, 15 to 14.

The Little Giants forged ahead to a 10-0 lead at the end of the first quarter. In the third quarter came a Tiffin rally that put the skids to Ross as Columbian piled up three successive baskets just before the period ended, to lead, 26 to 20, going into the final stanza.

Solve Defense

For the first time this season, the backcourt pair of Mernie White and Fred Rice bore the brunt of the Ross offensive, with Rice hooping three field goals and a free throw, and White scoring three buckets.

The charges of Coach Ed Gabel had little difficulty breaking through the Tiffin zone defense, but missed a large percentage of their shots, especially during the second half.

Kerchner opened the scoring with a free throw, and Bero followed with a basket. Rice flipped through a long one for Ross. Bero rang in a field goal. White scored from the field and Charley Wolfe, Ross forward, tied the score with a free throw. Rice hit from the charity line, and Wolfe put the Little Giants out in front by three points as he registered a bucket. Bero scored a two-pointer for Tiffin. Rice arched through another long shot. Kerchner then hooped a fielder, and the score stood, Ross 10, Columbian 9, as the period ended.

One-Point Lead

Kerchner rang in a free throw and basket as the second quarter opened. Willis Mitten, tall guard, tallied a free throw for Tiffin. White then fired through two consecutive long shots, and Kerchner dropped in a bucket for Columbian, with the score being 15 to 14 in favor of Tiffin as the half ended.

Kerchner rifled in another basket as the third quarter got under way. Bob Brunover, Little Giant substitute, sank a long one. Bero counted a bucket for Tiffin and Rice followed with one for Fremont. Kerchner scored a free throw and then Shaw plunked through a basket, knotting the count at 20-all. Then came the rally that dashed cold water on Fremont's hopes, as Mitten ripped the nets twice from the field and Patterson, a substitute, also hooped one, all three baskets coming in rapid succession, giving Columbian a 20 to 20 advantage as the chapter finished.

Shots Fail to Drop

In the final quarter the Little Giants fought desperately to get back in the game, but their shots wouldn't drop. Shaw opened the period with a free throw. Mitten scored a charity toss for Tiffin. Shaw then dumped in a two-pointer. Bero connected twice from the gift stripe. Wolfe connected with a long shot. Then Bero swished in two more free throws as the game ended, with the final score, Columbian 31, Ross 25.

Thus far Ross has defeated Port Clinton, Tiffin Junior Order, Bucyrus, St. Joseph's and Sandusky, while the Little Giants have succumbed to Columbian twice, Findlay and Fostoria.

Next game for the Purple will be against Findlay at Ross auditorium Saturday, February 4.

The summary:

Ross 25	G. F. P.
Wolfe, f	2 1 5
Becker, f	0 0 0
Shaw, c	3 1 5
Rice, g	3 1 7
White, g	2 0 6
Brunover, f	1 0 2
Deemer, g	0 0 0
Totals	11 3 25

Columbian 31	G. F. P.
Bero, f	4 12
Kerchner, f	4 3 11
Hoerig, c	0 0 0
Mitten, g	2 2 6
Conrad, g	0 0 0
Patterson, g	1 0 2
Totals	11 9 31

Score by periods:
Ross

Tiffin

Referee, Rettig (Denison); umpire, Schaffer (Miami).

KNOX WINS AT ARENA FRIDAY

Defeats Steve Nenoff; Livernoise Downs Teslock In Stirring Show

Buddy Knox took the measure of Steve Nenoff in two out of three falls Friday night in one of the best grown and grunt shows to be held at the Jackson arena in recent months.

The victory, acquired after a blood and thunder battle, gave the popular Knox his third straight triumph in the Fremont ring.

The villainous Nenoff directed all of his unholy tricks against Knox and for a long time it was doubtful whether or not virtue would triumph.

Nenoff annexed the first fall in 18 minutes with a combined toe and crab hold. Then Knox came back in the second fall and downed the barbarian Bulgarian with a jack-knife hold in 12 minutes. After 5 minutes of fatigues, Knox took the final fall, throwing Nenoff all over the ring and finally pinning him.

Stellar Boxing Bout

In the other main go, Marcel Livermoise, a crowd bather of the first water, snared two out of three falls in his match with Alex Teslock. Livermoise entered the ring with a bad reputation and he wasted little time living up to it. After 20 minutes of mauling, the French-Canadian flattened Teslock with what is described as a "legal" punch. Teslock finished off Livermoise in 15 minutes of the second fall with the "monkey shakes." In the final fall, Livermoise, who was getting the worse of the scrimmage, suddenly tossed Teslock out of the ring and the Montreal grappler was counted out.

A preliminary boxing bout between Norb Kolbe of Fremont and Vic Cook, of Tiffin, provided one of the evening's highlights, as the two youngsters staged a slam-bang of fair over the three round route, which ended in a draw. Both are entered in the Golden Gloves boxing tournament to be held here early in February.

ROSS RESERVES DEFEAT TIFFIN

The Ross reserves topped the Tiffin reserves, 29 to 22, in their game at Tiffin Friday night. The victory gave Fremont's spares an even break with the Tiffin quint, which beat Ross here.

Ruland, Ross forward, was high point man for point teams with 11 counters. Fremont stepped out to a 12 to 3 lead in the first quarter, but Tiffin rallied in the second quarter, and the score stood 18 to 12 in favor of Ross at the half. Ross forged ahead to a 25 to 14 score at the third quarter, and then made four points while Tiffin was rolling up eight points in the final period.

The summary:	Ross Reserves (29)	FG	FT	TP
Ruland, f	5	1	11	
Manahan, f	0	3	3	
Berger, c	0	0	0	
Berlecamp, c	0	0	0	
Vaffik, g	2	2	6	
Davis, g	0	0	0	
Stull, g	2	2	6	
Pratt, g	1	1	3	
Eden, f	0	0	0	

TOTALS	10	9	29
Tiffin Reserves (22)	FG	FT	TP
Philbrick, f	1	1	3
Fredericks, f	1	0	2
Gaver, f	1	1	3
Wall, g	3	3	9
Bordener, c	0	0	0
Morris, g	0	1	1
Abbott, g	2	0	4

Score by periods:
Ross

Tiffin

STATE PING PONG MEET DRAWS STARS

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 29.—(P)—Al Schuff, manager of the Ohio open table tennis tournament, said today that several top-flight players were among late entrants for the event to be held Feb. 5 and 6. Garrett Nash and I. N. Price of St. Louis, both ranked nationally, are entered as proteges of Elmer Cinnater, captain of the U. S. Swaythling cup team, which won the world title in Budapest, Hun-

PURPLE PLAYS FINDLAY FIVE IN LOOP TILT

Little Giants Seek Revenge From League-Leading Trojans

Fremont's hard-luck Ross cage warriors, minus a big wooden horse, will attempt to overthrow the Trojans of Findlay high when the Buckeye league leaders invade Ross auditorium Friday night.

Findlay dashed cold water on the title hopes of a fast-stepping Little Giant quint early last month by defeating Ross, 28 to 25, at Findlay. Until that encounter, the charges of Coach Ed Gabel had registered four straight wins in impressive style. And since that game, Ross has won only one game in four starts.

"Money Players"

The Trojans, who are undefeated in three Buckeye conference struggles and who have won eight of ten games played thus far, present a "money-playing" team.

While its scoring power has been limited, Findlay has displayed strong defensive ball, counting points under pressure. The Trojans came from behind to conquer Ross in their first game. They edged out Sandusky, 23 to 21, turned back Tiffin Columbian, 28 to 24, and last week snared a 25 to 23 win from Lima South in an overtime period.

Taylor is Star

Big Ed Taylor, guard, is the only veteran from last year's Buckeye champion five. The 200-pound star has played an important role in most of Findlay's victories, but has received able support from Warren Bell, forward, whose lost minute basket sank Fremont. Johnny Howard is at the other forward, while Bill Hayes, a Trojan griddy, handles the pivot job. Fred Kinley is paired with Taylor in the back court. Coach Carl Bachman has a trio of capable reserves in Wolfe, Mason and Kieffer.

Scores 45 points

Taylor leads the Findlay scoring with 45 points, while Kinley trails him with 38.

Ross has won only one league game, defeating Sandusky, while chalked on the debit side are two tilts with Tiffin Columbian and the previous clash with Findlay.

Coach Gabel probably will start Charley Wolfe and Burdette Becker at forwards; Bob Shaw at center and Fred Rice and Mernie White at guards. Bob Brunover will be called upon for considerable relief work at the forward berths.

The Ross reserves are scheduled to meet the Findlay spares in a curtain raiser at 7 p. m.

Probable starting lineups:

Ross	Findlay
Wolfe	F
Becker	F
Shaw	C
Rice	G
White	G
	Howard
	Bell
	Hayes
	Taylor
	Kinley

Little Giants Hand Trojans 35-31 Defeat In Loop Tilt

Fremont Five Topples Visitors From Top of Buckeye Conference; Victors Play Brilliant But Erratic Game Here Friday Night

By JERRY LESKA
The Messenger Sports Editor

The Little Giants of Ross high conquered the jaunty Trojans of Findlay high, 35 to 31, in an eerie, tooth-and-nail Buckeye league battle here Friday night. It was the second loop victory for the Purple eagles in five starts, while the defeat was the first suffered by the gold-clad Findlay five in four league starts, topping the Trojans from the conference driver's seat. A capacity crowd witnessed the tilt.

Findlay surrendered the league lead to Tiffin Columbian, as the latter downed Sandusky, 30 to 22, at Sandusky Friday night. Columbian now has four conference victories against one defeat.

The triumph also provided Ross with a pleasing measure of revenge for the 28 to 25 defeat handed the Little Giants earlier in the season by the Trojans, defending Buckeye champions.

Playing brilliant, but erratic basketball, the Little Giants stayed in front throughout the encounter, but twice blew commanding leads. As Ross hazed away to a 9 to 1 advantage within the first four minutes of play, it appeared the Little Giants might hand Findlay a sound drubbing. This seemed even more probable as the Purple quint widened its margin to 15 to 4 at the end of the first stanza, with Findlay failing to score a basket.

Beil Buzzes
However, Warren Beil, an angular Trojan forward, with one allegedly injured shoulder, swathed in adhesive bandaging, had yet to begin a deadly barrage that eventually netted him 14 points and high scoring honors.

Beil warmed up in the second quarter and headed a Findlay assault that hung up 11 points, bringing the score to 20 to 15 in favor of Ross as the first half ended. The routing first period, Ross attack was paced by Burdette Beeker and Bob Brunover, forwards, and Merrie White, guard.

In the second quarter, however, Ross only registered one field goal, a spectacular shot by Beeker from the edge of the floor as the half ended. Opening the third quarter, Ross surged ahead to a 26 to 15 lead, but again Beil "ky" turned on the heat, with Beil chief fireman, and as the quarter ended, the Little Giants only held a 28 to 26 margin. The final period saw hectic play on the part of both teams, but Ross outmaneuvered the Trojans to finish in front by the four point margin.

Handicapped
The Ross victory was especially notable since Coach Ed Gabe's five was handicapped all during the game. Fred Rice, stalwart Purple guard, injured a foot early in the first quarter and had to be replaced for a time. And both Rice and Charley Wolfe, forward, were ejected from the game on personals in the second half, while White played the entire second half under threat of a fourth personal.

Beeker turned in a sterling performance as did Brunover, with the former hopping five fielders and a free throw, and the sharpshooting "substitute" forward dropping in four buckets and a free throw. Ed Taylor, giant Findlay guard, scored two baskets and eight free throws.

The game was rough, but most of the 17 fouls called on Ross and 14 charged against Findlay, resulted from close officiating. Beil went out of the game on fouls late in the game.

Taylor scored the first point of the game on a free throw, and then White, Beeker and Brunover rolled up nine points in rapid succession for the Little Giants. Three more free throws were counted by the Trojans, and baskets by Beeker, Brunover and Bob Shaw, center, gave Ross a 15 to 4 lead as the period ended.

Attack Falters
The Ross attack faltered in the second period with the Little Giants scoring only two points on free throws by Wolfe and Brunover and a bucket by Beeker. Findlay, meanwhile, aggregated 11 points as Beil sank three long shots, Johnny Howard and Taylor each swished two-pointers, and Taylor dropped a gift shot.

Baskets by Brunover and Wolfe and a pair of free throws by Shaw shoved Ross off to a fine start in the third quarter, but Findlay retaliated as Taylor sank a basket, and followed with three free throws. Beeker scored for the Little Giants, and then Beil rang the bell with three arching shots that barely touched the net, with the quarter ending, Ross ahead 28 to 26.

In the final period, Rice whipped in a long one for Ross. Taylor plunked in a pair of free throws. Brunover hit from far out on the floor for the Little Giants. Beil tallied a free throw for Findlay. With five minutes to go, Beeker scored the last Ross basket of the game. Again Taylor dropped in two gift shots, making the score 34 to 31 in favor of Ross with three minutes, left to play. The Little Giants began stalling, and Findlay became demoralized. The game ended just after White counted a Little Giant free throw.

The summary:
Ross (35) FG. FT. TP.
Wolfe, f. 1 2 4
Beeker, f. 5 1 11
Shaw, c. 1 2 4
Rice, p. 1 0 2
White, g. 2 1 5
Brunover, f. 4 1 9
Rollins, g. 0 0 0
Deener, g. 0 0 0
Totals 14 7 35
Findlay (31) FG. FT. TP.
Wolfe, f. 0 0 0
Howard, f. 1 2 4
Hayes, c. 0 1 1
Kinley, g. 0 0 0
Taylor, g. 2 8 12

ROSS RESERVES NAIL 23-19 WIN

Jim Vaffis, Local Guard, Is Star in Close Battle Here

Ross high's reserve basketball team snared a 23 to 19 victory over the reserves of Findlay high at Ross auditorium Friday night. The winners were paced by Jim Vaffis, guard, who caged three field goals and two gift shots for eight points.

The Little Giant spares started slowly and trailed, 7 to 6, at the end of the first quarter. However, in the second chapter, Ross collected eight points, while limiting the Trojans to a single point.

Findlay rallied in the third quarter and crept within three points of Ross, as the period ended, 19 to 16 in favor of Fremont.

In the final period, Ross registered four points, while Findlay was only able to gather three points.

Stull and Pratt of Ross, and Morrison of Findlay, were banished from the game on personals.

The summary:
Ross Reserves 23 G. F. P.
Mansham, f. 0 4 4
Ruland, f. 1 0 2
Berlekamp, c. 0 1 1
Berger, c. 3 1 7
Vaffis, g. 3 2 8
Stull, g. 0 1 1
Pratt, g. 0 0 0
Totals 7 9 23

Findlay Reserves 19 G. F. P.
Morrison, f. 2 0 4
Shelby, f. 0 1 1
Abbott, c. 2 0 6
Larkins, g. 1 3 9
Wilson, g. 0 0 0
Wilcox, f. 0 1 1
Totals 6 7 19

Score by quarters:
Ross Reserves 6 14 13 23
Findlay Reserves 7 8 16 19

COLUMBIAN IS LEAGUE PACER

Tiffin Team Defeats Sandusky, 30-22, to Take Buckeye Lead

SANDUSKY, Feb. 5.—Tiffin Columbian's well balanced basketball team took over first place in the Buckeye league Friday night by defeating Sandusky, 30 to 22, here, while Ross was leading the rest, while leaders, Findlay's Trojans, 35 to 31, at Fremont.

Kerchner, forward for Columbian, tossed in six fielders and a free throw for 13 points to lead the attack against the Blue Streaks. Defeat was the fourth straight in conference competition for Sandusky, and its seventh upset in nine starts.

Saturday night the Streaks travel to Lorain for an independent game.

Six members of the Sandusky team figured in the scoring. Balconi led the attack with a trio of fielders and a foul toss for seven points. Streaks fell behind at the outset of the game and never forged ahead or tied the score.

The visitors went into a half-time lead of 17-11.

Sandusky 22 G. F. P.
Balconi, f. 3 1 7
Thomas, f. 1 0 2
Barnett, c. 2 0 4
Freyensee, g. 1 3 9
Roy Gant, g. 2 0 6
Oglesby, f. 0 2 2
Hartung, f. 0 0 0
Al Gent, g. 0 0 0
Totals 9 4 22

Tiffin 30 G. F. P.
Benn, f. 4 0 8
Kerchner, f. 6 1 13
Patterson, c. 0 0 0
Mitten, g. 0 3 3
Conrad, g. 2 3 6
Wall, f. 0 0 0
Dietrich, f. 0 0 0
Totals 12 6 30

Score by quarters:
Sandusky 7 11 15 22
Tiffin 12 17 19 30
Officials: Skibbie (Bowling Green) and Kettig (Denison).

SANDUSKY QUINT BEATS CRESTLINE

CRESTLINE, Feb. 5.—A visiting Sandusky St. Mary's basketball squad, paced by Forward Art Link, easily romped over the local high school cage team, 28 to 20 here Friday night.

This was the first game of a twin bill booked for the St. Mary's outfit this week-end.

PATTY BERG WINS CORAL GABLES, Fla. Feb. 5.
P—Victorious in her first three golf tournaments this winter, Patty Berg of Minneapolis, trimmed Mrs. Jane Cochran Jamieson of West Palm Beach, Fla., 4 and 3 yesterday to win the Miami Biltmore tournament for the third time.

Bel, f. 6 2 14
Keller, g. 0 0 0
Nason, f. 0 0 0
Totals 9 13 31

Score by quarters:
Ross 15 30 28 35
Findlay 4 15 28 31
Officials: Landis (Oberlin) referee; Setts (Defiance) umpire.

STREAKS FACE LITTLE GIANTS IN TOUGH TILT

Injuries Reduce Ross' Chances to Cop; But Streaks Confident

The city title will be at stake when the crippled Ross Little Giants and the Crimson Streaks of St. Joseph's tangle for the second time this year in a clash at Ross auditorium Friday night.

Prospects for a certain Ross victory went glimmering early this week when Russ Beeker, regular forward, and Fred Rice, veteran guard, both reported injuries. His wrist slashed in a mishap at the school, Beeker will be out of the Little Giant line-up for at least two weeks. Rice turned an ankle in the Findlay game last week and it was not known early Friday whether Coach Ed Gabel could employ him against the Crimson Streaks.

Brunover at Forward

Bob Brunover will be used at forward in place of Beeker, Coach Gabel stated. In the event Rice, whose ankle was to be examined by a physician Friday, is unable to play, Charley Wolfe, regular forward, will be moved back to guard, and Johnny Ruland, star reserve

The Fremont Ross quintet will encounter Norwalk's five at Norwalk Saturday night. The game will serve as a preview to the scheduled contest between the two teams in the first round of the class A tournament at Sandusky in March.

player, who this week was brought up to the varsity squad, will start at forward opposite Brunover.

Coach Louis Duchez announced he would use the same line-up that past week-end vanquished Gibsonburg and the strong Fostoria St. Wendelin's team. Gene Reineck and Ed Dorobek will be at the forwards; Jim Homan, at center, and Jim Oberhauser and Johnny Notheis, at guards.

Shaw Falters

In their New Year's Day battle at Recreation Hall, the Little Giants conquered the streaks, 39 to 30, after a stubborn scrap. In that game, Shaw was the big gun for Ross, as he drilled in six field goals and two free throws, while Notheis was high for St. Joseph's with four baskets and a free throw.

During the past several games, however, Shaw has not been hitting with any notable accuracy, and his slump along with absence of Beeker, and possibly Rice from the Ross line-up may turn the tables on the Little Giants.

Expects to Win

Coach Duchez makes little attempt to hide the fact that his cagers expect to down Ross. Throughout the week, they have set a fast pace, with Notheis and Reineck showing a keen eye for the loop.

Both teams again will stress the fast break, with both undoubtedly using a man-to-man defense on the spacious Ross floor.

Large Crowd

Ross thus far has won six games in 10 games, while St. Joseph's holds seven victories in 13 starts.

A large crowd is expected to attend the game, scheduled for 8 p. m. The varsity contest will be preceded by a preliminary between the reserve teams of both schools at 7 p. m.

The probable line-ups:

Ross		St. Joseph's
Brunover	F	Reineck
Wolfe	F	Dorobek
Shaw	C	Homan
Rice	G	Oberhauser
White	G	Notheis

Wolfe, White Pace Purple To 2nd Win Over Streaks

Little Giants Grab Victory Over Stubborn Saints
After Trailing at First Quarter; Dorobek, Notheis Top Loser's Scoring; Oberhauser Stars

By JERRY LINSKA
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The Ross high Little Giants Saturday held the city prep basketball crown after turning back a never-say-die St. Joseph's quintet for the second straight time this season, by a 35 to 30 count, before an equally partisan crowd of 900 at Ross auditorium Friday night.

Ross out-passed and out-shot St. Joseph's throughout most of the contest, but the Crimson Streaks exhibited as much, if not a little more, aggressiveness than the host team.

Lead Early
The Streaks stepped away to a 9 to 8 lead at the end of the first quarter. But shortly after the second stanza began, the Little Giants, paced by the stellar shooting of Charley Wolfe, forward, and Merle White, guard, forged ahead and maintained a substantial lead until the closing minutes of play. Ross was ahead, 21 to 14, at half-time, and 27 to 18 at the end of the third period.

The game was marked by fast breaks on the part of either team.

PLAY NORWALK TONIGHT
Coach Ed Gabel announced his Ross line-up in the game at Norwalk Saturday night would be almost the same as that used against St. Joseph's Friday night. This includes Bob Brunner and Charley Wolfe, forwards, Bob Shaw, center, and Fred Rice and Merle White, guards.

Norwalk, coached by Cal Pfeiffer, has a better-than-average quintet, paced by Norman Call sharpshooting forward, who has piled up 117 points in 16 games.

The game will be a preview of the scheduled battle between Norwalk and Ross in the first round of the class A tournament at Sandusky next month.

and close defensive play. Most of the buckets were bagged on long or unusual shots. The Wolfe and Shaw each tallied 12 points, while Ed Dorobek, who played a tireless, speedy game for St. Joseph's, rang up 11 points. He followed closely by the eagle-eyed Johnny Notheis, at guard, who plunked in five field goals.

Rally At End
The Streaks, apparently clearly out of the running entering the final quarter, matched Ross basket for basket for the first half of the final stanza, then made a rally in the last two or three minutes that aggregated six points and carried them within easy striking distance just as the game ended.

Bob Brunner, starting his first game as varsity forward in the absence of the injured Bud Becker, played a neat floor game, while collecting four points. Fred Rice forced to favor his injured ankle, went scoreless, but along with Wolfe and White, did fine work on rebounds.

Bob Shaw, big Little Giant center, was stymied by Jim Oberhauser, husky Crimson Streak, who was started by Coach Louis Dauchet at the pivot berth expressly to handle the Ross tall boy. Shaw was held to four points and found himself jolted out of scoring position, time and again, by Oberhauser, with enough finesse to avoid four personal. Gene Reineck, Streak forward, was limited to a single point by White, and Jack Deemer, who replaced White, Hoffman, guarded by Brunner, made two baskets. Johnny Rutland, Little Giant sub, who was in the game for only the closing minutes counted three points.

White Is Hot
Dorobek opened the scoring with a free throw after being fouled by White. White, doubled in fast to score a short one for Ross. Then Dorobek dropped a two-pointer from the side, and followed with another from the same spot a minute later. White scored another basket under full steam. Oberhauser clicked with a hook-shot. White registered his third straight basket, and Brunner gave Ross a one point lead with a fender from the middle of the floor. However, Notheis played in a short one just as the quarter ended, putting St. Joseph's ahead, 9 to 8.

Notheis began the second period with a basket fired from exactly in midcourt. Then the Little Giants staged a 10 point rally. Wolfe scored from beneath the hoop. White pushed through a beautiful one-handed shot and then collected in a free throw after being fouled by Dorobek. Wolfe banged in a pair of "Chuckin' shots, one handers from the side, and Ross held an 18 to 11 margin. Dorobek came through with a fender for St. Joe's. Wolfe was fouled while shooting by Oberhauser, and dropped one of the two gift shots. Brunner fouled Oberhauser, and the big Streak center, made the charity toss. White wound up the first half scoring with a remarkable backward shot from beneath the basket, giving the charges of Coach Ed Gabel a 21 to 14 lead.

Slow 3rd Period
During the third quarter, scoring was sparse, with the Little Giants scoring six points on baskets by Wolfe and Shaw, and two free throws by Wolfe, and the Crimson collecting four markers on a field goal by Dorobek and a free throw each by Reineck and Oberhauser.

Ross scored the first point of a final period, a free throw by Wolfe. St. Joe's, and Shaw hooked in a nice one-hander after scoring the ball off the floor. Notheis fired one in from the middle of the hardwood, and Brunner retaliated with a short one for Ross. Again Notheis scored in a line one, and the score stood 32 to 24 in favor of Ross with approximately three minutes to play. Rutland scored a basket for Ross. Then Homan and

STREAK SUBS DEFEAT ROSS

St. Joseph's Reserves Conquer Ross, 28-17; Evens Series

St. Joseph's reserves defeated Ross reserves, 28 to 17, evening up the year's series between the two teams at one victory each, in a game played at Ross auditorium Friday night.

The battle was close throughout the first half, with the score knotted at 8-8 at the end of the initial quarter, and St. Joe's ahead, 11 to 8, at the half ended.

In the third chapter, however, the visitors turned on the steam to collect 11 points, while Ross was only making four. The Crimson team tallied six points against five for the home team in the final stanza.

Pettier High Scorer

R. Pettier, forward, led the St. Joseph's offensive with nine points, registered on four baskets and one free throw. For Ross, Manahan, forward, was high man, with only five points.

When the two teams faced at Recreation hall New Year's day, Ross vanquished St. Joe's, 27 to 26.

The summary:
St. Joe's Reserves 28 G. F. P.
Homer, f. 3 0 6
Pettier, f. 4 1 9
Grachek, c. 3 1 7
Brunner, g. 1 0 2
Hoffman, g. 1 0 2
Kettner, f. 1 0 2
Frederick, g. 0 0 0
Snyder, f. 0 0 0
Schneider, f. 0 0 0
Totals 13 2 28

Ross Reserves 17 G. F. P.
Manahan, f. 2 1 5
Fuland, f. 1 0 2
Berger, c. 0 1 1
Vaffa, g. 1 0 2
Stull, c. 1 1 1
Berkeknip, c. 0 1 1
Eden, f. 1 1 3
Davis, g. 0 0 0
Totals 6 5 17

Score by quarters:
St. Joe's Reserves ... 5 11 22 28
Ross Reserves 5 8 12 17
Referee, Blough (Wooster); umpire, Rettig (Denison).

SCHERF STARS IN YORK WIN

YORK, Feb. 12. — Paced by Scherf's 21 points, York high school basketballers won an easy 40 to 19 victory over Townsend high school in a county league game played here Friday night.

Scherf dropped in 10 field goals and one free throw, while his teammate, Hackenberg, had five fielders and three free throws. Peters was high for the losers with seven points. York led throughout the game.

Summary:
York—40 G. F. T. P.
Hackenberg 5 3 13
Orwig, f. 0 0 0
Tea, c. 0 2 2
Scherf, g. 10 2 21
Glison, g. 0 0 0
Hugel, g. 1 2 4
TOTALS 16 4 40

Townsend—19 G. F. T. P.
Peters, f. 3 1 7
Drake, f. 1 0 2
Conrad, c. 1 0 2
Hoffman, g. 2 0 4
B. Warner, g. 0 1 1
Smart, f. 0 1 1
W. Warner, c. 1 0 2
TOTALS 8 3 19

Score by quarters:
York 13 8 11 40
Townsend 6 4 3 19
Referee—Orwig (Bellevue).

Notheis banged in two buckets for the Saints in rapid order. Fuland hopped a charity toss. Homan caged a short one for the Streaks seconds before the gun sounded the end of the game. The final score: Ross 35, St. Joseph's 26.

New Year's Day, the Little Giants conquered the Crimson Streaks, 39 to 30. The victory was the seventh for Ross in 11 games, while St. Joseph's now has seven triumphs against as many defeats in 14 starts.

The summary:
Ross (35) G. F. P.
Wolfe, f. 4 4 12
Brunner, f. 3 0 4
Shaw, c. 0 0 0
Rice, g. 0 0 0
White, g. 5 1 13
Reineck, g. 0 0 0
Deemer, g. 0 0 0
Rutland, f. 1 1 3
Totals 14 7 35

St. Joseph's (30) G. F. P.
Reineck, f. 0 0 0
Dorobek, f. 5 1 11
Oberhauser, c. 1 2 4
Homan, g. 3 0 10
Notheis, g. 3 0 10
Hoffman, g. 0 0 0
Messer, g. 0 0 0
Totals 13 4 30

Score by periods:
Ross 8 21 35
St. Joseph's 9 14 30
Officials: Blough (Wooster); referee, Rettig (Denison) umpire.

Fremont Tops Tourney Foe In Rough Contest Saturday

Shaw, Wolfe and White Provide Punch of Winner's Attack; Star Norwalk Forward Gets 13 Points; Ross Outscored in 2nd Half of Tilt Away

Fremont Ross bagged its third straight cage triumph Saturday night, downing Norwalk, 31 to 26, in a rough, hard fought game played at Norwalk.

Bob Shaw, center, Charley Wolfe, forward, and Mernie White, guard, paced the Little Giant attack, scoring 30 points between them.

The victory was not decisive enough to stamp Ross as a certain winner in the first round of the class A tournament at Sandusky next month, when the Little Giants again face Norwalk.

Star Forward
Norman Call, one of the best players to play against Fremont this season, rang up 13 points at his forward position and kept Norwalk in a threatening position throughout the contest, especially in the second half, when the home team outscored 17-17 to 15-15.

Shaw, who had been held to four points the night before in the Ross-St. Joseph's game, turned in a stellar performance, being high scorer in the Purple line-up with five field goals and a free throw for 11 points. Wolfe trailed him by a point, with four buckets and two charity tosses, while White continued his scoring spree at guard with nine points. Against St. Joseph's the peppery guard and Wolfe each tallied 12 points.

Lose Wolfe, Rice
Ross was weakened in the second half when Wolfe and Fred Rice were banished on personals, the Purple forward being ejected in the third quarter, and the husky Fremont guard in the final period. Starn, Norwalk forward, left the game via the foul route in the second half. Frank Kocky replaced Wolfe at forward and showed well, although he failed to score. Al Rollins and Jack Deemer were used to supplant Rice.

Seventeen personals were called on the Little Giants and 12 on Norwalk by Referee Blough of Woodbury, who handled the game alone. Ross piled up a 12 to 4 lead in the first quarter and held a 16 to 10 advantage at halftime. Norwalk outscored the Little Giants, 9 to 6, in the third period, while Ross chalked up 9 points to Norwalk's 6 in the final stanza.

Get Fast Start
Fremont had registered 10 points before Norwalk broke into the scoring column as the game got under way. Wolfe opened the scoring with a free throw. Shaw dropped in a field goal, and Wolfe followed with a gift shot and a field goal. White connected with a long shot. Wolfe sank another basket, and then Call came to the aid of Norwalk with a pair of field goals in rapid order. Wolfe hooped his third basket as the period ended with Fremont in front, 12 to 4.

Call was first to score in the second quarter as he dropped in a field goal. Wolfe swished through a bucket, and Brady, Norwalk forward, hit from the field. Shaw fired in a fielder, and Call followed suit. The half ended with Ross leading, 16 to 9.

Creep Closer
White scored four of the six points made by Ross in the third quarter as he sank a pair of free throws and a basket. Shaw accounted for the other two markers with a field goal. For Norwalk in this canto, Call hooped a basket and a free throw, as did Berner, guard, while O'Donnell, guard sank two free throws, and Colvin, center, hit once from the charity stripe, placing the host team behind, 22 to 18.

The final quarter opened with White plunking a basket, and Rice scoring a free throw, his only point of the game. Brady contributed two points to the Norwalk cause on a pair of free throws. Shaw came through with two field goals giving Ross a 29 to 19 lead. Call sank a free throw and Berner sank a fielder for Norwalk. White and Shaw each dropped in a charity shot to end the Ross scoring at 31. Call hooped his fifth basket, and O'Donnell and Halter, forward, each hit from the free throw line as the game ended with Norwalk having 26 points.

Meet Sandusky Next
Ross' three game winning streak includes triumphs over Findlay, St. Joseph's and Norwalk. The Little Giant's season record is eight victories in 12 starts.

The charges of Coach Ed Gabel next encounter Sandusky's Blue Streaks at Sandusky Friday night. Fremont holds one decision over the Sandusky quint. The following week, Ross will wind up its regular season, facing the powerful Bellevue team here.

The summary:
Ross (11) G. F. P.
Wolfe, f. 4 2 10
Rosen, f. 0 0 9
Shaw, c. 5 1 11
Rice, g. 0 1 1
White, g. 3 3 9
Rollins, g. 0 0 0
Deemer, g. 0 0 0
Kocky, f. 0 0 0
Totals 12 7 31
Norwalk (26) G. F. P.
Call, f. 5 3 13
Starn, f. 0 0 0
Colvin, c. 0 1 1
Berner, g. 2 1 3
O'Donnell, g. 0 3 3
Brady, f. 1 1 3
Halter, f. 0 1 1
Totals 8 10 26
Score by quarters:
Ross 15 16 22 31
Norwalk 4 9 18 26
Referee—Blough (Woodbury).

Glasner, c. 1 0 4
Burns, g. 1 0 2
Totals 10 10 30

Bowling

Johnson, of Packing Department in the Herbrand league, was a winner in the Messenger Bowling Contest over the week-end, as he topped a lucky 381. He may obtain his passes to the Paramount Theater by presenting his scores at the Messenger office.

HERBRAND BENEFIT ASS'N.
(Recreation Alley)

George Dept.
H. Thomas 119
J. King 119
H. Jones 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 576

Wrench Dept.
W. Wenzel 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Pic & Machine
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Office
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Trimming Dept.
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Paet & Bread
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Packing Dept.
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Gasoline Coal Co., Toledo
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Low Price Gas, Findlay
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Index Link
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Success Gas
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

Summ'g Pastimes
H. King 119
H. King 119
H. King 119
Totals 357

GIBSONBURG NAILS TOWNSEND BY 59-25

GIBSONBURG, Feb. 14.—Gibsonburg's Golden Bears drubbed the Townsend high quintet, 59 to 25, in a game played here Saturday night. The Gibsonburg reserves also won over the Townsend reserves, 45 to 24.

Schles, Gibsonburg forward, set a new modern scoring record at the Golden Bear school, when he rolled up 30 points, equalling the previous record of 28 points, established six years ago by Fehlbauer, Gibsonburg meets Woodville here Friday night.

Summary
Gibsonburg (59) G. F. T.
Schles, f. 13 4 30
Ruggieri, f. 6 0 12
Roff, f. 0 1 1
Shull, c. 1 1 9
Balsler, c. 1 0 2
Davis, g. 1 0 2
Walker, g. 0 0 0
Gabel, g. 1 0 2
Totals 26 7 59
Townsend (25) G. F. T.
Drake, f. 2 0 2
Peters, f. 2 0 4
W. Warner, f. 3 0 12
W. Warner, g. 2 2 6
Deemer, g. 0 1 1
Haff, g. 0 1 1
Totals 9 7 25
Score by quarters:
Gibsonburg 14 28 43 59
Townsend 6 19 23 25
Referee: Haley (Heldberg).

CRIMSON STREAKS TO FACE TOWNSEND

St. Joseph's Crimson Streaks will see action on the hardwood next Friday night here against Townsend township high school.

The Streaks, who showed well in their 35-30 defeat at the hands of Ross last Friday night, are heavily favored to trim Townsend, one of which St. Joseph's holds a previous victory this season.

Little Giants After Ninth; Streaks Are Highly Favored

Beeker May Not Start Against Sandusky; Blue Streaks Stronger With Two New Men; Duchez Will Rest Men for St. Ignatius Game

Fremont Ross high's quintet will see action at Sandusky, while the St. Joseph's high cagers will entertain Townsend high school at Recreation Hall Friday night, opening stiff week-ends for both teams.

Saturday night, Ross faces LaGrange, Ind., harnstorming five at Ross auditorium, and St. Joseph's takes on St. Ignatius, of Cleveland at Recreation Hall Sunday afternoon.

To See Doctor

Coach Ed Gabel expressed doubt whether his Fremont Little Giants would be at full length for the Blue Streak encounter at Sandusky. He was to take Bud Beeker, forward to a doctor Friday morning to determine whether a cut on Beeker's left wrist had healed sufficiently to permit him to play Friday night. Bob Brunover has filled Beeker's post during the last two games, but his scoring ability has lacked the finesse shown when he was used earlier this season as a "minute" man.

Win Previously

Starting line-up against the Blue Streaks probably will see Brunover and Charley Wolfe, forwards; Bob Shaw, center, and Fred Rice and Mernie White, guards.

Ross will be after its ninth victory and its fourth win in a row. The Little Giants hold a previous, 44 to 25, victory over Sandusky, but since that time, Coach Glenwright's team has been strengthened considerably by eligibility of two ace negro players, Fleming and Bryant. Thomas, Freyensee and Balconi will be used to round out the Blue Streak line-up. Irv Barnett, towering Streak center, undoubtedly will be employed against the Little Giants, since the Sandusky big boy scored 14 points.

The clash at Sandusky will be the final Buckeye league battle of the season for both Ross and the Blue Streaks. However, outcome will be of small importance as far as the league is concerned, since the Streaks have lost five straight loop tilts, while the Little Giants have two victories against three defeats.

Little Trouble Expected

Coach Louis Duchez indicated he did not expect much trouble from the Townsend five, which the Crimson Streaks defeated earlier this season, 35 to 18.

He planned to run up as big a score as possible in the early stages of the game and then let Streak reserves carry on, in order to have a fresh team to send against the strong Ignatius five, Sunday afternoon.

Starting for St. Joseph's probably will be Gene Reineck and Ed Dorobek, forwards; Jim Homan, center; and Jim Oberhauser and Johnny Notheis, guards.

Seek Eighth Win

In the Townsend line-up should be Evans and Coonrod, forwards; B. Warner, center; and Haff and W. Warner, guards. In their last start, the Townsend cagers downed the alumni, 29 to 21.

St. Joseph's will be seeking its eighth victory of the season, now having a seven won-seven lost record. A preliminary game between the reserves of St. Joe's and Townsend is scheduled for 7:30 p. m.

LA CROSS IN "BLOOD" BOUT

Re-Matched With Livernoise at Arena Tonight; Fishbaugh to "Ref"

Vengeance will be sought at the Jackson arena Friday night when Gil LaCross climbs into the same ring with Marcel Livernoise for the second straight time on Promoter Les Fishbaugh's weekly mat card.

The two were rematched when Livernoise won a dubious victory over LaCross last week, resulting in a near riot. Fans took exception to the refereeing of Red Moon of Toledo, who applied grips to LaCross, himself, thus making him easy prey for the villainous Livernoise.

Teslock vs. Estes

In Friday night's match, Boss Fishbaugh will take personal charge of the festivities and has promised to give the two free rein, only intervening when the proceedings turn too diabolical.

The semi-final clash will see Alex Teslock and Toots Estes matching prowess. Both performers are well liked here and exhibit a speedy, clean type of wrestling.

A preliminary is slated to open the warfare at 8:30 p. m.

HEAVY BLAST ON PINS HERE

City Bowling Association, K. of C. Tournaments at Both Alleys

Firing will be terrific along the Fremont bowling front this weekend as major tournaments are rolled at both alleys in the city.

The Ohio Knights of Columbus meet swings into its second round at Recreation alleys Saturday night, with one team from Canton, and 11 from Toledo, slated to pound the maples.

Open at Pastime

At Pastime alleys the City Bowling association tourney gets under way Friday night. At 6:30 p. m., six teams of the Elks' loop, including Fremont Foundry, New Deal Cafe, McMillan Signs, Terrace Garden, Freeh's Restaurant and Fremont Oils will open the meet. Then at 9 p.m. the following teams will take the lanes: Haaser Produce and Swint-Reineck, and two Elks' teams competing in regular league play.

K. of C. Schedule

Bowling in the K. of C. meet, which was opened last week by completion of Fremont team keeling, will see the following teams

Thriller Won By Fremont On Blue Streak Hardwood

Teams Battle Neck-and-Neck Throughout; Shaw Scores Six Free Throws in Final Half; Victory Gives Ross .500 Average in Final Standings

Fremont Ross' Little Giants grabbed third place in the Buckeye high school league Friday night when they wrested a 29 to 26 verdict from a vastly improved Sandusky five in a thrilling battle on the Sandusky hardwood.

With loop play completed, the Little Giants have a record of three wins, against three defeats for a .500 average. Ross' victims were Sandusky, twice, and Findlay, while the Fremont five bowed before Tiffin Columbian on two occasions, and to Findlay.

The game was a scorcher the entire route, with Ross holding a 10 to 8 margin at the first quarter, an 18 to 17 advantage at halftime, and a 25 to 24 lead going into the final period.

Tie Score Twice

Although never more than five points separated the two teams, Ross never was headed. Sandusky tied the score twice, at 2-2, at the very outset of the game, and at 24-24 near the close of the third quarter.

Ross' big Bob Shaw, at center, played an important role in the Little Giant win as he sank six out of nine free throws in the last half to help keep Fremont slightly ahead.

Shaw, Bud Becker, forward, playing his first game in two weeks, and Mernie White, guard, tied for

top scoring honors in the Ross line-up with eight points each.

Early Fouls

Fred Rice, who played a fine defensive game at guard, as did Charley Wolfe, forward was handicapped at the start of the game, when he received two personals. However, he played the entire game, committing only one more foul, that in the fourth quarter.

Sandusky's two regular forwards, Geno Balconi and Bryant, carried the brunt of the Blue Streak attack, as they scored seven and eight points respectively.

The victory was the fourth straight for Coach Gabel's Purple cagers, and their ninth in 13 starts. It also provided the second Little Giant win over Sandusky this season, Fremont having defeated the Streaks, 44 to 25, earlier this winter. At that time, however, neither Bryant or Fleming guard, were eligible to play. Both have greatly aided Sandusky since they recently became eligible.

Miss 9 Free Throws

From the foul strip the Little Giants cashed in but nine points in 18 attempts. Sandusky flipped four of nine.

At quarter time, the Streaks trailed 10-8. Shaw of Fremont popped in a semi-long goal and then

ROSS RESERVES LOSE BY 18 - 14

Squander 11-4 Lead In Final Half; Sandusky Rallies to Win

Fremont Ross reserve team blew a commanding lead in its game with the Sandusky reserves Friday night and went down to an 18 to 14 defeat at the hands of the Blue Streak spares at Sandusky.

The Ross five was out in front, 11 to 4, at halftime, but was limited to three points in the entire second half, while Sandusky was scoring 14 markers.

Johnny Ruland, forward, was high scorer for Ross, caging three field goals, while Maus, guard, paced Sandusky with eight points.

Fremont led, 2 to 1, in the first period. At the end of the third quarter, the Ross lead was reduced to 14 to 10.

Summary:

Sandusky Res. (18)	G. F. T.
Du Bois, f.	1 2 4
Roth, f.	0 0 0
Pressler, c.	1 1 3
Maus, g.	3 2 8

LaGrange Here

Fremont Ross's Little Giants will see action for the second consecutive night Saturday, when they play host to the quintet from LaGrange, Ind., high school at Ross gymnasium.

Friday night LaGrange, coached by Robert Pierce, dropped a 37 to 32 decision to Mansfield. The game here will complete the eastern invasion of the Hoosier prep five. Their season record now stands at 11 won and six defeats.

In the LaGrange line-up probably will be Doug LeMaster and Max Moore, forward; Keith Todd, six feet, four inches tall, center; and Lloyd Kennedy and George Kilpatrick, guards. Although six lettermen returned to this season's team, only three, Todd, Kennedy and Kilpatrick, have won first string berths.

The LaGrange outfit reportedly employs a man-to-man defense and features both a slow and fast break offense.

The game is scheduled for 8 p. m.

Little Giants Meet Bellevue Here; Streaks At Gibsonburg

Fremont Quint is Underdog in Clash With Powerful Bellevue Team; St. Joe's Favored Over Golden Bears

Fremont's two high school cage teams Friday night are scheduled to play the final contests on their 1937-38 cards, with Ross entertaining the powerful Bellevue five and St. Joseph's traveling to Gibsonburg to give battle to the Golden Bears of Gibsonburg high.

The Little Giant five could make the season a marked success for new coach Ed Gabel by downing the Bellevue cagers, but odds are against the home quint since the invaders boast one of the best teams ever produced at Bellevue, long-reputed for its basketball prowess.

State Threat

Ross has been victorious in 10 of 14 games played this season, winning their last five games. Bellevue, listing a record of only two defeats in 18 starts, is ranked as one of the state's top teams.

Comparative scores tend to indicate that Ross will have more than a hard time with Bellevue. The Little Giants defeated Port Clinton early in December, 40 to 32, while

the same Streak line-up that has clicked successfully in the final stages of the season, including Gene Reineck and Ed Dorobek, forwards; Jim Homan, center; and Johnny Notheis and Jim Oberhauser, guards.

In their last start, the Golden Bears trimmed Perrysburg, 62 to 39, while last time out, the Streaks overwhelmed Townsend, 36 to 6.

Jim Oberhauser, the only senior on the Streak squad, will be playing his final home game for St. Joseph's.

After Friday night's games, Ross and St. Joseph's will begin preparations for tournament competition, with Ross to play in the class A meet at Sandusky, starting next Thursday, and St. Joseph's to clash in the class B district meet opening here the same day.

A preliminary game between the Ross and Bellevue reserve teams will precede the varsity game at Ross high school Friday at 7 p. m.

DOC BARR IS CUE CHAMPION

Wins Inter-City Three Cushion Tourney Here On Thursday

Doc Barr of Bowling Green, Friday held the first annual Inter-City three-cushion billiard title, after defeating George Abdo of Sandusky, 25 to 23, in the championship game of the three-day tournament held at the Congress billiard parlor Thursday night.

A large crowd attended the climax of the cue event, won by Barr with a total of nine victories against one defeat. Abdo was second with eight wins and two losses, while Earl Williams of Fostoria, was third with seven triumphs and two setbacks.

Other scores were: George Anton, Toledo, four wins, five defeats; Zeldon, four wins, five defeats; Rich Mason, Fremont, three wins, six defeats; R. C. McGuire, Toledo, three wins, six defeats; John Hurley, Clyde, two wins, seven defeats, and Hugh Heal, Jr., Columbus, one win, eight defeats.

McGuire scored the high run of the tourney with eight. Hugh Heal of the Congress parlor, was in charge of the meet.

WHITE WINS

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 25.—P—Jimmy White, 136½, Cleveland, defeated Wesley Martin, 140, Akron, in the main bout of a boxing show at Duquesne Gardens last night. Homer Doughty, 142, Yorkville, O., knocked out Ted Pritchard, 147½, Pittsburgh, in the first round, and Lee Rittenour, 126, Canton, O., defeated Silent Stafford, 125, Pittsburgh, in four rounds.

BOBCATS ENTER

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—P—A seven-man team from Ohio University, Athens, was entered yesterday in the sixth annual Butler indoor relays here March 19. Indiana, Notre Dame, and Ohio State already had entered.

FAREWELL FOR THEM

Four Ross regular cagers will be seeing action for the last time on the Little Giant floor as members of the Fremont team when Coach Ed Gabel's charges play Bellevue Friday night.

Burdette Becker and Charley Wolfe, forwards, and Fred Rice and Mernie White, guards, are seniors who will be lost from next season's Ross five.

Jack Deemer and Frank Koehy, reserve court players, also are seniors and will be making their final appearance on the Ross planks.

Bellevue trimmed the Porters, 44 to 25, two weeks ago, although Port Clinton downed Bellevue, 49 to 41, several weeks previously. The Gabelmen defeated Sandusky, 29 to 26, recently, while last Tuesday, Bellevue knocked off the Blue Streaks, 40 to 19.

Wolf Has Boil

Coach Gabel stated he would start Burdette Becker and Charley Wolfe, at forwards; Bob Shaw, at center; and Fred Rice and Mernie White, at guards; Wolfe is suffering from a face boil, but it was not expected to force him out of the game.

Coach Verne Hoffman was scheduled to start Himes and Basch at forwards; Snyder, center; and Houle and McClain, guards. Barnard, regular Bellevue pivot star, has been out of the line-up for the past several weeks, but Snyder has done a capable replacement job.

Same Lineup

Coach Louis Duchez, of St. Joseph's, expected to conquer Gibsonburg without too much difficulty. Earlier in the season, the Crimson Streaks trounced Gibsonburg, 39 to 25, and since that time, the St. Joe quintet has improved considerably.

The Golden Bears probably will play without services of Walker, star guard. Coach Al Welter plans to use Davis and Ruggerio at forwards; Shull, at center; and Schlea and Walker, guards.

Duchez undoubtedly will send in

Little Giants Conquered By Strong Bellevue Quint

Last Quarter Rally Gives Redmen 17th Win of Season; Ross Closes With 10 Victories, 5 Defeats; Wolfe, Rice Defensive Stars

By JERRY LINNA
Messenger Sports Editor

Ross high's sturdy Purple quintet played a stellar game of basketball for three quarters against Bellevue's well-balanced team at Ross high Friday night, but in the final period the big red visiting team rallied to walk away with a 28 to 16 decision. Largest crowd of the season, estimated at more than 1,000, witnessed the contest.

The defeat left Ross with a season record of 10 victories and five losses, while the high-spirited Redmen extended their record to 17 wins in 19 starts.

It was the final game of the season for both teams, and the victory stamped Bellevue as a logical favorite in the Class A tournament opening in Sandusky next week. Both teams are generally picked to battle through their respective brackets in the district meet, and face in the finals.

Defensive Work

The scrap glistered with sparkling defensive work throughout the first half, as the score stood 2 to 2 at the close of the initial period, and 8 to 5 in favor of Bellevue, at the close of the second frame. Scoring became more liberal in the third canto, although the struggle still was close, with Bellevue ahead, 16 to 13, as the quarter ended.

Gene Basch, tall-dark-haired forward, a dangerous shot from all angles, was the biggest gun in the Bellevue attack with five field goals. Basch's activity in the last five minutes of play just about rang down the curtain on Ross chances, as he kept Bellevue on a rampage that netted eight points in rapid-fire order.

Get in Scrap

With approximately a half-minute until the end of the game, Morris White and Basch squared off to do battle after Basch took exception to a foul committed upon him by White. They were separated without any damage being done, and White was substituted for by Coach Ed Gabel before he could be banished from the game. Basch was ejected.

Charley Wolfe, forward, was a sure-setter in the Ross attack with five points, scored on a basket and three free throws. Wolfe and Fred Rice, guard, played remarkable defensive games, repeatedly checking shots by Bellevueans. Just as the ball left for the basket, this was done most of the time when a Bellevue cager and either Wolfe or Rice were on the dead run.

Break Zone

Ross had little difficulty breaking up Bellevue's wanted zone defense, but the Little Giants had miserable luck on their shots and a time after time bobbed scoring chances under the basket. The Redmen of Coach Vern Hoffman, on the other hand, after a shaky first half start, found range consistently.

Bobby Brunover, substitute Ross forward, was the only Little Giant to hoop more than one basket, as he whipped through a pair from outside.

Ross had four personals called against it, while the Redmen were charged with fouling on eight occasions. Bellevue made good on each of the four gift shots.

Scoring in the first quarter was sparse and unusual. Wolfe popped one in 30 seconds after the game started and Basch sank a field goal about 30 seconds before the initial chapter closed.

Hold Lead

The Little Giants enjoyed the lead for a few minutes in the second quarter, as Wolfe sank a technical foul called on Guard Bill Houle, and Lucette Bleeker filled in a nifty hook shot. The advantage was short-lived, however, as Houle scored from beneath the basket, Basch tallied from the side of the court and Glen Himes, forward, hit from near mid-court, to give Bellevue an 8 to 5 lead as the half ended.

A long bucket by Shaw gave Ross seven points shortly after the third period opened. Then Houle and Basch dropped in two-pointers for Bellevue, with Basch dipping through a beautiful hook shot. Wolfe scored a free throw for Ross and then Himes made the Bellevue total 15 with a long shot and a charity line leave. Wolfe dropped in another free throw for Ross, and Rice followed with a long one. Bill McClain, guard, hit for Bellevue from the free throw line, and Brunover uncorked a long one from the side for the Little Giants, with the Redmen ahead, 16 to 13, as the quarter ended.

Fast Finish

A free throw by White put Ross only two points behind Bellevue, but Houle then registered a field goal for the Redmen, and Himes repeated the feat a minute later. Last Ross score came on a long shot by Brunover, leaving Ross behind, 20 to 16. However, at this point the Redmen began playing fire-wagon basketball. They failed fast breaks down the floor. Basch got two baskets and McClain one from this style of play. Barnard, center, and McClain, each ended free throws as the game ended with Bellevue ahead, 28 to 16.

Wolfe, Becker, White and Rice, all seniors, made their last appearance on the Little Giant court, and all turned in brilliant performances.

The summary:

Ross 16	G. F. P.
Wolfe, f.	1 2 3
Becker, f.	0 1 2
Shaw, c.	1 0 2
Rice, g.	1 0 2
White, g.	0 1 1
Brunover, f.	2 0 4
Totals	5 6 16

Bellevue 28	G. F. P.
Himes, f.	3 1 7

ROSS RESERVES IS 37-30 VICTIM

Bellevue Subs Prove Too Strong; Johnny Ruland Gets 12 Points

Bellevue's strong reserve team took the measure of the Ross reserve quint, 37 to 30, in a fairly close battle at Ross high Friday night.

The Redmen took a slight lead of 9 to 6 at the end of the first quarter, and were ahead, 18 to 11, at halftime. At the three quarter mark, Ross shaved down the lead to four points, at 31 to 27, but Bellevue more than held their own in the final quarter.

Johnny Ruland, tall blond Ross center, topped the losers with 12 points, bagged on six field goals, while Bellevue's high-scoring forwards, Bennhoff and Martin, scored 22 points between them, with Bennhoff getting six fielders and a free throw, and Martin, nine buckets and a free throw.

Summary:

Bellevue Reserves (37)	G. F. P.
Bennhoff, f.	6 1 13
Martin, f.	9 1 19
Schion, c.	0 0 0
B. Bauer, g.	1 2 4
Boddy, g.	0 0 0
Murphy, f.	0 1 1
Totals	16 5 37

Ross Reserves (30)	G. F. P.
Chaney, f.	0 0 0
Carroll, f.	0 1 1
Ruland, c.	6 0 12
Berlekamp, g.	3 0 6
Kain, g.	0 0 0
Berger, c.	2 2 8
Pmtt, g.	2 1 5
Davis, g.	0 0 0
Egan, g.	0 0 0
Totals	13 4 30

Score by quarters:

Ross	6 11 27 30
Bellevue	9 18 31 37

Officials: Ackerman, Bowling Green; Skibbin, Bowling Green.

HELENA GRABS THREE IN ROW

HELENA, Feb. 26.—The strong Helena Merchants quintet snared three straight wins in hardwood games this week, defeating Gibsonburg Ex-His, 41 to 25, Clyde Spartan Totals, 41 to 31, and Kansas, 41 to 28.

V. Posey, Helena forward, led his team to victory in the Gibsonburg game, registering 17 points, while Krotzer, Gibsonburg guard, paced the losers with seven points.

Against the Spartan Radion, W. Posey also headed the Helena assault, ringing up 18 points on eight field goals and two free throws. Tarris, center, was high point man for Clyde, with seven baskets and a free throw for 15 points.

Kerns took over the heavy offensive duty in the Kansas game, chalking up 20 points on 10 field goals. O'Toole, forward, topped the Kansas team with nine points.

Summary of Thursday's double-header here:

(First Game)

Helena (41)	G. F. P.
W. Posey, f.	8 2 18
Kerns, f.	7 0 14
J. Posey, c.	2 0 4
Geo, g.	2 0 4
Havens, g.	0 1 1
Totals	19 3 41

Clyde Spartans (31)	G. F. P.
Stout, f.	4 0 8
Prentice, f.	0 0 0
Tarris, c.	7 1 15
Miller, g.	2 0 4
Friedley, g.	2 0 4
Totals	13 1 31

(Second Game)

Helena Merchants (41)	G. F. P.
Havens, f.	2 0 4
Kerns, f.	10 0 20
Struhsbaugh, f.	1 0 2
J. Posey, c.	2 1 5
Homan, g.	1 0 2
Geo, g.	4 0 8
Totals	20 1 41

Kansas (26)	G. F. P.
O'Toole, f.	4 1 9
Conlon, f.	0 1 4
L. Hedden, c.	0 1 4
N. Rutford, g.	2 1 5
P. Hedden, g.	2 1 5
Totals	11 4 26

WILL ARRANGE CAGE MEET HERE MONDAY

Drawings for the class B district tournament scheduled to open at Ross gym next Thursday will be made Monday at 10 a. m. It was announced Saturday by Howard Cochran, manager of the meet.

Approximately 15 schools will enter the meet, with champions of five counties, parochial schools and exempted villages to participate.

Basch, f.	5 0 10
Snyder, c.	0 0 0
Houle, g.	3 0 6
McClain, g.	1 2 4
Barnard, c.	0 1 1
Totals	12 4 28

Score by quarters:

Ross	2 3 13 18
Bellevue	3 8 16 18

Officials: Skibbin, Bowling Green; Ackerman (Bowling Green).

