

## 1968-1969 Season Review.

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### Ross Opens At Fostoria

# Little Giants Without Giant For New Season

The presence of one good big man in the starting lineup could well make Coach Don Purvis an optimistic man this basketball season. Unfortunately, that one big man went out the door when Wes Fahrback, 6-4, graduated last Spring and headed for Heidelberg College. Purvis has hopes that Ross will make a step back toward respectability after two disastrous seasons, but competition in the strong Buckeye Conference can be painful without rebounding strength.

Hopes for improvement over last year's record of only three wins rest on an experienced quartet as a foundation. The second-year mentor has four lettermen returning, all of whom started at least part of the time a year ago. There is a good balance of height with all five expected starters to stand 6-0 or better, but the needed big man is not there. He is nowhere on the varsity roster which has only one boy as tall as 6-3.

The four lettermen are Jon Schwartz, 6-0; Kevin Hahn, 6-2; Phil Garry, 6-2, and Tom Weisz, 6-2. Schwartz and Hahn will control the attack at guards. The front line will consist of Garry, Weisz and John Fahrback, 6-2 senior, who was a part-time varsity performer last season.

Garry has good jumping ability. He and Fahrback are relatively strong on the boards, which will help make up for the lack of height. Weisz has the reputation of a long-range marksman liking the one-handed shot from the side. Schwartz and Hahn both have good speed and the experience to run the attack. Of Hahn Coach Purvis remarks, "He is pretty important to us. He is steady and makes the fewest mistakes."

Preseason scrimmages have shown the Little Giants improving but still struggling for perfection. The drills have pointed out to Purvis that the main problem is going to be

size. "This is the smallest team since I came to Fremont," states the coach looking back over his years as both head and reserve coach.

Filling out the varsity squad for Purvis will be: Tom Brough, 5-10; Keith Chapin, 6-2; Lenny Ferguson, 5-7; Darryl Knipp, 6-0; Dennis O'Brien, 6-0; Kerry Pitts, 6-3; Jim Werling, 6-1, and Rusty Zimmerman, 6-0.

Coach Purvis with an eye to the future and promise of talent among the sophomores has a coveted eye cast toward Assistant Coach Alex Clark's reserves. Three of the sophomores could well work themselves into the varsity picture before the season is over. This trio has seen some action with the varsity in preseason scrimmages. They are Rick Dudley, 6-0; Dave Kridler 5-6, and John Lewis, 5-10. All three are listed as guards.

### Four Lettermen Return

The first game of the season Saturday night could be a measure of the Little Giant potential. The Ross cagers will travel to Fostoria to meet the team they beat in the early season a year ago. Fostoria this year is looking to a successful season and a definite improvement over the 9-10 mark of a year ago. Nine lettermen are back to brighten the picture for Coach Fred Wilch. Wilch has a problem which would be a dream for most coaches—which five men to start. Wilch wonders if the current team's record will be as good as its promise. "As freshmen this group showed a lot of potential, but as far as getting there, they haven't yet."

Everyone is back from last year except center Dean Peeler. The returning lettermen are Greg Filiator, 6-3; Postel (Junior) Browning, 6-2; Steve Ward, 6-3; John Belshaw, 6-3; Jim Flack, 6-1; Rick Earl, Spencer Fairley, Greg Scharlach, Larry Graves.



ROSS LITTLE GIANT CAGERS—Swinging into action Saturday night at Fostoria will be the 1968-69 edition of the Ross Little Giants. Coach Don Purvis, far right, poses with the boys he hopes will help the varsity this season. Kneeling are Jon

Brough, Dennis O'Brien, Jim Werling, Rusty Zimmerman and John Lewis. Standing are Kevin Hahn, Tom Weisz, John Fahrback, Kerry Pitts, Phil Garry, Keith Chapin, Darryl Knipp, Jon Schwartz and Coach Don Purvis. (News-Messenger Photo)

### Sandusky Bay Conference Preview

# Three Have Big Man Edge

If you don't have the good big man, your work is cut out for you in the Sandusky Bay Conference this season. Three of the top contenders do have that proven big man, while defending champion Gibsonburg will have an all new cast this season including Coach Carl Assenheimer. Nine seniors graduated from the Golden Bear basketball team of a year ago which reached the district finals.

Clyde, Sandusky St. Mary and new SBC member Huron all have the big man and the trio is considered highly in any appraisal of the league outcome. Dark horse roles could be played by Margaretta, a team with five lettermen, and Lakota, which has four of its five starters back.

Those much coveted big men in the league are Ken Wilber, 6-7, Huron; Mike Dennis, 6-6, St. Mary; and Tom Riccardi, 6-5, Clyde.

Huron, which played a year ago in the Lakeland Conference, should floor the tallest team in

our defensive average, but we're gonna be more offensive oriented this year," Hedden has claimed. Wise was second leading scorer at Elmwood a year ago. Hagen, who had 208 points a year ago, is the leading scorer among the returnees.

Margaretta's five lettermen hoping to improve on a third place finish in the SBC a year ago are Al Wollenslagel, 6-2; Jack Frederick, 5-9; Jack Behnke, 6-1; Maynard Leber, 6-0, and Dennis Heischman, 5-10. It will be a step down in size since five graduating seniors topped by 6-5 pivot Ken Nuber and All-Conference Tom Stauffer, 6-2, were 6-0 or taller. Coach Gene VanOrsdall looks to good defensive ability and speed to help make up for height lack.

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If all are healthy Mohawk coach Hubert Fry looks to this team to have more potential and better scoring punch than last year's team.



### Little Giants Can't Find Basket

# Ross Humiliated In Cage Opener, 80-45

FOSTORIA — "There is no time the home team had taken a way we could win with that 7-2 lead. From then the pull-kind of shooting . . . What can away was steady and decisive. you say? We just played a bad Ross made no real threat at ball game." Those were the post getting back into the game.

On the pessimistic side of game words of Ross Coach Don Purvis. Cold-shooting hard to Purvis. Cold-shooting hard to things Coach Don Purvis believe and numerous turnovers marked prior to the first game, turned the Fremont Ross basketball debut into a night-anmare of frustration here Saturday night. The host Fostoria Redmen war-danced at will in an 80-45 romp over Ross.

Action was slow-starting but it took Fostoria only 4:25 to set the tone of the game. By that

half but turned to desperation tosses in the late stages of action. Ross made only 15 of 56 field goal tries, 27 per cent, and seven of those were layups or rebound taps from right under the basket. Ross made only eight field goals in the game from a distance of over five feet.

The foul line performance was equally frustrating with 15 of 44 shots, 34 per cent, finding the range. Fremont was awarded 11 bonus opportunities on one-and-one situations. On six of

these the Little Giants did not cash in for a single point. Reckless ball-handling contributed to a high 20 turnovers for Ross. This compared with 11 turnovers for Fostoria. Twenty-nine fouls were called against Fostoria with three Redmen fouling out — Junior Browning, Tom Belshaw and Bruce Florea.

Phil Garry and John Fahrback led the Little Giants in rebounding one department in which they held their own. Ross had 51 rebounds to 59 for Fostoria. Garry pulled down 16 rebounds and Fahrback 13. Browning was

the top rebounder for the Redmen with 15. High-scorer Greg Filiator and Steve Ward, the two tallest men on the court at 6-3 each, gathered 11 rebounds each. Filiator had eight field goals and seven free throws for 23 points. Best a Ross individual could do in the scoring picture was 10 by Kevin Hahn.

Purvis was puzzled at the poor shooting after the game, "I really thought we would be a better shooting team than last year."

Fremont reserves were even farther off the mark making only 16 per cent from the field in a 41-32 first game loss. The Ross reserves made only seven of 43 shots and 18 of 33 free throws. Turnovers also were rampant for Little Giant reserves with 19. Fostoria reserves were 14 of 35 from the field and 13 of 29 at the line. The little Redmen had six turnovers and 24 rebounds. Ross pulled 32 rebounds from the boards.

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VARSITY  
ROSS—Garry 4-9, O'Brien 1-0-2, Fahr-

bach 0-7-7, Weisz 6-0-4, Chapin 6-3-3, Schwartz 2-0-4, Lewis 0-2-2, Hahn 4-10-10. TOTALS 15-15-45.

FOSTORIA — Browning 6-2-14, Belshaw 2-0-11, Filiator 8-7-23, Ward 4-3-11, Saxton 0-2-2, Flack 3-3-9, Earl 2-1-5, Florea 2-1-6. TOTALS 28-24-40.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 8 10 18 9-46  
FOSTORIA 16 17 27 20-60

RESERVES  
ROSS—Shearn 1-0-2, Large 0-1-1, D. Smith 1-2-4, Pitts 0-0-2, Knipp 1-0-5, Kridler 2-0-4, Lewis 2-0-7, Brough 0-1-1, Buddorf 0-1-1. TOTALS 7-18-32.

FOSTORIA — Burrows 5-3-13, Spencer 0-1-1, French 1-2-4, Hastings 1-0-2, Saxton 0-4-1, Scharlach 5-3-13, Tyson 2-0-4. TOTALS 16-13-41.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 6 6 6 14-32  
FOSTORIA 11 7 11 12-41

# Coaches Predict Wild Scramble For Championship

Buckeye Conference basketball competition opens Friday night with the first night destined to go a long way toward forecasting the season outcome. Sandusky and Marion, two of the favorites in the eyes of opposing coaches, meet on that first night of the schedule. In other Friday games Fremont Ross is at Mansfield, Findlay at Lorain and Admiral King at Elyria.

Buckeye Conference coaches seem to agree that there will be at least a three and possibly four team race for the championship. One coach predicts the balance will be such that the eventual champion will lose at least four games. Sandusky, Findlay and Marion are all prominently mentioned when the coaches are asked which team is the favorite. Elyria, a team which was the preseason favorite a year ago, is rated an outside chance as a contender.

Why these four teams? As Ross Coach Don Purvis, who picked these four teams, states, "They are tall and physically strong, experienced."

In non-league warmups Elyria has whipped North Olmsted, 64-47; Findlay has split, beating Toledo Macomber, 65-54, and losing to Lima Senior, 76-64; Marion has topped New-

ark, 56-42. Other Buckeye teams who played early games are Ross, 80-45 loser to Fostoria; Mansfield, 85-57 conqueror of Bucyrus, and Admiral King, which defeated Toledo Bowsher, 58-53.

Outlook of the various teams in the conference includes the following:

**FREMONT ROSS** — Record last year 3-16 and winless in 14 conference games. Two of three wins were over Fostoria team which beat them in this year's opener. Chief graduation losses were Wes Fahrbach, 6-4, third team All-Conference; Steve Parker, 5-11, starting guard; Steve Faussey, 6-2, starting forward. Returning are four lettermen — Phil Garry, Kevin Hahn and Tom Weiss, all standing 6-2; Jon Schwartz, 6-0. Coach Purvis looks to lack of size as chief drawback.

**FINDLAY** — Greatest height in the conference, boosted by a 6-5 transfer student, is Trojans strong point. Top losses were Mark Ammons, 6-1, all-conference and all-northwest Ohio. Dave Evans, 5-10, third team all-conference and honorable mention all-district, and Steve Woodruff, 6-0. Returning lettermen are Mike Ricker, 6-6½; John Hollingsworth, 6-5½; Mike Wall, 5-8, and Greg Lishawa, 6-1. This quartet

and Al Edington, 6-5 transfer from Pandua-Gilboa, will make up the tallest starting five in years at Findlay.

**ADMIRAL KING** — Defending sectional and district champion a year ago. Chief losses were Vic Guerrieri, 6-0, first team all-conference, and second team choices Bob Hitchens, 6-0, and Don Brown, 5-11. Five lettermen return — John Anderson and Ed Ashley, 5-11; Harold Taylor, 6-2; Harold Harris, 5-9, and Bob Hannibal, 6-0. First year Coach Elmer Myers, who took over for Ed McConohie who died recently after retirement, looks to speed, fast break and depth as strengths.

**ELYRIA** — Tallest team of a year ago still has height despite loss of Sonny Day, 6-5, and Gary Ballas, 6-6. Returning letterman Chris Reinhardt, 6-4; joined by LaRond Corn, 6-2; Rich Webb, 6-5; Bob Sheldon, 5-10; Larry James, 5-9, and Dan Fitzpatrick, 6-1. Experience will be the weakness but the varsity is bolstered by a good reserve team of last year.

**MANSFIELD** — Coach John Burkett predicts depth, quick defense and offensive speed as strengths. Chief losses were Phil Browarsky, 6-0, and Shawn Madison, 5-9. Returning

are Chip Gross, 5-8; Duane Hill, 6-4; Tom Nixon, 6-2; Mark Smith, 6-0; Bubba Petty, 5-11, and Greg Stillwell, 5-8. Hill, tallest man and chief offensive threat, will be lost until mid-season due to post-foolish knee surgery.

**MARION** — Coach Dan Baker, 105-50 in eight years, directed his team to the district final and was Buckeye runner-up, 10-4, last season. Major loss was center John Creasap, 6-4. Four starters return — Dave Merchant and Harry Fry, 6-1; Terry Conley, 5-9, and Brian Garver, 6-3. Reserves include four boys standing 6-4 and three others 6-1 or taller.

**LORAIN** — Cal Parker, a 6-3 player with mobility enough to play guard or forward, and strong Jim Svoboda, 6-2, return for Coach Dale Reickert. Lost were 10 lettermen including top scorer Jim Griesser, 6-0; Mark Pavlick, 5-8, and Bill Schroeder, 6-2. Coach Reickert sees lack of height and experience as chief weaknesses.

**SANDUSKY** — Not exceptionally tall but likely as strong on the boards as any team. Chief reasons for this are the three lettermen — Lino Venerucci, 6-2, and Dave Rafter, 6-3, on the boards and the shooting of 5-10 guard Tony Hissfeld. Coach Bob Beachy says he has eight players who could start,

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# Garry Is Ross Best In Loss At Mansfield

**MANSFIELD** — The widest spread was the final score and Fremont Ross stayed in contention until an eight-point Mansfield spurt midway in the third quarter here Friday night. The host Tygers had too much depth and too much firepower as they pulled away to a 72-50 victory over the Little Giants.

Led by Phil Garry, Ross had been within eight points, 42-34, with 3:20 to play in the third quarter. Starting forward Kevin Hahn had fouled out and John Fahrbach, 6-2 forward, injured an ankle. When Fahrbach was retired from the game the Tygers spurted for the eight points in a row and an instant 50-34 victory. From the eight-point nearest to the 22-point final margin was a steady slide downhill in the final quarter.

Mansfield had broken on top quick as Bubba Petty, 5-11 junior guard, hit the first five shots from 20 feet or more. Just prior

to a third quarter comeback the Little Giants had trailed by as many as 17 points. They came to within eight before losing a second starter in Fahrbach.

It was the second loss in as many outings for Ross and the first game in the Buckeye Conference for both teams. Mansfield is now 2-0. Ross tries again for its first victory tonight at home against winless Bucyrus.

Garry had a strong night as the team leader with 15 points and 16 rebounds. He was the major reason the Little Giants had a 49-46 edge in rebounds.

Cold shooting again plagued Ross which duplicated its 27 per cent shooting from the field of the first game. The Little Giants scored on only 19 of 67 shots and made 12 of 25, 48 per cent, at the foul line. Mansfield was 27 of 62, 43.5 per cent from the field, and 18 of 27, 66.7 per cent, at the foul line.

Fremont reserves staged a comeback to come within two points of victory. In the fourth quarter the Ross reserves were down by two points and then rallied including 10-straight points. Final score was a 46-44 Mansfield victory.

## VARSITY

ROSS—Garry 7-1-15, O'Brien 3-1-7, Fahrbach 1-3-5, Chapin 0-1-1, Zimmerman 1-0-2, Weiss 2-0-4, Hahn 2-1-5, Dudley 0-1-1, Schwartz 2-4-8, Kridler 1-0-2. TOTALS 19-12-50.

MANSFIELD—Barnett 5-1-11, Gross 4-1-9, Smith 2-4-8, Nixon 1-1-3, Stillwell 3-2-8, Holloway 2-0-4, Pagani 4-7-15, Long 0-1-1, Petty 6-1-13. TOTALS 27-18-72.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS	11	14	11	14—50
MANSFIELD	23	14	16	22—72

## RESERVES

ROSS—Shearon 1-0-2, Smith 1-0-2, Knipp 3-2-8, Lewis 4-9-17, Brough 2-1-5, Dudley 3-0-6, Kridler 1-2-4. TOTALS 15-14-44.

MANSFIELD—Butts 1-0-2, Tate 1-3-5, Cameron 7-0-14, Mansfield 3-2-8, Myers 1-0-2, Brooking 1-3-5, Branham 1-0-2, Baker 0-6-6, Harris 1-0-2. TOTALS 16-14-46.

## Score By Quarters

ROSS	2	8	8	26—44
MANSFIELD	13	10	10	13—46

# Hahn, Schwartz Lead First Ross Cage Win

Elusive victory number one popped up on the Ross side of the scoreboard Saturday night in the Little Giant home opener. Led by the shooting of Kevin Hahn and Jon Schwartz, plus the rebounding of Phil Garry, Ross stopped Bucyrus, 61-51. The conquest came after two defeats for Ross while Bucyrus is winless in three games.

With the aggressiveness of John Fahrback and baying of Garry the Little Giants controlled the boards despite the presence of 6-8 Tom Kanak in the Bucyrus lineup. Early in the game Ross employed a man-

for-man defense with Fahrback assigned to the big fellow. Later Ross switched to a zone. Fahrback got in foul trouble and was forced to sit out part of the game. Garry was the backbone of the board domination with 15 rebounds. Kanak was held to four and the leading Bucyrus rebounder was Steve Carr, the equal to the tallest Little Giant at 6-2, with nine. Rusty Zimmerman, who was pressed into action when Fahrback had foul troubles, pulled down 10 rebounds.

The Little Giants never trailed and pulled to as much as

an 18-point lead after two minutes of the final quarter. Ross broke for three quick baskets in the last stanza for this lead. The biggest margin came after Schwartz hit a jump shot, then stole the ball and arched a long pass to Hahn who scored on a layup, followed by a Schwartz layup on a fast break.

Coach Don Purvis freely substituted in the final minutes. This combined with a Bucyrus switch to a press whittled the final margin to 10 points.

Schwartz had his highest point total in high school basketball with 18 on seven field goals

and four free throws. He and Hahn who had 12 points on six field goals were deadeyes with the jump shot. All but one Hahn basket was a jump shot. Hahn did not have an opportunity at the free throw line.

Against the 2-3 Bucyrus zone the Ross offense was set up to take advantage of an area out front at about a 45-degree angle from the basket. Tom Weisz started in this position and later Hahn moved in. The strategy paid off with 19 points out of this area.

Coach Purvis expressed pleasure with the work of two

sophomores pressed into service at guards. Rick Dudley and Doug Krider, both guards, each played two quarters and added strong ball handling and floor play to the Ross attack.

Ross broke its most damaging rut with a 35 per cent field goal shooting percentage. The Little Giants had been a cold 27 per cent in each of the first two games. Saturday night the home team was 21 of 60 from the field and unimproved 19 of 31, 61 per cent, at the foul line. Bucyrus was 18 of 44, 39 per cent, in field goals and 15 of 34, 44 per cent, on free throws.

Led by Garry and Zimmerman, the Little Giants had 46 rebounds to 34 for Bucyrus. Ross had 13 turnovers to 19 for Bucyrus.

In the reserve game assistant coach, Alex Clark rested his best players in the second and fourth quarters and still came off with the first victory of the season, 48-46. Twenty-six points from the foul line was the only thing which kept Bucyrus within shooting distance. John Lewis with 16 and Dennis Shearon with 14, all on field goals for both, led the Ross reserve scoring.

**VARSIITY**  
BUCYRUS—Frazier 15-8, Kanak 3-17, Ziegler 7-0-14, Fench 1-0-2, Carr 1-4-6, Smith 1-0-2, McMichael 2-1-4, King 1-0-2, TOTALS 18-50-51.  
ROSS—Garry 3-17, Fahrback 1-5-9, Zimmerman 1-1-3, Weisz 3-17, Hahn 6-0-12, Schwartz 7-4-18, Chapin 0-2-2, Dudley 0-1-1, Krider 0-2-2, TOTALS 23-19-61.

**Score By Quarters**  
BUCYRUS 15 11 9 17-51  
ROSS 18 13 13 14-46

**RESERVE**  
BUCYRUS—Harris 1-0-12, Frazier 2-4-6, Kennedy 2-3-7, Zabo 1-1-3, Richards 3-0-14, Wilson 0-1-2, TOTALS 10-30-46.  
ROSS—Lewis 8-0-16, Shearon 7-0-14, Roland 0-0-0, Dudley 4-1-9, Krider 0-2-2, Bakeman 0-1-1, D. Smith 2-1-3, Knipp 1-3-4, Brough 2-1-0, Sprague 1-0-2, TOTALS 25-30-48.

**Score By Quarters**  
BUCYRUS 7 10 13 14-46  
ROSS 18 9 19 14-48

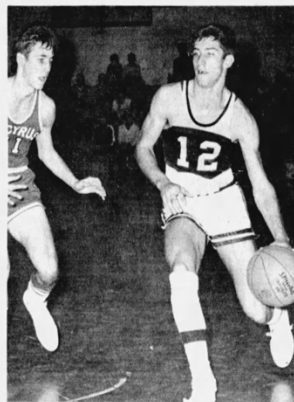
## Collegiate Scoreboard

**Ohio**

Ohio U. 101, Ohio Wesleyan 55  
Eastern Mich. 69, Cleveland State 63  
Haw. Grande 80, Fordham 81  
Purdue 78, Miami 76  
Buffalo 80, Akron 76  
Urbana 81, Marian 107 74  
Osterheim 61, Deussen 52  
Mount Union 60, Marietta 50  
Capital 80, Huron 63  
Haldon-Nelson 53, Kenyon 34  
Wittenberg 82, Waukegan 47  
Central State 72, Wilkesforce 65  
Heidelberg 62, Otterbein 61  
John Carroll 90, Washington and Jefferson 79  
Goshen 100, Bluffton 96  
Michigan State 81, Toledo 80  
Dayton 81, Bowling Green 60  
The 90, Ashland 53  
Muskegon 62, Bethany 54  
Ashland 61, Ohio Northern 41  
Cedarville 84, Walsh 92  
Wilmington 110, Malone 64  
Kent State 78, Utah 75  
Alma 82, Delaware 77

**East**

Duke 81, Providence 62  
Springfield 81, Harvard 78  
Army 56, Cornell 40  
E. Kentucky 72, Canisius 60  
Boston Coll. 105, Connecticut 75  
Holy Cross 62, Yale 46  
Nagars 123, Syracuse 138  
Wake Forest 82, Temple 86  
Dartmouth 74, New Hampshire 52  
St. Bonaventure's 80, St. Francis, Pa. 77  
N. Carolina 87, Kentucky 77  
N. Carolina 79, Maryland 62  
Georgia 95, Old Dominion 84



JON SCHWARTZ DRIBBLES ON FAST BREAK  
Little Giant Ships By Redman Richard Ziegler

## Pro Grid Standings

**National League Eastern Conference Capital Division**

W. L. T. Pct.  
Dallas 11 2 0 .846  
New York 7 6 0 .538  
Washington 4 9 0 .308  
Philadelphia 2 11 0 .154

**Century Division**  
Cleveland 10 3 0 .769  
St. Louis 8 4 1 .667  
New Orleans 3 9 1 .250  
Pittsburgh 2 10 1 .167

**Western Conference Coastal Division**

Baltimore 12 1 0 .923  
Los Angeles 10 2 1 .833  
San Francisco 6 6 1 .500  
Atlanta 2 11 0 .154

**Central Division**

Minnesota 7 6 0 .538  
Chicago 7 6 0 .538  
Green Bay 5 7 1 .417  
Detroit 4 7 2 .364

**X-Clinched division title**

**Saturday's Results**  
Baltimore 16, Green Bay 3  
**Sunday's Results**  
Chicago 17, Los Angeles 16

## Stockader Defense Tight

# Old Fort Upends St. Joseph

**OLD FORT**—Injury to Mike Eberly and foul trouble erased any hopes Fremont St. Joseph had of upsetting Old Fort on its court, without a field goal, home court Saturday night. The host Stockaders gave the visitors rough treatment in a 68-55 victory. Eberly, who twisted an ankle and starting guard Jim Yeager, who was in foul trouble, each sat out a quarter for the visiting Crimson Streaks.

Strong shooting from the outside and a defense which closed down the St. Joseph offensive middle were primary in the victory.

**Rebouncers Guide Lakota To 54-41 Win**  
LAKOTA — Lakota Raiders dominated the boards and shot

Old Fort victory. That defense held Streak center Charles Rhoad, biggest man on the court, without a field goal. First against a zone and later against man-for-man, Old Fort shooters repeatedly hit from the corners.

St. Joseph down to only the five players in the game at the conclusion. With only eight players dressed for the varsity contest three fouled out of action. These were Yeager, Eberly and Bud Moody.

St. Joseph's only chance into a press. It picked up the tempo for both teams but Old Fort led the final quarter scoring 29-24. The press brought more foul trouble and Old Fort tallied nine of its points on foul shots.

Eberly sat out the second quarter and after first aid played in the second half, although restricted in his moves. He led the Crimson Streaks with 1 points and 15 rebounds. Eberly was a bright spot in St. Joseph shooting with eight goals in 1 shots. Denny Steacy was big for Old Fort with 14 points. He was one of four players to double figures for the winner.

In moving to its fourth win in seven games Old Fort shot 36 per cent, 24 of 64, and took down 22 rebounds. St. Joseph was 21 of 70 from the field, 30 per cent. St. Joseph is now 1-0 on the record book.

**VARSIITY**  
ROSS—Garry 3-17, O'Brien 0-2-2, Hahn 6-2-15, Weisz 4-4-8, Fahrback 0-3-3, Schwartz 3-17, Krider 1-1-3, Lewis 0-2-2, TOTALS 17-13-47.  
MARION—Fry 9-2-12, Garver 3-9-9, Johnston 1-1-3, Gipson 2-1-5, Chestnut 0-0-0, Merchant 13-2-20, Conley 3-1-7, Hardman 2-2-4, TOTALS 29-13-71.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 13 23 20 15-71  
MARION 13 23 20 15-71

**RESERVE**  
ROSS—Ruland 3-0-6, Shearon 5-11-11, Knipp 0-1-1, Wering 1-0-2, Lewis 4-0-8, Brough 4-4-12, Dudley 3-0-6, TOTALS 20-6-46.

**MARION—Patrick 5-3-13, Owens 2-1-5, Harris 2-0-4, Loren 0-1-1, Huddle 3-3-9, Brown 0-2-2, TOTALS 12-10-34.**

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 6 8 18 14-46  
MARION 9 10 9 6-34

## Merchant's 29 Pace Presidents

# Marion Defense, Dead-Eye Scoring Subdues Ross Little Giants, 71-47

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL

News-Messenger Sports Editor

'Defense is the name of the game' or 'Offense, Offense, Who's got the offense?'

One of these questions had to supply the answer to the puzzle solved Friday night at Ross high school gymnasium. Marion Harding supplied both solutions and in those answers rested the story of a 71-47 President victory over the host Little Giants.

The Presidents encased fragments of what should have made a Ross offense in a tight defensive mesh. Pressing often enough to keep the Little Giants off balance, Marion closed the middle down. The Little Giants could neither muster a wedge through the defense or shooting accuracy to get over it. With Kevin Hahn, Tom Weisz and Jon Schwartz starting to find the range Ross did manage to ripple the nets with more consistency in the late portions of the second half. By this time the Marion margin was too large and the offense birth too late.

Effectiveness of the Marion defense was shown in the fact the Little Giants got only six shots in the game from inside the foul lane. Forced to let go from the outside, the Little Giants made only 17 of 48

shots, 35.4 per cent. This still was the best offensive shooting in four games of the young season.

Apparently aware that Ross has had trouble finding shooters, the Marion defense was giving up the corner shots. Until midway in the third quarter Ross could not connect until Hahn, Weisz and Schwartz warmed up. Hahn had four field goals in the fourth quarter, all from the corner. Weisz had three and Schwartz two second half fielders from the vicinity of the corner.

To match the defense Marion had an offense featuring the seldom-miss jump shot of Dave

Merchant. The Ross defense appeared to be moving and really did not look as bad as giving up 71 points, but Marion forgot the meaning of the word miss. Merchant, deadly from the jumper from almost any distance, sat out the final 5:24 of play and still scored 29 points. He ripped the nets for 13 field goals and three free throws.

This set the pace for Marion's 57 per cent shooting from the field, 29 goals in 51 shots. They had equally warm hands from the free throw line with 13 of 18, 72 per cent. Add to this the fact the Presidents turned the ball over only seven times and gathered in 38 rebounds.

Ross to go with its 35.4 per cent field marksmanship was 13 of 21, 61.9 per cent at the foul line. The Little Giants had a good night of ball-handling with only six turnovers, but took down only 18 rebounds.

Hahn ended as second high scorer of the game with 15 points.

Hope for the future shines for Ross as the reserves continued their winning ways with a 46-34 conquest. Dennis Shearon with 11 points and Tom Brough with 12 led the Little Giant jayvees. In the reserve game Ross was 20 of 56 from the field 35.7 per cent, and 6 of 16, 37 per cent. Ross reserves

had 32 rebounds and 10 turnovers to 28 rebounds and 14 turnovers for Marion.

**VARSIITY**  
ROSS—Garry 3-17, O'Brien 0-2-2, Hahn 6-2-15, Weisz 4-4-8, Fahrback 0-3-3, Schwartz 3-17, Krider 1-1-3, Lewis 0-2-2, TOTALS 17-13-47.  
MARION—Fry 9-2-12, Garver 3-9-9, Johnston 1-1-3, Gipson 2-1-5, Chestnut 0-0-0, Merchant 13-2-20, Conley 3-1-7, Hardman 2-2-4, TOTALS 29-13-71.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 13 23 20 15-71  
MARION 13 23 20 15-71

**RESERVE**  
ROSS—Ruland 3-0-6, Shearon 5-11-11, Knipp 0-1-1, Wering 1-0-2, Lewis 4-0-8, Brough 4-4-12, Dudley 3-0-6, TOTALS 20-6-46.

**MARION—Patrick 5-3-13, Owens 2-1-5, Harris 2-0-4, Loren 0-1-1, Huddle 3-3-9, Brown 0-2-2, TOTALS 12-10-34.**

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 6 8 18 14-46  
MARION 9 10 9 6-34

## St. Wendelin No Match For St. Mary

**FOSTORIA**—Defending champion Sandusky St. Mary gave Fostoria St. Wendelin a rude welcome to the Sandusky Bay Conference cage wars Friday night. Led by Rich Davis's 35 points and 22 from Mike Dennis the Panthers raced to an 84-64 victory over St. Wendelin.

The Sandusky team which hit 45 per cent of its shots from the field made 32 field goals in 71 shots. This compared to 19 field goals in 51 tries for St. Wendelin, 37 per cent. Adding



JON SCHWARTZ SOARS FOR TWO-POINT LAYUP  
Leaps Above Marion's Dave Merchant (45)

**IMAGINE!**

## Penetrate To Inside

# Green Springs Stops Danbury

**GREEN SPRINGS**—Green Springs Bobcats played controlled basketball Friday night, refusing to take the bad shot of their efforts from the field in the first half, 12 of 18. In the second half the average dropped off with 10 of 28 field goal tries finding the range. This gave Green Springs a game-long shooting average of 53 per cent, 21 of 46. At the foul line Green Springs made 15 of 24, 62 per cent.

Balance was the theme of the victory with the five starters taking care of all the scoring. Four of the starters, Bob Berle-

height and Berlekamp did a strong job on the boards with 13 of his team's 24 rebounds.

**GREEN SPRINGS—Berlekamp 4-3-11, Christian 2-2-6, Emery 3-4-14, Preston 3-5-11, Willis 7-1-15, TOTALS 12-13-37.**  
**DANBURY—Perry 2-2-6, Myers 0-2-2, Waldron 0-2-14, Ross 7-0-14, Paschewski 2-2-6, Flynn 0-1-1, Walters 2-0-4, TOTALS 19-9-47.**

**Score By Quarters**  
GREEN SPRINGS 12 12 20 13-57  
DANBURY 8 11 16 12-47

**Lindsey Cage Teams Win Two Of Three**

**LINDSEY**—Lindsey eighth grade evaded its record at one win, one loss this week with a

# Lorain Third Period Spurt Squelches Ross Bid

LORAIN — Ten consecutive Lorain points midway in the third quarter sealed the Fremont Ross doom here Friday night. The only serious Ross challenge was cut short by this Steelman upsurge in the 58-38 Lorain victory. The visiting Little Giants had pulled to within seven points and promised to make it a contest. Lorain then spurted for the 10 points while Ross could not get on the scoreboard.

The Little Giants were out-muscled by the Steelmen, who

were led by All-Ohio footballer Jim Svoboda and 6-4 Cal Parker. Parker had trouble breaking loose as the defensive glue of Kevin Hahn stuck to the Steelman. Hahn found himself in foul trouble with four personals before the halftime.

Parker, who had only one field goal in the first half, then fired at random and added 12 points to his 19-point total in the second 16 minutes.

Svoboda was key man in the Lorain backboard control which netted 49 rebounds. While Parker

was having early troubles Tom Wilmington was the man getting Lorain off to a fast start. Wilmington finished the night with 18 points, but 10 of these came in the first half. Lorain spurted to an early 15-5 first quarter margin as Wilmington tallied eight points.

Phil Garry and Rusty Zimmerman with 10 points each were the best Ross could do in the offensive department. Garry was the Little Giants only threat on the boards with 11 of the Ross 26 rebounds.

Lorain scored on 19 of 50 field goal tries, 38 per cent, and 18 of 31 free throws, 58 per cent. Ross was 12 of 38, 31 per cent, from the field and 14 of 23, 60 per cent at the line. Both teams had ball-handling troubles with 16 turnovers marked against Lorain and Ross committing 20.

For Ross it was the third loss without a victory in Buckeye Conference competition. Overall the Little Giants have won only one of five games. In the Ross basketball picture

the eyes are to the future and that scene had another bright spot Friday. The Ross junior varsity utilized a 21-point second quarter to set up a 57-49 victory over Lorain. For the Little Giant reserves it was the third consecutive victory after two opening losses. John Lewis had 13 rebounds and scored 18 points to lead Ross reserves. Rick Dudley tallied 15 points and Mike Ruland, who was missing in the two Ross losses, had 10 tallies.

In Lewis' victory-leading per-

formance the sophomore was 10 of 11 from the free throw line.

Ross reserves had 37 rebounds to 43 for Lorain. The Littlest Giants committed 16 turnovers and Lorain jayvees 15. Shooting Ross was 18 of 43 from the field, 42 per cent, and 21 of 35, 60 per cent, at the foul line. Lorain was 21 of 57, 37 per cent, from the field, and five of 11, 45 per cent, on free throws.

ROSS — Garry 6-2-10, Zimmerman

3-4-10, Hahn 2-1-5, Weiss 1-0-2, Fahrbach 0-2-2, Schwartz 1-5-7, Kridler 1-0-2. TOTALS 13-14-38

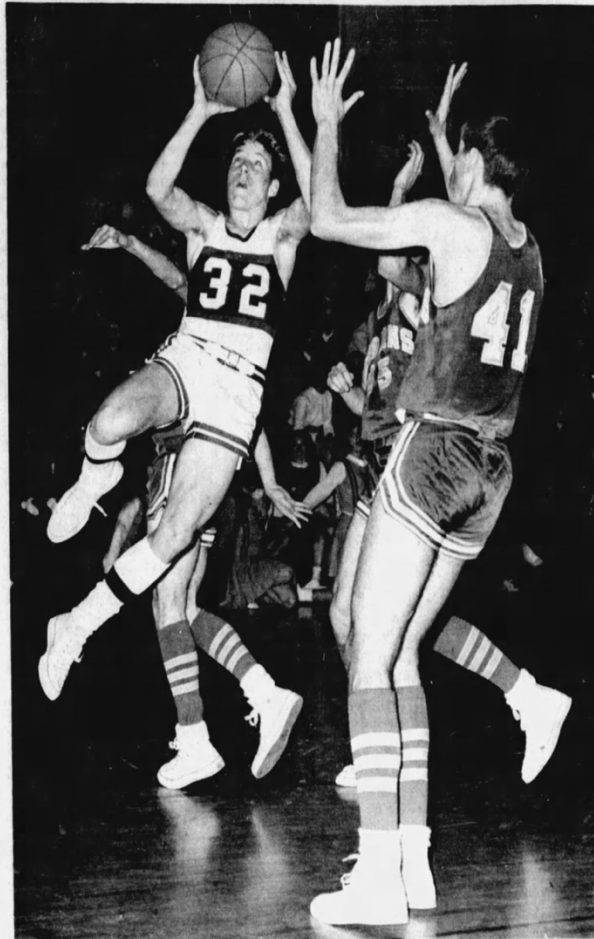
LORAIN — Parker 6-7-19, Sanchez 0-1-1, Wilmington 8-2-18, Svoboda 2-3-7, Felton 1-0-2, Lombardi 2-3-7, Grassig 1-3-4. TOTALS 53-18-38

Score By Quarter  
ROSS 5 11 11 11-38  
LORAIN 13 12 13 10-38

RESERVE  
ROSS — Shearon 1-0-2, Ruland 5-6-10, Knapp 2-1-4, Dudley 7-1-13, Brough 2-2-4, Lewis 4-10-18, Butdorf 0-1-1. TOTALS 18-21-37  
LORAIN — Humphrey 5-6-10, Seskar 3-3-13, Craig 0-1-1, Harrell 2-0-4, Lane 1-0-2, Stephenson 4-1-4, Fields 5-0-10. TOTALS 25-5-49

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 12 21 10 14-37  
LORAIN 14 7 18 10-49





DAVE KRIDLER DRIVES FOR TWO-POINT ROSS LAYUP  
Little Guy Leaps By Findlay's 6-5 John Hollingsworth

# Findlay Batters Ross Bid In Third Stanza

'David', battered to one knee early in his fight with Goliath, fought to his feet, kicked at the giant's shins and bit his knee cap. But, Goliath then stole David's slingshot and the inevitable took place.

David of the basketball ward Saturday night was Fremont Ross and its adversary was a towering Findlay Trojan. The tall visitors withstood a Ross rally midway in the game to notch a 75-47 Buckeye Conference victory.

Findlay had scored the first six points of the game and after 4:39 of play had a 12-2

lead. The problem of how to control the tall Trojans was immediately evident. Doubts that the boards were going to belong to the visitors were relieved early.

The Little Giants who are far from giant with the tallest man at 6-2 were faced with a Findlay front line of three players 6-5. The height edge showed in the final rebounding figures which showed Findlay with 53 to 43 for Ross.

In the final 3:03 of the first quarter 5-5 David Kridler, John Fahrback and Jon Schwartz combined to cut the Findlay

quarter lead to four points, 14-10. The Trojans swatted the pesky fly and moved back to as much as an 11 point lead. The margin was eight, 31-23, at halftime.

Findlay utilized a pressing defense in the first half but took the pressure off in the third quarter. Given room to operate Ross reached the height of its 'David' role, trimming the Findlay lead to four points, 33-29, with 6:28 to play in the third quarter.

The Trojans then put their smaller foe back into the defensive pressure cooker and snapped on the lid. Seven consecutive points raised the margin to 11 and the little guy could not find any more weapons.

Bulk of the Findlay scoring came from the three big guys. Mike Rieker led the point parade with 20, Al Edgington scored 16 and the third 6-5 operator, John Hollingsworth, tallied 11 points. On the boards Edgington, who played little more than two and one-half quarters, had 12 rebounds. Rieker and Hollingsworth each had nine rebounds.

As much a difference as height was shooting ability. The Little Giants have yet to come up with a shooter and it once more reflected in the shooting statistics. Findlay was 29 of 58, 50 per cent from the field. Ross shooters made only 19 of 60 field goal tries, slightly over 30 per cent. A decent night at the foul line could have changed the complexion of the game, but Ross was only nine of 21, 43 per cent. Ross had five chances to shoot one-and-one bonus free throws. It missed the first one four of these times and made only one point the second.

In the reserve game a three-game Ross winning string was snapped, 52-45.

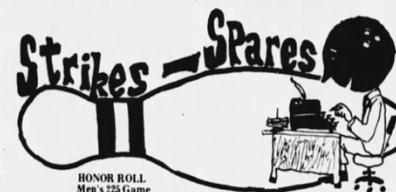
**VARSITY**  
ROSS-Garry 1-13, Chapin 0-11, Hahn 6-15, Tom Weiss 2-0-4, Fahrback 2-0-4, Zimmerman 2-2-6, Schwartz 4-2-10, Brogh 1-0-2, Kridler 1-0-2. TOTALS 19-47.

**FINDLAY** - Rieker 9-20, Ferguson 5-10, Hollingsworth 4-11, Edgington 4-16, C. Lishawa 3-5-9, Wall 3-0-6, Baron 1-1-3. TOTALS 29-17-55.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 10 13 14 10-47  
FINDLAY 14 17 22 22-75

**RESERVE**  
ROSS-Ruland 6-2-14, Shearon 0-2-2, Potts 1-0-2, Lewis 5-3-13, Dudley 7-0-14. TOTALS 19-7-45.  
FINDLAY-Walton 5-5-15, Woodruff 2-2-6, Chetlain 3-0-6, Wenner 3-2-8, Moore 4-0-8, Dietsch 2-5-9. TOTALS 19-14-52.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 17 9 11 8-45  
FINDLAY 12 18 12 10-52



## HONOR ROLL Men's 225 Game

R. Miller, Latham's  
L. Hartman, Strange's  
C. Hall, Question Mark  
J. Taulker, Huston  
R. Cook, Woodville Lime  
Dick Edwards, Wonders  
R. Gray, Question Mark  
R.B. Myers, Huston  
J. Hill, Woodville Lime

## Men's 600 Series

R. Miller, Latham's  
J. Taulker, Huston's  
R. Cook, Woodville Lime  
W. Gittinger, Rainbow  
J. Hill, Woodville Lime  
L. Hartman, Strange's  
Dick Edwards, Wonders  
R.B. Myers, Huston's  
R. Hollins, John's

## Women's 185 Game

Mae Jennings, Flying Streaks  
Edna Nelson, Four Sons-A-Gun  
Helen Buehning, Four Aces

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## Crimson Streaks Sputter, Fall To Margaretta, 78-51

CASTALIA - 'Flat' was the best word to describe the Fremont St. Joseph performance Saturday night in a 78-51 defeat by Margaretta. It was a repeat of a similar situation involving Margaretta a week ago but this time it was the Polar Bear which took advantage. Coming off a strong victory over Clyde on Friday night last week, the Polar Bears could muster no opposition in falling the next night to Perkins, a team which had not played Friday.

This week it was Margaretta which rested Friday while St.

with the score tied 8-8 after four minutes of play. Margaretta pulled ahead 10-8 on a field goal by Wollenslegel and never again trailed. The nearest the visiting Streaks could come was five points, 29-24, with 2:20 to play in the first half. Matters were already at the desperation point with Margaretta leading 54-43 shortly after the start of the final quarter, when the Polar Bears iced things with 11 straight points.

What offensive punch St. Joseph could find in a 19 of 50, 38 per cent, shooting night came

44-12, Rhoad 0-0-0, Yeager 5-8-18, Geller 5-0-10, Logsdon 1-0-2, Moody 3-0-6. TOTALS 19-13-51.

MARGARETTA - Bailey 4-5-13, Fredrick 3-1-7, Keegan 2-2-8, Wollenslegel 8-3-19, Behnke 4-0-8, Borchardt 4-1-9, Liptok 1-5-7, Keller 2-1-5, Wahl 0-2-2. TOTALS 29-20-78.

**Score By Quarters**  
ST. JOSEPH 14 12 16 9-51  
MARGARETTA 18 16 20 24-78

## RESERVE

ST. JOSEPH - Fey 2-1-5, Eberly 2-1-5, Chudzinski 2-5-9, Miesle 2-2-6. TOTALS 10-9-29.

MARGARETTA - Neill 3-0-6, Gill 5-4-14, Arnold 3-0-6, Bard 2-5-9, Sessler 1-2-4, Greene 1-0-2, Cullen 0-2-2. TOTALS 15-13-43.

## Score By Quarters

ST. JOSEPH 8 5 5 11-29  
MARGARETTA 14 6 17 6-43

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ST. JOSEPH 8 5 5 11-29  
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KEVIN HAHN  
Ross Leader

## Kevin Hahn Leads All Scorers Sandusky Cagers Too Much For Ross

SANDUSKY — Outshot and outmuscled the Fremont Ross Little Giants could look only to the work of senior guard Kevin Hahn for bright spots Friday night. Only Hahn was effective for the Ross team which fell to its fifth Buckeye Conference loss without a win, 73-53, against Sandusky. It was the third consecutive victory after two opening losses for the Blue Streaks who are showing signs of forsaking their football habits.

The biggest deficiency which has been responsible for six losses in seven games, shooting,

again was the difference against the Little Giants. Ross got as many shots as Sandusky but had 11 less field goals. At the foul line only the work of Hahn led to respectability.

Against a taller, stronger team the Little Giants managed to get 67 shots. The shooting accuracy was the worst of a bad year, 24 per cent. Ross made only 16 of those field goal tries. In contrast the Blue Streaks hit 27 of their 67 shots, 40 per cent.

At the free throw line Ross made 21 of 32 shots, 66 per cent, and Sandusky, 19 of 26, 73 per

cent. The rebounding figures did not show the real difference in the board control. Sandusky had 42 rebounds to 35 for Ross. The untold story is the fact Sandusky missed less shots and needed less offensive rebounds. The Blue Streaks dominated the Ross board.

Defeat was no fault of Kevin Hahn. The senior made five of 10 shots from the field and all nine of his free throw tries for 19 points. This was good for game high point honors.

"We got a lot of shots, but we just can't make them," exclaimed Coach Don Purvis in

reviewing the loss of his Little Giants. Only twice in seven games has Fremont been over 30 per cent in shooting. Best shooting night of the season for Ross has been 36 per cent in the lone victory against Bucyrus.

Things started badly as Ross missed two virtual layups at the start of the game. Before the Little Giants could light up their side of the scoreboard Sandusky was leading 7-0. Purvis called a timeout, made a few adjustments and Ross led the remainder of the first quarter scoring, 14 points to 12.

Purvis pointed to the second quarter as the Ross downfall. With four minutes to go Ross trailed 27-20, but Sandusky made nine straight points. This gave the Streaks a 36-20 edge and all doubt of the final outcome was erased. Sandusky board control and the fast break were thorns in the Ross hopes.

In the reserve game it was again a bad second quarter which gave Sandusky the advantage. Ross scored only nine points and allowed 21 in the second stanza of the reserve game on the way to a 52-35 defeat.

**VARSITY**  
ROSS—Zimmerman 8-44, Garry 3-34, Hahn 3-19, West 2-24, Fahrbach 2-24, Chapin 1-12, Schwartz 6-16, Kridler 6-14. TOTALS 18-21-43.  
SANDUSKY—Rucker 7-11, Hallock 1-13, Hart 1-13, Farris 5-8, Venerucci 2-11, Hurdell 6-21, Sampson 4-19. TOTALS 27-18-73.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 14 19 15 14-53  
SANDUSKY 19 21 17 14-73

**RESERVE**  
ROSS—Ruland 2-15, Shanon 6-12, Pitts 1-13, O'Brien 2-4, Lewis 3-4, Brough 8-33, Rick Dudley 1-12. TOTALS 15-5-35.  
SANDUSKY—Deming 3-44, Alexander 6-17, Harris 1-12, Kelley 3-17, May 6-17, Chapman 6-21, Augustus 2-15. TOTALS 31-16-62.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 12 9 4 10-35  
SANDUSKY 13 21 11 8-42

### Buckeye

## Marion Remains Unbeaten



## Little Giants Push Elyria Before Falling

ELYRIA — "We gave them some trouble like we did last year . . . We were in there until 3:11 to go." Coach Don Purvis Monday night appraised his Fremont Ross team's 75-56 loss to Elyria. The Little Giants are still winless in Buckeye Conference play.

Despite the loss Purvis had praise for his outmanned cagers. "We were more aggressive, had a lot of hustle, played a better all-around game. We were outmanned but in these fighting all the way." Despite the 19-point final margin Purvis labeled this "Possibly our best ball game . . . The score was not indicative of the game the boys played."

Jon Schwartz and Phil Garry were major reasons for the strong Fremont showing which saw the Little Giants trailing only four points early in the fourth quarter. The Elyria runaway started at 3:11 left when the home team got six straight points. By this time Ross was hampered by the loss of 6-2 John Fahrbach, who fouled out early in the third quarter.

Elyria had two boys 6-5 and one 6-2 in the

starting lineup but the 6-2 Garry was the top rebounder. Garry pulled down 17 rebounders, 11 better than the best Elyria rebounder. He had 10 on the defensive boards and seven offensive rebounds. "Garry was exceptional on the boards," praised Coach Purvis.

Fremont had its second best shooting night of the season with 22 of 66, 33 per cent. Schwartz who had seven field goals all on jump shots and 18 points was the top Ross scorer. With Garry's performance Ross had 42 rebounds to 47 for the taller Elyria team.

In the reserve contest Ross battled back and utilized four foul shots in the final minute for a 41-38 victory. John Lewis with 21 points led the Ross reserves who pulled from behind in the second half. Late in the game Lewis and Jon Brough both stepped to the line on one-and-one foul shot bonus situations. Both converted the chance into two points and the victory edge. The Ross reserves were 15 of 35 from the field, 43 per cent, and 11 of 17, 65 per cent, at the foul line.

### VARSITY

ROSS — Garry 1-5-7, Weisz 2-0-4, Zimmerman 5-2-12, Fahrbach 2-1-5, Hahn 5-0-10, Swartz 7-4-18. TOTALS 22-12-56.

ELYRIA — Reinhardt 5-3-12, Corn 4-3-10, Fitzpatrick 5-2-12, Webb 4-1-8, James 12-2-28, Sheldon 0-2-2, Zunis 1-4-2, Godbolt 0-2-2. TOTALS 31-13-75.

### Score By Quarters

ROSS 11 13 19 12-55  
ELYRIA 14 20 16 25-75

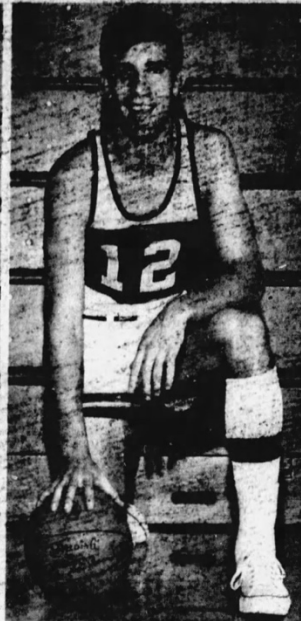
### RESERVE

ROSS — Ruland 1-0-2, Pitts 1-0-2, Dudley 1-2-4, Brough 3-3-9, Kridler 8-1-1, O'Brien 1-0-2, Lewis 8-5-21. TOTALS 15-11-41.

ELYRIA — Graham 1-1-3, Eison 4-1-8, Kiehman 1-0-2, Love 1-0-2, Gnizak 2-3-7, Gainer 3-2-8, Nelson 2-3-7. TOTALS 14-10-38.

### Score By Quarters

ROSS 5 9 13 13-41  
ELYRIA 13 8 6 14-38

PHIL GARRY  
Top RebounderJON SCHWARTZ  
Leading Scorer

## Ohio State's Forgotten Man Possible Rose Bowl Sleeper

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Ohio State's forgotten man could be a real sleeper in Wednesday's Rose Bowl.

Dave Brungard, a swift tailback who has played only sparingly since the third game of the season, might be in the starting lineup against Southern California on New Year's Day.

"We'll either go with (Leo) Hayden or Brungard at tailback," Coach Woody Hayes announced late Monday.

That came as a surprise to most writers covering the Bucks who expected Hayden or John

The 5-foot-10, 184-pound junior from Youngstown was billed in September as Ohio's top running threat.

A speedy runner with good moves, Brungard started all nine games at the tailback spot last year as a sophomore and did much to distinguish himself.

A former all-state performer from Youngstown's Chaney High School, Brungard rushed for 515 yards, averaging almost five yards a carry. He trailed the Bucks' leading rusher, Jim Otis, by only 15 yards but carried the ball 31 fewer times than the

Southern Methodist in Ohio's inaugural. Then came a so-so effort against Oregon and a rather poor one in the big victory over Purdue.

Next came oblivion. Brungard failed to start a game the rest of the season and played only briefly the balance of a 9-0 campaign that included routs of Wisconsin and Michigan.

Some said that Brungard was in Hayes' doghouse. One assistant coach, who requested anonymity, put it this way:

"Brungard seemed to lay down in the Purdue game. He

## Purvis Lauds Team Work

# Ross Pulls Upset For First Buckeye Victory

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
News-Messenger Sports Editor

Abba Eban will invite Abdel Nasser for a ham supper to celebrate the new Israel-Egypt friendship pact. Pope Paul will advocate use of the Pill. Cassius Clay will volunteer for front line duty in Viet Nam with the U.S. Army. It will be 90 degrees tomorrow and we will all go swimming in Lake Erie. Don't bet against it! Until Friday night you could have included Fremont Ross will win a Buckeye Conference game on that list.

The fired-up Little Giants erased their names from the list of impossible tasks with a fighting 61-60 victory over Lorain Admiral King. Balanced and deliberate offense and a defense which cut down the Admirals' run and shoot tactics, built on a strong first quarter, were ingredients for the second victory in 10 games. It was the first Buckeye Conference victory in seven outings.

Some People discounted our team completely and our kids weren't willing to accept it." Coach Don Purvis explained the fighting display which bred the upset. "We hurt their press. They wanted to run and shoot it, and we wouldn't let them."

The Little Giants proved themselves with their best shooting night of the season, both at the foul line and from the field.

Ross was 40 per cent from the field and 68 per cent at the line. Ross exploded to an 8-0 lead with good outside shooting but the game warmed to a see-saw struggle after Admiral King fought back in the second quarter. The score was tied seven times and the lead changed hands an additional 10 times. At one point midway in the second quarter the lead changed hands six consecutive trips up the floor.

The game remained in doubt until the final minute and one-half when three Fremont players came up with key free throws. The turning point came with 1:34 to play when John Fahrback made his first shot on a one-and-one bonus free throw opportunity. This gave Ross a 57-56 lead and the Little Giants were in front to stay. With 51 seconds to play Kevin Hahn cashed a bonus foul shot opportunity for two points and a three-point Little Giant lead. Admiral King missed a foul shot before Phil Garry sealed the outcome with two points on another bonus foul situation with 29 remaining. In the final 10 seconds Admiral King got its last four points on two field goals.

At one point in the first quarter Ross had a 10-1 lead for the largest margin by either team. The Little Giants never trailed by more than six points and that was only once. With 3:13 to play in the half the Admirals pulled to 24-18 lead.

Before half time Ross had regained the lead, 29-28. That final basket with five seconds to play up the half came when Tom Weisz laid one up after Jon Schwartz hit him with a perfect pass under the basket.

Just as a general cold hand got the Admirals in trouble in the first quarter, the alternating hot hand of two individuals provided the line serious threats to the Little Giants. In the second quarter sophomore Tim Kish scored all his 10 points on five field goals from 30 feet out on the side. In the second half Harold Taylor, a jumping jack 6-2, lallied 16 of his game-leading 21 points. Taylor also was the decisive factor in Admiral King board control with 17 rebounds. The Admirals had 46 rebounds to only 27 for Ross.

In shutting off the running style of the Admirals and breaking the pressing defense Ross committed fewer mistakes. Ross had 10 turnovers to 20 for the Lorain team.

Balance of the attack was evident in the scoring statistics as six players scored eight points or more. Kevin Hahn was high with 15, followed by Tom Weisz who found the range on his favorite long shot from the side and corner for 12 points. Phil Garry and John Fahrback scored nine points each while Rusty Zimmerman and Jon Schwartz contributed eight apiece. The best shooting night of the season for the Little Giants

was 23 of 58 from the field and 15 of 22 at the foul line. Admiral King was 24 of 61 from the field, 39 per cent, and 13 of 25, 52 per cent, at the line.

In the reserve game the Little Giants thrilled the crowd with a comeback but fell short by three points. 59-56. Ross reserves trailed 23-5 at the end of the first quarter. They fought back to tie the game with a minute and one-half to play.

Admiral King reserves had 34 rebounds, shot 17 of 46, 35 per cent, from the field, and 25 of 36, 69 per cent, from the line. Ross reserves had 35 rebounds, shot 22 of 52, 42.3 per cent from the field, and 12 of 18, 67 per cent, at the line.

**VARSITY**  
ROSS — Garry 17-8, Zimmerman 3-24, Weisz 6-12, Fahrback 4-18, Hahn 5-15, Schwartz 4-8. TOTALS 52-34-41.

**ADAMIRAL KING** — Kish 5-10, McCall 1-2, Taylor 9-21, Hannibal 2-9, Harris 2-4, Ashley 4-12, Norcia 1-2. TOTALS 32-20-20.

**Score By Quarters**

ROSS 12 16 16 17-41  
ADAMIRAL KING 5 21 19 15-40

**RESERVE**  
ROSS — Sherman 4-8, Roland 2-5, Lewis 4-20, Pitts 9-11, O'Brien 1-3, Duffey 1-3, Knicker 2-4, Brown 3-8. TOTALS 22-13-36.

**ADAMIRAL KING** — Bason 2-15, Dondrick 3-8-15, Taylor 7-9-21, Chawinsky 6-4-4. TOTALS 32-12-20-20.

**Score By Quarters**

ROSS 5 19 19 13-36  
ADAMIRAL KING 22 19 18 11-39

## Wide Margin Final Poll Win

# Ohio State National Champ

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Press poll of sports writers and sportscasters, will return all but Buckeyes, firmly entrenched atop the college football world after their Rose Bowl triumph capped by a 27-18 conquest of over Southern California, looked forward today to a year ... or thirteen of the 22, including possibly two ... of continued dominance.

The Buckeyes, named national champions by a wide margin Woody Hayes. Friday in the final Associated Ohio State, which last won the

national championship 15 years ago, received 44 of the 49 first place votes cast in the final AP ballot. The Buckeyes got 908 points, 10,792, for runner-up Penn State, the only other unbeaten, untied major team.

The 110 Nittany Lions, who edged Kansas 15-14 in the Orange Bowl New Year's Night, moved up from the No. 3 spot they held in the next-to-last poll,

conducted at the close of the regular season. Texas, 9-1-1 after trouncing Tennessee 36-13 in the Cotton Bowl, nailed the third spot, with Southern California, 9-1-1, falling to fourth.

Penn State and Texas each received two first place votes. Arkansas, which jumped from ninth to sixth place, behind Notre Dame, picked up one. Arkansas wound up 10-1, upsetting Georgia 16-2 in the Sugar Bowl, and Notre Dame, which didn't go to a bowl was 7-2-1. The Irish were seventh in the next-to-last poll.

Kansas, 9-2, Georgia, 8-1-2, Missouri, 8-3, and Purdue, 8-2, complete the final Top Ten. Kansas was No. 6, Georgia No. 4, Missouri No. 16 and Purdue 11th before the bowls.

Missouri made the big jump following an impressive 35-10 Gator Bowl victory over then 12th-ranked Alabama, which slipped to No. 17. Tennessee and Oklahoma also dropped out of the Top Ten.

Fourteen of the Top Twenty in the last regular season poll played in bowl games and eight were beaten.

Southern Methodist and Louisiana State, unranked before up setting Oklahoma and Florida State, respectively, in post-season scraps, moved up to Nos. 14 and 19.

The final AP poll was taken after the bowl games for the second time because of the summit showdown between Ohio State and Southern California and the fact that nine of the Top Ten teams had post-season games.

### WILLARD BELLEVUE

WILLARD — Thornton 2-4-10, Burton 8-10, Wilson 2-2-4, Fink 6-6-12, Fry 4-10, King 1-2. TOTAL 25-7-10.

BELLEVUE — Santoro 9-9-18, M. Hammersmith 8-8-16, Dieder 3-3-3, Zimmerman 1-2-2, Gallagher 2-1-1. TOTAL 24-10-38.

**Score By Quarters**

WILLARD 16 14 16 17-53  
BELLEVUE 17 12 17 26-38

### TIFFIN BUCYRUS

TIFFIN — COLUMBIAN — Noller 6-2-14, Tim Bueger 8-2-12, Tim Bueger 2-2-8, Gooding 3-4-12, Hunt 5-2-2, Hoeg 9-2-2, Dillard 7-1-8. TOTAL 28-19-75.

BUCYRUS — Frater 1-2-4, Ziegler 8-1-13, Kamak 12-2-26, Fink 3-1-7, Smith 7-8-10, Long 0-2-2. TOTAL 34-14-62.

**Score By Quarters**

TIFFIN 14 18 22 28-75  
BUCYRUS 13 13 15 21-42

### NORWALK SHELBY

NORWALK — Dringer 9-1-10, Edwards 4-4-12, Grouse 9-1-10, Barkham 2-2-6, Ott 2-1-5, Smith 9-1-1. TOTAL 26-10-52.

SHELBY — Dietz 17-0-39, Fyler 2-0-4, Davis 3-4-8, Beyer 3-4-8, Filer 6-0-5.

**Score By Quarters**

NORWALK 19 17 15 11-42  
SHELBY 17 21 18 20-78

### GALION GALVIN

GALVIN — Sorrensen 4-3-11, Pottersburg 8-3-15, Wade 4-8-16, Price 1-0-2, Bakeman 1-4-6, Ginder 1-0-2. TOTAL 19-14-62.

UPPER SANDUSKY — Hare 4-2-10, Kear 3-1-2, Strub 7-3-16, Owens 2-2-6.

## Northern Ohio League

## Bellevue, Shelby On Top

The Northern Ohio League became a two-team race Friday night as Bellevue and Shelby handed third losses to Willard and Norwalk respectively. The two leaders now have 3-1 records with the nearest challengers all held back by three losses.

Cal Dietz won the battle of league-leading scorers as he led Shelby to a 78-62 win over Norwalk. Bellevue, a team which has yet to drop out of at least a tie for first place, rallied for 26 points in the fourth quarter to top Willard, 58-53.

In other NOIL action Tiffin Columbian escaped the cellar with its second consecutive league win, beating Bucyrus, 75-62, and Upper Sandusky held on to nip Galion, 53-52.

At Shelby Dietz, who was

averaging 26 points per game until Friday, tallied 20 points for the winners. Norwalk's Tom Dringer, a 26-point a game scorer, was held to 19 points by Shelby.

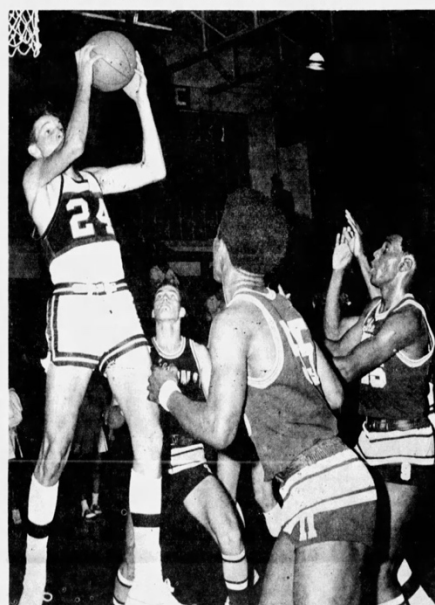
Randy Santoro with 18 and Mike Hammersmith at 16 led Bellevue's victory. The Redmen trailed by four points going into the final quarter.

—J.C.—

### NOL STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Bellevue	5	1
Shelby	5	1
Norwalk	3	3
Willard	3	3
Galion	2	4
Upper Sandusky	2	4
Tiffin Columbian	2	4
Bucyrus	1	5

**SAKRETE**



JOHN FAHRBACH PULLS DOWN REBOUND FOR LITTLE GIANTS  
Admirals Tim Kish, Harold Taylor, Bob Hannibal Watch For

## Lakeshore Conference

## Woodmore Scores Unset

## Buckeye

## Marion Remains Unbeaten

Marion remained the lone unbeaten and knocked off one of its two chief challengers Friday night. Marion took another step toward the Buckeye Conference championship with a 66-50 win over Findlay. Findlay, which has played one less game, dropped into third place as Sandusky moved into second in league standings with an 8-47 win over Mansfield. In other Buckeye Conference action Ross became the last team to win a league game in stopping Admiral King, 61-60, and Lorain trimmed Elyria, 68-53.

Marion had three double-figure scorers led by Dave Merchant's 23 points. Lorain got 24 points from Jim Svoboda and 19 by Cal Parker to pull away from Elyria in the last quarter. Sandusky sanged the nets with 20 of 33 field goal tries in the first half of its victory. The Blue Streaks ended the night with better than 50 per cent accuracy for the night, 30 of 58. Five Streaks were in double figures as Sandusky won its fifth in a row after opening conference play with two losses.

### BUCKEYE STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Marion	7	0
Sandusky	5	2
Findlay	4	2
Lorain	4	3
Mansfield	2	4
Admiral King	2	5
Elyria	2	5
Ross	1	6

—J.C.—

# Turnovers, Misses Cost Ross 'Tigers' Free Throw To Victory

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
News-Messenger Sports Editor

It was a night of phantoms for Ross Little Giants Friday night — the phantom players for whom three key passes into the stands were intended, the phantom defender who guided five layups away from the basket and the Mansfield foul-shooting phantom which did the most damage as the visiting Tigers made 19 of 22 free throws in beating Ross 61-53.

Mansfield did not miss a free throw and was nine for nine for the first 19 minutes and nine seconds in the game. There was 3:09 expired in the third quarter before Vince Pagani finally missed. Pagani was the man who led the foul-shooting charge of the Tigers. He had five go through the hoop before the miss and was nine for 10 at the line before the game ended.

Pagani tallied 17 of his 21 points in the two middle quarters. During this period Mans-

field broke the game open. Midway in the second quarter Ross led 16-15 before Pagani took charge. Two of his free throws put Mansfield in the lead to stay, 17-16.

Ross' offense was slowed to a walk in the third quarter by a Mansfield press. Mansfield threatened to run away with as much as an 18 point lead midway in third quarter. Tom Weisz and a fast break attack awoke to pull Ross back into momentary contention. With Weisz's nine points in the final 9:58 of the game Ross rallied to within seven points twice at 53-46 and with 3:52 to play at 55-48. It was at one of these seven-point margins that Ross experienced one of the phantom passes to the man in the blue suit, three rows in the stands. Turnovers, and there were 19 of them, had a habit such as this one of creeping into the picture at the wrong time.

Then there were the missed shots. Coach Don Purvis will likely toss in his sleep,

seeing nightmares of his Little Giants standing over a bushel basket dropping golf balls and missing the basket. Ross players missed five layups and 19 shots in the lane inside the foul line.

Despite this marksmanship the Little Giants shot a respectable, although not spectacular, 37 per cent from the field, 20 of 54. At the line Ross was 13 of 24, 54 per cent, compared to the Mansfield hot hand, Mansfield was 21 of 59, 36 per cent from the field. On the boards Mansfield pulled down 45 to 36 for Ross. John Fahrback of Ross and Duane Hill of Mansfield each had 11 rebounds.

The Ross reserves salvaged some glory for the home team with a 42-39 victory. The Little Giants came alive in the second half as John Lewis scored all 15 of his points in the final 16 minutes. Ross tallied only 15 points in the first half and trailed 21-15, but matched this total to pull within one point, 31-30 at the three-quarter mark. Lewis then

scored eight of his team's 10 points in the fourth quarter to win the game.

Ross reserves were 16 of 44, 36 per cent, from the field, and 19 of 18, 56 per cent, at the free throw line. Mansfield was a cold 13 of 46, 28 per cent, in field shooting, and 13 of 23, 57 per cent, at the line.

**VARISITY**  
ROSS — Garry 3-9; Zimmerman 2-4; Weiss 6-21; Fahrback 3-9; Hahn 2-15; Schwartz 4-10; TOTALS 28-13-21.  
MANSFIELD — Mansfield 1-13; Petty 0-2; Stillwell 1-1; Smith 3-8; Nunn 1-2; Gross 5-10; Hill 4-12; Pagani 6-9-21; TOTALS 21-19-41.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 10 11 11 21-53  
MANSFIELD 9 16 22 14-41

**RESERVES**  
ROSS — Roland 2-8; Shearer 2-4; O'Brien 0-2; Lewis 7-15; Pitts 0-2; Brough 1-4; Dudley 2-4; Boudert 0-1-1; TOTALS 15-12-42.  
MANSFIELD — Harris 1-5-7; Cameron 5-10; Brookins 2-4; Shabo 2-4; Hager 2-4; Myers 0-2; Baker 1-2; TOTALS 13-13-29.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 3 12 15 12-42  
MANSFIELD 8 13 19 8-39



## Lakeshore Conference

### Trio Of Scorers Provides Woodmore's Victory Edge

Ottawa Hills and Otsego clung to the unbeaten rung of the Lakeshore Conference ladder 22 points and a trio of players but not without some trouble on Friday night. Ottawa Hills broke a three-quarter tie to salvage a 59-51 victory over Northwood. Otsego had to come from behind in the second quarter to trip Danbury, 43-37. In the third Lakeshore game, the trio of Rex Durdell, Tom Rymers and Mike Rospert led Woodmore past Green Springs, 78-72.

Otsego and Ottawa Hills have yet to lose after four games for

Ottawa Hills and two for Otsego. Otsego was led by Tom Sproul's 22 points and a trio of players in double figures for Ottawa Hills broke a three-quarter tie to salvage a 59-51 victory over Northwood.

The Woodmore-Green Springs game erupted like a point-spouting volcano in the final eight minutes. Green Springs launched a rally with 23 points to cut the Woodmore margin from 14 to six points. Woodmore managed to hold off the rally with 24 points of its own in a 57-point period.

Leading Woodmore were

Durdell with 23 points, Rospert at 21 and Rymers with 18. Green Springs had four players in double figures topped by Jerry Preston's 24 and 29 by Bob Berlekamp.

In reserve games Woodmore

trampled Green Springs, 54-26. Ottawa Hills nipped Northwood, 34-30, and Lakota defeated Otsego, 51-37.

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#### LAKESHORE STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Ottawa Hills	4	0
Otsego	3	0
Woodmore	3	2
Northwood	2	2
Green Springs	1	4
Danbury	0	5

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## Northern Ohio League

### Bellevue Retains

## Parents' Night Present

# Hahn, Garry Lead Ross To 70-58 Win

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
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Coach Don Purvis might be entertaining visions of Fremont Ross transferring to the Northern Ohio League. The Buckeye Conference Little Giants have stepped out of the Buckeye for three games, winning two — both against NOL foes. Saturday, the Marksmanship of Kevin Hahn led the Little Giants to 70-58 victory over Tiffin Columbian. It was the third Ross win in 11 games, one of those wins against NOL's Bucyrus.

Hahn had his finest shooting game of the season, hitting with deadly accuracy on a one-handed jump shot from outside 20 feet. Hahn led all scorers with 21 points, but the story was not in the total but the accuracy and timeliness of his points. Everytime Tiffin seemed to challenge, Hahn would come up with a bullseye that maintained the margin. Only once in the second half did Tiffin manage to get as close as five points. Several times they got to within six but that was where there appeared to be a wall built with Hahn or Phil Garry sitting on it. Hahn scored on nine of 14 field goal tries and only one of those goals was from within 15 feet. He led Ross to its best shooting night of the season, 29 field goals in 56 shots, 52 per cent.

Garry, who with John Fahrback gave Ross board control much of the game, was a key

performer under pressure. In the final four minutes, when the Tornados blew to within five points once and six points twice, Garry cleared the boards twice after missed Tiffin foul shots and blocked two shots. Garry picked on Gary Noller, 6-4, the tallest man on the floor, as the victim of his blocked shots. This defensive spark and the Tiffin need to go after the Little Giants, leading to fouls, fired the Ross offense to a finishing spurt. Ross scored seven points in the final minute to expand the victory margin to 12 from only seven with 35 seconds to play.

Coach Don Purvis noted the performances of Hahn and Garry. Before the game Purvis had been worried about the effects of Ross playing a hard game the night before while Tiffin Columbian rested. He conceded, "We did tire a little. We started in a combination defense designed to give our kids a rest. In the third quarter they (Tiffin) started to treat it like a zone and we had to switch to man-for-man."

Coach Purvis indicated Garry, 6-2, asked to take Tiffin's Noller, 6-4, defensively. The coach praised, "It was a decisive point when Garry shut off Noller in the fourth quarter." Noller, who scored 16 points in the first three quarters, did not get a point in the fourth stanza with Garry's man-for-man coverage.

In praising Hahn Purvis noted the guard

brought the ball up the floor, guarded the other team's best player (Tom Bogner) and did most of the scoring. "One thing is definitely encouraging," stated Purvis, "our kids are improving."

In the rebound department Garry had 10, Fahrback 11, while Hahn and Tom Weisz each took down eight. This led to a Ross rebound total of 46, compared to Columbian's 40.

Hahn was the big inspiration but Ross still boasted of balance with three others in double figures. Fahrback made four of five from the field on the way to 10 points. Garry finished with seven field goals and 16 points, while John Schwartz, only a step behind Hahn in effectiveness from the outside and speed to head the fast break, totaled 15 points. Hahn scored 14 of his points as Ross took a 38-28 first half lead with out the benefit of a foul shot point. For the game he had the nine field goals and was three of three on free throws.

Statistically, Ross was 52 per cent from both the field and foul line. The foul-shooting mark was 12 of 23. From the field the Little Giants were equally accurate in each half, 18 of 35 in the first half and 11 of 21 in the second 16 minutes. Columbian was 23 of 57 per cent from the field, 40 per cent, 11 of 17 at the line, 65 per cent; had 40 rebounds and 13 turnovers. Turnovers, there

were 19 of them, threatened to put Ross in trouble.

The parents' night crowd was treated to a victory and the driving distortions of Tom Bogner, part of the Tiffin brother act. Tom with good body control on drives through the Ross defense led the hours with 20 points. Noller had 16 points. Each of the leaders made eight field goals.

In the reserve game Tiffin came from behind in the last quarter for a 45-43 win. Ross reserves were 17 of 47, 36 per cent, from the field, nine of 17, 53 per cent, at the foul line, had 41 rebounds, 10 turnovers. Victorious Tiffin reserves scored 15 of 41 field goal tries, 37 per cent; made 15 of 31 free throws, 48 per cent, took 39 rebounds and turned the ball over 11 times.

**VARISITY**  
ROSS — Garry 7-16; Weiss 1-4; Zimmerman 2-4; Fahrback 4-10; Hahn 9-21; Schwartz 6-15; TOTALS 28-12-30.  
TIFFIN COLUMBIAN — Goding 2-8; Hunt 0-0-0; Noller 4-8-8; Tom Bogner 14-20; Tom Bogner 1-5-7; Dillard 2-15; Hornsby 1-2; TOTALS 23-12-58.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 20 18 17 15-70  
TIFFIN COLUMBIAN 12 16 8 12-58

**RESERVE**  
ROSS — Roland 1-2; Shearer 2-4; Lewis 5-15; Pitts 2-4; King 0-1-1; Brough 2-4; Dudley 4-8; Boudert 1-1-1; TOTALS 17-4-43.  
TIFFIN COLUMBIAN — Park 1-5-7; King 3-11; Cook 2-15; Oberlander 4-14; Wolfe 3-8; TOTALS 15-34-61.

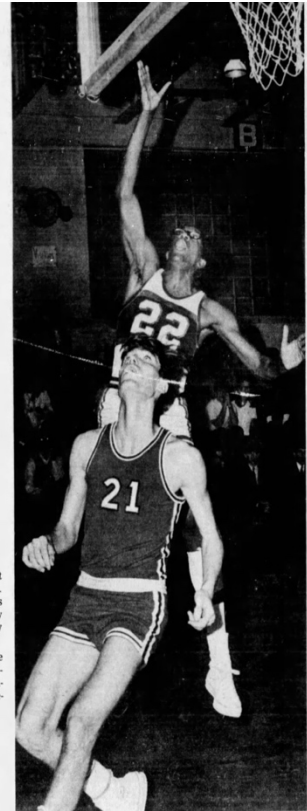
**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 13 8 12 19-43  
TIFFIN COLUMBIAN 13 8 8 14-40

## Oak Harbor Victim

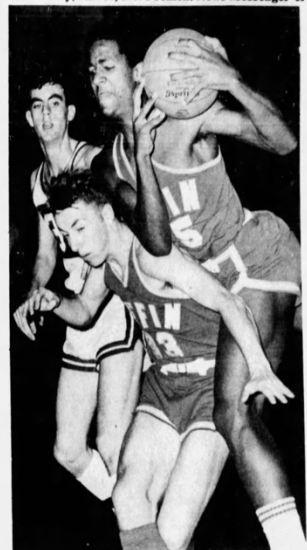
### Streaks Win Sixth On Mat

Oak Harbor won the first two weight classes and the last one, final three matches, but in between it was all Free. Oak Harbor won three weight

classes, the 106 lb. Whitman on 114-J. Zanbrano (SD) decimated S. Myers, 40-6-0.  
(122-Mike Hagerity (SD) won by forfeit, 10-0.  
(129-T. Seidler (SD) decimated L.



ROSS' PHIL HAHN DRIVES FOR LAYUP  
Leaps Above Mansfield's Vince Pagani



TIFFIN PILEUP — Bob Hunt (with ball) climbs the back of teammate Gary Hoenshell under the boards in action for Tiffin Columbian Saturday at Ross high school gym. Kevin Hahn (background) who was the Ross high scorer with 21 points, watches collision. (News-Messenger Photo).

## Collegiate Cage Scores

Ohio State 84, Wisconsin 60  
Bowling Green 75, Ohio University 74  
Miami 77, Toledo 73  
Cincinnati 87, Louisville 75  
Drexel 74, Mt. Union 67  
Muskingum 77, Heidelberg 40





# “Best Game:” Purvis Foul Line Trips Ross Upset Bid

MARION—Victory was not the climax but Fremont Ross Little Giants had their finest hour Friday night. The visiting Ross team proved a reluctant victim in falling to Marion Harding, leading team in the Buckeye Conference and a team ranked in the top 10 of Ohio. The Presidents made 11 of 12 free throws and their last 10 points from the foul line to pull out a 54-40 victory.

The pressure was such that Marion Coach Dan Baker ordered a stall with 2:08 to play and the Presidents holding onto a slim 45-40 advantage. Ross Coach Don Purvis was faced with a decision—slow it down and finish with a five-point loss or go after a victory. For many a five-point loss by Ross to Marion would be a moral victory, but the Little Giants played it to win.

To solve the stall they had to foul and Marion was flawless at the line. Coach Purvis explained, “We could have stalled the clock out and lost by five but we have a chance to win . . .”

“This could be the best ball game any team has played for me at Fremont,” stated Coach Purvis. “This was our best game, a well-disciplined game.” The coach singled out John Fahrbach, 6-2, pivot. “He played a game, a heck of a game.” Fahrbach, battling taller opposition, was a tiger on the boards and pulled down 13 rebounds to lead all players on either team. The scoring load was carried by Jon Schwartz, 17, and Kevin Hahn, 10.

This pair of shooters combined to erase the biggest Marion lead before the final score. Ross led much of the second quarter but Marion pulled to a nine point lead late in the third period. Hahn and Schwartz each had two baskets as Ross hit the hoop four consecutive times and cut the margin to four points.

“All our kids did a heck of a job defensively,” praised Purvis. The only man who could solve that defense was All-Ohio candidate Dave Merchant.

Merchant was the entire Marion offense with 30 points. The jump-shooting guard scored all seven of Marion's points in the first quarter and 19 points in the second half. He had 12 of Marion's 17 points in the third quarter.

Defensively, Marion pressed all the way hoping to rattle the Little Giants. The tactic failed to be effective and proved no problem to Ross. In fact the Little Giants had only 10 turnovers, the lowest total of the season for them. With Fahrbach leading the way Ross even led the rebounding, 30 to 29.

In shooting statistics the Little Giants were 16 of 47, 34 per cent, from the field, and eight of 13, 62 per cent, on free throws. Marion was 19 of 47, 40 per cent, on field goal tries and 16 of 20, 80 per cent, at the foul line.

In the reserve ball game Marion had the hotter shooting hand in a 49-37 victory. The Little Presidents made 17 of 43 field goal tries, 40 per cent, and 15 of 27 free throws, 56 per cent. Ross made 12 of 35, 34 per cent from the field, and 13 of 25, 52 per cent, at the line. Ross had 12 turnovers and 27 rebounds to six turnovers and 23 rebounds for Marion reserves.

The Little Giants try again for victory number four tonight when they meet Huron of the Sandusky Bay Conference at Fremont. Huron brings a 7-4 record and a 6-7 center, Ken Wilber, to the game.

## Buckeye Conference

### Sandusky, Findlay Stay Within Reach

Marion stayed on top of the Buckeye Conference Friday night but not without a fright from tailender Fremont Ross. The Ross team fell to Marion, 54-40, to retain a half game lead over Sandusky, 60-54 victor over Lorain. In other Buckeye Conference action Mansfield nipped Admiral King, 62-61, and Findlay stayed within reach by stopping Elyria, 75-62.

**SANDUSKY-LORAIN**  
SANDUSKY — Rather 3-2-8, Ferris 10-6-26, Venerucci 3-2-8, Hosfield 3-5-11, Sampson 2-1-5, Hart 1-0-2 TOTAL 22-16-60

LORAIN — Wilmington 1-1-3, Parker 8-6-22, Scoboda 5-2-12, Lombardi 1-0-2, Gassmg 2-1-5, Sanchetz 1-2-4, Willabe 3-0-6 TOTAL 21-12-54

**Score By Quarters**  
SANDUSKY 10 13 21 16—60  
LORAIN 8 14 16 16—54

**FINDLAY-ELYRIA**  
FINDLAY — Reiker 3-3-9, Hollingsworth 6-4-16, Edgington 4-5-13, G. Lishawa 10-7-27, Wall 3-4-10 TOTAL 26-23-75  
ELYRIA — Reinhardt 9-3-21, Corn 0-2-2, Sheldon 5-0-10, Fitzpatrick 7-2-16, James 2-3-7, Webb 3-0-6 TOTAL 26-10-62

**Score By Quarters**  
FINDLAY 15 17 17 26—75  
ELYRIA 13 14 14 21—62

**MANSFIELD-KING**  
MANSFIELD — Pagani 1-6-8, Petty 6-4-16, Hill 9-7-25, Nixon 1-0-2, Smith 2-1-5, Mansfield 2-2-6 TOTALS 21-20-62  
ADMIRAL KING — Kish 7-0-14, Anderson 2-1-5, Taylor 10-2-22, Ashley 0-1-1, McCall 3-0-6, Harris 2-2-6, Jesko 3-1-7 TOTALS 27-7-61

**Score By Quarters**  
MANSFIELD 19 17 15 11—62  
ADMIRAL KING 11 16 18 16—61

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**  
ROSS—Garry 0-0-0, Weisz 1-2-4, Zimmerman 1-0-2, Fahrbach 2-3-7, Hahn 5-0-10, Schwartz 7-3-17 TOTALS 16-8-40

MARION—Fry 1-2-4, Gipson 3-3-9, Chestnut 1-2-4, Merchant 11-8-30, Hardman 2-1-5, Conley 1-0-2 TOTALS 19-16-54

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 4 15 7 14—40  
MARION 7 11 17 10—54

**RESERVE**  
ROSS—Ruland 1-0-2, Lewis 5-2-12, Smith 1-0-2, Pitts 0-3-3, Brough 2-6-10, Kridler 0-1-1, Dudley 3-1-7 TOTALS 12-13-37

MARION—Patrick 2-1-5, Gipson 0-1-1, Owens 3-5-11, Lorren 0-1-1, Gifford 4-3-11, Walker 0-1-1, Sisler 2-3-7, Brown 1-0-2, Huddle 5-0-10 TOTALS 17-15-49

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 11 10 4 12—37  
MARION 17 13 7 12—49

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**"Worst Since Fostoria:" Purvis**

# Fatal Minute Kills Ross Hopes For Victory

From "The best game a team has played for me at Fremont" to the "Worst since the Fostoria game" was the one-day tumble Fremont Ross basketball team made over the weekend. The praises and the "worst" label both came from the mouth of Coach Don Purvis — the praise after a near-miss at Huron, the dismay following a 56-46 loss to Huron at home Saturday.

The Little Giants saw their chances dissolve in the final minute of the third quarter. Ross had tied the game, 33-33, as it faced that fatal minute. The minute in question produced eight points for Huron and lost Kevin Hahn for the Little Giants. Even a desperation midcourt toss at the quarter buzzer went all wrong.

When Ross tied the score Purvis "thought we were going

to make it." In that last minute of the third quarter Huron scored eight points on two field goals and four free throws. The four three throws resulted from two Hahn fouls—his fourth and fifth. It meant the exit of Ross's top scorer and leading ball-handler with a full quarter yet to play. Hahn's last two fouls came in the final 30 seconds of the period. The last one came with time running out as Hahn wound up for an outliner's toss from past midcourt. The shot missed but Hahn fell into a Huron player, committing his last foul and letting Huron make two foul points after the quarter-ending buzzer.

"We just played poorly," stated Purvis, adding, "We were dead. That was our worst game since Fostoria. We had played five games consistently better until this one."

Fostoria was the opener when Ross lost by shooting 27 per cent from the field.

Statistically, Ross was 19 of 53 from the field, 36 per cent; eight of 19, 42 per cent, at the foul line, took down 45 rebounds and committed 13 turnovers. Huron was 21 of 58 on field goal tries, 37 per cent; made 14 of 25 free throws, 56 per cent; had 37 rebounds and 11 turnovers. Hahn was the leading Ross scorer in three quarters with 11 points. Phil Garry and John Fahrback each had 12 rebounds for the Little Giants, Art McIntyre paced the Huron scoring with 16.

Ross reserves had a field day with all 16 players seeing action and 11 scoring in a 61-36 victory.

**VARSTY**  
HURON—McIntyre 7-26, O'Hara 1-1, Wilber 3-10, Legende 6-12, Herrick 2-7, Fisher 2-7, TOTALS 14-56.  
ROSS—Garry 1-4, Weisz 4-8, Fahrback 4-19, Hahn 5-11, Schwartz 3-24, Zimmerman 1-5, Lewis 1-1, TOTALS 19-66.

**Score By Quarters**

HURON	16	11	14	15-56
ROSS	13	9	11	13-46

**RESERVE**  
HURON—Bogden 0-0, Holthausen 0-0, Ritter 2-4, Opper 1-5, McMillen 5-12, TOTALS 14-36.  
ROSS—Inland 3-12, Lewis 5-12, Pitts 1-4, Rough 3-11, Dudley 4-19, Large 1-2, D. Smith 1-0, Sanderson 1-0, Knapp 0-2, Spriggs 1-0, Baker 1-4, TOTALS 21-61.

**Score By Quarters**

HURON	15	3	10	8-36
ROSS	18	19	14	19-61

## Unbeaten Swim Streak Extended

# Shawnee Is Seventh Ross Victim

Fremont Ross swimmers rolled with a rabbit punch, came up off bottom of the pool and sank Lima Shawnee, 57-36, Saturday afternoon at the junior high pool. The Little Giants were stunned in the opening relay but had moved into the lead by the third event. The Little Giants were not home free as Shawnee first tied the score and then moved back into a 27-25 lead after the 100-yard butterfly. The meet extended the Ross victory string to seven without a loss.

Ross went back on top to stay when Scott Keller won

the 100-yard freestyle, seventh Friday against Western Reserve Academy.

The coach further praised his team. "The boys showed that they were able to face adversity and still come through. We swam very nearly as well today as we did on Friday, and it always is tough to come back the second day."

Pointed out for special note were Dan Alney, improved his individual medley, time, Pat Aten, two-second improvement in the individual medley, Jeff Keefe, second place while filling in at the butterfly, Cecil Miller, improved over best

time against Western Reserve; Bob Roosen, of whom Balsizer said "a fast improving boy whose second place gave us a big boost toward victory," Pat Aten, his best time in a breast stroke upset.

Keller and Mike Aten each had two first places.

**SUMMARY**

200 MILEY RELAY—Lima Shawnee (Stockdale, DeBorja, Gayer, Rigg), 1:51.7; Ross (Cecil Miller, Scott Nahn, Tom Thompson, Mike Frey), 1:51.1.

200 FREESTYLE—Mike Aten (R), 2:01.9; Freeland (L), 2:05; Townsend (L), 2:06.

50 FREESTYLE—Scott Keller (R), 24.4; Jeff Keefe (R), 25.5; Buehler (L), 26.6.

300 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY—Grunia (L), 2:29.2; Dan Alney (R), 2:31.1; Pat Aten (R), 2:32.8.

DIVE—Dan Linder (R), 108.2; Clymer (L), 121.2; Lewis (L), 108.4.

100 BUTTERFLY—Gayer (L), 1:02.1; Keefe (R), 1:06; Paplow (L), 1:08.3.

100 FREESTYLE—Keller (R), 53.9; Freeland (L), 56; Dick Homer (R), 57.

100 BACKSTROKE—Miller (R), 1:03; Bob Roosen (R), 1:03.9; Stockdale (L), 1:06.

400 FREESTYLE—Mike Aten (R), 4:27.2; Grunia (L), 4:29.3; Townsend (L), 4:32.8.

100 BREAST STROKE—Pat Aten (R), 1:08.5; DeBorja (L), 1:09.1; Nahn (R), 1:12.9.

400 FREESTYLE RELAY—Ross (Randy Hottenger, Randy Christy, Roosen, Al Stephenson), 3:40.9; Lima Shawnee (Darbyshire, Paplow, Paplow, Paplow), 4:04.5.

## Three Teams Stay Unbeaten In Cage Play

UCLA might be having its own way in the college basketball rankings, but the Bruins are getting plenty of competition from Santa Clara and New Mexico State for the team with the best record in the nation.

Third-ranked Santa Clara, raising its record to 16-0 with a 64-40 victory over San Jose State last Saturday, appears headed for an unbeaten clash against top-ranked UCLA in the NCAA post-season regional playoffs on the West Coast.

New Mexico State No. 7, continued its steady climb in the rankings with an 80-65 decision

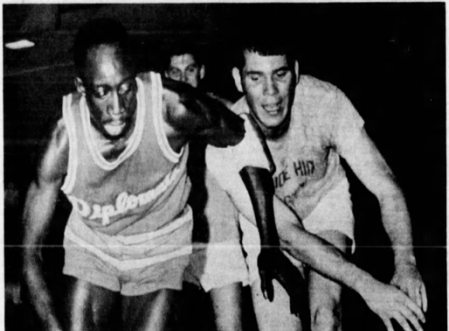


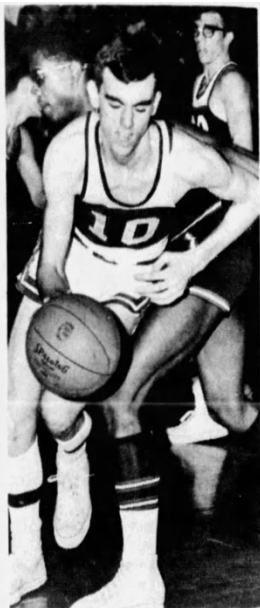
**HOLD ON THERE**—Phil Garry (22), Ross, gets the two-way stretch applied by Huron's Ken Wilber in a fight for the basketball Saturday night. Little Giant teammate Tom Weisz watches helplessly in the background. (News-Messenger Photo)

## Collegiate Cage Scores

**Ohio**  
Ohio State 98, Michigan 85  
Ohio 91, Toledo 80-77  
Miami 71, Bowling Green 69  
Kent State 81, Western Mich. 63  
Wittenberg 11, Huron 33  
Mt. Union 74, Baldwin-Wallace 72  
Capital 67, Otterbein 66  
Malone 68, Findlay 66  
Buffalo 62, Wilmington 60  
Dayton 86, DePaul 85  
Detroit 86, Xavier 84  
Cincinnati 106, Northern Mich. 59  
Kenyon 87, Allegheny 85  
Ohio Northern 84, Ohio Wesleyan 50  
Campbellsville, Ky. 94, Rio Grande 92  
Ashland 87, W. Va. Tech 18  
Akron 73, Youngstown 59  
Defiance 91, Heidelberg 84  
Cleveland State 48, Wayne State 40  
Bethany 94, John Carroll 88  
Urbana 106, Ohio Dominican 79  
Ondarville 77, Kentucky Southern 76

**East**  
Army 62, Dartmouth 48  
Penn State 65, Pitt 56  
Lafayette 86, W. Kentucky 81  
St. John's, N. Y., 91, West Virginia 62  
Purdue 68, Indiana 64





KEVIN HAHN  
Ross Point Best

## Little Giant Needs Club For Success

Needed: One Scorer. This classified advertisement, if answered by the right man, could help solve the major Fremont Ross basketball problem of the season. Admittedly, the Little Giants are far from giant and could use additional height, but the biggest need is for a shooter.

Kevin Hahn and John Schwartz have had their hot nights and on these the only scoring punch has materialized. Still, the big scorer is missing. Thirteen players have been utilized by Coach Don Purvis and only Hahn and Schwartz are averaging in double figures. Each have scored at a shade over 11 points a game. In 13 games only these two and Phil Garry have scored more than 100 points.

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ROSS SCORING					
Player	G	FG	FT	Pts.	Ave.
Kevin Hahn	13	62	29	153	11.8
Jon Schwartz	13	54	31	149	11.5
Phil Garry	13	38	28	105	8.1
Tom Weisz	13	40	9	85	6.5
John Fahrback	13	24	35	83	6.4
Rusty Zimmerman	12	21	19	61	5.1
Dennis O'Brien	9	4	3	11	1.2
Doug Kridler	10	4	3	11	1.1
Keith Chapin	8	1	7	9	1.1
John Lewis		1	4	6	
Rick Dudley		0	2	2	
Tom Brough		1	0	2	

## Little Giants Lead Most Of Game

# Ross Upset Bid Falls Short Against Lorain, 54-52

"I thought we outplayed them most of the way, but the voice of Ross basketball coach Don Purvis tailed off into silence. That was the extent of the coach's comment, except to praise the play of John Fahrbach and Phil Garry, after his Little Giants led much of the way only to lose to Lorain Senior 54-52 Friday night at Ross high.

A big part of the "but" which brought the Ross downfall was the fourth quarter defensive work of Lorain guards Tim Lombardi and Bill Grassing. The small, speedy pair forced six of the 12 Ross turnovers in that fatal last quarter. Having trouble getting the ball into

play, the Little Giants had only one field goal in the last eight minutes.

Good shooting, deliberate offense and a tenacious zone defense, aided by repeated Lorain fouling, had Ross in the lead much of the game. The Little Giants led at every quarter break and still had a one-point edge, 50-49, with 2:42 to play. Two free throws by Jim Svoboda with 2:28 to play gave Lorain the lead to stay. Lorain scored its final five points from the foul line.

Five points was the most separating the two teams throughout the game. A free throw by Fahrbach gave Ross a 6-5 lead with 4:38 to play in

the first quarter. The Little Giants never trailed for the next 17 minutes and 48 seconds of the game. With 2:50 to go in the third quarter Lorain took the lead for only the second time in the game, 35-34, on a Bill Grassing jump shot. Fahrbach drove under the bucket and put in a reverse layup with 1:57 to play in the third quarter and Ross was back on top, 36-35. Lorain again held a brief 45-43 lead with 5:40 remaining in the game, but a jump shot and a free throw by Phil Garry on a three-point play erased this. Ross then stayed on top until Svoboda provided Lorain only its fourth lead of the game with the decisive free throws.

Closeness of the game was indicated in the fact the score was deadlocked 10 times, three in the final six minutes of play.

Ross gave Lorain trouble with its 2-3 zone. At the same time the Little Giants were taking their time but cutting through a Steelman man-for-man defense to hit 45 per cent of their shots in the first two periods. Lorain switched to a zone defense and the two front men then provided the defensive difference in the last quarter. Until the fourth quarter Lorain did not come out on Ross defensively and it appeared they were going to let the Little Giants get away with the stalling tactics. Then the

pressure was applied up front in the final eight minutes.

Although giving away both bulk and height Ross led the rebounding thanks to Garry and Fahrbach. The Little Giants had 31 rebounds to 29 for Lorain. Fahrbach and Garry put on a scrappy board display with seven and nine respectively. For Lorain 6-4 Cal Parker had eight and 6-2, 215-pound Svoboda had nine.

Strong shooting kept Ross in the game with 16 of 38 from the field, 42 per cent, and 20 of 26 at the foul line, 76.9 per cent. Lorain was 20 of 50, 40 per cent on field goal tries, and 14 of 18, 77.8 per cent, on free throws.

Garry finished the night as the game's leading scorer with 17 points. Fahrbach, of whom Coach Purvis said, "John is really putting out for us," had 14 points. John Schwartz, especially effective against the man-for-man with his speed in the first half when he had eight points, scored 10.

Ross reserves continued their winning ways with a 46-39 victory. John Lewis was again the pace-setter with 15 points. The game had the appearance of a donnybrook with a fist-swinging incident before the game was a minute old. Dave Kridler, 5-4 guard, was later injured in a spill to the floor. He was taken to Memorial hospital for examination of a possible collar bone injury.

ROSS — Garry 7-3-17, Weiss 1-0-2, Zimmerman 0-6-6, Fahrbach 3-8-14, Hahn 0-3-3, Schwartz 3-9-10. TOTALS 16-20-52.

LORAIN — Parker 5-2-12, Lombardi 2-2-6, Williamson 1-2-8, Sanchez 1-1-3, Svoboda 3-5-11, Williamson 2-2-6, Grassing 4-0-8. TOTALS 20-14-34.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 15 13 13 11-52  
LORAIN 13 12 17-52

RESERVES  
ROSS — Shearon 3-3-9, Ruland 1-0-2, Lewis 4-7-15, Sanderson 0-1-1, Knipp 1-2-4, Dudley 2-0-4, Brough 2-7-11. TOTALS 13-20-46.

LORAIN — Stevenson 4-1-8, Craig 1-0-2, Rodgers 0-1-1, Humphrey 5-2-12, Lanane 1-2-4, Reston 1-0-2, Siskar 3-3-9. TOTALS 15-9-29.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 8 19 11 10-46  
LORAIN 8 10 13-39

## Too Much Opposing Height

# Findlay Trims Ross, 78-50

FINDLAY — Too much opposing height and too many turnovers added up to a 78-50 Ross defeat at Findlay in basketball Saturday night. The Little Giants were overpowered by the towering Trojans, who have three 6-5 players in the starting lineup. The great height was directly responsible for many of the 37 Little Giant turnovers, worst loss of the ball mark for the season.

Findlay led all the way, but Coach Don Purvis pointed to the third period as decisive in his team's loss. Repeated Ross turnovers contributed to a 27-point Findlay period.

"We were tired," said Purvis, adding, "They were just too big for us." Of the 37 turnovers 11 were bad passes, but Purvis commented on the turnovers "We did everything you could do with it."

Greg Lishawa and Al Edgington led the Findlay attack with 24 and 17 points respectively. Edgington also was top rebounder for the Trojans with eight. Phil Garry was the best of the Little Giants with 15 points and a game high of nine rebounds.

Statistically, Findlay was 32 of 82 from the field, 40 per cent; 14 of 24 at the foul line, 58 per cent; had 37 rebounds.

Ross was 14 of 42 on goal attempts, 33 per cent; 22 of 30, 73 per cent, on free throws and pulled in 31 rebounds.

In reserve action Ross' Jayvees fell below the .500 mark with a 57-52 loss. This gives Ross reserves a 7-8 season record. The varsity is 3-12. Denny Shearon and Dick Dudley each had 12 points to lead Fremont reserves.

### VARSAITY

ROSS—Garry 4-7-15, Fahrbach 1-3-5, Weisz 1-0-2, Schwartz 2-1-5, Hahn 2-8-12, Zimmerman 1-2-4, O'Brien 1-0-2, Brough 1-0-2, Lewis 1-1-3. TOTALS 14-22-50.

FINDLAY—Edgington 7-3-17, Reiker 2-2-6, Hollingsworth 0-4-4, G. Lishawa 10-4-24, Wall 5-0-10, Ferguson 3-0-6, R. Lishawa 0-1-1, Baron 1-0-2, Price 2-0-4, Poff 2-0-4. TOTALS 32-14-78.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 9 9 12 20-50  
FINDLAY 19 13 27 19-78

### RESERVE

ROSS—Ruland 0-4-4, Shearon 4-4-12, Pitts 0-4-4, Knipp 0-1-1, Lewis 4-1-9, Brough 4-2-10, Dudley 5-2-12. TOTALS 17-18-52.

FINDLAY—Walton 2-4-8, Woodruff 5-4-14, Chatelain 2-0-4, Wenner 5-2-12, Moore 1-6-8, Dietsch 4-3-11. TOTALS 19-19-57.

Score By Quarters  
ROSS 11 16 13 12-52  
FINDLAY 9 16 19 13-57



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## Local Weekend Sports

# Ross In Final Home Test, St. Joe Without Top Scorer

Six seniors will be playing their final home basketball game Friday night for Fremont Ross. St. Joseph, which already has closed its home activities, will be on the road at Gibsonburg without its leading scorer. The two basketball games are part of the weekend sports activity which sees wrestling teams from both local schools in conference meets and the Ross swimmers with two home meets.

Ross will be at home Friday night against Elyria. Earlier in the season the Little Giants dropped a 75-56 decision to the tall Pioneers despite playing one of their better games of the early season. Ross was in contention to the end as they surprisingly dominated the boards against a team which has two boys 6-5 and one 6-2 in the starting lineup. Big reason for that board domination was the 17-rebound performance of 6-2 Phil Garry.

Garry will lead the sextet of seniors making their last home appearance. The other departing Little Giants are Keith Chapin, John Fahrbach, Kevin Hahn, Jon Schwartz and Tom Weisz. Fahrbach, Garry, Hahn, Schwartz and Weisz have been starters much of the season.

The Friday game goes into the Buckeye Conference standings which saw Elyria at 4-8 and Ross trailing the league at 1-11.

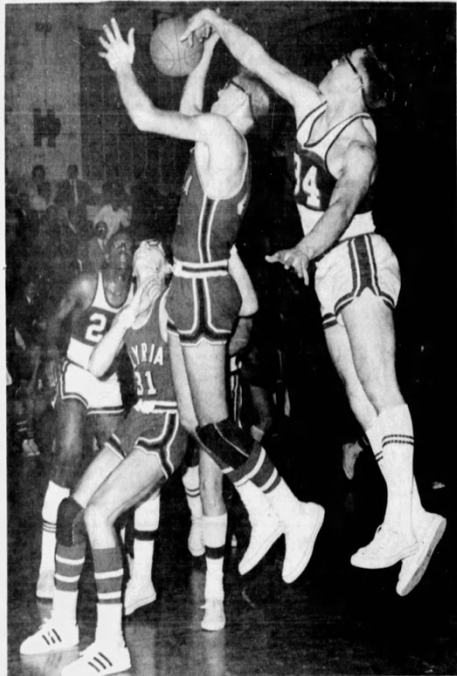
St. Joseph opened the season with a narrow home victory over Gibsonburg. This time the Crimson Streaks will be handicapped by a strange floor and the loss of Mike Eberly. Eberly, who leads the team 250 points in 14 games, an aver-

age of 18 a game, has been suspended from the team as scholastically ineligible.

Coach Dennis Fearnow said he would continue his practice of recent games in playing some underclassmen. The Gibsonburg game provides a chance to salvage a 4-4 Sandusky Bay Conference slate. Actually, Fearnow looks to the upcoming tournaments for redemption of the season. "You think things can't get any worse, but they did," remarked the first year St. Joseph mentor. The season started with senior George Moody on the sidelines as the results of a serious infection. He missed the early games. Illness then erased Junior Mike Koebel from the squad and now Eberly trips over the books and is gone. That leaves the Crimson Streak ranks depleted by three boys who were potential starters.

Ross Swimming Coach Jack Balsizer sees his team's two weekend meets as chances to experiment with relays and to try and improve times against the clock. This will be preparation for district and conference meets in the near future. Ross is at home Friday, 4:30 p.m., against Toledo DeVilbiss and Saturday, 2 p.m., against Toledo St. John. DeVilbiss is a first-year swimming school and St. John in its third season.

"We hope to be able to put together our best medley relay on Friday and our best 400-yard freestyle relay on Saturday in an attempt to prepare for the remainder of the campaign," declared Balsizer. He added, "We also want to give some of our top boys additional experience in their best event and work some of the reserve boys into the meet."



RUSTY ZIMMERMAN BLOCKS ELYRIA FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT  
Shooter Chris Reinhardt Comes Down On Dan Fitzpatrick (31)

## Sandusky Bay Conference

# Sandusky St. Mary Clinches Title Share

When the final thrilling seconds had ticked away on two separate Sandusky Bay Conference basketball courts Friday night, the Panthers had earned a share, but the team which still has a chance to give them the whole prize couldn't quite come up with one of its own.

The final gun at Margareta gave the St. Mary's Panthers a 75-68 win at least a share of the Sandusky Bay Conference championship, while the contest at Lakota ended in a 67-62 victory for visiting Huron. Now St. Mary's must sit and wait for the outcome of the Lakota-Clyde contest next week. If Clyde wins, the Flyers and Panthers are tied for the league title but if Lakota wins, the Panthers rule alone.

Both of the Friday night Sandusky Bay Conference games went right down to the wire. At Margareta it was the usual fine scoring of Rich Dave, the usual performance of Mike Roth and the almost unbelievable late game shooting of the Margareta team which made the difference.

Dave paced all scorers with 13 field goals and six free throws for 32 points, but Roth, starting his first game as a replacement for Mark Ackerman, who quit the team, provided some key buckets and the big surprise. Roth scored nine field goals and two free throws for 20 points, a total which included two late game buckets which Margareta Coach Gene VanDrassall said "Just killed it."

But, while St. Mary's had its

heroes, the Polar Bears still had the opportunities but as VanDrassall said, "It just wasn't to be." With one and a half minutes left in the game, the Polar Bears trailed 71-68 and two of the biggest Panthers

Center Mike Dennis and forward Paul Fritz — had fouled out. But, Roth hit the key buckets and the Polar Bears, unbelievably, missed seven straight 'easy' shots as time was running out.

At Lakota, the Raiders could not overcome their own cold shooting even with a red hot fourth quarter.

The Raiders, hitting only 11 of 48 attempts from the field, fell behind 46-32 at the end of three quarters, but surged back into contention with a net blistering performance in the fourth quarter. In that final period, the Raiders hit 13 of 21 attempts from the field and closed the gap to three points with two minutes to go. Lakota finished with 24 of 69 field goal attempts, while Huron connected on a red hot 28 of 47 for 49 per cent.

Lakota's Gary Hagen led all

scorers with 23 points.

In reserve action, the Huron squad dropped Lakota 50 to 39 and Margareta defeated St. Mary's 40 to 35.

**SBC STANDINGS**

Team	W	L
Sandusky St. Mary	7	1
Clyde	6	1
Huron	5	2
Lakota	4	3
St. Joseph	4	4
St. Wendelin	3	4
Gibsonburg	2	5
Margareta	2	5
Oak Harbor	0	8

**ST. MARY-MARGARETA**  
ST. MARY—Dave 18-32, Fritz 9-21, Dennis 3-9, Kerner 0-0, Roth 9-20, Curtis 1-2, TOTALS 75-68.  
MARGARETA—Bekke 5-14, Fredrick 6-13, Bailey 2-4, Leber 0-3, Lopez 7-18, Wolschlag 0-1, Kogal 4-11, TOTALS 68-75.

**Score By Quarters**  
ST. MARY 25 19 15 16-75  
MARGARETA 20 12 13 25-68

**HERON-LAKOTA**  
HERON—Machette 8-20, Wilber 6-13, Legando 8-17, Hetrick 2-4, Fisher 1-9, TOTALS 31-67.  
LAKOTA—Creeger 5-12, Hagen 10-23, Knight 5-13, Wile 3-24, Smith 1-0, Hammer 0-3, Hatheway 0-1, TOTALS 49-31.

**Score By Quarters**  
HERON 14 16 16 21-67  
LAKOTA 9 9 14 20-38

## Reserve Lights Fire In Fostoria Attack

FOSTORIA — Fostoria and Port Clinton stumbled around in the third period to come from a one-point halftime deficit to an eight-point lead.

PORT CLINTON — Fritz 4-14, Inat 3-12, E. Engler 1-0, Worman 1-3, Kord 1-3, Lee 1-0, B. Engler 1-2, TOTALS 17-31.

**FOSTORIA** — Fegh 3-9, Pillay 7-12, P. Pava 3-9, Conine 1-0, Scharlach 7-18, Burrows 1-2, TOTALS 21-36.

**Score By Quarters**  
PORT CLINTON 11 6 13 21-31  
FOSTORIA 6 10 22 38

Fostoria changed the tempo of a slow game with 22 points

# Falls To Elyria Ross Upset Bid Runs Out Of Gas In Last Period

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL  
N-M Sports Editor

The two dragsters stood at the line revving their engines. It had been an even match so far. Elyria tramped on the accelerator. There was a screech of engine, a squeal of tires, rubber gripped the pavement and the Pioneer sped full speed ahead. Ross tramped the pedal to the floor and the gas tank was empty.

After battling on even terms with a favored Elyria for three quarters, the Little Giants ran out of energy in the first four minutes of the fourth quarter. The response was not there when the driver put the machine in victory gear. The four minute spurt was what was needed for a 70-62 Elyria victory.

The final outcome seemed a shame, but what can you expect when you race a souped up sports car in a Tin Lizzie. It fought a game battle but modern power finally wears down the antique.

The Pioneers slapped a zone on the Little Giants figuring Ross did not have the shooters. Guards Kevin Hahn and Jon Schwartz, with an occasional assist from Tom Weisz made a liar of this theory. Forced to go over the tall Pioneers with the long-range artillery the Little Giants still hit 45 per cent from the field. Hahn hit nine of 18 from the field, most from long range, on his way to 20 points. Swartz, who caught fire in the second half with 12 points, hit nine of 15 shots for 18 points. John Fabbach got 10 Ross points as he drove the baseline behind the defense.

The zone defense did not halt Ross scoring as anticipated, but it did box the Little Giants away from the offensive boards. One shot was the quota much of the way. On the defensive boards the Little Giants did a better job and actually had only two less rebounds for the game than the Pioneers. Phil Garry took 12 rebounds for Ross, while Kevin Hahn had nine of the 37 rebound total. Elyria had 27 rebounds, led by the 10 of Larond Corn and eight each by Chris Reinhardt and Dan Fitzpatrick. Reinhardt led all scorers with 22 points. Corn had 20.

For the game Ross hit 26 of 38 from the field, 45 per cent, which was matched by Elyria's 27 of 60, also 45 per cent. The scoring difference was at the free throw line where Elyria was 16 of 24, 67 per cent, and Ross only 10 of 21, 48 per cent.

The Little Giants were scrappy in staying in contention. They were ahead only twice in the game, 15-13 and 19-17, but deadlocked the score 12 times. The final tie tie was 42-42 with 2:32 to play in the third quarter. In the next nine minutes and 12 seconds Reinhardt scored 14 of his points to lead Elyria to a 19-point lead, 64-54. In that final minute and one-half Ross fought back to within six points twice but time was too short.

It was a strange night for the whistle-blowers. Officials called for only five foul shots in the first half, four by Ross and one miss by Elyria. There were 40 free throws attempted in the second half.

Ross reserves salvaged the night with a come-from-behind 38-35 victory. The Little Giants came back from eight points behind twice, were down 23-15 at halftime and 30-26 at the end of three quarters. Coach Alex Clark credited good defense the final three quarters with contributing to the victory.

Two other big factors were

free throw performance and the second half awakening of John Lewis. Lewis scored 20 of the Ross reserve points, 17 in the second half. At the foul line the sophomore was 12 of 12 as Ross made 76 per cent of its free throws, 20 of 26.

**VARISITY**  
ROSS — Garry 2-4, Weiss 2-4, Zimmerman 1-0, Fabbach 3-10, Hahn 9-20, Schwartz 9-18, TOTALS 26-10-62.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 17 14 13 18-62  
ELYRIA 17 14 13 25-70

**RESERVE**  
ROSS — Roland 1-3, Lewis 4-12, O'Brien 0-1, Pitts 1-0, Dudley 1-2, Brough 2-15, TOTALS 29-38.

**ELYRIA** — Elsom 3-17, Graham 2-4, Love 4-19, Gainer 2-4, Webb 2-4, Gurullo 1-0, Pates 1-3, TOTALS 36-35.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 8 7 11 12-38  
ELYRIA 16 7 7 5-25

**BUCKEYE CONFERENCE**

## Blue Streaks Clinch Repeat Title Share

John Farris tied a neat bow around the top Friday night as Sandusky put at least a share of the Buckeye Conference championship in the bag. Farris tallied 42 points in leading the Blue Streaks over Admiral King, 53-44. That gave Sandusky a one game lead over its only challenger, Marion, with one game to play.

Marion kept alive hopes of sharing the title with the defending champions by eliminating Lorain, 71-48. In other Buckeye Conference games Mansfield surprised Findlay, 80-77, and Elyria outlasted cellar-dwelling Ross, 70-62.

Marion continued its surge since the return of star Dave Merchant, who scored 26 points.

**MANSFIELD** — Pagni 7-12, Petty 4-16, Hill 10-28, Smith 0-3, Mansfield 1-5, Sullivan 2-4, TOTALS 80-77.

**FINDLAY** — Baker 5-16, Hollingsworth 5-11, Edgmon 8-18, G. Leber 7-21, Wall 2-4, Rowe 1-2, TOTALS 77-71.

**Score By Quarters**  
MANSFIELD 14 20 22 14-80  
FINDLAY 11 19 15 27-77

**LAKESHORE CONFERENCE**

## Bobcats Post Win, Woodmore In Upset

Green Springs won its third game of the season, Woodmore spoiled Osego's chances for an outright title and Ottawa Hills clinched a share of the title in Friday Lakeshore Conference action. Green Springs topped Danbury for the second time this season with clutch foul shooting, 62-52. Woodmore upset Osego, 66-58, as both teams harbor an outside chance of tying Ottawa Hills for the title.

Ottawa Hills made at least a tie a sure thing by trimming Northwood, 74-61.

For Green Springs Jerry Preston and Gary Emery stood tall as the Bobcats topped Danbury on the basis of 20 points from the foul line. Preston was 11 of 12 at the line as he scored 23 points. Emery was seven of nine on free throws, scored 25 points and took 16 rebounds. Preston broke the game loose when he scored three points on one-and-one bonus and a technical in the fourth quarter.

Tom Rymer, the talented sophomore, scored 31 points in leading Woodmore. Woodmore dominated the game with 52 per cent shooting from the field and 45 rebounds to 29 for Osego.

**SPRINGS IN BRIEF**

## Funseth Leads Hope

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. —Rod Funseth held the lead for the second day by a slim one stroke over Lee Trevino, National Open champion, at the 54-hole point of the 10th annual Bob Hope Desert Golf Classic. Funseth completed the first three rounds of the 96-hole marathon with 206 strokes.

**MATCHES WORLD MARK**

ELYRIA — Reinhardt 9-22, Fitzpatrick 6-15, Corn 8-20, James 1-3, Sheldon 3-11, TOTALS 27-10-70.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 17 14 13 18-62  
ELYRIA 17 14 13 25-70

**RESERVE**  
ROSS — Roland 1-3, Lewis 4-12, O'Brien 0-1, Pitts 1-0, Dudley 1-2, Brough 2-15, TOTALS 29-38.

**ELYRIA** — Elsom 3-17, Graham 2-4, Love 4-19, Gainer 2-4, Webb 2-4, Gurullo 1-0, Pates 1-3, TOTALS 36-35.

**Score By Quarters**  
ROSS 8 7 11 12-38  
ELYRIA 16 7 7 5-25

**BUCKEYE STANDINGS**

**Team** **W** **L**  
Sandusky 11 2  
Marion 10 3  
Findlay 9 4  
Mansfield 7 6  
Lorain 6 7  
Elyria 5 8  
Admiral King 3 10  
Ross 1 12

**LAKESHORE STANDINGS**

**Team** **W** **L**  
Ottawa Hills 7 1  
Woodmore 6 2  
Osego 5 3  
Northwood 5 4  
Green Springs 2 7  
Danbury 1 8

**WOODMORE-OTSEGO**

WOODMORE—Durdell 4-15, Heineman 2-15, Rymer 13-31, Ruppert 3-24, Johns 2-4, Hynes 1-0, Luczmeister 1-3, TOTALS 58-58.

**OTSEGO**—Spruel 6-19, Parson 4-20, Portney 5-10, Lene 7-15, Lamm 2-4, TOTALS 58-58.

**Score By Quarters**  
WOODMORE 18 10 23 18-66  
OTSEGO 12 18 17 11-58

**DANBURY-GREEN SPRINGS**

DANBURY—Walton 5-11, Paschok 4-10, Myers 5-12, Ross 2-4, Perry 2-4, Wolf 3-17, TOTALS 31-30-52.

**GREEN SPRINGS**—Emery 9-12, Preston 6-12, Willis 0-4, Berlekamp 4-19, Troika 6-11, Christian 2-4, TOTALS 23-20-61.

**Score By Quarters**  
DANBURY 10 8 16 30-52  
GREEN SPRINGS 15 17 13 45-61

**OTTAWA HILLS-NORTHWOOD**

OTTAWA HILLS—Crawford 8-20, Lamm 1-0, Tuck 6-15, Buckley 4-12, Miller 4-20, Burkhardt 3-17, TOTALS 30-14-74.

**NORTHWOOD**—Williams 3-6, Sauer 10-24, Quire 5-12, Anderson 3-8, Gockerman 1-0, Grimes 3-4, TOTALS 25-11-61.

**Score By Quarters**  
OTTAWA HILLS 17 18 19 54-74  
NORTHWOOD 14 13 15 42-61

## Buckeye Conference Roundup

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# Admirals Avenge Loss To Ross

LORAIN — The only Buckeye Conference team to fall to Fremont Ross this season made sure it didn't happen again Friday night. Admiral King, a team which was beaten midway in the season at Ross, dominated all the way Friday in a 73-47 home court victory over the Little Giants. The Admirals nearly doubled the number of goals from the field by its opponent.

As if the hot-shooting hand of the King team was not enough, the Little Giants stumbled over their own inaccuracy. Coach Don Purvis lamented missed layups which sank any hopes of Ross salvaging a victory. Purvis noted that this team missed at least seven layups in the battle.

In other Buckeye Conference action Sandusky added icing to the championship cake bought a week ago with a 73-53 victory over Mansfield. Marion was forced by the Sandusky victory to settle for second place rather than a tie for the lead. The Presidents concluded the league season with a 60-57 conquest of Findlay. In the third conference game Lorain dumped Elyria, 58-40.

The reserve ball game stole the spotlight from the varsity encounter at Lorain Admiral King. The Little Giant reserves fell to Admiral King, 70-68, in double overtime. The hero in a losing cause was 5-9 Tom Brough who scored 40 of the Ross reserve points. Brough had the 40 points despite not playing the first quarter. Enjoying the hottest night of his high school career Brough had 11 field goals and made 18 of 19 free throws.

In the varsity battle the Little Giants made only 37 per cent of their action shots, 17 of 46, compared to King's 51 per cent, 33 of 65. Neither team was especially effective at the line. Ross made 13 of 27 free throws, 47 per cent, and King scored on seven of only 13 foul shots, 54 per cent. King also dominated the boards with 46 rebounds to 36 for Ross.

**ROSS-KING VARSITY**  
ROSS — Garry 5-2-12, Fahrback 2-4-8, Hahn 3-0-6, Schwartz 5-2-12, Zimmerman 1-3-5, Chapin 0-1-1, Lewis 1-0-2, Dudley 0-1-1, TOTAL 17-13-47.  
ADMIRAL KING — Kirsh 1-0-2, Anderson 2-0-4, Taylor 7-4-18, Harris 6-0-12, Jesco 3-0-6, Norias 2-0-4, Pounders 1-0-2, Ashley 6-0-12, McCall 4-0-8, Esposito 1-0-2, Guerrieri 0-3-3, TOTAL 33-7-73.

Score By Quarters				
ROSS	14	8	14	11-47
ADMIRAL KING	22	16	16	19-73

Reserve				
ROSS	Shearon 2-3-5, Smith 3-0-6, O'Brien 2-0-4, Sanderson 0-2-2, Pitts 0-2-2, Dudley 2-0-4, Krider 1-3-5, Brough 11-18-40, TOTAL 21-26-68			
ADMIRAL KING	Diedrick 8-8-24, Hannibal 3-4-10, Prosak 9-3-21, Chawansky 2-5-9, Pagan 2-2-6, TOTAL 24-22-70			

Score By Quarters				
ROSS	6	16	15	19-68
ADMIRAL KING	18	15	9	14-70

SANDUSKY-MANSFIELD				
SANDUSKY	Rather 3-2-8, Farris 10-9-29, Venerucci 3-0-6, Hosfeld 7-4-18, Sampson 1-1-5, Hellick 1-0-2, Hart 1-0-2, Kastor 1-2-4, Manuela 0-1-1, TOTAL 27-19-73			
MANSFIELD	Pagan 5-4-14, Petty 2-2-6, Hill 4-2-10, Smith 2-0-4, Mansfield 3-3-9, Stillwell 0-0-0, Nixon 0-1-1, Barnett 4-0-8, Holloway 0-1-1, TOTAL 20-13-53			

Score By Quarters				
SANDUSKY	16	14	27	73
MANSFIELD	10	10	9	24-53

FINDLAY-MARION				
FINDLAY	Reiker 9-6-24, Hollingsworth 2-1-5, Edgington 2-4-8, G. Lishawa 6-4-16, Wall 0-0-0, Ferguson 1-2-4, TOTAL 20-17-57			

MARION	Fry 5-7-17, Gipson 2-0-4, Merchant 6-4-16, Chestnut 2-0-4, Hardman 6-1-13, Carper 1-0-2, Gables 2-0-4, TOTAL 24-12-60			
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Score By Quarters				
FINDLAY	13	17	15	12-57
MARION	11	15	21	13-60

LORAIN-ELYRIA				
LORAIN	Parker 9-3-21, Wilmington 3-3-9, Svoboda 2-3-7, Grassing 4-3-11, Lombardi 3-1-7, Sanchez 0-1-1, Washington 1-0-2, TOTAL 22-14-56			
ELYRIA	Reinhardt 5-7-17, Fitzpatrick 3-0-6, Corn 1-0-2, James 1-1-3, Sheldon 3-2-8, Thrash 2-0-4, TOTAL 15-10-40			

Score By Quarters				
LORAIN	11	9	20	18-58
ELYRIA	17	6	7	10-40

### BUCKEYE STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Sandusky	12	2
Marion	11	3
Findlay	9	5
Mansfield	7	7
Lorain	7	7
Elyria	5	9
Admiral King	4	10
Ross	1	13

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## Hahn, Brunner, Keller Honored At Sports Banquet

Eighty-one per cent, 101.5, 15-7—Just a list of unlike numbers but they were all given names Tuesday at the annual Ross high school winter sports banquet. Each of the numbers was matched with one of the individual award winners as athletes who participated for the Little Giants in basketball, swimming and wrestling.

The eighty-one per cent and the 15-7 represented two of the most valuable players—two of three such awards presented by the coaches. Kevin Hahn was the major hardware collector as he captured all the major trophies awarded for basketball. Hahn was honored as the team's most valuable player and honorary captain and received the David Brockmeyer award for best foul shooter. Hahn won the latter trophy by making 81 per cent of his free throws for the season. At one stretch in the year the Little Giant cage captain made 22 consecutive foul shots. His 81 per cent, according to Coach Don Purvis, was the highest Brockmeyer award percentage in history.

The selection of Hahn as most valuable resulted from the foul-shooting accuracy, 41 per cent shooting from the field, 215 points, 77 rebounds despite playing a guard position and his reputation as team's leading defensive player. Hahn was normally assigned the job of guarding the opposition's leading player. In sectional tournament he held Norwalk's Tom Durringer, a 27-point a game scorer, to four field goals.

The two other most valuable winners were Ted Brunner for wrestling, who had the 15-7 record, and Scott Keller, co-captain in swimming.

Other trophies presented by wrestling Coach Mal Mackey went to Mike Dowell, best defensive wrestler; Dan Hill, best

offensive wrestler; Bill Overmyer, outstanding sophomore, and Mark Weiser, most improved.

Most successful of the Ross winter teams was swimming coach by Jack Balsizer. The team had a 10-1 dual meet record, finished second in the Buckeye Conference meet, sixth in both the Bowling Green Relays and district meet. Named most valuable was Scott Keller, a boy who switched from his normal sprint freestyle events to finish fifth in the district and qualify for state in the individual medley. Of the most valuable swimmer Coach Balsizer noted, "Scott is a fine example of what you can do if you really want to."

Other Ross swimming team award winners were Mike Aten, most points won during the season—the 101.5, and Pat Collins, most improved swimmer. Collins this year cut his 400-yard freestyle time from 5:43 to 4:43 and fifth in the Buckeye Conference for that event.

With a trace of optimism Balsizer pointed to the fact that 35 of Ross' 50 points were scored by sophomores and juniors.

Although no trophies were presented, Basketball Coach Purvis gave special mention to John Fahrback, the team's leading field goal percentage shooter, 45 per cent; to Jon Brough, who set a Ross reserve team record with 40 points against Admiral King and to Jon Schwartz, the team's leading scorer with 220 points.

Participating in the award presentations with the head coaches were Alex Clark, basketball assistant; James Michaels, wrestling assistant; and Gary Shelt, swimming aide.

Also participating in the program were Teammaster John Titusworth, Dr. George Conti, superintendent of schools; Duane Wamsley, Ross principal; Mr. Don Purvis, cheerleader adviser; Richard Sherman, athletic director.

### Major League Prospects-5

## Weaver Shooting For Oriole Title

By MIKE RATHET  
Associated Press Sports Writer  
MIAMI (AP) — Earl Weaver, the Baltimore manager, was being asked about the Orioles' chances of overtaking Detroit in the Eastern Division of the American League.

"You finished 12 games behind the Tigers," Weaver never let the sentence finish.

"No, 1½ games behind," he corrected.

And Weaver had made his point.

When he took over the Orioles from Hank Bauer on July 11, the club already was 10½ games behind the front-running Tigers. They dropped behind only another 1½ games the remainder of the season while compiling a 48-34 record.

Weaver obviously feels the Orioles can make up that ground on the Tigers, and stay in front of Cleveland, Boston, New York and Washington in their division of the AL's two-division set-up this season.

"We can make up the ground," said Weaver, "with

arms. Dave McNally won 22 last year, Jim Hardin posted 18 victories and Tom Phoebus pitched a no-hitter. Phoebus, however, has set himself back by holding out.

Additional strength should come from a return to form by Palmer and the availability of Mike Cuellar, acquired from Houston in an all-season trade for Curt Blefary. Cuellar, 31-11 last year, was one of the National League's big winners in 1967 with 16 victories.

Three youngsters with promise also could fortify the staff—Mike Adamson, Rick Delgado and Al Severinsen. Adamson was 8-4, Delgado 9-5 and Severinsen 5-0 with a 1.42 earned run average in 38 games at Rochester last year.

Elsewhere, the Orioles will go with virtually the same line-up as last year.

Andy Etchebarren will be the No. 1 catcher, Boog Powell will be at first base, Dave Johnson at second, Mark Belanger at short and Brooks Robinson at third. There is little chance for anyone breaking in here.

In the outfield, Blair, Robin-



ROSS HIGH'S MOST VALUABLE ATHLETES WITH TROPHIES  
Kevin Hahn, Basketball; Scott Keller, Swimming; Ted Brunner, Wrestling

### Spring Training Roundup

## Bosox Drop First, But Tony Connects

by TOM SALADINO  
Associated Press Sports Writer

A grand slam home run snapped Boston's winning spring season but Red Sox Manager Dick Williams was smiling. His thoughts were on bigger things—like a crashing double by Tony Conigliaro.

The Minnesota Twins, aided by Ted Uhlaender's second-inning home run with the bases full, stopped Boston 7-6 Tuesday, after the Red Sox had taken their first three spring baseball exhibitions.

In the top of the inning, Conigliaro smashed a pitch by left-hander Jim Giam off the fence in left center field for a stand-up double. A strong wind helped cut down what looked like a sure home run.

"He's looked very, very good," an elated Williams said. "There isn't a gutsier player in the American League," referring to the 24-year-old Tony C. who is trying to come back after a near-disastrous beating by

Mickey Stanley's RBI single in the ninth broke a 4-4 tie as the Tigers edged the Pirates. Detroit rookie Ron Woods had tied the game in the eighth with a solo home run.

Johnny Bench cracked a single, double and triple and knocked in three runs, leading the Reds over Kansas City, ending the Royals' winning string at three.

Clell Jones hit for the cycle—single, double, triple and home run—as the Mets won their first spring game. Doc Edwards had four hits for the Phils.

Rookie outfielder Tom Shep's two-run single in the seventh snapped a 3-3 tie and sent the Yankees to their fourth straight victory.

The Cardinals battled around in the third and fourth innings as they routed the Phillies. The Phils ran came on a homer by Larry Hise.

Len Gabrielson, ending his holdout shortly before game time, knocked in the Dodgers' winning run in a three-run sixth-inning rally with a ground out. Mack Jones cracked a home run for the Expos.

Richie Scheinblum's sacrifice fly and a run-scoring single by Tony Horton snapped Cleveland's fourth-inning 3-3 tie off loser Dick Selma, who walked five and fired two wild pitches in three innings for San Diego.

Sal Hando and Joe Nook, with four hits apiece, led the A's 20-hit attack in crushing the Giants.

The Angels, trailing 4-1, exploded for six runs in the seventh inning to stop the Cubs.

Julian Javier, the Cardinals second baseman, who only last week reversed a decision to sign his contract and flew back home to the Dominican Republic, said he will sign his contract Friday at a reported \$52,000.

Campbell Ringings