

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 Fahrbach, 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.

How the new mentor will fit into the year's record of only three wins rest on an experienced mentor in 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 at tall as 6-3.



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 Fahrbach, Kerry Pitts, Phil Garry, Keith Chapin, Daryl Knipp, Jon Schwartz and Coach Don Purvis. (News-Messenger Photo)

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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; Daryl 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 covetous 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 5-8, and John Lewis, 5-10. All three are listed as guards.

The first game of the season Saturday night could be a measure of the Little Giants' potential. The Rossers 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 8-10 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 Filialier, 6-3;

Postel (Junior) Browning, 6-2; Steve Ward, 6-3; John Belshaw, 6-3; Jim Flack, 6-1; Rick Earl, Spencer Fairley, Greg Schlarbach, Larry Graves.

Four Lettermen Return Giant For New Season

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 Fahrbach, 6-2 senior, who was a part-time varsity performer last season.

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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 last year who which received the distinction back.

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 Margareta, a team with five lettermen, and Lakota, which has four of its five starters back.

Those much coveted big men in the league are Kent Wilber, 6-7; Huron, Mike Dennis, 6-4, St. Mary, and Tom Ricardi, 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," Heden has claimed. Wise was second leading scorer at Elmwood a year ago. Hagen, who had 200 points a year ago, is the leading scorer among the returnees.

Margareta's five lettermen hoping to improve on a third place finish in the SBC a year ago are Al Wilber, 6-4; Al Werling, 6-3; Jack Frederick, 5-9; Jack Behnke, 6-1; Maynard Leber, 6-0; 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 VanOrsall 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.

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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 while Elyria, which is the favorite, is the favorite. Elyria, a team which was the conference 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, 63-47; 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 Findlay; Mansfield, 85-57 conqueror of Elyria, and Admiral King, which defeated Toledo Bowsher, 58-51.

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 Findlay team which beat them in this year's opener. Chief graduation losses were Wes Fahrbach, 64, third team All-Conference; Steve Parker, 5-11, starting guard; Steve Fausey, 6-2, starting forward. Returning are four lettermen: Phil Garry, Kevin Keeler, 6-2, and Mike Rieker, 6-4; John Hollingsworth, 6-0. Coach Purvis looks to lack of size as chief drawback.

ELYRIA — 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-league; Dave Evans, 5-10, third team all-conference and honorable mention all-district; and Steve Woodruff, 6-0. Returning lettermen are Mike Rieker, 6-4½; John Hollingsworth, 6-0; Mike Wall, 5-8, and Greg Lishawa, 6-1. This quartet

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

ADMIRAL KING — Defending sectional and district champions are all-conference and second team choices, 6-0, first team all-district, 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 McConchie who died recently after retirement, looks to speed, fast break and depth strengths.

LYNCHBURG — Tallest team of a year ago still has height depth, but is down one. Don Gandy, 6-3, and Greg Bierman, 6-0, are the two returning lettermen. Chris Burkhardt, 6-4, joins by LaFond 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 Brownsky, 6-0, and Shawn Madison, 5-9. Returning

Favorites Clash Friday

Findlay vs. Fremont News-Messenger

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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.

Lead by the efforts 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 Fahrbach and leaping of Garry the Little Giants controlled the boards despite the presence of 6-8 Tom Kanuk in the Bucyrus lineup. Early in the game Ross employed a man-

for-man defense with Fahrbach assigned to the big fellow. Later Ross switched to a zone. Fahrbach got in foul trouble and the zone was used for the rest of the game. Garry was the backbone of the board domination with 15 rebounds. Kanuk 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 Fahrbach had foul troubles, pulled the final margin to 10 points.

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

and an 18-point lead after two minutes of the final quarter. Ross broke for three quick baskets in the last stanza for this lead. Fahrbach had 11 points and Garry was 10. Hahn had 10 and the rest of the game. Garry was the backbone of the board domination with 15 rebounds. Kanuk 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 Fahrbach had foul troubles, pulled the final margin to 10 points.

Coach Don Purvis freely substituted in the final minutes. This combined with a Bucyrus switch to a press whittled the final margin to 19 points out.

Purvis expressed pleasure with the work of two

sophomores pressed into service as guards. Rick Dudley and Doug Kridler, both guards, each played two quarters and added 10 points apiece and added to the Ross attack.

Ross broke its most damaging rut with a 38 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 unanswered 19 of 51 from the foul line. Bucyrus was 18 of 46, 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 45 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, 58-46. Twenty-six points from the foul line was the only thing which kept Bucyrus within striking distance. John Lewis with 14 and Dennis Shearon with 14, all on field goals for both, led the Ross reserve scoring.

BUCCYRUS—Fraser 5-5, Kuhn 3-3, Zarlar 7-6-1, Foss 3-4, Carr 1-4-4, Smith 1-2, McMichael 2-1-5, Emry 1-2. TOTALS 18-14-1.

ROSS—Fahrbach 1-7-9, Zimmerman 1-1-3, Weiss 3-1-7, Hahn 6-12, Schwartz 7-4-8, Carr 6-2, Danby 5-1, Kridler 6-2. TOTALS 23-19-6.

Score By Quarters

BUCCYRUS	15	11	8	17-51
ROSS	16	13	13	14-61

RESERVE

BUCCYRUS—Farrar 1-1-2, Frazer 2-4-4, Kennedy 2-2-2, Lewis 3-3, Richards 5-14, Wilson 1-6-2. TOTALS 10-26-46.

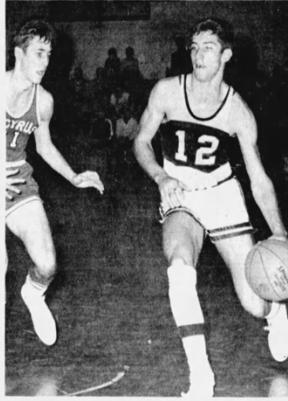
ROSS—Lewis 6-6-1, Kridler 2-2, Blakeman 4-1, D. Smith 2-1-5, Kuhn 1-2-4, Brough 2-1-5, Spriggs 1-1-2. TOTALS 25-6-5.

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BUCCYRUS	7	10	13	14-46
ROSS	16	9	19	14-58

Collegiate Scoreboard

Ohio	
Ohio U. 101	Ohio Wesleyan 55
Eastern Mich. 69	Cleveland State 63
Rio Grande 62	Findlay 81
Miami 62	Massillon 71
Buffalo 48	Akron 43
John Carroll 62	Notre Dame 74
Otherwin 41	DeSales 32
Mount Union 61	Marquette 50
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JON SCHWARTZ DRIBBLES ON FAST BREAK
Little Giant Slips By Redman Richard Ziegler

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St. Louis	8 1 1 667
New Orleans	3 9 1 256
Pittsburgh	2 10 1 167
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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
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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 home court Saturday night. The host Stockaders gave the visitors rough treatment in a 58-55 victory. Eberly, who twisted his knee in the first quarter, was unable to get into the game. 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

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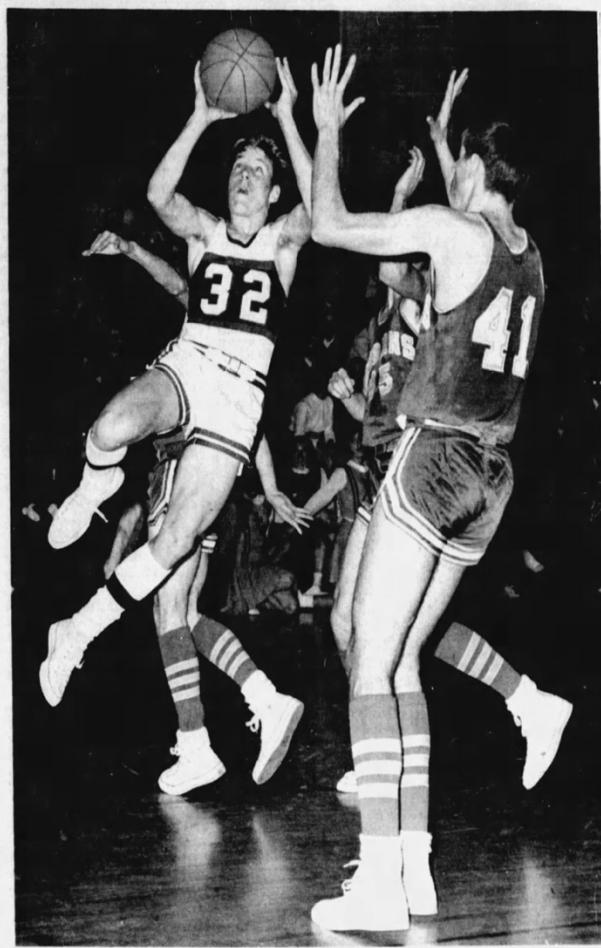
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DAVE KRIDLER DRIVES FOR TWO-POINT ROSS LAYUP
Little Guy Leaps By Findlay's 6-5 John Hollingsworth

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.

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

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.

ST. JOSEPH — Fev 2:15, Eberly 2:15, Chodzinski 2:5-9, Mielec 2:2-6, TOTALS 10:29.

MARGARETTA — Neill 3:04, Gill 5:4-5, Arnold 3:06, Bard 2:5-9, Sessler 1:2-4, Greene 1:0-2, Cullen 0:2-2, TOTALS 15:13-43.

Score By Quarters

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ST. JOSEPH — 8 5 5 11-29

MARGARETTA — 14 6 17 6-43

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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 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 5-0 David Kridler, John Fahrbach 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.



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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 with 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.

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 36-26 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 52-55 defeat.

VARSITY
ROSS—Zimmerman 3-3, Garry 3-3, Hahn 4-9, Weisz 2-3, Fahrbae 2-2, Chappell 1-6, Schaefer 4-4, Purvis 0-0. TOTALS 16-21-53.

SANDUSKY—Hahn 7-15, Hallcock 3-6, Hahn 1-3, Fahrbae 18, Venerucci 3-5-11, Hoefeld 6-2-14, Sampson 4-1-9. TOTALS 27-59-73.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 14 10 15 14—53

SANDUSKY 19 23 17 14—73

RESERVE

ROSS—Reinhardt 2-2, Swartz 6-12, Pitts 1-13, O'Brien 2-6, Lewis 3-6, Brough 0-3, Rick Dudley 1-2. TOTALS 15-41-56.

SANDUSKY—Dennig 3-4, Alexander 0-1, Harris 1-2, Kelley 3-1, May 0-1, Venerucci 6-2-14, Augustus 2-1. TOTALS 21-65-82.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 4 12-25

SANDUSKY 12 21-31 9-52



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 there 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 Fahrbae, 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 rebounds, 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 61, 35 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, Fahrbae 2-1-5, Hahn 5-0-10, Swartz 7-4-18. TOTALS 22-12-56.

ELYRIA — Reinhardt 5-2-12, Corn 4-2-10, Fitzpatrick 5-2-12, Webb 4-1-9, James 12-2-26, Sheldon 0-2-2, Zunis 1-0-2, Godholt 0-2-2. TOTALS 31-13-75.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 11 13 19 12—56

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 0-1-1, O'Brien 1-0-2, Lewis 8-5-21. TOTALS 15-11-41.

ELYRIA — Graham 1-1-3, Elson 4-1-0, Kishman 1-0-2, Love 1-0-4, Gniak 2-3-7, Gainer 3-2-8, Nelson 2-3-7. TOTALS 14-10-38.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 6 9 13 13—41

ELYRIA 13 8 6 11—38



PHIL GARRY
Top Rebounder

JON SCHWARTZ
Leading Scorer

Ohio State's Forgotten Man Possible Rose Bowl Sleeper

PASADENA, Calif. — 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

Turnovers, Misses Cost Ross

'Tigers' Free Throw To VictoryBy B. JERRY CAMPBELL
News-Messenger Sports Editor

It was a night of phantoms for Ross. Little Giants' Phil Garry and his 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 phantom of the foul line. It was 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 remaining in the quarter before Vince Page's finally missed. Page 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.

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 at 53-46 and with 3:52 to play at 55-48.

It was at one of these seven-point margins that Ross' experience in the art of the phantom passes to the man in the stands, three rows up 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 Fahrbach of Ross and Duane Hill of Mansfield each had 11 rebounds.

Ross reserves salvaged some glory for the Little Giants came along 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 10 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.

VARSHIS

ROSS — Garry 3-3, Zimmerman 2-4, Weisz 6-14, Page 6-13, Hahn 2-3, Schwartz 4-10. TOTALS 20-33.

MANSFIELD — Mansfield 11-3, Petty 0-2, Stillwell 1-1, Smith 4-8, Lewis 15-24, Gross 5-10, Hill 4-12. Pagani 6-9, TOTALS 21-31.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 10 11 11 21-53

MANSFIELD 9 16 22 14-41

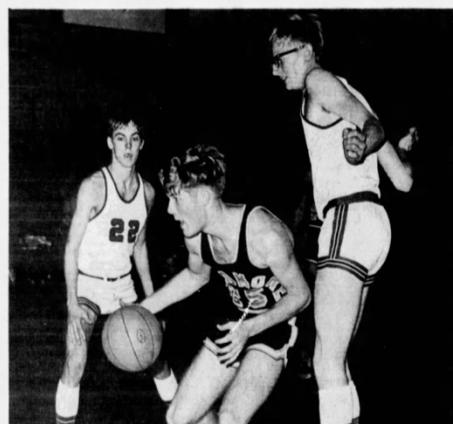
ROSS — Roland 2-2, Sharpe 3-6, O'Brien 0-2, Lewis 3-11, Page 0-2, Hahn 14-24, Dudley 4-8, Butcher 0-1, TOTALS 13-38.

MANSFIELD — Harris 1-2, Cameron 5-10, Brooks 2-3, Hager 2-4, Myers 0-2, Baker 1-2. TOTALS 13-38.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 3 12 15 12-42

MANSFIELD 8 13 10 8-39



Lakeshore Conference

Trio Of Scorers Provides Woodmore's Victory Edge

Ottawa Hills and Otsego clung to the unbeaten run of the Lakeshore Conference but not without some trouble Friday night. Ottawa Hills broke a three quarter tie to salvage a 59-51 victory over Northwest Otsego had to come from behind in the second quarter to trip Danbury 43-37. In the third Lakeshore game the trio of Ross, Durdel, Tom Rymer and Mike Rospert led Woodmore 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 Sprout's 22 points and a trio of players were in double figures for Ottawa Hills. The Woodmore-Green Springs game erupted like a point spouting volcano in the eighth minutes. Green Springs launched a rally with 33 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

Durdel with 23 points, Rospert at 21 and Rymer with 18. Green Springs had four players in double figures topped by Jerry Preston's 24 and 20 by Bob Berkemeyer.

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 WinBy B. JERRY CAMPBELL
News-Messenger Sports Editor

Coach Don Purvis might be entertaining visions of Fremont Ross traps 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 20 points, but the story was not in the line but in the accuracy and timeliness of his points. Everytime Tiffin seemed to challenge, Hahn would come up with a bulleye 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 and 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 Fahrbach gave Ross board control much of the game, was a key

performer under pressure. In the final four minutes, when the Tornadoes blew to within five points and six points twice, Garry closed the board and the foul line. Fahrbach fouled shots and blocked all 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 55 seconds to play.

Coach Don Purvis pointed out the performances of Hahn and Garry. Before the game Purvis had been worried about the effects of Tiffin Columbian's fast break the night before. Tiffin Columbian rested. He conceded, "We did tire a little. We stayed 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 shot 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. Fahrbach 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. Fahrbach made four of five from the field on the way to 10 points. Garry finished with seven field goals and 16 points. While Jon Schwartz, only a step behind Hahn in effectiveness from the outside, and speed to head off a breakaway, had 10 points. Hahn scored 14 of his points as Fahrbach took a 29-28 first half lead with 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 visit by the driving distortions of Tom Rymer, part of the Tiffin brother act. Tom with good body control on drives through the Ross defense led the losers 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, 39 rebounds and turned the ball over 11 times.

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ROSS — Garry 7-14, Weisz 13-24, Zimmerman 2-4, Fahrbach 4-10, Hahn 9-12, Schwartz 6-15. TOTALS 20-33.

TIFFIN COLUMBIAN — Goding 2-2, Hunt 0-0, Noller 6-15, Tom Bogner 8-20, Tim Bogner 1-5, Dillard 2-5, Hahn 9-12, Hoenshell 1-2. TOTALS 23-38.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 20 18 17 58

TIFFIN COLUMBIAN 12 23 20 38

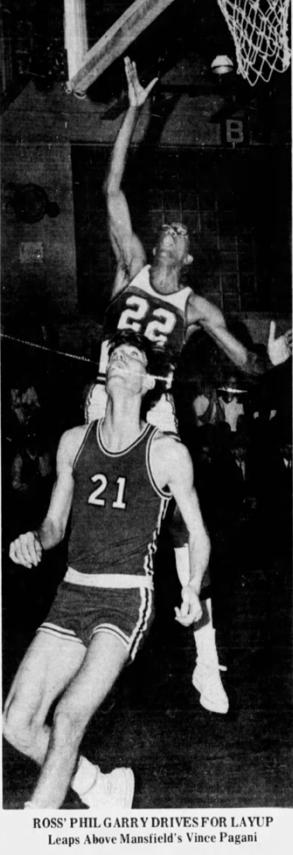
ROSS — Roland 2-2, Sharpe 3-6, O'Brien 0-2, Lewis 3-11, Pitts 2-6, Rymer 0-1, Brugh 2-6, Dudley 4-8, Butcher 0-1, TOTALS 13-38.

TIFFIN COLUMBIAN — Park 1-7, King 5-11, Cook 3-5, Oberlander 4-14, Wolfe 3-8. TOTALS 15-15-45.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 13 8 12 10-43

TIFFIN COLUMBIAN 13 8 8 14-45

ROSS' PHIL GARRY DRIVES FOR LAYUP
Leaps Above Mansfield's Vince PaganiCollegiate
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Ohio State 94, Michigan 79
Bowling Green 75, Ohio University 74
Miami 77, Toledo 73
Cincinnati 77, Louisville 73
Denison 74, North Uson 67
Muskingum 77, Heidelberg 60



Oak Harbor Victim

Streaks Win Sixth On Mat

Oak Harbor won the first two weight classes and the last one, but in between it was all Fremont. Oak Harbor won three weight classes the 105 lbs Whiting on

only a possible 15 points in the final three matches.

Oak Harbor won three weight classes the 105 lbs Whiting on



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).

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“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 stayed it to win.

To solve the stall they had a foul and Marion was flawless at the line. Coach Purvis explained, “We could have stalled the clock out and lose 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 press 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.

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 26-10-42

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 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 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 11 10 4 12—37
 MARION 17 13 7 12—49

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CAR INSURANCE? WISE

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, Hostel 3-5-11, Sampson 2-1-5, Hart 1-0-2. TOTAL 22-16-60

LORAIN — Wilmington 11-3, Parker 8-6-22, Svoboda 5-2-12, Lombard 1-0-2, Gassing 2-1-5, Sanchez 1-2-4, Willabee 3-0-6. TOTAL 21-12-54

MANSFIELD —

ADMIRAL KING —

Score By Quarters

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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 turn of Fremont Ross basketball team made over the weekend. The "best" 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 last three points resulted from two Hahn foul — his fourth and fifth. It meant the end of the game, however and leading ball-handler with a full quarter yet to play, Hahn's last two foul came in the final 30 seconds of the period. The last one came with time running out as Hahn wound up for an out-of-bounds 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 loss 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 Bachach 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.

VARSITY
HURON—McIntyre 7-16, O'Neil 1-13, Wilber 3-4-10, Legando 6-1-13, Hettick 2-5-7, Fisher 2-5-7, TOTALS 21-14-6.

ROSS—Garry 1-2-4, Weiss 4-4-8, Fahrbach 4-1-9, Hahn 5-1-11, Schwartz 3-2-4, Zimmerman 1-3-4, Lewis 1-1-2, TOTALS 19-8-6.

Score By Quarters

HURON 16 11 14 13-56

ROSS 13 9 11 13-46

RESERVE

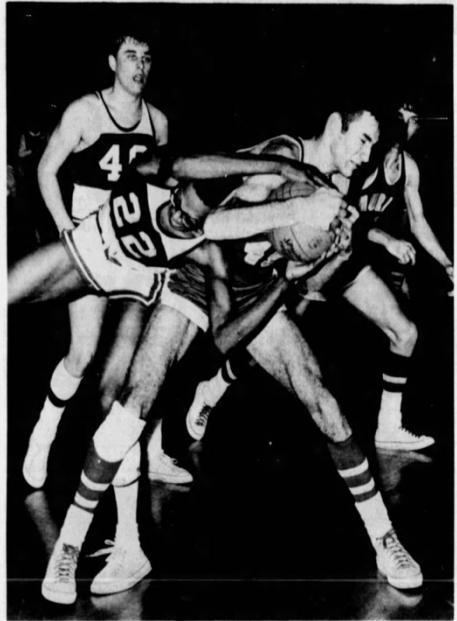
HURON—Bogdon 5-0-0, Holzheu 6-3-5, Ritter 2-0-4, Upper 1-3-5, McMullen 5-2-2, TOTALS 14-14-9.

ROSS—Reland 3-4-12, Lewis 5-3-13, Pitts 1-2-4, Brugh 3-5-11, Dudley 4-1-9, Large 1-0-2, D. Smith 1-0-2, Sanderson 1-0-2, Knipp 0-2-2, Spriggs 1-0-2, Buderle 1-0-2, TOTALS 21-19-41.

Score By Quarters

HURON 15 3 10 8-36

ROSS 18 19 14 18-41



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 Weiss watches helplessly in the background. (News-Messenger Photo)

Unbeaten Swim Streak Extended

Shawnee Is Seventh Ross Victim

Fremont Ross swimmers came up off bottom of the pool and sank Lima Shawnee, 57-38, Saturday afternoon at the junior high pool. The Little Giants were stunned in the opening relay but had moved into the lead by the 200 medley. 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 were 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

For the second meet in a row they were able to face

Coach Jack Balsizer was a adversary and still come

pleased man. The first pleasure through. We swam very nearly

had come in upsetting Western as well today as we did on

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Saturday. Balsizer summed up

it came back the second day."

Pointed out for special note

the loss of the first event —

were Dan Abney, improved his

200 medley relay — the boys

regrouped themselves and

began to slowly take command of

of the meet. It took some real

determination again today to

pull this one out, just as it did

time against Western Reserve.

Bob Roesen, 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 MEDLEY RELAY—Lima Shawnee

200 BUTTERFLY—Gayer (L.S.), 10-2;

100 BREAST STROKE—Pat Aten (R.E.)

100 FREESTYLE—Keller (R.E.)

100 BACKSTROKE—Miller (R.E.)

200 MEDLEY RELAY—Lima Shawnee

100 BUTTERFLY—Gayer (L.S.), 10-2;

100 BREAST STROKE—Pat Aten (R.E.)

100 FREESTYLE—Randy Christy, Hooser

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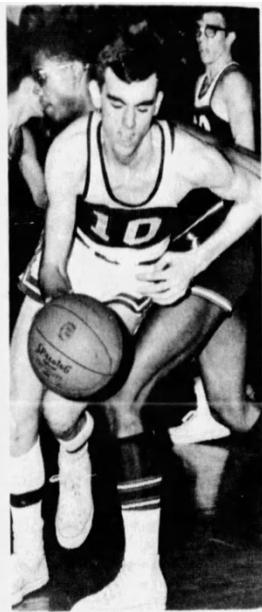
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KEVIN HAHN
Ross Point Best

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.

More

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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	11.4
Phil Garry	13	38	25	105	8.1
Tom Weisz	13	27	9	85	6.5
John Fahrbach	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 comment, except to praise the play of John Fahrbach and Phil Garry, after his Little Giants lost much of the way only to lose to Lorain Saturday, 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 of defense 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 on a three-point play erased separating the two teams this Ross then stayed on top 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 basket 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

only its fourth lead of the game, gave Ross a 46-39 lead with 4:38 to play in the stalling tactics. Then the

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 defense 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 cold bone injury.

VARSITY

ROSS — Garry 1-17, Weisz 1-2, 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.

LORAIN — Parker 5-2-12, Lombardi 2-2-4, Wilmington 3-2-8, Sanchez 1-1-3, Svoboda 3-5-11, Willoughby 2-2-6, Grassing 4-0-8. TOTALS 26-14-54.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 15 13 13 11-52

LORAIN 13 12 12 17-54

RESERVES

ROSS — Shearon 3-3-9, Ruland 1-0-2,

Lewis 4-7-15, Sanderson 0-1-1, Knipp 1-2-1,

Dudley 2-0-4, Brough 2-7-11. TOTALS

10-20-52.

LORAIN — Stevenson 4-1-9, Craig 1-0-2,

Rodgers 0-1-1, Humphrey 5-2-12, Lusane

1-2-4, Restivo 1-0-2, Sekar 3-3-9. TOTALS 12-45-59.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 6 19 11 10-46

LORAIN 8 10 8 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.

VARSITY

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 20-20

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



OH NO! NOT ANOTHER TWO POINTS
Ross Cheerleader Corliss Carr Grimates

"No Excuses:" Coach Purvis

Sandusky Holds Buckeye Top Spot, 86-69

"I make no excuses. Sandusky has the best team in the league." The words of Ross Coach Dan Purvis praised Sandusky who had just beaten his team 86-69. At the same time he declined to detract from the performance of his Little Giants. Sandusky posted its second win of the season over Ross and held onto the lead in the Buckeye Conference, 86-69.

Purvis had praise for a team effort, refusing to score his team's defensive effort in allowing 86 points. "Farris can shoot, Hosfeld can shoot, Venerucci can shoot, who do we have that can match that?" In

Buckeye

Merchant Celebrates His Return

Dave Merchant was back and with him Marion Harding returned to its winning ways Friday night. The Presidents broke a two-game losing streak, 59-38, over Elyria. Merchant tallied 34 points.

The victory was sweet but not

enough to catch Sandusky which

this manner the Ross coach praised the Sandusky offense rather than blame his offense. The Blue Streaks did shoot, and shot well, hitting 41 per cent of their shots from the field.

Tony Hosfeld led all Sandusky scorers with 19 points. John Farris, the team's leading scorer, had 18 and Venerucci, the team's rebound man had 13. Add to this, the Ross front division did not know for his shooting ability matched. Hosfeld's field goal total of eight and had 19 points.

With this quartet of shooters finding the range Sandusky hit 36 of 89 shots, 41 per cent from the field. The Blue Streaks were

equally effective with 20 of 60 shots

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from the field, 33 per cent, and 29 of 37 at the foul line, 78.3 per cent.

They were near to flawless in ball-handling with only

six turnovers in the game.

Ross, through training, the entire game, was deliberate in its attack and had a season low of six turnovers. The Blue Streaks totals showed a close battle on the boards, but this was deceptive since the Blue Streaks had repeated taps which did not go into rebound statistics. The statistics showed Sandusky with 49 rebounds and Ross with 43, but the boards belonged in most cases to the Blue Streaks.

The Little Giant effort was not as good as the Blue Streaks with 14 of 17 shots, 82 per cent. They were near to flawless in ball-handling with only

six turnovers in the game.

Never really in the game

but never out of it was the

best way to describe the first

two and one-half quarters. Ross

managed to stay within eight to

10 points of the Blue Streaks

until Farris, Venerucci, Hosfeld

and Farris got hot in the third

quarter. Hosfeld and Sampson

had six points each. Farris had

seven. With this quartet finding

the range Sandusky pulled to

as much as a 19 point lead in

the third quarter.

The Little Giants showed

signs of tiring as Sandusky dug into its great depth for a strong finish.

Guards Kevin Hahn and Jon

Schwarz led the Ross attack.

Hahn had 15 points and Schwarz

10. Ross totals 86-69. Sandusky

86-69. TOTALS 26-14.

Score By Quarters

VARIETY
ROSS 26-14. Carr 2-11, Zem-
merman 2-11, O'Brien 6-10, Farris
6-8, Chapin 2-4, Hahn 5-15, Schwarz
8-10.

SANDUSKY — Rutherford 3-6, Hallock
1-6, Hart 3-6, Farris 3-10, Venerucci
3-6, Hosfeld 3-6, Sampson 3-10, Farris
8-13. TOTALS 26-14.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 10-12, 12-20, 20-40
SANDUSKY 18-24, 25-26, 36-

RESERVE

ROSS — Sharrow 2-11, Sampson 1-11,
Kings 2-9, Lewis 5-12, Brugh 2-13, Dudley 2-4, Kridler 1-2.

TOTALS 8-36.

SANDUSKY — Deering 3-10, Kelley

2-6, Tony Harris 4-8, Alexander 1-1,
Moore 2-4, Hart 3-6, Venerucci 3-11, Augustus
2-5. TOTAL 19-42.

Score By Quarters

ROSS 12-17, 17-22, 22-32

SANDUSKY 12-17, 17-22, 22-32.

Lakeshore Conference

Otsego Derails Title Dash

Suddenly a runaway became a race in the Lakeshore Conference Friday night. Otsego spoiled the unbeaten Ottawa Hills football season in a return engagement and then Friday the Otsego team slowed the Ottawa Hills team on its way toward a conference title, 67-60. Victory would have clinched at least a tie for the title by once-beaten Ottawa Hills.

While Otsego was shacking

the leaders Northwood and

Danbury could not deter the Northwood attack led by Jim Stoner's 31 points. Danbury had a 34-30 halftime lead and was only one point down before Northwood launched a 20-point last quarter. The key to Northwood victory was board control with 65 rebounds to 43 for Danbury. Danbury also suffered from its own shooting percentage, 21 of 33, 21 per cent.

Board control and a fast

Woodmore 23-17, 8-16-44.
RESERVE Woodmore 55-55, Green
Springs 23.

DANBURY-NORTHWOOD

DANBURY — Wadson 16-28, Paycheck
3-12, Morris 1-10, Goss 1-10, Boll 1-10,
1-2-4 TOTALS 21-33-5.

NORTHWOOD — Williams 5-10, Stoner

13-3, Green 6-10, Anderson 3-7, Goss

6-11, Goeckerman 6-11, Sherry 3-6, William

son 1-2-4 TOTALS 22-33-5.

Score By Quarters

DANBURY 17-17, 11-10-5

NORTHWOOD 17-17, 11-10-5

RESERVE Northwood 25, Danbury 22.

OTSEGO-OTTAWA

OTSEGO — 5-13, 13-13, Deering 6-14.



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."

Buckeye Conference Roundup

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 59 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 percent, 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, Fahrbach 24-8, 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 17-19-47.

ADMIRAL KING — Kirsch 1-0-2, Anderson 2-0-4, Taylor 4-4-12, Brough 3-0-6, Norius 2-0-4, Pounds 1-0-2, Ashley 6-0-12, McCall 4-0-8, Esposto 1-0-2, Guerieri 0-3-3, TOTAL 33-73.

Score By Quarters

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

Reserve

ROSS — Shearon 2-1-5, 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, Hammal 3-4-10, Prosek 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

Score By Quarters

SANDUSKY	6	16	14	27-73
MANSFIELD	10	10	9	24-53

FINDLAY-MARION

FINDLAY — Reiker 9-6-24, Hollingshead 2-1-5, Edington 2-4-8, G. Lishawa 6-4-16, Wall 0-0-0, Ferguson 1-2-4, TOTAL 20-17-57.

Score By Quarters

MARION	13	17	15	12-57
FINDLAY	11	15	21	13-60

LORAIN-ELYRIA

LORAIN — Parker 9-3-21, Wilmington 3-3-9, Svoboda 3-2-7, Grassman 4-3-11, Lombardi 3-1-7, Sanchez 0-1-1, Washington 1-0-2, TOTAL 22-14-58.

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 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 Dave Brocksieker award for best foul shooter. Hahn won the latter trophy by making 81 per cent of his free throws for the season. The 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 Brocksieker 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 Dringer, a 27 point 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, 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 improved of the three winter teams was swimming coach by Jack Balmer. The team had a 10-1 dual meet record, finished second in the Buckeye Conference meet, sixth in both the Bowing Green Relays and district meet. Named most valuable was Scott Keller, a boy who switched from his usual sprint freestyle events to finish fifth in the district and qualify for state in the individual medley. Of the most valuable swimmer Coach Balmer noted, "Scott is a fine example of what you can do if you really want to."

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Major League Prospects-5

Weaver Shooting For Oriole Title

By MIKE RATHETT
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," he said. "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, and Weaver had to catch up. Al Severinson, Adamson was 8-4, Delgado 9-5 and Severinson 2-0 with a 1.42 earned run average in 38 games at Rochester last year.

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"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 of 1970's Paulino and a availability of Mike Cuellar, acquired from Houston in an off-season trade for Curt Blefary. Cuellar, 8-11 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 Cuellar, Luis Arrieta and Al Severinson. Adamson was 8-4, Delgado 9-5 and Severinson 2-0 with a 1.42 earned run average in 38 games at Rochester last year.

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With a trace of optimism Balmer pointed to the fact that 50 points were scored by sophomores and juniors.

Although no trophies were presented, Basketball Coach Purvis gave special mention to John Fahrbach, 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 Toastmaster John Tittsworth; Dr. George Conti, superintendent of schools; Duane Wamsley, Ross principal; Mrs. Don Purvis, cheerleader adviser; Richard Sherman, athletic director.

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 bigger things—like a double by Tony Conigliaro.

The Red Sox Twins, aided

by Ted Uhlaender's second-inning home run with the bases full, stopped Boston 7-4, Tuesday, after the Red Sox had taken their first three spring base-ball exhibitions.

In the top of the ninth, Conigliaro smashed a pitch by left-hander Jim Ollum off the fence in left center field for a slugging double.

"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 beginning.

Richie Scheinblum's sacrifice

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

Sal Bando and Joe Nossek, 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 to end the tie 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 \$32,000.

*** Campbell Ringings ***