

1965 Class AA Sectional Tournament

A Winning Coach Makes With The Looks Of A Loser – Ross' Dick Norman Sweats Out Monday Night's Victory



Fremont Erases

Brindley, Hagerty Pace Ross Victory



RUSS HAGERTY goes in for a solo layup during Monday's night game at BGSU.

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BOWLING GREEN — Fremont Ross continued to win the close ones as the Little Giants chalked up their sixth straight victory Monday night with a 54-48 decision over scrappy Eastwood in the finals of the Bowling Green State University bracket class 'AA' sectional.

The victory put Coach Dick Norman's charges in the BGSU sectional championship game for the fourth year in a row. Ross meets the Norwalk bracket winner, Huron, for the title. Huron got into the finale by besting Vermilion 63-60 Monday to carry a 15-5 record into Saturday's match at BGSU.

Dennis Brindley came up with his top scoring performance of the year Monday night to lead Ross along the primrose path with a 22-point output. Captain Russ Hagerty was right behind with 20 tallies, including the last six points of the game.

Hagerty sewed up the victory after the Eagles battled back to move into a 48-47 lead with 2:54 left on a bucket from in close by Earl Jensen.

Terry Bork got the knotted with 2:20 left when he dropped in the first of a one-and-one foul setup and then just missed rebounding his own second shot for the tie-breaker.

After Eastwood missed a chance to go ahead Thomas was fouled but missed the charity toss. However, Hagerty was there to flip in the rebound for a 50-48 Ross lead.

The Eagles lost the ball on a turnover and Fremont took possession with 1:20 left. The Little Giants went into a stall and ate up 1:04 of the remaining time as Eastwood refused to foul. Phil Fogle finally committed an intention

tional foul on Hagerty with 16 seconds left but the official didn't call for two shots.

It didn't matter though as the Ross captain hit both ends of the one-and-one situation. Hagerty was fouled again after Ross got the ball back on an Eastwood turnover and canned both with two seconds remaining to wrap up the scoring.

For the second night in a row, Fremont was up against a team that couldn't miss in the first half. Saturday night Bowling Green high school hit 54 per cent before cooling off after intermission and Monday the Eagles were redhot in pumping in a sensational 60 per cent in the first two quarters. They made 12 of 20 but Ross stayed with them by hitting a hot 54.5 of their own on 12 of 22.

Eastwood finished with 46 per cent for the night while Fremont wound up with 49 per cent on 20 of 41 shots. Ross held an 11-10 rebounding edge in the first half and wound up with 29 caroms to Eastwood's 26.

The Normanmen won the game on the foul line as they dropped in 14 of 21 to Eastwood's eight of 11.

Brindley was the boy who kept Ross going throughout the first three quarters as he got seven points in the first and second periods, six in the third and two in the fourth. Most of his eight field goals came on spinning drives off the pivot.

The score was tied throughout the early going with the teams ending at 13-all after the first quarter and Fremont moving ahead 28-26 at halftime. The Little Giants were out front, 41-37, at the close of the third canto.

Terry Holcomb proved a thorn in Ross' side with his long one-handers giving him scoring honors for Eastwood with 16 points. Norman Eckel got 15 as the Eagles bowed out with a 13-7 record. Ross is now 13-8.

	Fremont	Eastwood	
Weisz	1 1 3	Jensen	3 1 7
Bork	1 2 4	Holcomb	8 0 16
Hagerty	8 4 20	Eckel	5 5 15
Brindley	8 6 22	Fogle	1 0 2
Thomas	2 0 4	Haas	3 2 8
Wolfe	0 0 1		
Total	20 14 54	Total	20 8 48

Score by Quarters

FREMONT 13 15 13 13-54

EASTWOOD 13 13 11 11-48

Attendance 1,095.

DECISION!!! THIS OR THIS



IN BGSU 'AA' FINAL

'Hot' Ross Faces Huron

Bowling Green State's gymnasium floor has apparently been to the liking of the Fremont Ross cagers and Coach Dick Norman is hopeful his hoopsters will continue to find the big court 'a home away from home' Saturday when they meet potent Huron in the Class 'AA' sectional bracket finals at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of the Fremont-Huron tilt will face the winner of the Sylvania - Toledo Central Catholic game in the first round of district play at Toledo University next weekend.

Ross puts a six-game winning

streak on the line against Huron, a club that also boasts a six-game skein and a 15-5 overall record.

Dennis Brindley has been the big surprise of the tourney thus far with his work off the pivot being a key factor in Fremont's 70-65 victory over Bowling Green and the 54-48 win over Eastwood.

Brindley has poured in 38 points for a two-game average of 19, tops on the club. Captain Russ Hagerty is next with a 17.5 mean on 35 points while Don Weisz, who hit 18 in the first game but was held to three

by Eastwood, has a 10.5 average on 21 points. Tim Thomas has not been scoring as effectively as he should but his generalship has been important in Ross' two wins. Thomas has a 6.0 average on 12 points and Terry Bork has hooped 17 for an 8.5 average.

Norman has had to go most of the way with his five starters since both games went down to the wire. Only Ted Wolfe among the reserves has seen action, and that only briefly.

Chances are the five starters will carry the load against Huron too, a team that has averaged better than 73 points a game while yielding just over 60 per outing.

But the way Ross has been shooting, the Tigers can look for trouble. The Fremonters, with the edge of having played on the BGSU floor twice already, have hammered in 45 of 92 shots for a sparkling 48.9 percentage. The opposition has been hot too, but just a little less than Ross.

However, Fremont has run into trouble in the first half of both games with BG hitting 51.6 before intermission and Eastwood a torrid 60 per cent. BG ended up with 41.9 per cent for the game and the Eagles 45.5.

Brindley has been especially hot on his foul shooting during the tourney and has yet to miss. He hit six for six against BG and four for four against East-

wood. He is 14 for 20 from the floor.

A glaring weakness in the Ross game however, has been Fremont's board work. In both games, Ross permitted easy buckets on follow up shots in the first half before stopping the rebound shots after intermission. The Little Giants have peeled off 60 caroms, with Weisz' 17 leading, to the opposition's 72.

Huron has a strong rebounder in Mike Fischer, 6-5 junior and must set up to keep him away from the boards. Bill Seder, 5-11 senior guard is the Tigers' top scorer with a 17-point average. Fischer is hitting at a 14-point clip and Larry Richardson, the other guard, is averaging 12 per game. He is 5-10.

The forwards for Huron will be Dan Bernard, 6-0 senior, another strong rebounder with a five point average in scoring and Tom Coe, 5-10 junior who can 'get off his feet' and will do a lot of rebounding. He didn't get started until the season was already under way because of a football injury, but has hit 90 points in 15 games.

Stu Miller, 6-1, and Dino Caporini, 6-0 sophomore, are the Tigers top replacements.

In tournament action, Huron whipped Sandusky, 74-69, and Vermilion, 63-60. The game with the Blue Streaks wasn't as close as the score might indicate with Huron holding a 23-point bulge with five minutes left which Sandusky narrowed against the Tigers' subs.

Batavia Coach Has 2nd Chance

BATAVIA, Ohio (AP) — A couple of months ago, Coach Bob Clousson of Batavia High School told a sportswriter, "I'd like another shot at it up there."

Clousson was talking about the Class A state basketball finals in Columbus.

Last year, Clousson thought he had a team talented enough to play in the state finals, but his boys didn't make it, losing to Williamsburg in the county tourney.

That loss still rankles Clousson, for he feels it deprived him and his team of the recog-

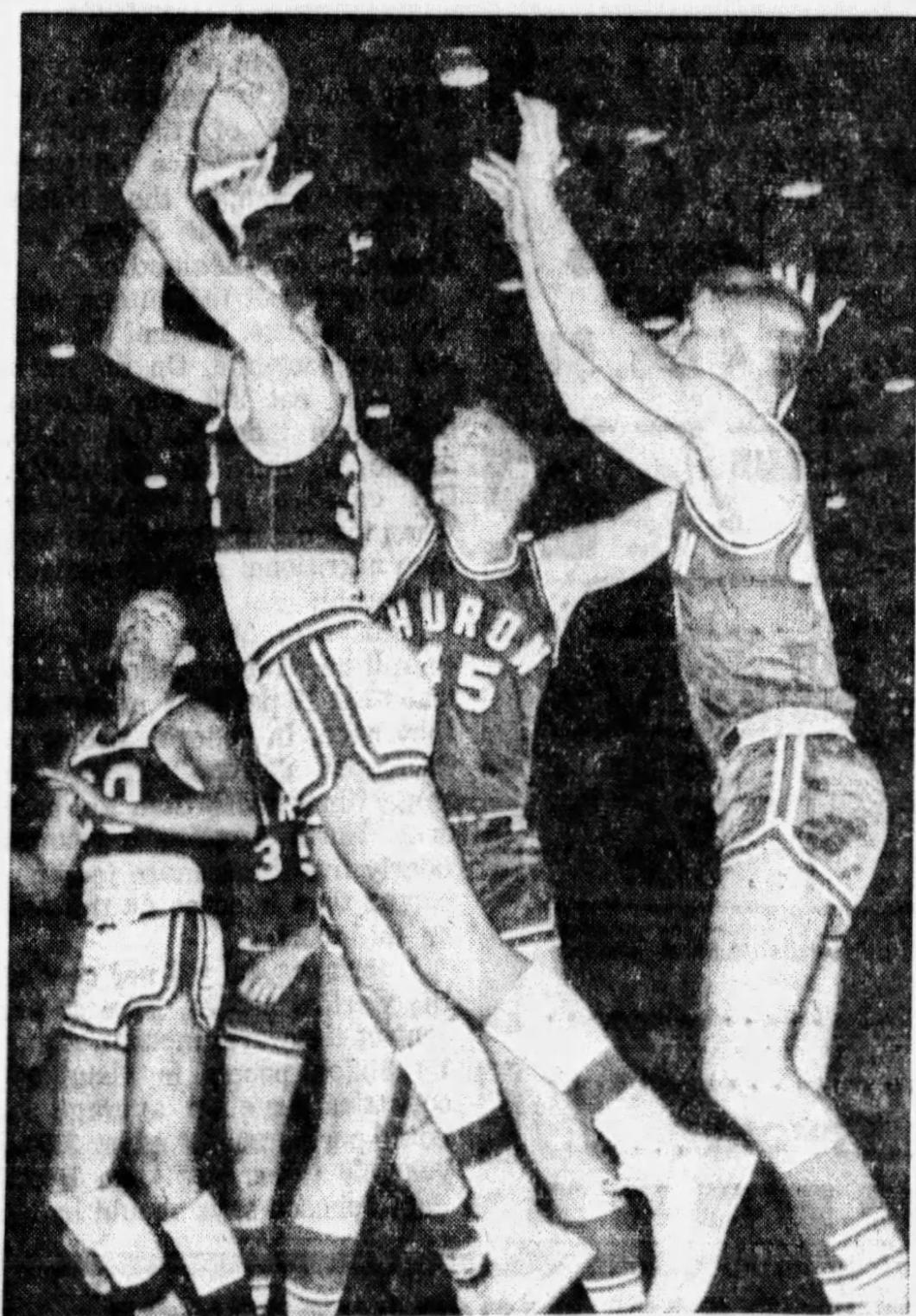
nition a small town high school and coach so badly yearn for.

Now Batavia and Bob Clousson have another chance at that recognition.

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The Bulldogs sailed through another undefeated season, piling up 19 victories on their way to a second straight Clermont County League title. Since the season ended, they have won two more games and their foe tonight will be that old spoiler, Williamsburg.

"We beat them twice during the season," Clousson said. "But the tournament is the big thing. Batavia's strong point all season long was its high scoring



DRIVING FOR TWO — Fremont's Don Weisz leans in for a shot at the hoop while Huron's Stu Miller (45) and Mike Fischer (right) try to stop him. Terry Bork (30) waits for a possible rebound.

