

# Ross Bridesmaid Again, Maumee Wins District

## Sub Sinks Giants' Hopes

## FRIARS BOMBED, 109-69 Tigers, Michigan Collide In NCAA

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"We sure seem to bring out the best in a team," said Michigan Coach Dave Strack. "Maybe we irritate them."

If so, the mighty Wolverines, the nation's top-ranked college basketball team, could be in for an interesting weekend in the NCAA championships at Portland, Ore., Friday and Saturday.

**Princeton Waiting**

For example, the Wolverines first play Princeton and Player of the Year Bill Bradley. They've played before. Michigan escaped with an 80-78 comeback victory on Cazzie Russell's 20-foot jumper in the last few seconds.

If they get by Princeton, they'll play either Wichita or UCLA. They've played Wichita before, too, winning that one 87-85.

They haven't played UCLA. The Bruins are the defending national champions, have a veteran team that has lost only twice in two seasons and goes over the 100 mark often enough to be disturbing.

That quartet advanced to the national semifinals with Saturday triumphs in their various regionals, and only unranked Princeton had an easy time of it.

**Providence Humbled**

The Tigers bombed fourth-ranked Providence 109-69 for their 13th straight victory. Bradley had 41 points, picked off 10 rebounds and had nine assists in the Eastern final at College Park, Md.

Wichita, led by Kelly Pete, turned the tables on Oklahoma State and used a deliberate, ball-control game to win the Midwest final at Manhattan, Kan. 54-46.

Michigan just got by fifth-ranked Vanderbilt 87-85 in the Midwest title game at Lexington, Ky., with All-America Russell notching the go-ahead basket with less than two minutes to go. He and Bill Buntin each had 26 points.

UCLA, the No. 2 team in the nation, beat San Francisco 101-93 for the West championship in Provo, Utah, Gail Goodrich breaking a tie with four minutes left. Goodrich had 30 points while San Francisco's Ollie Johnson had 37.

**Interesting Semi-Final**

That set up an interesting national semifinal round. There's

Princeton and the one-man gang Bradley, with a 22.5 record, representing the supposedly weak Ivy League and challenging for national honors.

There's Michigan, seeking to live up to its No. 1 rating and nail down the national championship many thought it should have won a year ago. The Wolverines have a 23-3 record.

There's UCLA, gunning for a second straight national title and the top spot the Bruins have been denied all season. They take a sparkling 26-2 record into the quest for back-to-back championships.

And there's Wichita, with a first-year coach, still gamely coming back from the mid-season loss of All-America Dave Stallworth and 6-foot-10 starting center Nate Bowman.

While the Portland tourney doesn't get started until Friday, the National Invitation Tourney continues with quarter-finals in New York tonight and Tuesday.

**St. John, Lobos Vie**

St. John's of New York plays second-seeded New Mexico and Manhattan takes on eighth-ranked and top-seeded Villanova in the NIT tonight.

The Tuesday pairings have Detroit vs. NYU and Army vs. Western Kentucky, the four winners of Saturday's double twinbill first-round affair in Madison Square Garden.

NYU advanced with a 71-70 upset of defending champion Bradley. Army surprised St. Louis 70-66, Western Kentucky edged Fordham 57-53 and Detroit took LaSalle 93-86.

## Fremont CCY In Cage Regionals

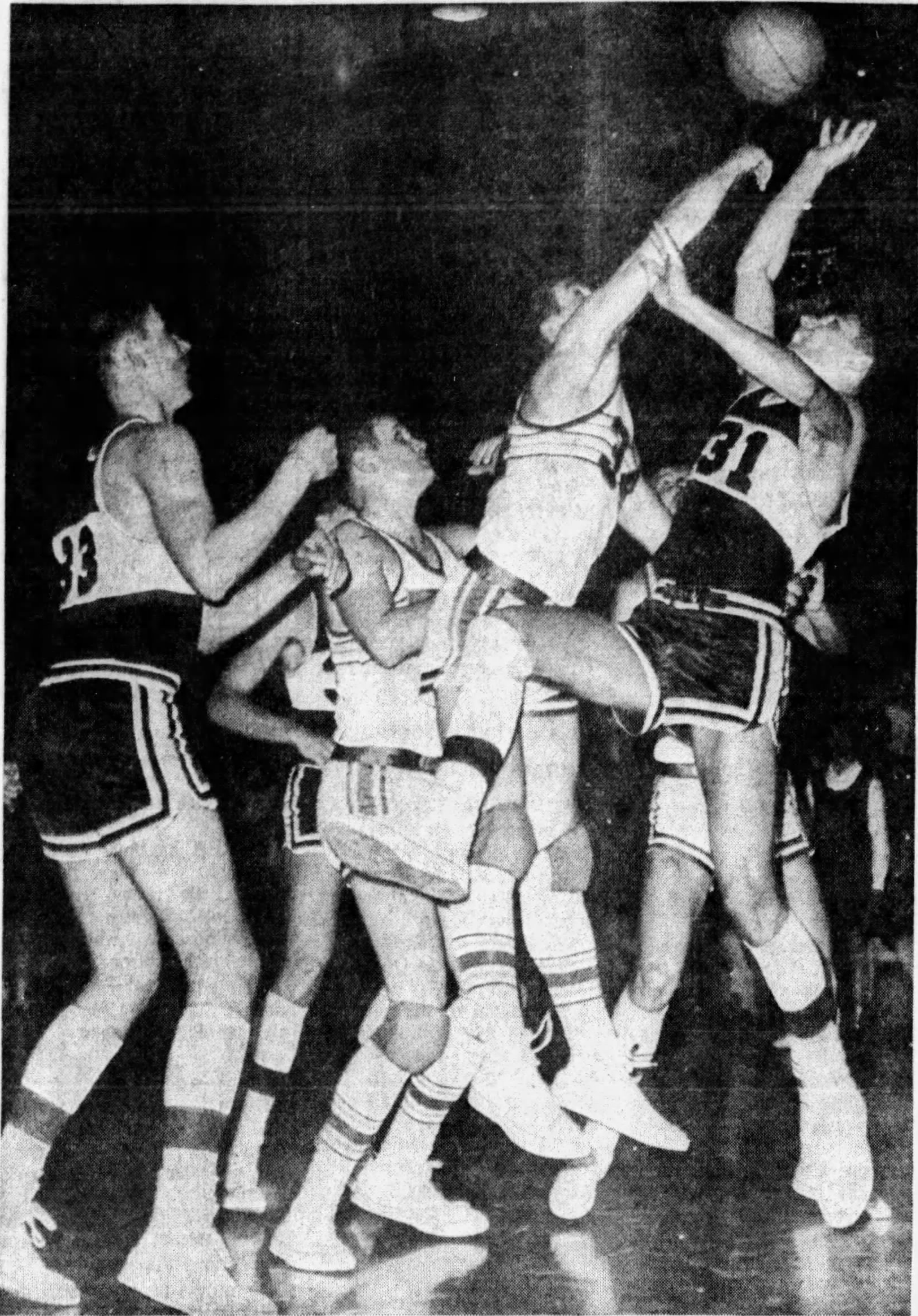
Fremont's Council of Catholic Youth entry in the Diocesan Basketball Tournament finals held Sunday at St. Joseph's high school made it to the Hamilton Regional by routing Sandusky, 105-71, in the losers bracket.

In the winner's bracket final, Fremont lost a tough 70-62 overtime loss to potent Toledo St. Adelbert. Fremont had a chance to win the title in regulation time but Ron Rodenhauser's 20-footer with two seconds left rolled in and out.

Foul shooting proved to be the local's downfall as they made only eight 18 from the charity line while out-goaling St. Adelbert's, 27-25. Jim Denman and Joe Overmyer, Fremont's big men, were forced to the sidelines with four fouls in the third quarter. Both fouled out in the fourth canto and Tom Gottron left in the overtime.

Gottron topped Fremont with 13 points, Ed Miller had 11 and Rodenhauser 10. George Barry's 22 paced Toledo. Jim Fisher canned 29 in the second game, Denman hit 24 and Overmyer 19.

Fremont plays St. Adelbert's again in the first round of the double-elimination regional at Hamilton Saturday.



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**BASKETBALL BALLET**—Terry Bork (31) of Fremont battles Maumee's Bob Baldwin (34) for a loose ball during the Class AA District finals at Toledo university. Ross' Don Weisz (33) awaits the outcome.

## Celts Set NBA Victory Record

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Boston is winning more, and San Francisco is enjoying it less.

The Celtics, perennial NBA powerhouse, defeated the Warriors 106-98 Sunday and in the process established a league record for most victories in a season and helped San Francisco tie the record for most losses in a season.

St. Louis topped Los Angeles 115-108, Cincinnati defeated New York 113-103 and Baltimore whipped Philadelphia 143-126 in other games.

The Celtics' victory was their 61st, one more than they won in 1961-62. They have two more games in which to extend the record.

## North Canton Mat Titlist

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — North Canton's Vikings scored an upset Saturday night by winning the state high school wrestling championship.

The margin of victory came in the last event when heavy-weight Francis Pacquin decided Alan Whitmire of Kent Roosevelt, 1-0.

North Canton totaled 32 points, five better than cofavorite Maple Heights of suburban Cleveland.

Toledo Central Catholic was third with 25 points, Toledo St. Francis fourth with 24 and Mayfield fifth with 23.

## Ohio Schoolboy List At 32 For Regionals

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Unless Cleveland East fights its way out of the Class AA regional tournament at Kent this weekend, Ohio's high school basketball championship meet here March 26-27 will have an entirely new cast of eight.

As Saturday's district finals trimmed the state's 888 schools to 32 for the regional encounters, East was the lone survivor of the 1964 octet reaching the final playoffs.

Only four of the 32—Cleveland East, Cleveland East Tech and Urbana in Class AA, and West Salem Northwestern in Class A—were able to reach the regionals for the second straight year. And East Tech and Northling western are the only former state champions in the surviving field.

**Won-Lost Records Good**

Despite the host of newcomers, the won-lost record of the competitors is the best in several years. The 32 teams have a combined won-lost mark of 630-89, as compared with 643-98 last year, 621-103 in 1963, and 632-99 in 1962. This year's, AA teams are 307-46, the smaller schools 323-43.

## NAMED CAPTAIN

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Claude Graves, a senior from St. Marys and a defensive stand-out of the Wittenberg Tigers' basketball team, has been selected captain of the 1965-66 squad.

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TOLEDO — Sometimes, during a close ballgame, a coach looks down his bench, points a finger and says "get in there". He sends in a sub because one of his starters is tiring or not hitting or the defense is stopping him.

If things are going his way, the substitute does the job. If not, he doesn't.

But Saturday night things were going Coach Paul Muenzer's way. He pointed to Chris Spychalski and Gary Olson and sent them in for tiring Maumee starters Bob Baldwin and Pat Harrison with 6:12 showing on the scoreboard clock.

By the time the three big zeroes cast their green light across the board, Maumee had won the Toledo District AA championship with a 46-45 barn-burner over Fremont Ross at the partially-filled Toledo university fieldhouse.

It was the second straight year Ross bowed in the district finals, losing last winter to Toledo DeVilbiss. Fremont has reached district play four years in a row under Coach Dick Norman.

The reason the Panthers will be going to Bowling Green's Anderson Arena Friday to play Lorain Admiral King in the first round of the regional is because Muenzer pointed to the right man at the right time.

Olson didn't effect the outcome much one way or another, since he missed his only shot, a free throw, but Spychalski was another story.

The stocky senior went into the game with Fremont holding a 38-32 lead and apparently in control of the nip-and-tuck contest. But Spychalski went to work and almost single-handedly closed out Ross' season.

He bombed in five of six shots to account for 10 of Maumee's 15 fourth-quarter points. Spychalski ripped in a 20-footer just after entering the tilt but Dennis Brindley came back to score his only fielder and Ross held its six point lead, 40-34, with little more than four minutes remaining.

Spychalski came right back and pumped in another longie. George Chapman followed by hitting a free throw after an offensive foul call against Terry Bork, one of five turnovers committed by Ross in the critical fourth canto, and the Panthers were within three, 40-37.

Fremont moved the ball around and then Don Weisz got open and jammed in a one-hander. Things looked brighter for the Little Giants at that point after a Maumee shot went awry and Ron Hoag missed the first of two foul shots. There were just over three minutes left when he meshed the second attempt but Ross was in apparent command with a 42-38 bulge and the clock moving.

Hoag stole the ball as Maumee's full-court press began rattling Coach Dick Norman's crew. However, the shot was missed but Hagerty was called for a foul after the attempt. Hoag missed the try and Ross came back down but also missed a fielder.

Maumee cleared the boards and Hoag came through this time on a driving layup. With its lead cut to 42-40 Fremont had a chance to go four up when Frindley was fouled with 2:53 left. He made the first but missed the second and Maumee came back up court, passed it off to Spychalski and he jammed home a two-pointer.

It was all over for Ross a few seconds later when Brindley was tied up and Fremont failed to control the ensuing tip, one of the few times during the game the Giants didn't get the tipoff. Spychalski pumped in the go-ahead goal from 20 feet away with 1:36 remaining.

Weisz missed on his next attempt but Spychalski didn't, banging in Maumee's final points with another long swisher. Fremont was still in it though with 1:16 to go but Ted Wolfe, who had come in for the tiring Weisz, missed from the top of the key.

Olson then missed his foul shot and Hagerty came back with a one-hander that missed but the Giants got the ball back on a Maumee turnover. A ny chance Fremont had was lost when Bork missed a shot from in a crowd under the bucket with 0:23 showing. He got loose for another shot near the end and dropped it as the Panthers didn't try to stop him with six seconds left. The ball fell through the hoop and Fremont could do nothing more than watch it lay on the floor as Maumee let the clock run out.

"He (Spychalski) is a streak shooter," Muenzer said in the jubilant Maumee locker room later. "I've started him about 50 per cent of the time, but if he's not hitting, I sit him down until the second half. When he's going he runs hot."

Muenzer added he told Spychalski to "fire away" when he sent him in. He certainly followed orders.

In addition to ramming in the five fielders, Spychalski picked off three rebounds and Olson two in the six minutes they played. That may not seem like much but when viewed in comparison to the fact that Maumee's top rebounders, Chapman and Harrison, had six and five respectively, it's a pretty fair six minutes work.

## Cleveland Heights Wins Ohio H. S. Swim Crown

COLUMBUS — Mike Gabel, Fremont Ross' final hope for a place in the state meet finals at the Ohio State university pool, failed to place in the top six in the preliminaries held Saturday morning.

Gabel was off form and finished well down the list in 20th place. Ross picked up 13 points, good for 21st place in the team standings, on a seventh place finish in the 200-freestyle by Larry Sloan and a ninth place windup in the 400-freestyle, also by Sloan.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Cleveland Heights has won the Ohio high school swimming championship in a weekend meet that saw six state marks crumble and one national schoolboy record fall.

The winners dethroned defending titlist Fairview Park, tallying 97 points, just two more than Fairview Park. Cuyahoga Falls was third with 79 5-6 points.

Ross Wales of Youngstown Rayen set the national mark in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 52.2. The mark was set last year by Olympic great Don Shollander, with a 52.4 time.

## WINS OC MEET

GRANVILLE, Ohio (AP) — Mount Union swept to its third straight Ohio Conference indoor track title Saturday by winning five of 115 events. The Purple Raiders were led by their star tracksters, Nate Hawthorne and Jim Fox, in piling up 54 points to 38 for runner-up Baldwin-Wallace.

The game started out like the London blitz with Hoag, who canned 16 points, and Chapman both hitting their first two attempts while Weisz hit a pair and Hagerty one in Fremont's three tires. Baldwin then missed for Maumee and Weisz followed suit before Hagerty canned one from the corner to tie it at 8-8.

By the time the opening canto was over, Chapman had hit another fielder and Hoag pumped in Maumee's only charity toss for a 15-13 edge. Ross still trailed by two, 27-25, at halftime as both clubs continued hot.

Maumee meshed seven of nine and Fremont five of eight in the first stanza. The Panthers wound up with 65 per cent for the first half by canning six of 11 in the second period and the Giants went off the court with 52 per cent by making six of 12.

The Normanmen got even when Hagerty, who finished with 13 points, notched his last bucket of the game at the start of the third period. But Hoag hit twice for a 31-27 edge before Bork nailed a spinning jumper and Thomas canned a long one to tie it, 31-31.

Fremont took the lead at 2:34 of the third on Thomas' foul shot. Bork followed with a free throw and Weisz netted a bucket as Ross entered the final quarter with a 33-31 margin. Hoag's two early fielders in the third stanza were Maumee's only points of the session.

Maumee wound up with 21 of 40 for 52 per cent while Ross had 19 for 48 for their worst shooting of the tournaments at 39.5 per cent. The Little Giants made only seven of 14 at the free throw stripe and Maumee had four of seven. The Panthers got only one foul shot in the first half as a total of just seven personals were whistled against Fremont. Eleven fouls were called on Maumee. The Panthers were never in a one-and-one situation at the line.

Fremont was beaten on the boards, mostly in the second half, as Maumee held a 33-25 margin in rebounds. Ross held a 10-8 edge in carom-grabbing in the first half. Weisz and Bork did a good job with 10 bounds each.

Thomas played a whale of a game in taking Fremont through Maumee's full-court press as well as scoring 12 points. He often got through alone on his dribbling. Of the 13 turnovers charged against Ross, only one was called in the backcourt, that coming in the first period on an over-and-back error. Maumee had 11 turnovers.

Ross bowed out with a 14-9 record and Maumee goes against King with a 16-5 slate.

A dejected Norman had little to say after the game. "I can't take it lightly," was about all he could get out. No one else could either.

## MAUMEE

	FG	FGA	FT	P	RB	PTS
Hoag	7	13	2-4	2	2	16
Harrison	3	4	1-1	3	5	7
Chapman	5	9	1-1	1	6	11
Ducey	1	7	0-0	2	4	2
Baldwin	0	1	0-0	2	2	0
Olson	0	0	0-1	1	2	0
Spychalski	5	6	0-1	1	3	10
Totals	21	40	4-7	11	33	46

## FREMONT

	FG	FGA	FT	P	RB	PTS
Weisz	4	13	0-0	1	10	8
Bork	3	11	1-4	2	10	7
Hagerty	6	11	1-2	1	5	13
Thomas	5	10	2-4	1	1	12
Brindley	1	2	3-4	2	4	5
Wolfe	2	1	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	19	48	7-14	7	25	45

Score by periods:  
Maumee 15 12 4 15-46  
Fremont 12 12 10 10-45  
Attendance: 2,500

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