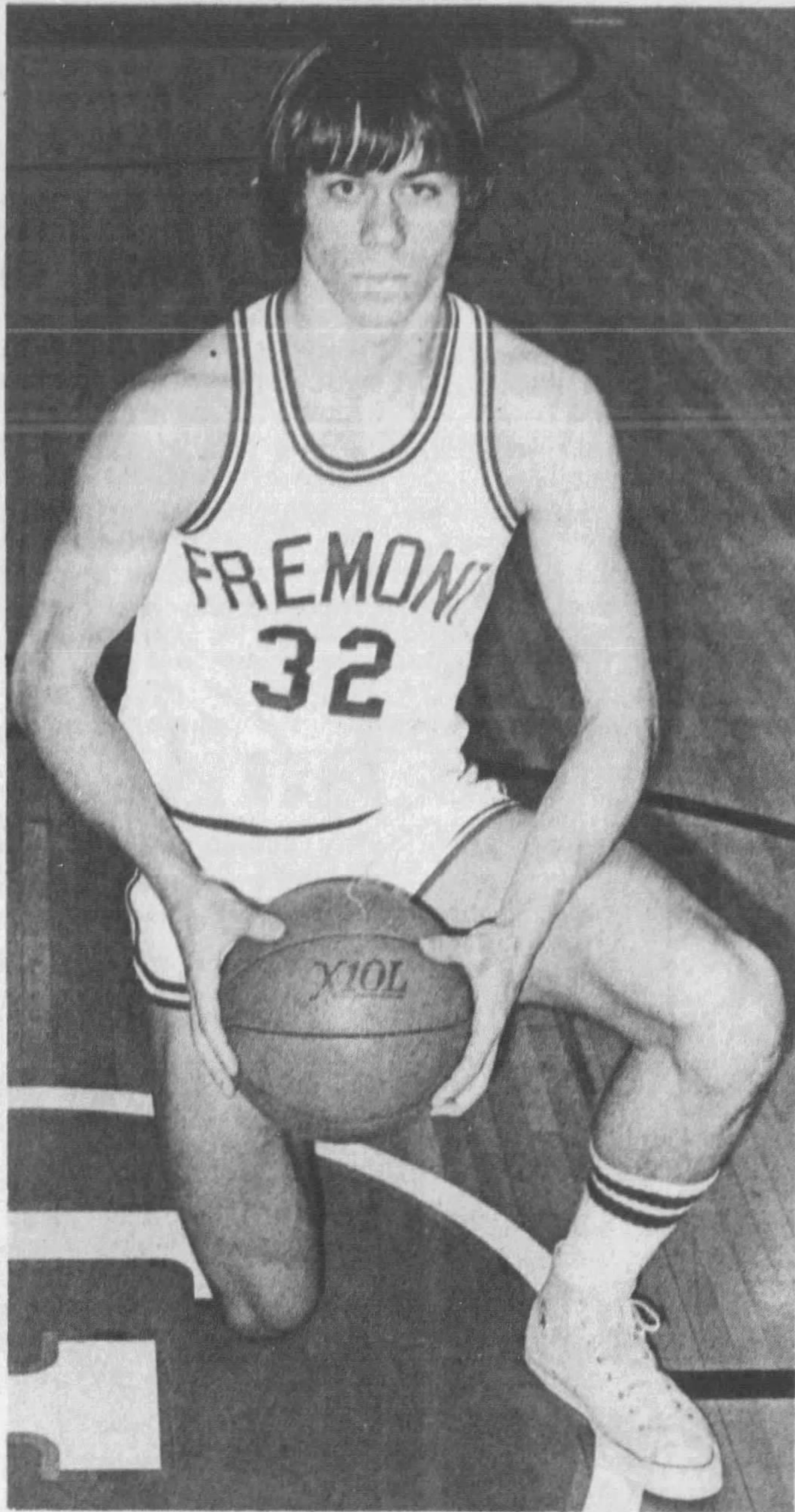


Reardon 1st team all-state



MIKE REARDON

... Ross star on AP All-State 1st team

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Two-time all-stater Mark Bayless of Chillicothe, an all-purpose guard, today was named The Associated Press Class AAA Ohio High School Basketball Player of the Year.

The AP also selected Bob Rupert of state poll champion Canton McKinley as its Class AAA State Coach of the Year.

The selections were based on regular season performances only and were selected on the recommendations of a statewide panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

24.5 average, as the Player of the Year.

Burris and Boston also landed first team berths on the all-state team. Both are seniors.

Also on the No. 1 unit were 66½ Randy Ayers of Springfield North, 6-5 Tim Joyce of Youngstown Ursuline, 6-3 Mike Reardon of Fremont Ross, 6-1 Mike Styles of Steubenville and 6-3 Terry Crosby of Toledo DeVilbiss.

All are seniors except Crosby, a junior.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The Associated Press 1974 All-Ohio Class AAA high school basketball team (selected on the recommendations of a statewide panel of sports writers and broadcasters):

FIRST TEAM

Mark Bayless, Chillicothe, 6-foot-2 Sr., 21.3 points per game; Terry Burris, Columbus Whitehall, 6-7 Sr., 23.7; Terry Crosby, Toledo DeVilbiss, 6-3 Jr., 24.3; Randy Ayers, Springfield North, 6-6½ Sr., 17.3; Tim Joyce, Youngstown Ursuline, 6-5 Sr., 30.0; Lawrence Boston, Cleveland Kennedy, 6-8 Sr., 24.5; Mike Styles, Steubenville, 6-1 Sr., 20.0; Mike Reardon, Fremont Ross, 6-5 Sr., 22.8.

SECOND TEAM

Ted Williams, Mount Vernon, 6-5 Sr., 20.7; Jud Wood, Columbus Northland, 6-3 Sr., 20.8; Bernard Newman, Piqua, 6-8 Sr., 30.5; Burrell McGhee, Warren Western Reserve, 6-6 Sr., 22.0; Stan Hall, Canton McKinley, 6-1 Sr., 14.0; Frank Steele, Toledo Scott, 6-4 Sr., 15.5; Harry Davis, Cleveland Latin, 6-6 Sr., 24.2; Chuck Booms, Euclid, 6-5 Sr., 26.1.

THIRD TEAM

Norvain Morgan, Trotwood Madison, 6-6 Sr., 18.0; Dave Heck, New Philadelphia, 6-5 Jr., 15.1; Gary Jackson, Toledo Waite, 6-5 Sr., Bo Clemens, Portsmouth, 5-10 Sr., 24.4; Brian Stertzer, Columbus Eastmoor, 6-2 Sr., 23.2; Mark Mace, Athens, 6-2 Sr., 21.3; Vic Watkins, Canton South, 6-foot Sr., 21.5; Charles Watkins, East Cleveland Shaw, 6-4 Sr., 21.5.

PLAYER OF YEAR—Mark Bayless, Chillicothe.

COACH OF YEAR—Bob Rupert, Canton McKinley.

UPI selection

Mike Reardon of Fremont Ross was named to the United Press International (UPI) All-State "AAA" basketball team that was announced today. Reardon, who averaged over 21 points per game this past season, was picked on the third team.

Bayless, a 6-foot-2 senior, was the lone player to make the first team for the second straight season. He also was selected twice as the Southeastern District Player of the Year.

The fifth leading scorer in Chillicothe history averaged 21.3 points, eight rebounds and five assists a game this winter despite injuries.

Rupert, Canton McKinley's coach for 13 years, guided the Bulldogs to an 18-0 regular season. Rupert also has turned out three state poll champions in his McKinley career.

Before tournament play began, Rupert had piled up a 333-88 career record, including a 243-50 mark at McKinley

Bayless edged 6-7 Terry Burris of Columbus Whitehall, the reigning state high jump champion who averaged 23.7 points, and 6-8 Lawrence Boston of Cleveland Kennedy, with a

Columbus Ready, the 1973 Class AA champion, and Marion Pleasant, last year's Class A ruler, were eliminated earlier in the playoffs.

McKinley is making its 14th

Canton McKinley, Akron Manchester, Clearview favored

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — be played at 11:30 a.m. Top-ranked Canton McKinley, Akron Manchester and Lorain Clearview are solid favorites to win the three divisional championships in the 52nd Ohio High School Basketball Tournament this week.

McKinley, an overwhelming choice as the state Class AAA poll

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