

JOHN DOSER
Scholastic
Notebook



Section 2 (Albany) high schools will expand their football schedules from eight to nine games on an optional basis this fall.

This was the second vote the Section held (the first vote went 44-39 against the ninth game) and this time 56 of 85 public and parochial administrators voted yes.

The ninth game is now being played in all but three of the state's 11 Sections. Joining with our own illustrious Section 5 in turning down the ninth game were Section 7 (Plattsburgh) and Section 10 (Potsdam).

Section 5 received statewide recognition from the New York State Sportswriters Association last week. We quote:

"Rochester turned down the ninth game which indicates that Section 5 is somewhat behind the times. Section 5 also voted down, recently, the admittance of Catholic schools into tournaments. Here in Section 3 (Syracuse), and in other NYS Sections around us — Catholic schools have already been admitted to tourney (sectional) competition, and we have the 9th game. Let's have a good old 'Silver Armpit' Award from the NYSSWA to all those deserving Rochester voters."

This kind of stigma Section

5 doesn't need. But it earned it all by itself.

Section 5 president Carl Palumbo of Victor has said a second vote on the ninth football game will be held this spring. He has also said for the record that the next move by Catholic schools regarding membership in Section 5 is up to the Catholics.

GLEN SPRINGS, top-rated basketball team in the State from Watkins Glen, mauled Houghton Academy, 92-28, and dumped Syracuse's Bishop Ludden, 87-69, recently.

Ludden, 21-0 and No. 1 rated by NYSSWA in 1968-69, led at halftime, 37-34, but saw the taller Glen pour 30 points through the hoop in the last period.

Syracuse Post Standard sportswriter (and cage poll president) Neil Kerr described the Gleners as lacking hustle and defense but added "they are too talented to lose to any ordinary team, and to remain No. 1," in the state ratings.

The Glen Springs' Brooklyn cagers are finding more open dates on their present schedule because some opponents are asking to be dropped. The Glen Springs-Ludden game was arranged only days before the contest was played.



Shown with promotional materials for the benefit show of "The Power and the Glory," are, left, Mrs. G. Keefe Jackson, chairman of the benefit; Mrs. Nino Trunfio, chairman of Birthright; and Mrs. William R. Sheehy, president of Women's Auxiliary at St. Mary's.

Benefit Play Slated

Birthright Rochester will receive the proceeds from a benefit performance of "The Power and the Glory" at the Community Playhouse on Clinton Ave. at 8 p.m. the evening of Thursday, Feb. 10.

This performance was to have been the cast's dress rehearsal, but the Women's Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital is sponsoring it as a benefit for Birth-

right. The pre-run show will star Father William O'Malley, SJ, a teacher from McQuaid Jesuit High School.

Subject of the play is the inner conflict of a priest forced by the Mexican revolution to live in disguise.

Reservations may be made by calling 244-3114 or 586-7785.

Elmira Area
Notes

Horseheads — The subject will be "Peace, War, and The Christian Conscience" at the monthly Second Sunday Series sponsored by St. Mary Our Mother Church Feb. 13, at 8 p.m. in the school library.

West Elmira — The Mothers' Club of Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Elementary School will sponsor a Valentine's Day Dance on Feb. 12 from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. in the church hall. Music will be provided by "Louis Muccigrosso and the Cupids".

Corning — The Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Church will sponsor a Parish Communion Supper following the 5:15 p.m. Mass on Feb. 12 in the church's gym. Guest speaker for the affair will be Judge Dominic Gabrielli, Justice of the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court. Reservations for the affair may be made by contacting either Joseph Kosty at 607-938-6905, or Jack Kester at 607-938-3046.

West Elmira — The first Parish Mission in five years will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church here beginning Feb. 21 and concluding on the 25th. Father Columkille O'Grady of the Passionist Fathers will conduct the mission.

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Elmira — Recent "B" Division play in the CYO basketball league here saw St. Patrick's run by Our Lady of Lourdes 38 to 22 to gain sole possession of first place in the "B" Division and also remain unbeaten.

Our Lady of Lourdes suffered its first loss of the season by dropping the game to St. Patrick's.

In other "B" Division contests St. Anthony's rolled past St. Mary Our Mother 25 to 14, while St. Mary's Southside smashed St. Casimir's 22 to 13. A close contest between St. Charles Borromeo and Sts. Peter and Paul ended up with St. Charles taking the victory 26 to 23.

"A" Division competition showed St. Patrick's also holding the top spot in that league by upsetting Our Lady of Lourdes 59 to 39. Dan Ramich's 22 rebounds for St. Patrick's paced his team to its seventh straight victory.

Other "A" Division action saw St. Mary's Southside crush St. Casimir's 78 to 36, while St. Mary Our Mother knocked off St. Anthony's 52 to 44.

A fifty point spread between Sts. Peter and Paul and St. Charles showed Sts. Peter and Paul taking a fantastic win by beating their opponents 72 to 22.

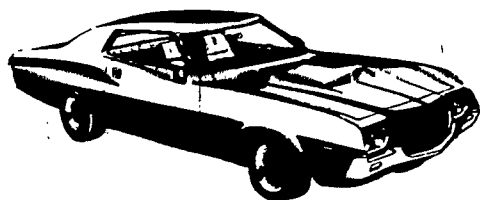
High School Division competition pitted St. Patrick's against Our Lady of Lourdes with St. Patrick's coming up with a 90 to 87 victory in overtime. Kevin Powell's basket with 14 seconds to play decided the victory, while John Sullivan's 24 points led the winners.

Other contests saw St. Mary Our Mother edging by St. Anthony's 61 to 59, while St. Mary's Southside overpowered St. Casimir's by a score of 64 to 47.

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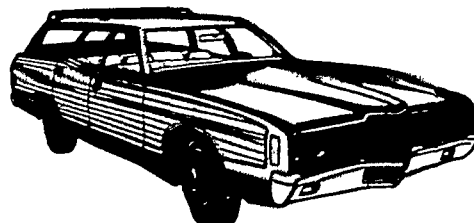
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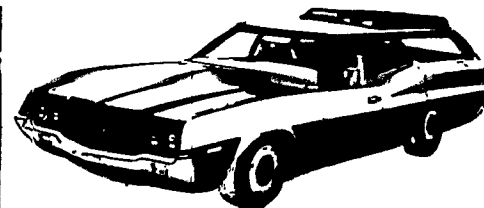
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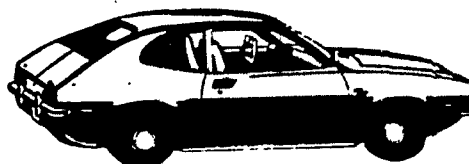
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