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The Los Angeles Lakers were streaking, fracturing their own record with each successive win. The enterprising New York Post, which covers pro basketball like the smog over L.A., ran a contest for its readers.

To win, you had to predict the date on which the Laker string would be snapped, and to break ties, the closest score would prevail.

The Post received more than 35,000 contest entries, with hundreds of them naming the Milwaukee Bucks and the date on which the Laker streak would end after 33 victories. Five of them called the right score, Milwaukee 120, Los Angeles 104.

If that doesn't do much for you, how about the reaction of LA's multi-million dollar, 7 foot, 2 inch cen-

terman, after the Lakers recorded No. 33?

Was Wilt excited about the streak?

"Haw," hawed Wilt. "Why should I be? I played with the Harlem Globetrotters when they had a lot longer streak. They won 410 games in a row. And all on the road!"

Well, anyone who can name the opponents of the Harlem Globetrotters in Rochester's War Memorial this Saturday night gets a free weekend in Harlem.

Because the opponents of the Globies, though pretty good basketball players, are not what you'd call National Basketball Association caliber. Otherwise they'd be in the NBA.

But there was a time — actually two times — when the Globies shook up the Establishment. It was in Chicago Stadium nearly 25 years ago when the Minneapolis Lakers, then in the old National Basketball League, made the mistake of playing an exhibition with the Globies. Maybe it wasn't a mistake, financially, because the joint catered to more than 17,000 cash customers. Artistically, however, the Lakers, including the storied George Mikan, blew it. Like 61 to 59.

They tried it again and this time 20,000 filled the Stadium, and the Globies did it again. After that, in a series totaling eight matches, Mikan and Company dominated, but the Globies had struck their blows. The world knew they had skill as well as showmanship.

The Globies are one of the great boxoffice phenomena of our time. A concentrated TV assault sold them to the family audience years ago, and while kids make up a major share of their audiences, they still draw many a high school and college varsity player who digs their action.

The home office of the Harlem Globetrotters happens to be in Chicago, which is the source of some sampling from the mail bags delivered to the Globie headquarters. Observe:

"My mom and dad say it is not nice to laugh at people. But you are so funny I can't help it. If I hurt your feelings, I am sorry . . ." — Gary Gilbert, Columbia, Mo., Age 8.

"I would like to play on your team. I am in second grade. I am four-foot three inches. I weigh 60 pounds. Please let me know so I can ask my mom and dad."

— Mark Linelo, Atlanta, Ga., Age 7.

"I love your team. I like you much more than the Milwaukee Bucks. Your the best team in the world. If there is a better team than you, let me know."—Doug Appleton, Milwaukee, Wis., Age 8.

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"I am not black, but I am a boy. I think the Globetrotters are the best and I like them so much I just can't stand it."—Terry Argus, Philadelphia, Pa., Age 0

"Thank you very much for sending me your team picture. Here is one of me." — Robert Miller, Detroit, Mic h., Age 11.

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Scholastic Notebook

McQuaid football fortunes came a long way in just a year.

The Knights didn't accumulate the mileage their Catholic cousins from Greece (Cardinal Mooney) did, but a 4-4 season with one of the area's top offensive machines is a heck of a lot better than the winless record the Knights put on the book last year.

Coach Tom Seymour, whose quiet moves on the football sidelines are in sharp contrast to his lightning moves on a paddleball court, decided it was time for a change in the Knights' grid program because last year was considered by Knights' fans as disastrous.

He decided to shift his offense into an unbalanced line and the net result was the best thing that ever happened to a back named Roger Key.

Key, 16, ended up with 12 touchdowns for 72 points, second only to Tony Shaw, Mooney's flashy ace runner-passer who will be back again for another year next season.

Hoop Games To Be Aired

Joe Cullinane, widely known sports announcer, once again will broadcast high school basketball games over WROC with night games on AM and afternoon games on FM. About 30 broadcasts are scheduled including the Rush-Henrietta and Penfield tourneys.

First game on the schedule is Eidson at Bishop Kearney at 8: 40 p.m., Nov. 21 over WROC-AM.

Deaths

R. L. Grannan

R. L. Grannan of Saint John, New Brunswick, died there Oct. 23, 1972. He was a brother of Philip Grannan of Elmcroft Road.

Mr. Grannan was president, before his retirement, of a plumbing concern founded by his father. He was a veteran of World War I. In 1958, Pope John XXIII made him a knight in the Order of St. Gregory the Great.

Survivors include his widow, four sons and two daughters, all in Canada

in Canada. Courier-Journal 31 9069 Key who will also play another year for Seymour was a defensive safety and ran only on a parttime basis last year for the Knights.

While an unbalanced line calls for a running game and speedy backs, Key fills the requirements to the hilt.

He's a 440-dasher on coach Bob Bradley's track team and does the 100 in 10.2.

Key and teammates Lou Tallo and Don Wojick also made the All-Catholic football team — Key and Tallo to the offensive unit and Wojick to the defensive unit — although both Tallo and Wojick scored five TD's each.

Other Knights who made the All-Catholic offensive squad include tackle Matt Teddy and guard Jim Walther; and those who made the defensive team include end Mike Della Grange, Walther, again, as a linebacker, and back Bill Hurley.

Possibly McQuaid's biggest win of the season was over archrival Aquinas (same holds true for Mooney).

The Knights pasted the Irish (any win against AQ is a "pasting") 7-0, and the victory was the first McQuaid win over the Dewey Ave. gridders since 1964.

Wojick got the only score of the game in the first period on a run from the 10 with about two minutes left. Then the Knights put it all together to keep the Irish out of the McQuaid end zone although AQ made it down to the Knights' six yard line just before halftime — but fumbled and McQuaid recovered.

McQuaid nearly made it a 5-3 season but the Knights' inability to score extra points resulted in a 14-12 loss in the finale to Whitsboro, and Seymour and his troops had to settle for a 4-4 mark

McQuaid engineered one of the area's top offensives with 23 touchdowns in eight games.

The Knights remained in contention in all their games right up to the final whistle with the exception of the Madison game which they dropped, 36-19.

Mooney, which won the City-Catholic title and was proclaimed No. 1 by the local pollsters, topped McQuaid by only 18-14.

McQuaid's other levels of football suggest mixed feelings for the future. The Knights' JV's finished 3-2 and the freshman team failed to win in six games.

Keeping Tabs

A toy sale will be held Wednesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., at the **Seton Shop**, 151 Genesee, which is run by volunteers as a money-raiser for St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. John Schroth is sale chairman.

The Parents Club of Bishop Kearney High School will sponsor a dance at the school Saturday night, Nov. 25, from 9 until 1. For reservations: Mr. and Mrs. R. Roth, 342-9551; Mr. and Mrs. G. Cahmeyer, 482-6824.

The Alhambra Ladies will honor their new officers at lunch Tuesday noon, Nov. 28, in the Rochester Club. Mrs. John W. Prendergast has charge of arrangements. The officers are Mrs. Raymond L. Nary, president; Mrs. Donald E. Woerner, vice president; Mrs. Clifford B. Sargent, secretary, and Mrs. James E. Martin, treasurer.

The Cardinal Mooney Womens Guild will meet in the school cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 27. After a social hour and business session, Mrs. Kay Dalle will conduct a Christmas workshop.

The Zonta Club Christmas Boutique will be set up in Pittsford Town Hall Saturday, Nov. 25, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Proceeds from the sale of handmade gift items will go toward the support of Camp Dico and to provide camperships for youngsters of the area.

John Stenclik, parish council chairman at St. Stanislaus, and Father Ernest Kurtz, associate pastor, head a group that will conduct a survey to bring parish records up to date and locate the skills and talents needed for renewal. Elected members of the new St. Stanislaus council include Casimir Bonus, Paul Zientara, Henry Kubiak, Sophie Cudzilo, Josephine Kamas, Paul Tremmel, Matthew Kawiak, Edward Wierzbicki and Ted Zak,

The regular monthly meeting of Court FitzSimons, Catholic Daughters of America, will be held Monday evening Nov. 27, in the Lima Town Hall. Mrs. Helen Mc Donald of Livonia is chairman.

