

GEORGE BEAHON

"In This Corner"



Has anyone wondered what ever happened to Rick Barry, the kid with the floppy hair and the basketball socks to match? He's the star who married the coach's daughter, then jumped from city to city, franchise to franchise, sat out one year playing golf, last season landed with the New York Nets, of the second rate American Basketball Association, for a salary of \$225,000 and all the endorsements and fringe benefits he and his staff of lawyers and hustlers could promote.

One of Barry's early stops in pro basketball was Oakland, and Rickey-Tickey is out there again, courtesy of a court ruling. His team, in case you can't keep track of all the new franchises and nicknames is the Golden State Warriors.

Rick misses the hustle and bustle and the extra bread that was routine in Fun City, but he hasn't

backed up any on or off the court. In fact, people are saying now he is a basketball player, meaning he now does more than shoot. Like play some defense and give up the ball at times.

"New York," he said in a recent interview, "is the place for a large ego, and I've got one."

He's back, now, in the establishment league, the National Basketball Association, and quite naturally there are the requests for comparison.

About the officiating? "I'll describe it," responds Barry, the answer to a controversy-minded scribe's dreams "I'll describe the officiating in both leagues. It stinks." Rick Barry is far removed from the massive exposure of the Fun City media, but he's managing to keep his image bright and alive.

Fathers and Sons Department . . . Alan Layne, TCU's defensive back, is the son of Bobby Layne, all time great Detroit Lions QB . . . Bert Jones, QB for LSU, is the son of Cleveland's great Dub Jones . . . Jeff Groza, Ashland placekicker, learned his trade from the famed Lou Groza . . . Chuck Fairbanks, Houston QB, is a "junior," son of Oklahoma coach Chuck Fairbanks, rumored at this writing on his way to replace Duffy Daugherty at Michigan State . . . Mark Harmon of UCLA, is the son of Michigan's Tom Harmon . . . Gary Yeoman plays for Texas, while his dad, Bill Yeoman, coaches Houston . . . Craig Cassidy, Ohio State defensive back, is the son of former Buckeye All American Howard (Hopalong) Cassidy . . . John McKay Jr. Plays for his dad, J. M. Sr., at South-

ern Cal. . . . George Allen Jr., at Virginia, is the son of Washington Redskins' mentor G.A. Sr . . . Jock Michelson, Iowa center, is the son of John Mechelosen, former Pittsburgh coach, now a 49er scout.

Hopscotching The Sports Beat . . . Wonder why Mark Spitz hasn't been making news on the banquet trail? His asking price, in the thousands for a single dinner sitdown, is off the board for most awards dinner promoters and sponsors . . . The TVorators keep telling us how the football officials have to stay in super shape, but apparently the emphasis is on experience. Youngest of all 84 whistle tooters in the NFL is Dean Look, former Michigan State and New York Titan. He's 34 . . . College coaches whose teams get to go bowling get to keep their jobs. Because the schools love their football teams when they come back with checks like \$400,000 each for Penn State and Oklahoma in the Sugar Bowl. And the other major bowls aren't far off that figure . . . Baseball will lose a big winner if Hank Baure decides to retire from managing because he can't get back into the biggies. He won a World Series (Baltimore) and has been named both Major and Minor (Tidewater International) League Manager of Year since his playing career with the Yankees. Hank suggests he's being blackballed. Certainly not because of that long-ago barroom brawl in the Copa? . . . Speaking of the minors, Int. president George Sisler Jr. came up with a winner at the recent meetings in Honolulu. He got increased benefits for all 24 triple-A clubs, from \$5,000 to \$12,500 yearly for selection rights by the majors. This is in addition to all other working agreement subsidies . . . Overheard at the baseball convention in a hotel restaurant: "Bring me the businessman's lunch, if you please. Make it extra dry."

JOHN DOSER

Scholastic Notebook



Surprise!

Cardinal Mooney, unbeaten City-Catholic League football champs, placed no less than ten players on the 26-man All-Catholic football squad, and seven on the All-City-Catholic League team.

The Cards placed another seven honorable mentions on the All-Catholic squad and two honorable mentions on the All-C-C team.

Not bad for one season's work.

Only it didn't take just one season, as Mooney coach Tony Merola would be the first to admit.

Mooney's Tony Shaw and Aquinas' Bob Imes were the only repeat selections on the All-Catholic team from a year ago.

Shaw set Mooney school records by scoring 100 points and rushing for nearly 1,000 yards. Imes was among the C-C league's better runners, averaging five yards a crack. For the record, Shaw averaged 5.5 yards a try, but carried the ball 177 times to Imes' 89.

The All-Catholic football first team included Shaw's hard-running teammate, Chris Charleton, and end Dan Pannaggio, guard Bob Mitchell and center Mike Spurling.

Tackles Jeff Weston and Carl Leonardo, linebackers Tim McTammany and Bill Radel and halfback John Alberto were named to the All-Catholic defensive squad.

McQuaid's Knights placed eight on the two all-star teams, including backs Roger Key, second to Shaw in scoring with 72 points, and Lou Tallo, who tallied 30 points.

Other Knights included tackle Matt Teddy, guard Jim Walther, and defensively, end Mike Della Grange, linebacker Walther, and halfbacks Bill Hurley and Don Wojcik.

Aquinas placed five: end Jiri Lane, Imes, linebackers Charlie Eber, and Rick Furia, and halfback John Veltri.

Bishop Kearney placed three: tackle Tom Schmitz, end Tom Holland, and linebacker Brian Hagney.

Shaw, Key, Charleton, Lane, Schmitz, Weston and Mitchell made the All-City-Catholic first team on offense; Della Grange, McTammany, Radel, Furia, Hagney, Veltre and Wojcik made All-City-Catholic on defense.

FOUR CATHOLIC high school athletes made the City-Catholic

League All-Star soccer team — they were John Nettin (Mooney), defense; Orest Jeina (Kearney), defense; Claudio Battiste (Aquinas) forward; and teammate Bob Cupello (Aquinas) forward.

Five also made the All-City-Catholic second team: fullback Tom Vull (Kearney), fullback Bob Griesberger (McQuaid), halfback Nate Hoffer (Aquinas), forward Bill Dougherty (Mooney), and forward Bob Ashenberg (McQuaid).

Battiste and Cupello teamed to score 23 goals for the Irish this season.

GAMES ON AIR

Three high school basketball games are on tap for area fans this week. The Edison at Franklin game will be broadcast over WROC-FM at 4:15 p.m., Dec. 8 and the Rush-Henrietta at Penfield at 8:40 p.m. the same night over WROC-AM.

At 4:15 p.m. Dec. 12 the Cardinal Mooney at Franklin game will be aired over WROC-AM. Joe Cullinane calls the games.

Knights Set Hoop Record

The McQuaid Jesuit High School basketball team helped set a state roundball record in their Nov. 28 game against Madison. They lost, 133-106, in the highest scoring high school game in New York State's history.

The 239 point total broke the old record of 226, set in 1970 by two Long Island teams, Bridgehampton and Shelter Island. The national record is 269 points also set in 1970 by two Virginia teams.

The Knights' 106-point output is also a McQuaid scoring record.

Junior forward Bob Napier had 31 points for the Knights in the losing effort.

Aquinas Mermen Win Opener

Aquinas opened its swim season last week against Charlotte High, with a 60-35 victory.

Ruling as city champs last year, the Aquinas swimmers hope to repeat under the direction of their coaches Father Ed Doser, CSB, and Terry Pelcher.

Bruce Hastings set a new pool record for Aquinas at Charlotte with a 4:39.2 time in the 400-yard free style.

The schedule: Franklin, Dec. 5; Madison, Dec. 7; Monroe, Dec. 12 and McQuaid, Dec. 16.

AAU Bouts Slated Friday

Amateur Athletic Union sanctioned boxing bouts return to Rochester Dec. 8 at the Rochester Institute of Technology gym.

The bouts are sponsored by the St. Martin de Porres Boxing Club with the assistance of various area businesses, organizations and individuals. Rochester's golden glove champions will be featured against top New York State competition.

Area champions include Willie Adams, Niagara 118 pound champ and runner up in the Adarondak 125 open class; Travis Robinson, 132 pound Adarondak champ; Willie Woods, 112 pound Niagara and Adarondak champ; and Ron "Joe" Frazier, 160 pound Adarondak champ.

Three time golden glove runner-up James "Tootsieroll"

Adams and runner-up Robert Dixon also will be featured. Other Promising locals will include Kieran O'Dwyer, a Bishop Kearney student; and Jerry Margolycz, a West Irondequoit student.

Competition will be coming from Geneva, Olean, Ithaca, Elmira, with other talent being currently sought elsewhere. The first outside appearance of the Elmira Reformatory boxing team will be made at this show. The Elmira team is coached by Chuck Jennings.

Tickets are available at Ruby's Sporting Goods, 867 Clinton Avenue South, The Red Lion Restaurant, 36 Main Street West, and at St. Martins, 575 Clinton Avenue North.

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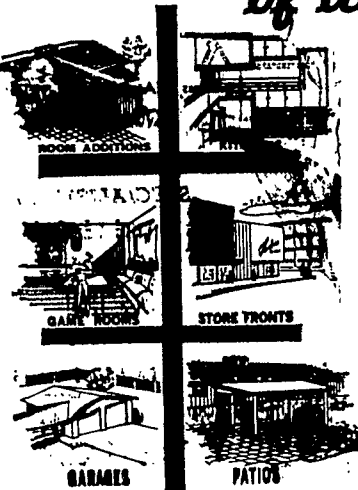
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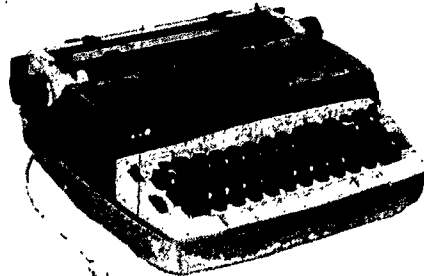
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