



**U.S. Women Beat Team From China**

*Photos by Susan McKinney*

Rochester has been making strides of its own towards better U.S. - Chinese relations. The Rochester War Memorial was the scene of a basketball game Nov. 22 between the U.S. Women's National Basketball team and the women's basketball team from the Peoples' Republic of China.

The game marked the first time that the U.S. team, composed of 15 women from all over the United States, had played together before a friendly crowd. They had last played together in the Pan American Games in Mexico where they placed first and won a gold medal.

The Chinese team played four college teams and the U.S. National Team during this recent tour. Early in the second half the U.S. team pulled ahead of the Chinese, who had led 42-34 at the half, to post a 94-82 win.

Officials for the game, Sue Peplin and Darlene May, led both teams into the War Memorial before a crowd of about 4,000, top photo. Annie Mayers, center photo, was outnumbered as she waited for a rebound under the basket, center photo. All American center, Nancy Dunkle (5) takes aim at the basket, bottom.

**IN THIS CORNER**



**George Beahon**

I presume the normal person is not so addicted to TV football as I am. So I further presume you did not stick around for the halftime show on Thanksgiving Night when ABC (Channel 13) offered us Georgia and Georgia Tech.

Although Georgia was a modest 3-point favorite, the halftime scoreboard read Georgia 28-Tech 0.

If you had nothing better to do, you then got a first in top level college football telecasting. We

were in the Tech dressing room, listening to coach Pepper Rodgers lay on a pep talk that must have had Knute Rockne spinning.

If nothing else, it was almost embarrassing. But Pepper braved it out, and sent his troops out to fall behind 42-zip. It ended with a sort-of comeback for Tech, which scored 26 points to lose a no-contest 42-26 decision.

If that wasn't a poor show, it at least was poor taste, exposing those nice college student-athletes to network cameras supered over a 28-nothing blasting.

Poorer taste was the pair of games ABC handed us on Saturday.

Army-Navy went out of style long ago. In fact, Army football went out of style long ago, when West Point (or Pentagon) brass decided that Tom Cahill could not coach any more, even though he had made it for Army as coach of the year in a previous season.

Navy, over Army was a

Predictable "dog" long before the day they played. Pre-season books would have put Navy at least two touchdowns over the Army, and on game day, Navy was a 21-point pick. That makes a lousy match-up, and about 20,000 people stayed away from the "classic" in Philadelphia. And, predictably, Navy wacked out a dull 30-6 victory.

The second half of ABC's juicy Saturday holiday weekend doubleheader was another turkey. This was Alabama against overmatched Auburn, with emphasis on the fact that Auburn coach Shug Jordan was winding up a fine career. (It's pronounced Shooog Jerden, which should have added to the muddle in ABC programming and scheduling.)

Another mismatch, also predictable. Alabama was a 21-point pick, and won it 28-zip. Whoopee!

With five games on ABC in 46 hours, four games in two days, the public was overstuffied, but shortened up on quality.

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