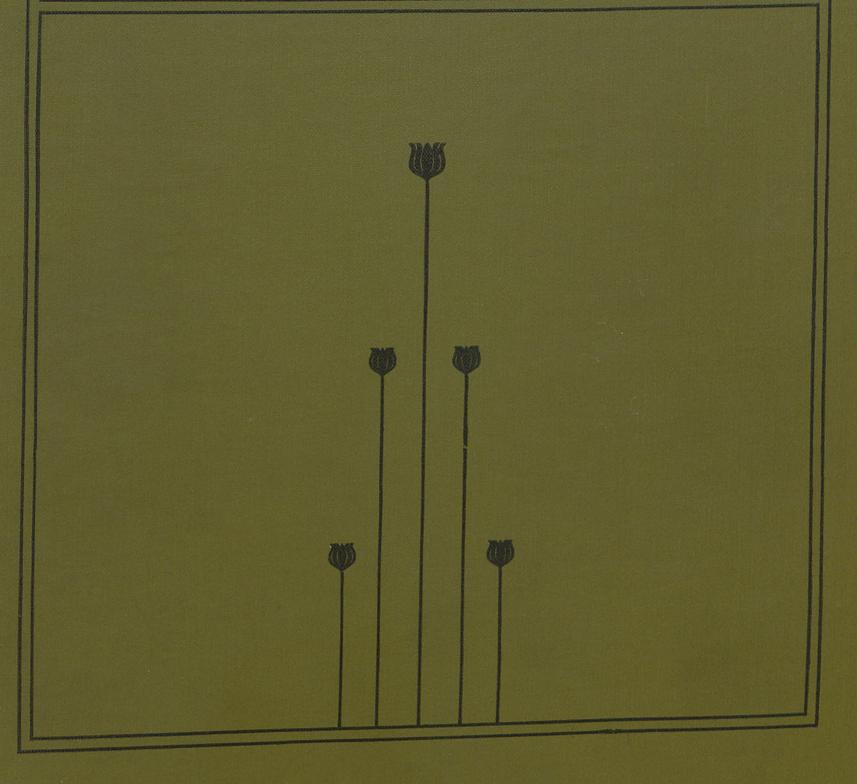
## SCRAP BOOK



### "The Friars"

### PROVIDENCE COLLEGE BASKETBALL 1945—1946

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Dec. 10	CASU No. 22-5 (Squantum)	at Providence
Dec. 13	St. Michael's	at Boston Garden
Dec. 15	U. S. Coast Guard Academy	at New London
Dec. 19	Newport Naval Training Station	at Newport
Jan. 12	U. S. Navy Receiving Station	at Providence
Jan. 18	U. S. Naval Hospital	at Providence
Jan. 24	Boston College	at Boston Garden
Feb. 6	U. S. Coast Guard Academy	at Providence
Feb. 12	Brown University	at Providence
Feb. 14	Rhode Island State College at	Rhode Island Aud.
Feb. 20	University of Connecticut	at Storrs
Feb. 23	Cushing General Hospital	at Providence
Feb. 26	Quonset Fliers	at Providence
Feb. 28	Cushing General Hospital	at Framingham
Mar. 2	Quonset Fliers	at Quonset
Mar. 6	Rhode Island State College	at Kingston
Mar. 9	Brown University	at Brown

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## FRIARS SCHEDULE

Varsity Quintet Opens Dec. 5, Meets Brown and Rams,

Plays at Boston Garden

The Providence College basketball team will play an 18-game schedule this season, opening Dec. 5 against the Newport Naval Training Station team and closing March 9 against Brown.

The Friars, with only three vet-erans of last Winter's young, small but scrappy team, have another building job ahead and Coach Ed Crotty is confronted by the most dif-

ficult problem of his career.

With strong service teams and the better college fives of this area scheduled, Crotty and the Friars are heading into a busy campaign, one that will feature the annual series with Brown and Rhode Island State as well as two visits to the Boston

Brown will visit the Friars Feb. 12 and will entertain them at Marvel Gym in the finale. The games with State are listed for Feb. 14 at the R. I. Auditorium and March 6 at

P. C. first visits the Boston Garden Dec. 13 when St. Michael's College of Winooski will be opposed. It will be the first meeting between the Friars and the Vermonters. P. C. will play Boston College, coached by Al "General" McClellan, former P. C. coach, on Jan. 24 at the Hub Garden.

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Freshmen at Providence College are Francis King of St. Patrick's and Lou Gelsomino of Holy Ghost, well known in CYO sporting circles. "Brud," for long an all-around athlete at St. Patrick's, put in some time in the Navy and now after working awhile has entered the Friar College. "Gel," a graduate of Central High, worked for a year and now like King is anxious to make the P. C. quintet. Rumors have it that Jackie Allen, ex-St. Mary's of Newport CYO court luminary, with a discharge from the army, is bound for P. C. What a basketball team this year's Pant Visiter 10% should be!

### Boston Garden Books R. I. Day on Hoop Card

The Rhode Island influence will be strong in the Boston Garden on Jan. 24, according to a program announcement made last night by Bill Mokray, basketball matchmaker for the Garden.

That night, on the collegiate card, Rhode Island State will clash with Holy Cross and Providence College will tangle with Boston College, coached by Al McClellan, former P. C. mentor.

In addition, the Pawtucket Boys' Club Midgets will oppose the St. Francis CYO quintet from Medford.

The schoolboy program that afternoon will be just as definitely Rhode Island tinted with the Biddeford (Me.) High School's team, coached by Warner Keaney, son of the R. I. State hoop boss, opposing Immaculate Conception High of Revere; Watertown High School, coached by Frank W. Keaney Jr., meeting Ston-ington, piloted by Ed Petro, ex-Ram; and South Kingstown playing Woburn.

The Garden's season will open on Dec. 13, with Providence College helping the inaugural festivities by meeting St. Michael's of Winooski, Vt., and in the afternoon's schoolboy games John (Slip) Bernini, erstwhile P. C. star, will send his St. Mary's High School team of Waltham against St. Mary's of Lynn. The afternoon feature will be between Mission High School of Pauls and St. sion High School of Roxbury and St.

## WATERBURY ROY HOOP PROSPECT

High last June who at 17 years of age stands exactly six feet high and tips the beams at 160 pounds, is a candidate for a varsity position with the Providence College basketball team. The local lad, a freshman taking a business course, hopes to land a regular starting assignment as a guard with the Friars. First Game Tonight

"Friars" inaugurate their 1945-46 basketball season this evening when they meet the Newport Naval Training Station at Harkins Hall in Providence. The Sailors from Newport had one of the strongest service teams in this area last year and won the Narragansett Bay

Service League.

Storey and Hill, the two star forwards, are back this year and they will be ably assisted in the front line by Bornheimer, a six-foot-four boy who won fame at La Salle Military Academy of Long Island. The guards are Bob Strang and Frank Taylor. Taylor is a former University of Vermont star. The Newport team is coached by Lieut. John Mazzarella who played with Boston University. From all reports on the squad from the Naval Training Station it looks as though Coach Ed Crotty's boys in their first court appearance will be meeting a powerful and experienced

The 1945 edition of "The Friars" will be another young and untried squad. Of the thirty or more who answered the call to basketball drill, nineteen still remain. The average age of the squad is eighteen years, and fourteen of the nineteen are freshmen at the college. The remaining five are sophomores. The squad has slightly more height than last year's team which was one of the smaller teams in the nation. Three men are six-foot-two. They are Rae Edwards, a freshman from St. Mary's High School in Milford, Mass.; John Fogarty, also a freshman from La Salle Academy; and Joe Lebel from Salle Academy; and Joe Leb 1 from Barnstable, Mass., a sophomore. Eight of the squad hit the six-foot mark and all the rest vary down to Jean Mandeville, 5-foot-4, an ex-serviceman who was a substitute with last year's team.

"All State" Men

Bob Corry of Hope, "Brud" King of La Salle and Henri Ethier of Pawtucket East are former high school "All State" men. All three are also veterans of World War II. Henri Ethier was a member of the 1942-43 team but left early in the season to become an Army pilot. He is now a sophomore. From the nineteen men left Coach Crotty has still to pick his first team and the starting lineup for Wednesday night's game. Three of last years first team, Labossiere, Corry and Arzoomanian are back and may hold their old positions, at least for the present. Arzoomanian was high scorer last season with an average of 19.6 points a game. Corry is a guard, and Leo Labossiere, who is only 5-foot-5 and weighs 122 pounds. was captain of last year's "midget" Friars. The squad has been practicing for several hours every day and have had several strenuous scrimmages. By tonight's game they hope to be ready to give a, good account of themselves.

## Sailors to Play First Hoop Tilt Against Friars

The Newport Naval Training Sta-on basketball team, last year's champions of the Narragansett Bay Service League, will open its 20game season tomorrow night against Providence College in Harkins Hall with two veteran players in the lineup. Two dates are left open.

Mort Hill, captain of the quintet, is playing his second season as forward and will team up in the front court with the other veteran, Tom Storey. Storey, incidentally, was signed to play baseball with the Brooklyn Dodgers before entering the navy.

At center will be "Stretch" Bornheimer, strapping 200-pound 6 ft. 4inch youngster, who entered the navy from La Salle Academy at Oakdale, L. I. Starting in the back court at guard positions will be Phil McNiff and Frank Taylor.

Coaching the team this year is Lieut. John A. Mazzarella, former Boston University player.

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home: 26, Cushing Gen. Hosp., home; 27,
Fort Devens, away.

### GI Henri Back with Friars



Henri Ethier, army air force pilot, who has returned to Providence College and will be in the lineup tonight as the Friars open their basketball season.

## Friar Quintet Opens Tonight Against Newport NTS Five 14 Frosh and 5 Sophomores,

Including 3 from Last Year,

on Coach Crotty's Squad

With a squad of 14 Freshmen and five Sophomores, the Providence College Friars will open their campaign tonight against the Newport Naval Training Station's quintet at Harkins Hall at 8 o'clock.

Coach Ed Crotty again is confronted by a building problem, inasmuch as he has only three regulars and one reserve from last year's squad. Johnny Arzoomanian, Bob Corry and Leo Labossiere carried much of the load a year back as the P. C. "mighty mites," one of the smallest teams in the country, compiled a satisfactory record.

They will be aided this Winter by boys who are physically larger than the 1944-45 squad, but who are just as lacking in experience. Three of the new men-Rae Edwards of St. Mary High School, Milford, John Fogarty La Salle, and Joe Lebel, Barnstable, are 6 feet, 2 inches tall and eight others are 6-footers.

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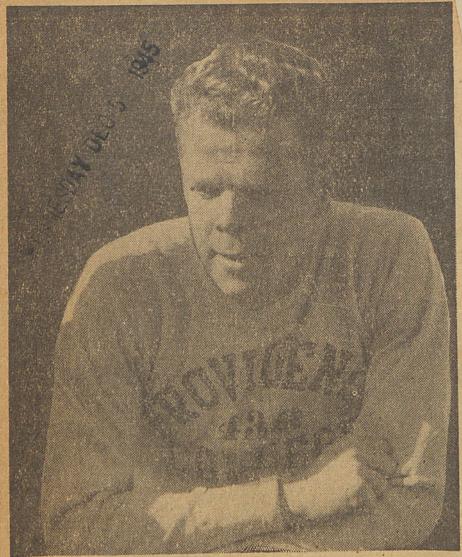
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### CHIEF OF THE FRIARS



ED CROTTY, HEAD BASKETBALL COACH at Providence College, sends his Friars into action in their season's opener against the Newport Naval Training Station five at Harkins Hall.

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## Rams Conquer C

R. I. State scored its third highscore triumph of the season, an 34-45 more forward, moved into the limeconquest of the USS Princeton light as the Rams' high scorer in this CASD five, and Providence College game, contributing 23 points, 18 of opened its season by dropping a 67-46 them in the first half, to his team's decision to the Newport Naval Sta- triumph. tion team in basketball games played last night.

The Rams manufactured their victory at Kingston without the services of Co-Capt. Ernie Calverley, who physical condition. However, the dressed for the game, but remained Friars looked promising even in deout of action because of a boil on his feat, and should improve considerleft hand.

For the early part of the first half the : SS Princeton cagers, employing a zone defense, held the Rams pretty well in check, but the sharpshooting Rams were not to be denied long, finally got the range and gradually widered their margin.

At the enc of five minutes the score stood 8-3 for State, but by the elected Friar captain earlier in the 10-minute mark the difference had been widened to 23-8 and at halftime it was 44-17.

Dick Hole, State's brilliant Sopho-

P. C. in its season debut at Harkins Hall, was the victim of opponents who had the edge on height and experience, and were in top-notch ably with more experience and

Except for the first minute and a half, when floor shots by Hank Arzoomanian and forward Capt. Hank Ethier, gave them a brief 4-2 lead, the Friar; trailed their naval foes throughout the con-

Ethier, a Pawtucket East High product who served as a first lieutenant in the Army Air Forces, had been day and celebrated this distinction by leading his team in scoring with 22 points, also high for the game.

For the navy men the big gun on offense was tall Bill Bornheimer at center. He caged 19 points and dominated the backboards until he retired from the game late in the second half.

# P. C. LOSES, 67-46,

Henri Ethier, Returned Pilot, Sets Pace; Sailors Have

Experience, Size

### BY DICK REYNOLDS

Cashing in smartly on superior height, experience and physical condition, a well-balanced Newport Naval Training Station crew out-pointed the Providence College quintet, 67-46, last night at Harkins Hall in the season's opener for both

Although trailing all the way, except for the first 90 seconds of the contest when floor shots by Johnny Arzoomanian and Hank Ethier provided a brief 4-2 lead, the Friars gave cheering indications of better things to come after they have received the benefits of additional experience and conditioning.

The most promising member of the Friar cast was Ethier, who celebrated his election earlier in the day to the team captaincy by pouring in 22 points and becoming high scorer.

A first lieutenant in the Army Air Corps until his recent discharge, Ethier played on the Friar varsity as a Freshman until being inducted into the army in January, 1943. He has been enrolled as a Sophomore at the college since September and lives at 361 Orient Avenue, Pawtucket. He attended Pawtucket East High School, where he captained the varsity quintet and was named to the All-State schoolboy team.

#### Bornheimer Paces Sailors

Chief contributor to the Sailors' success and the Friars' downfall last evening was Big Bill Bornheimer, who dropped in 19 points from his lofty altitude of 6-feet 4-inches and dominated both backboards until retired by Coach John A. Mazzarella with 13 minutes remaining of the second half.

The towering Bornheimer, selected on the all-New Jersey schoolboy five last season, showed deadly accuracy in pumping in 1-hand shots from the side court, and all in all, sity of Vermont quintet. looked like one of the best hoopsters looked like one of the best hoopsters seen at Harkins Hall in recent years.

gent was forward Tom Storey, who 15-13, but at this juncture the visitalso operated from an altitude well ors' stamina, speed and court saabove the 6-foot level. In addition gacity all began to tell, and at the to his heavy donation to his team's close of the half, the Friars had point total, Storey guarded Johnny Arzoomanian so zealously that the ubiquitous atom was restricted to a single basket all evening.

Third member of the sailors' Big Three in scoring achievement was Phil McNiff, former St. John's College, of Brooklyn, player, who, from his right guard post, netted 18 points.

The two other starting members of the victors were Mort Hill, rangy forward , who was a West Coast schoolboy luminary before joining the navy, and Harry Taylor, who played against Providence College

in 1942 as a member of the Univer-

At the end of 10 minutes of the first Sharing top scoring honors with half, the Friars, thanks to sensation-Bornheimer in the sailors' contin- al shooting by Ethier, trailed only dropped behind, 35-24.

Following intermission, again made a gallant attempt to turn the tide with two floor shots scored in quick succession, but the wellpoised sailors quickly recovered the initiative and galloped to a 62-37 advantage before Bornheimer retired for the evening.

With the giant sailor sidelined, the Friars fared somewhat better, outscoring the Newporters, 9-5, for the remainder of the game.

Midway through the second half, Joe Lebel, Friars' sub guard, was removed after suffering a cut over his left eye in a melee under the Providence hoop.

The summary.

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### SCORING THE HARD WAY

Henri Ethier (extreme left) soars high and sinks a shot through a welter of arms during last night's Providence College-Newport NTS game. Next to Ethier is Regensberger of PC. The Newport players are Matula (26) and Roberts.

By BILL MOKRAY

Basketball Director Boston Garden

An air of optimism pervades New England's sporting fraternity as big-time basketball at the Boston Garden this Thursday lends an official inauguration to the forthcoming campaign. No less than 48 contests will make it possible for Greater Boston court enthusiasts to see some of the finest teams and players in action during the next 10 weeks.

Thursday's program stands out prominently since it marks Boston College's re-entry into intercollegiate cage warfare for the first time since 1925. This two decade haitus is expected to result in enthusiasm never experienced hereabouts.

In an effort to induce local fans to become basketball-conscious, Walter A. Brown, president of the Garden, and his able assistant, Thomas J. Kanaly, have designated Thursday as "basketball night." The sole exception is the Dec. 21 program since Bill Mc-Carter, the Dartmouth College director who has supported the Garden program at every opportunity, found that to be the only vacant date on the Indians' sched-

Local color, admittedly missing from last winter's initial venture, will be very much in evidence this season. At least one local college appears in every game, and, in one instance—the Boston College-Providence College and Holy Cross-Rhode Island twin bill—four popular teams will be featured simultaneously. Needless to add, this Jan. 24 offering gives, every indication of being a sell-

HOLY CROSS VS. B. C. True to tradition, Holy Cross and Boston College will stage their two-game series, with the Jesuit rivals most appropriately ringing down the Garden curtain

with their Feb. 14 tilt.
In preparing this season's program, the Garden officials have exerted every effort to present not only the best available talent but also develop a policy that would induce further growth.

In addition to creating interest in the sport, this policy alleviates embarrassing situations where some gymnasiums are too small to accommodate overflowing throngs, or, as in the case of the Boston school system, urovides courts

when they are at a premium.

Though the basketball program at the North Station Depot is but one year old, glowing accounts have reached the hinterlands. Universities that visited here have spoken so highly of the hospitality accorded them both by the Garden family and the general citizenry that bids for next winter's games are already on

PERFECT PLAYING COURT

The Garden's \$10,000 court has been adjudged by visiting coaches and players as the best in the entire nation. Last summer's addition of 1500-watt bulbs to the general lighting system has brought the illumination to 189-000 watts-virtually daylight.

Colleges coming to the Hub

to rabid cage fans.

Among the more formidable invaders coming here include New York University, generally regarded as the fourth best in the nation last winter; Temple University, ever a court power in the East; St. John's, a threat to any team's designs upon national honors; Bowling Green State University, runners-up to the national invitation tournament crown last March; Valparaiso University, "the world's tallest team"; Rensselaer, the only undefeated team in regular season competition a year ago; Hamline, Geneva, Villanova and hosts of



BOSTON GARDEN BOUND. Coach Ed Crotty gets his starting Providence College five together and outlines plans for the Friars Garden debut Thursday night against St. Michael's. From left to

right, Leo LaBossiere, Lou Gelsimino, Henri Ethier, Coach Ed Crotty, Joe Lebel and Rae Edwards.

## Arzoomanian Nets 25 Points as Friars Topple Squantum

#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

The vim and vigor of youth paid large dividends for Providence College last night as the fleet Friars defeated Don Elser's Squantum CASU Johnny Arzoomanian contributed. five, 76 to 43, at Harkins Hall.

Squantum, featuring Elser, an All-America in football and basketball at Notre Dame, was, despite its considerable size, undermanned. Complications set in as the Squantums made the journey so that they had only six men available and the Friars made the six run as they hadn't run in months.

Bigger and more experienced, the visitors bothered the Friars no little by their ball handling and zone defense, but after a bit Coach Ed Crotty of P. C. persuaded his young men to hustle and that persuasiveness settled the issue in short order.

From a reasonably tight struggle in the opening minutes, the Friars built up a 32-15 margin at halftime and streaked away when play was resumed. Capt. Henri Ethier, recently returned from the armed services

and still needing considerable work before he reaches peak condition, got hot in the second half and finished with 22 points, three less than

Elser, big and talented, picked up 19 for Squantum, scoring seven of them from the free flip line. Elser's size was a tremendous asset under the boards but, despite his big pull in the weights, the former Irish ace didn't throw his weight around, a fortunate thing for the Friars to say the least. Elser gave a classy exhibition and was helped along consider-ably by Tempee Warmack who couldn't buy a basket in the first half but scored 10 points in the second.

The Friars were vastly improved over the opening game showing and, particularly in their passing did they encourage Coach Crotty, Arzoomanian and Ethier collaborated brilliantly on several occasions and little Leo LaBossiere functioned deftly as a play maker.

Rae Edwards and Bob Corry did well on defense, retrieving a large share of the rebounds which, in view of the talents of Elser and Garry Beckwith in that department, was quite remarkable. The Friars are far from their peak but are definitely promising.

Corry compiled an unusual proficiency record, firing four times from afar and sinking all four and then swishing in his two free tries for a mark of six sinkings in six attempts.

At times the Friars switched to a fast break and when they did they hit their top stride, not only in scoring but also in the crispness of their passing game.

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### P. C. Will Sell Tickets For Friars' Hub Game

Providence College letic Association announced last night that a block of seats for the Friars-St. Michael's game in the Boston Garden Thursday night would go on sale at the college tomorrow morning.

The Friars, beaten by the strong Newport N. T. S. quintet in their opener last week, will tune up for the Garden visit by meeting Don Elser's Squantum quintet tomorrow night at Harkins Hall.

## Engle, Crotty Speak at Hub Hoop Meeting

Boston, Mass., Dec. 11.—Boston basketball writers opened their arms and ears to Rip Engle of Brown and Ed Crotty of Providence College at the first meeting of the newly-formed Basketball Writers Asso-

ciation here yesterday.

Engle remarked, "We really need some of those extra points we had last year. Before the season opened, I figured we'd win about a third of our games. After we beat Connecti-cut last Saturday I boosted it to a half, but after listening to Henry McCarthy of M. I. T. talk about his club and Harvard's here today, I've dropped it down to a third again."

Rip went on to explain that his team had only seven days' practice before the opener but got off to a good start in the first half against Connecticut and then held even for the second. He told how the unexpectedly large crowd made it necessary to put up the portable bleachers between the preliminary and varsity games, and joined the other coaches in predicting a record attendance for the season throughout New England.

Gnotty said that his team had practiced only a week and would be inexperienced until later in the sea-

"We'll be fairly fast and good scorers, but I'm afraid we'll be weak defensively," he observed. Crotty pleaded with the coaches and the public not to expect too much from veterans until they get oriented. He used Henry Ethier as an example, for Ethier scored 16 points in the first half of the opener and then almost melted into the floor in the second half when his legs began to fail.

Crotty also reported that Al Palmieri was due back from the service today, and added that the Friars would be prepared to make a good showing against St. Michael's in the opening collegiate double-header at Boston Garden Thursday night.

### FRIARS LAUNCHIN **BIG COURT WEEK**

States Three Collegiate Fives Scheduled to Play 7 Games;

P. C. vs. Squantum Tonight

### BY BARNEY MADDEN

Providence College, assisted by the Squantum Navy, will launch one of the busiest and most important weeks in early-season hoop history in Rhode Island tonight by staging the first of seven games that will involve the State's three collegiate basketbail teams.

Tonight's fray will be one of three games for P. C. this week. The Friars are scheduled to oppose St. Michael's of Winooski, Vt., in the Boston Garden's opener Thursday night and Coast Guard Academy at New London Saturday.

R. I. State, meanwhile, is confronted by two of the toughest assignments on its schedule, the Quonset Flyers tomorrow night and St. John's Saturday. Brown entertains Worcester Tech Wednesday, pays its respects to Harvard Saturday.

Elser with Squantum Conight, is coached by tonight, is coached by one of Notre Dame's greatest athletes, Don Elser. Big Don, All-America in football and basketball, plays with as well as directs the Squantum quintet. He will have Binetti, who matches Elsers' 6-3 height, at center and probably will start Lt. Harry Malkowski of Pawtucket and Brown, Padree Beckwith of Tacoma, Wash., and Jack Bausman, Hollywood High School star.

Coach Ed Crotty of the Friars plans to start Leo LaBoissiere and Johnny Arzoomanian at the forwards, Capt. Henri Ethier at center and Rae Edwards and Bob Corry at the guards. Crotty expects plenty of trouble from Squantum, principally because of the sailors' size. The invaders' height can be a serious problem on the Friars' small court.

Al Palmieri, one of the Freshmen

stars of the prewar Friars, is due to return to college today and may be ready for part time action in the Hub Garden Thursday.

## Basketball at Garden

# By MURRAY KRAMER

Boston's newest major sportcollege basketball-moves into the Garden next Thursday night with a doubleheader that should send the collegiate hoopsters away to a flying start.

The experimental years are over. Boston has proven it wants good college basketball played under ideal conditions and that's just what the fans will receive in the ambitious winter card which features local talent and New England teams.

Boston College, returning to court wars after a 25 year ab-sence, tangles with tricky Man-hattan while Providence College takes on little St. Michaels from Winooski, Vermont.

Interest may center in the Eagles in their first court contest but experienced basketball followers are going to center their attention on Ed Crotty's Provi-

dence College Friars.

The little Providence School is taking a post war attitude that "big time" football is impossible and the authorities there are concentrating on basketball. For that reason they made an early start last year with the purpose of getting ready as soon as possi-SEEKS HONORS advelos

Three of last year's regulars are back, including John Arzocmanian who made a great hit in his Garden debut. He averaged 19.6 points per game last winter and is gunning for national high scoring honors this winter.

Then there is that little guard—

Leo Labossiere. He's only 5-5 and weighs a hefty 122 pounds. Yet, he was so outstanding and colorful that he captained the 1944-45 outfit. Pound for pound, he's the finest hoopman in the East. Bob Corry, a big, rugged 210 pound six foot guard who once played football at Boston University rounds out the returning veterans. He's fast and he's rough and a real good looking basketball player.

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Corry, wno was All-State at Hope High in Providence and is a former serviceman, will have the company of two other former ex-GI's—Brud King of LaSalle and Henri Ethier of Pawtucket East.

Three other newcomers - Rae Edwards, Milford; John Fogerty, LaSalla Academy and Joe Lebel of Barnstable are all ex-high school stars and each goes 6-2 in

With these boys as a nucleus together with several substitutes from last year and a flock of promising freshmen, Ed Crotty is on the road to building a club that may rank with the best in the nation once they get the necessary experience.

It's a young team much the same as Boston College.

Both schools are operating on the same theory-building for the future with young squads made up largely of freshmen and sopho-mores.

Neither the Eagles nor the Friars may be world beaters next Thursday night but by the time February rolls around, opponents

are going to be in for plenty of grief.

EXPERIENCE EDGE

The chances are that Providence will wind up a winner in its Garden opener for St. Michaels, potentially strong, is behind the Friars in conditioning and this could prove the difference.

Boston College, however, seems headed for a loss. Manhattan with six games under its belt and five straight victories, will have the experience which should mean the

But two good games are in prospect and they should be well worth seeing.

Action galore is promised and the two championship teams of tomorrow — Boston College and Providence College—are on the card.



Diminutive forward whose speed is

expected to be a big asset in to-

night's game in the Boston Garden.

## FRIARS TO OPEN GARDEN'S SHOW

Providence Quintet to

St. Michael's; Eagles Meet Manhattan

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Providence College, winner and loser in two games this season, will help open the Boston Garden's basketball program tonight by meeting St. Michael's of Winooski, Vt., in the opening game of a program that also pairs Boston College and Manhattan.

The Friars created a very favorable impression last season when they made an appearance in the Hub Garden, their mighty mites catching the growd by their

This time the Friars are a bit better off in the matter of size, but no better fixed than a year ago in re-placements. Coach Ed Crotty has not been working with his team long enough to get his Freshman hope-fuls ready for big-time competition and, because of that, his/ starting quintet tonight is expected to carry the load most of the distance.

Crotty will open with Capt. Henri Ethier at center, Johnny Arzoomanian and Leo LaBoissiere forwards, and Rae Edwards and Bob Corry at

> ported for the college sports teams. Thus, Ed Crott, of Providence J. will have a jumphile collection here tonight for the St. Michael's Fi game, because as the pleasant-mannered red head reported: mannered red head reported:
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Basketball has been such a solid sellout for years in New York the 's almost unbelievable that P

## St. Michael's Shades Providence, 64-61, in Two Overtime Periods

A flock of country boys from Vermont - wearing the purple spangles of St. Michael's College from Winooski Park - spotted some city slickers from Providence College a 21-10 lead in the early stages of last night's basket ball game before 4200 at Boston Garden. Then the Vermonters urged their way from behind to win a tussle that went to two overtime periods. The score was St. Mike's 64, Providence 61.

Boston College and Manhattan were tied at 42-all at the end of regulation time in the second game. Manhattan won, 50 to 44.

### Ethier Sets Record Bush

A couple of flying Frenchmen— without benefit of skates—almost pulled the opener out of the fire for Providence. St. Michael's had swept into a lead in the closing moment of the regular game, but Leo Labossiere, the smallest player on the floor, 5 ft. 5 in. height and weighing 122 pounds, shot a goal with 12 seconds to play that sent the game into

overtime.

Henri Ethier t he other flying Frenchman from Providence, set a Garden College scoring record—that's easy: They've played there only one year—with 34 points.

St. Mike was leading, 53 to 46, with two minutes to play, but three fast goals by Ethier and LaBostore's

fast goals by Ethier and LaBossfere's clutch shot—all made while their rivals were picking up one pointtied it at 54-all.

Ethier scored twice in the first overtime, but St. Mike's tied it on shots by Stopyre and John O'Rourke.

In the second overtime shots by Bolin, John O'Rourke and Russell offset three points by Ethier and carried the Vermonters to victory.

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#### Eagles Trail

As the main event between 255ton College and Manhattan got under way, the Eagles were a trtifle bewildered by the quick-breaking New Yorkers and soon were trailing 10-4. But with Bob Fitzgerald set-ting the pace, the Eagles crept up on the invaders and goals by Fitz-

gerald tied the score at 13-all.

Just before halftime, Manhattan
went in front again tallying seven points while Fitzgerald and Levin-son were tallying a goal apiece for B. C. at halftime, Manhattan led, St. Michael's, Manhattan Win

Providence, BOCH &
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Garden Games

By RALPH WHEELER

Boston College, playing its first basketball game since abandoning the sport 20 years ago, forced an considerably more experienced Manhattan College team to an overtime period before bowing, 50 to 44, as the second season of college hoop doubleheaders was inaugurated at the Boston Garden last night before a crowd of 4117.

In the opening game of the night, four records were broken as un-defeated St. Michael's College of Winooski, Vt., was forced into two overtime periods to nose out the Flying Frenchmen from Providence College, 64 to 61.

### ETHIER OF FRIARS SCORES 34 POINTS

This first contest was the longest game in the two years of Garden basketball and the point total of 125 was two more than the total score of the Long Island-Bowling Green game of a year ago. Capt. Hervie Ethief of Providence broke the two individual scoring records made last year by Ron Otten of Bowling Green.

'The Friars' leader made 34 points, or seven more than Otten's mark and 14 baskets against 11 made by the Bowling Green giant last year. He scored all seven points made by his team in the two fiveminute overtime periods.

Boston College delighted and surprised even its most ardent admirers by its gallant fight against a Manhattan team that had won five straight games after losing its

It was a duel of freshmen, four Manhattan first year men against an entire group of freshmen from B. C. An indication of the evenness of the competition was the score at the end of the periods, with Manhattan leading 10-7, 20-17 and 33-30.

Jim Harrington, who starred for Immaculate Conception High of Revere last year, was on the spot three times and came through beautifully twice. He tied the score with a foul shot with 14 seconds left in regulation, but the Eagles' lack of reserves hurt them in the final period when they were outscored, 8 to 2.

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## Providence Cagers BeatematsGarden

It took two five-minute overtime periods for St. Michael's College of Winooski Park, Vt., (handy to Burlington, also Vt.) to emerge with a 164-61 decision over Providence.

Providence took off as though it would crush St.

Michael's not of lofty stature in basketball circles. Providence plunged to the front 21-10 early, led by 32-23 at the half.

Then St. Mike's unfurled a fast-breaking attack after intermission; controlling the ball until it had erected a 54-46 lead with 95 seconds to play. Hereupon Henri Ethier six-footer from Pawtucket caught fire. He dropped in three straight baskets to make it 54-52. Forthwith little Leo Labossiere, 5 feet 5, 122 pounds who looked like he belonged with the midkets, stole a pass deep in the Providence end and raced down the lumber alone to connect with a perfect jump shot for the equalizing points with 12 seconds to go.

The first extra inning wound up 58 to 58 as John O'Rourke sank a set shot from mid-court, a perfect 25-footer, which whistled through the strings without so much as touching the rim. This came in the last minute.

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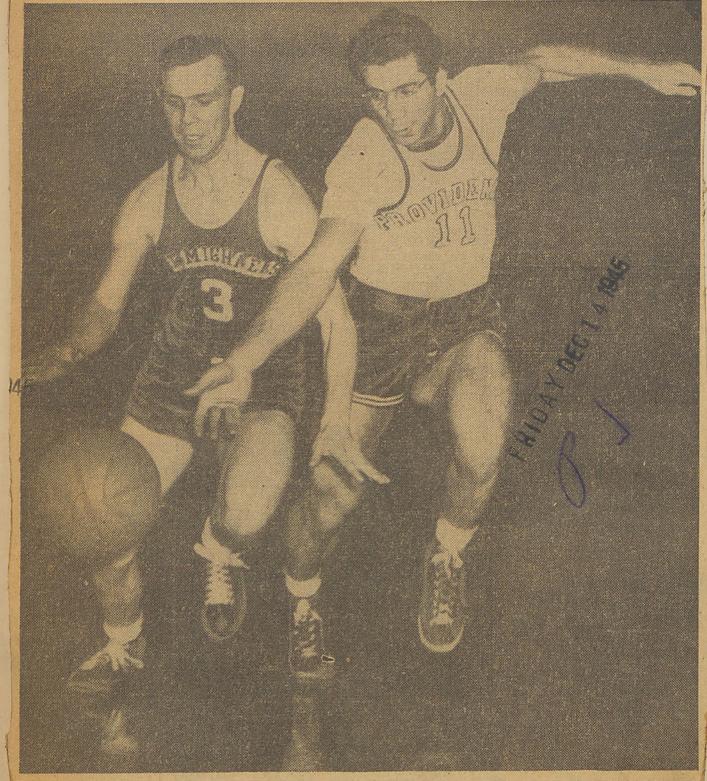
St. Mike's, on baskets by Warren Bolin, John O'Rourke and Ronald Russell, won out in the second overtime, by showing a flash more speed and monopolizing the balk in the final minute.

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Ethier, with 29 points over the regulation distance, broke the Garden individual scoring record established a season ago by Don Otten of Bowling Green in a game against Long Tsland

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Otten had 11 field goals; five foul connections for 27 points. Ethier last night ringed 15 baskets and six fouls for 36 points. Ethier's point-production on foul tries (one came in the extra periods) equalled the Depot record of six set in 1944-45 by Ed Leede of Dartmouth against Yale.

### "Now Let Me Try Bouncing It"



JOHNNY ARZOOMANIAN of Providence College, right, tries to take the ball away from Dan O'Rourke of St. Michael's as the latter dribbles the sphere in last night's basketball game at the Boston Garden.

St. Michael's won, 64-61, after two overtime periods.

—Associated Press Photo

## St. Michael's Wins, 64-61, Despite Henri's 34 Points

for Boston Garden; B. C.

Loses to Manhattan

Boston, Dec. 13.—St. Michael's College of Winooski, Vt., everlastingly driving, controlling the backboards and withstanding the withering pace much better than Providence College, outlasted the Friars, 64 to 61, in a thrilling, exhausting duel that went two overtime periods here in Boston Garden tonight.

Adding excitement to the tense, hectic struggle was the scoring brilliance of Capt. Henri Ethier of the Friars. The erstwhile air forces pilot erased the Garden's scoring record of 27 points set by Don Otten of Bowling Green when, with dazzling first-half show and a courageous drive in the overtime periods, finishing with 34 points.

Not only did Ethier set a new total-point mark but he also eclipsed the individual field goal record as well, his 14 beating by three Otten's other Garden record. The 125 points the two teams fashioned surpassed the old mark of 123, set by Bowling Green and Long Island.

Another Overtime

In the second game, another overtime battle, Manhattan marred Boston College's return to basketball after a 20-year absence from the sport by spurting in the last three minutes of the extra session and scoring a 50 to 44 triumph.

Gerard Cohane had put the Jaspers ahead, 42-41, less than two minutes from the end of the regulation time, but with seconds to play, Jim

2-Team Total Also Is Record Harrington flipped in a free throw

Then the Jaspers took command, and with Jack Byrens, Bob Kelley, Joe Stewart and Cohane contributing baskets, the New Yorkers pulled away fast.

B. C. in its debut looked good especially insofar as Harrington, Bob Fitzgerald and Phil Kenney, a Newport product, were concerned. Manhattan had better shotmakers and had the advantage of having played five games before tonight's venture.

There was a time in the first half when it appeared the Friars would make a runaway of the Garden's inaugural game, but gradually the Michaelmen increased the tempo of their game, became increasingly alert and aggressive and, at halftime,

From that point to the end it was a rousing battle wherein the tides of fortune ebbed and flowed with electrifying rapidity, and the Saints, with Ronald Russell giving a sparkling shooting exhibition, surged immediately and soon swept into the lead.

Then the Vermonters pulled away and with four minutes to go, held a 53-46 advantage and it seemed that they were destined to win going away. Capt. Henri Ethier, however, blazed in a mighty heave.

Ethier sailed in another long one, but the ubiquitous Russell again scored for the Michaelmen, making it 54-18 in this team's favor before the Friars, in a drive born of desperation, forced the game into overtime.

Twice again Ethier scored from the floor and, with three seconds remaining, Little Leo Laboissiere stole the ball, streaked away and looped in the deadlocking basket.

Ethier put the Friars ahead, but Ted Stopyra deadlocked the score promptly, only to have Ethier break loose once more and give the Friars

a 58-56 edge. Then and there Stopyra, a grand floor worker, saved the game for the Michaelmen by blocking beautifully on a layup by Lou Gelsimino and one minute from the gong, O'Rourke fired from almost midcourt and knotted the score again.

With four seconds remaining, Rae Edwards fouled Warren Bolin but in the tense situation the Vermont sharpshooter missed and a second extra session was necessary

Ethier Rallies Again Bolin put the Vermonters ahead promptly, but the weary Ethier, still classy although almost exhausted, sank a free throw and, seconds later, looped in another, and now the Friars were trailing by only one point.

The Saints' better condition was becoming increasingly more important a factor and in the last frantic minute they were able to outspeed the Friars. In the waning seconds. Russell climaxed his spectacular performance by racing in close for a sparkling shot that made the score 64-61, where it remained.

Although they were a constant threat to the taller Michaelmen, the Friars were considerably below their were Faling only 32 to 23 most recent performance. Their floor work left much to be desired and work left much to be desired and their operations under the baskets were definitely on the inept side. Time after time the Vermonters were able to take two and three shots, whereas when the Friars missed they did so with distressing finality, for they rarely retrieved a rebound.

Bolin and Russell were the men who ruled the backboards. Their proficiency and co-ordination enabled the Vermonters to either get or retain possession when the going was tense and trensingle points vital.

Ethier, in a brilliant shooting exhibition in the first half, scored 18 points, firing in four field goals without interruption at one point. Hardly in condition yet for a route performance at his accustomed pace, Ethier bogged down early in the second half, but when defeat became increasingly imminent, called on his reserve stamina and began anew to ripple them as in the first half.

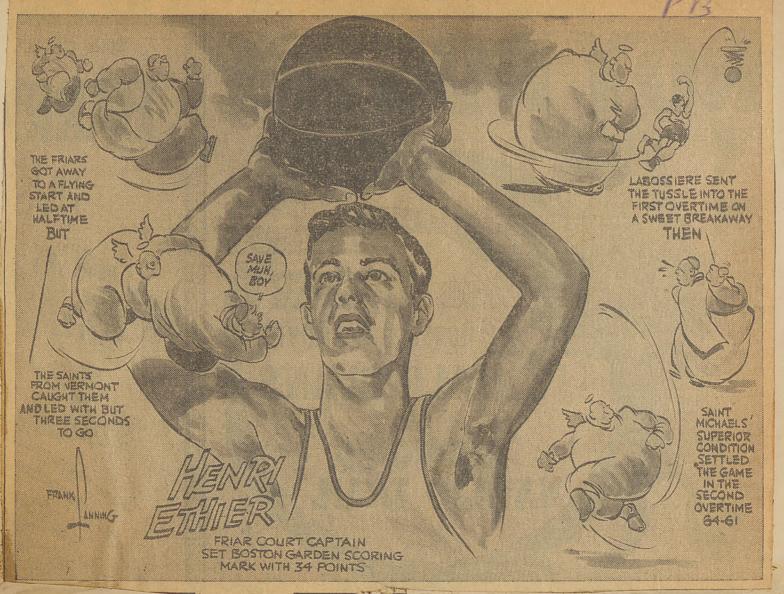
Defensively the Friars were indecisive and their passing lacked the crispness and accuracy of the previous games. Johnny Arzoomanian, hustling all the time, couldn't hit his stride at all and, furthering . his woes, fouled out midway through the second half.

The Michaelmen improved as they went along, their Russell and Bolin doing splendidly on offense, whereas John O'Rourke, Welch and Stopyra were consistency itself on defense. Russell and Bolin were the high guns for the Vermonters with 21 and 19 points respectively.

SETS SCORING MAK

### HOT SHOT IN THE GARDEN

FRIDAY DEC 1 4 1945 By Lanning



## COAST GUARD QUISCORES

## FRIARS

### ACADEMY QUINTET RUNS UP 15-0 LEAD IN 57-32 TRIUMPH

Ethier Tallies Only 8 Markers
as Friars Never Get Any
Closer Than 10 Points

#### BY HERB MURRAY JR.

New London, Dec. 15.—A speedy, fast-breaking team of sharpshooters, rangy and on the drive al. the way, handed Providence College's basket-ball team a 57-32 setback tonight on the big court in Billard Hall. The Friars slow start hurt their chances tremendously and by the time they were functioning more smoothly the Coast Guard Academy had too big a lead.

It took the Friars almost nine minutes to make a point and then it was from the foul line. They were held scoreless from the floor for 10 minutes.

Led by the accurate shooting of Duane Ross, 6-foot, 3-inch Tulsa, Oklahoma, product; Frank Gaither, 6-foot, 1-inch Beech Grove, Ind., marksman, and Bob Duin, a mighty midget from Minnesota, the Coast Guard crew ran up a 15-0 lead and that healthy start helped them coast a while as the Friars strove to cut into the home team's lead.

With Ross, Gaither and Reed polishing off shots from short range, the Coast Guardsmen piled up the points, holding the Friars without a marker. Providence had a number of chances, but ragged ball-passing and poor marksmanship kept them without a point for almost nine full minutes.

Argonnanian netted the first point for the Friars 8½ minutes from the start as he dropped in a foul shot. It was 10 minutes before the Friars were able to contrive a field goal and then it was Arzonnanian who came through for the tally.

Coast Guard meanwhile had run its total to 19. Capt. Henri Ethier of the Friars was given several setup shots in the next few minutes and helped to cut down the home team's margin to 24-12 with about five minutes of the half remaining.

Coast Guard subs paraded into the game during the last five minutes. Bill Brandfass helped keep the Blue and White's attack rollin with a pair of field goals, and at the half Coast Guard had a 30-17 lead.

The Friars staged two rallies in the early part of the second half with Lou Gelsomino and Brud King heading the point-making. Ten points was the closest the Friars were able to get to the Guardsmen, the score reading 37-27 and 39-29 midway in the second half before the Guardsmen surged ahead again on the careful shotmaking of their high-scoring trio.

With five minutes to go the Coast Guard held a 52-31 lead, and then the third stringers began to operate. Coach Ed Crotty of Providence College also cleared his bench to give his reserves some action.

The Friars lost the services of Ethier about three minutes after the start of the second hal which hurt their chances considerably. Coast Guard lost Jack Reed on fouls a half minute before Ethier went out. Reed and Gaither, CG guards, played a big part in keeping the Friars in check by their excellent backboard clear-

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## R. I. College Quintets Face Tough Assignments Tonight

State Plays St. John's in N. Y.

Garden; P. C. Goes to Coast

Guard; Brown at Harvard

### THRIDAY DEC 1 5 1945 BY BARNEY MADDEN

Rhode Island State in Madison Square Garden, Providence College at Coast Guard Academy and Brown University at Harvard is the basketball program for tonight for State collegians and, in each instance, the Rhode Islanders have their work cut out for them.

The Rams, more impressive in their early games this year than in several seasons, are as well prepared for their joust with St. John's as they could be, with the possible exception of Co-Capt. Bob Shea, who sustained a slight ankle injury in the game with Quonset this week.

However, Shea is scheduled to start the game and it is likely that by the time tonight's action starts his ankle will be ready for heavy duty.

It will be just as well if the veteran defender is in top shape, for the Redmen, despite the loss of Hy Gotkin and Bill Kotsores, their brilliant guards of the past few seasons, have acquired some very representative performers.

#### Boykoff Big Threat

Long Harry Boykoff is back from the service and his 6 feet, 10 inches are extremely useful under the baskets. Boykoff is much more than just a long, lean, basket hanger. He does a grand job all around and undoubtedly will cause the Rams no end of trouble. Ray Wertis, high scoring forward, is with the Redmen still and will team with Frank Frascella, former Villanova and Bainbridge Navy star, up front. Lennie Doctor and Max Zaslofsky, Brooklyn high school stars, will be the starting guards.

Co-Capt. Ernie Calverley, just about at the highest point of his brilliant career, will center the Rams and Al Nichols will share the back court work with Shea. Dick Hole, vastly improved, and Ken Goodwin, the tall Freshman, will be the for-

wards.

The State-St. John's game is the first contest on the Garden double bill and will start at 8:15 o'clock. New York University and Arkansas are meeting in the second one.

Manny Costa has won himself a starting job with Brown after his dazzling show against the Worcester Tech team and is expected to share the offensive burden with Capt. Woodie Grimshaw and George Watts against Harvard tonight. Dave Zuber and Roy Swingler will complete the starting Bruin quintet.

Harvard Strong

Harvard is better than usual, being bolstered no little by the acquisition of Wyndol Gray, spectacular Bowling Green ace of last year, and his teammate, Johnny Gantt. These navy trainees are likely to give the Browns a merry evening and unless the Bruins regain the form of their opening game tonight's visit to Cambridge could be sad.

Providence College, beaten in an exhausting duel with St. Michael's

in the Boston Garden, should be much smarter for that experience. The Friars went two overtime periods and the tenseness of the struggle added large measures of wildly needed experience. Coach Ed Grotty probably will start his regular team the record-breaking Capt. Henri Ethier, Johnny Arzoomanian, Leo LaBossiere, Rae Edwards and Bob Corry, but may have to make room for Lou Gelsimino in view of his grand work in the Garden.

The Coast Guard quintet, beaten by Harvard, is one that should im-

The Coast Guard quintet, beaten by Harvard is one that should improve as it goes along. The Cadets held the great Gray to four points a feat that bodes no good for the Friar sharpshooter whom the Cadels elect to watch with particular

care

Newport N. T. S. Host To Friar Five Tonight

The Providence College Prars, defeated twice in three starts this season tackle one of the classiest quintels in these parts when they have the Newport Nava Training Station cagers at Newport tonight.

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Newport ruined the Friars' debut and is favored to repeat that triumph tonight. The Friars are steadily improving but are not expected to bother the sailors too much. It will be the last game before the helidays for P. C.

### FRIARS, SAILORS IN RETURN CLASH

Meet at Newport Wednesday; Rams and Bruins Idle; Cross vs. Dartmouth

BY BARNEY MADDEN

The Rhode Island State Rams and the Brown Bears will be able to nurse their wounds in leisurely fashion this week but the Providence College Friars must patch up theirs quickly and jump back into action Wednesday night against the Newport Naval Training Station quintet at Newport.

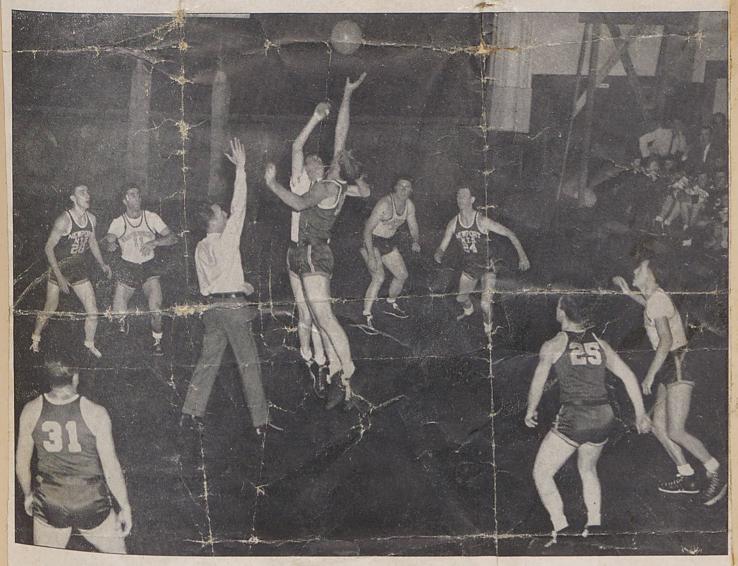
Ram, Bruin and Friar were soundly spanked Saturday by St. John's of Brooklyn, Harvard of Cambridge and Coast Guard of New London as they ventured afield. State and Brown are unscheduled until after the Christmas holidays, but the Friars have business to transact with a team that has defeated them already and is apt to do so again.

The Friars opened against Newport, and dropped a 67-46 decision. Then they defeated Squantum but lost in two overtime periods to St. Michael's in the Boston Garden. It was expected that the experience accruing from that tense struggle would work to the Friars' advantage but the Coast Guard game, coming within 48 hours of the gruelling contest in the Garden, found the Friars fagged and in no position to utilize the experience.

Brown ran afoul of Bowling Green, Bucknell and Bloomington State Teachers at Harvard, four of the Crimson stars being recent arrivals from those seats of basketball as well as naval learning. Wyndol Gray, ace of the Bowling Green team that went to the Garden Invitation finals last Spring tossed 25 points against the Bruins and supported by a classy cast, was too much for the Bears to handle.

State's parformance in the New York Garden, where it dropped its fifth game in as many meetings with St. John's, was hardly a reasonable facsimile of recent Ram performances. State defeated a Quonset quintet that surely is superior to the Redmen but was given quite a run-around by the Brooklyn brigade Saturday, That would seem to indicate that the Rams might be better fortified for their big time collegiate undertakings if some early season games were played on foreign soil. Wat kingston every board, brick and basket is an old and familiar appurtentable but the greater expanse of playing territory in the Garden, the tremendous difference between the backgrounds and the far greater territory to be covered add un to a big hardlessy for the Barus

### FRAIRS AND BLUEJACKETS TO PLAY HERE WEDNESDAY



Here's one of the plays as NTS triumphed over Providence College on the latter's floor last week. The teams will be seen in action again this coming Wednesday night at 2000 at Area 1 drill hall. The Friars have shown vast improvement since bowing to the Bluejackets in the opener and a close contest is expected.

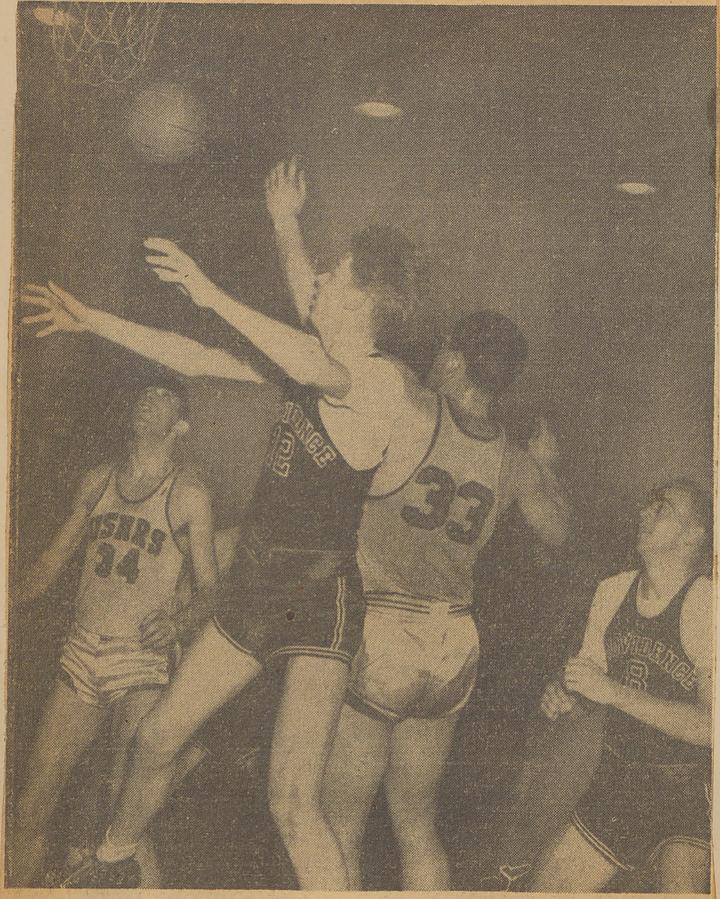
Jumping for the ball tossed up by Referee Sid MacKal are Rae Edwards of P. C. (white jersey) and Bill Bornheimer, NTS. Beginning with Harry Taylor, No. 31, NTS guard, and going around the circle clockwise, the players are: Tom Storey, NTS forward; Johnny Arzoomanian, P. C. forward; Bob Corry, P. C. guard; Mort Hill, NTS forward; Capt. Hank Ethier, P. C. forward and high scorer of the game; Phil McNiff, NTS guard, NTS won 67-46.

### TICKETS ON SALE FOR HUB TWIN BILL

Tickets for the basketball doubleheader, matching Holy Cross against R. I. State and Boston College against Providence College, to be held at the Boston Garden Thursday, Jan. 24, will go on sale here tomorrow.

Bill Mokray, Boston Garden basketball director, announces that tickets will be sold at the Providence College Athletic Association. at 216 Turks Head Building and at Burdick's Sports Store, Westerly.

### Backboard Bumping Bee



THIS BIT OF BOOMPS-A-DAISY occurred in the first half of the game between Providence College and the Boston Navy Receiving Station at Harkins Hall. In the center is Guard Ray Edwards (No. 12) of P. C., apparently in collision with Mike Genevrino (No. 33) of Boston. At the right is Guard Joe Lebel (No. 8) of P. C. At the extreme left is Center Al Rotermund (No. 34) of Boston.

## PORTNTSFIVE

Bornheimer Paces Sailors to 1st-Half Margin Never Overcome by Visitors

Providence College's youthful Friars, lacking their customary fire and drive, tossed away enough points in the opening half of their tilt with the Naval Training Station's quintet at Newport last night to win many a ball game, and despite a fine secondhalf comeback, their lackadaisical play in the first half cost them a 64-47 decision. It was second time this year that the sailors have defeated them.

The Friars just couldn't get started and trailed throughout. They offered very little opposition to Jake Bornheimer, N. T. S.'s towering pivot star, and the big fellow had a field day under the boards. He picked off rebounds or tapped them in with astonishing ease and also set up many of his mates' scoring plays with deft

passes from the bucket.

All told, Bornheimer tossed in 29 points, 21 of them in the first half. Over that stretch the talented sailor was immense although he was ably assisted by his mates, in particular, Capt. Mort Hill and Dick Freije, two cagey operatives. With that trio playing the leading roles, the Training Station boys worked the ball in close for layups and short pops that soon gard then a commanding lead.

The Friars in the meanwhile were a hardened to the command t

a hapless lot and fell further behind as the clock moved along. They trailed at various stages, 14-6, 20-7 24-11, 29-16 and, at halftime, 40-16.

Whipped into a fighting mood by Coach Ed Crotty's pep talk during the rest period, Providence College looked like an entirely different team upon\_returning to the floor. They raced all over the court, harrying their opponents and battling for loose balls. Their passing improved and their shooting at times bordered on the spectacular.

Little Leo Labossiere, a tireless worker all evening, ignited the spark with a looping shot from the corner and P. C. soon started to cut down the huge deficit. When Bornheimer was lifted three minutes along, the Friars really started to roll and at one stage racked up 16 straight points while holding the Newporters

Johnnie Arzoomanian brought the oh's from the audience with a long shot from the side and then Ray Edwards, who with Reserve Guard Joe Lobel did yeoman work under the boards in the second half, sneaked in for a layup. Arzoomanian again and then Labossiere made it 58-41 with four minutes remaining. Bornheimer came back in at that point and although P. C. held him under control, they couldn't creep

Thapostore hared in Friars 194 tack with 12 points while Arzoomanian hooped 10, all in the second half. Hill with six baskets ran second to Bornheimer in the sailor's scoring, but his team play overshadowed his pointmaking. K.

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Total ... 28 8 64 Total ... 2 Referees—Keenan and Haughey. 20 20-minute halves.

## P. C. FIVE MEETS

Idle Nearly 3 Weeks, Sotty's Team Plays Classy Hub Array Snight

Providence College, idle since the start of the Christmas holidays, resumes its packetball schedule tonight at 8:15 at Harkins Hall when it entertains the Boston Reception Center quilet, one of the classiest service to the classiest service teams in the Hub area.

The Boston sailors have won 17 and lost three games this season and have steadily improved. One of the Reception Center's setbacks was administered by Quonset's outstanding team, only by a 56-52 margin.

It is likely that Boston will open with Geneurino and Nelson in the front court, Rotemund at center and Izzo and Barbaro at the guards. Geneurino, Rotemund and Barbaro have been the high scorers in recent games and, among them, tossed 37 points against the Flyers.

Coach Ed Crotty still is experimenting with his squad in an effort to find that quintet with the best potentialities. He plans to make another change for tonight's opening lineup, moving Joe LeBel to a starting guard position, where he will pair with Rae Edwards.

Up front Capt. Henri Ethier, Johnny Arzoomanian and Leo LaBoissiere will man the opening guns. Although the Friars are apt to have more speed than their service guests, they will once again be under a severe size handicap. The Bostop cagers are better fixed in reserves, too. but Crotty believes that his charges will give a good account of themselves and continue the progress they have displayed in recent workouts.

## P. C. CAGERS BOW TO BOSTON N. R. S. IN 68-58 CONTEST

Feast, Famine Attack Fails
as Genevrino Scores 26
Points for Sailors

#### BY DICK REYNOLDS

Providence College cagers experienced periods of scoring feast and famine last night at Harkins Hall, but the moments of scarcity exceeded those of plenty with the result that the Friars fell before the Boston Naval Receiving Station quintet 68-58.

The Friars opened with a point banquet and on contributions by Joe Lebel, Johnny Arzoomanian and Lou Gelsimino pushed into a 11-6 lead in the first five minutes of play.

Their first fast then began and they did not register another point for five minutes and 30 seconds. In the meantime, the sailors, colloquially billed as the Fargo Crusaders, went into high gear and a, 22-11, lead mainly through sensational donations by their giant right forward, Mike Genevrino, former All-State schoolboy hoopster of New Jersey, and high man last night with 26 points.

Capt. Hank Ethier, high man for his team with 20 points, put the becalmed Friars back into the game with a basket and in 90 seconds, Hank and his mates tallied eight points.

Friars Falter Again

But just when it looked as if the Friars would regain the lead, Lou Gelsimino missed two foul shots and Ethier blew an unmolested layup with the result that they failed to score another point for seven minutes and 20 seconds. Again the sailors proved excellent opportunists as Genevrino and A1 Rotermund, second high donor of his team with 17 points and former Missouri All-State schoolboy, registered two baskets each and P. C. was down 32-19.

Gelsimino finally broke the spell

Gelsimino finally broke the spell and in a minute and 10 seconds the now fighting Friars ran up eight points so that they were behind only 32-27 at the half.

The two final periods were virtually a duplication of the first half with the Friars falling in arrears 55-38 after 11 minutes and later striving ineffectually, if gallantly, to close the gap. They did pull up to a 58-50 debit with four minutes left, but it was all in vain as the now weary sailors, an older outfit than the Friars, had enough to parry the counter-surge until the horn.

Losing to the sailors was far from a disgrace as they turned out to be an experienced, clever crew with a record of 17 victories and three defeats. A sub on their roster was Ralph (Moose) Wicks, former Cranston High and R. I. State star, who looked good as ever in his few minutes of

action in the second half.

On the other hand, more alertness under both hoops by Friar defenders and a better break than received on short shots could have changed the outcome. Much improved in moving the ball over form displayed before the Christmas holidays, Coach Ed Crotty's charges eluded the sailors' outer defenses on numerous occasions only to misfire under the hoop. As documentary proof, the Friars converted only 24 of 76 short shots, while the sailors capitalized on 30 of 74 attempts.

74 attempts.

BOSTON N. C. S. (68) | PROVIDENCE (58) | G. F. P. |

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### UNDERDOG FRIARS FACE SAILOR FIVE

Providence College Cagers

Meet Tough Newport Hospital Array

The Fighting Friars of Providence College have another battle on their hands tonight when they tackle the Newport Naval Hospital quintet at Harkins Hall in a game that promises to be another uphill struggle for the collegians.

The Friars haven't compiled a very impressive victory record this season, principally because they have been mingling with the service teams which are stronger than usual. The Hospital five is no exception, and is in fact, leading the Narragansett Bay Service League with five straight decisions in league competition.

Tonight's game, however, promises action aplenty. The Friars have come steadily and have gained experience the hard way, but more rapidly than they might have otherwise as they duelled with the talented service clubs and are primed to give the star-studded Newporters a strenuous argument.

Newport can stand plenty of argument, what with such stars as Barlow, late of Michigan State; Miller of Syracuse and Wehr who, until his entrance into the navy, was a member of St. John's national champions, in the starting lineup.

Providence prospects looked up this week with the return to college of Jack Sullivan, 6-foot, 4-inch center of the 1942 quintet. Sullivan was recently discharged from the navy and even more recently from the hospital where a damaged knee was repaired. The big fellow is rounding into shape fast and is likely to be a big help to the Friars against the Newporters.

Lack of height has been one of P. C. s chief weaknesses all year but Sullivan's altitude is expected to rectify that to some extent. Capt. Henry Ethier. Johnny Arzoomanian, Leo LaBossiere and possibly Charley Bresnahan, La Salle star in 1942, will comprise the starting lineup. Bresnahan has made steady progress since joining the squad and Coach Ed Crotty feels that he is just about ready for top team work.

The service cagers are favored over the collegians but it is expected that the improving Friars will extend them all the way and might even spring an upset.

# FRIAR FIVE PINS 63-55 UPSET ON NAVAL HOSPITAL

Return of Jackie Sullivan from

Armed Forces Gives P. C.
Big Boost

On the drive all the way and harrying their opponents throughout, Providence College's youthful Friars finally ended their victory famine and realized on some of their early-season promise when they upset the highly touted Newport Naval Hospital quintet, 63-55, in a well-played basketball tussle at Harkins Hall last night.

Given a much needed mental lift by the return to action of towering Jack Sullivan, who was recently released from the armed forces, the Friars, after a slow start, found their stride and, once out front, were never headed, although the Newport five stayed within striking distance and made a fight for it all the way.

Sullivan, although favoring an injured left knee, did a beautiful job under the backboards and adroitly made use of his 6-foot, 4-inch frame. He had the difficult task of covering the talented Donnie Wehr, former St. John's star, and, although that worthy took down scoring honors as he poured 24 points through the hoops, Sullivan's close guarding forced Wehr to operate from out yonder instead of from his accustomed post, the bucket.

Friars Lead at Half, 29-19

It was Wehr's uncanny set-shooting from outside that kept the Newporters in the ball game, for the Friar's speed afoot threatened to run the enemy into the floor. Trailing 7-6 at the 5-minute mark, Providence College started to move, as Hank Ethier, Leo Laboissiere and Lou Gelsomino found the range, and raced into a 29-19 lead at halftime.

Over that stretch, Ethier and Gelsomino teamed beautifully in the front court and, with Sullivan picking off rebounds and setting them up with court-length passes, accounted for 15 of the Friars point total. Sullivan, showing ability to play the bucket, chipped in six points.

The second half was nip and tuck and developed into a battle between Wehr and the Friars. The hefty Newport center displayed unerring accuracy from all points of the court and repeatedly brought cheers from the fans with his deadly set-shooting. During one stretch he tossed in four in a row and brought his mates to within four points of the Friars, who at that stage were champing at the bit and aiming to make the game a runaway.

Wehr Closes Gap

They did spurt into a 41-32 bulge at the midway mark as Gelsomino sunk a trio of baskets and a foul shot, but Wehr came through again and closed the gap to 48-45. Laboissiere, who had been shooting in hard luck all night long, looped in a 1-hander from the side that re-ignited the flame and the Dominicans really sizzled as they battled their way into a 10-point margin with 4-minutes remaining.

Gelsomino, playing one of the best games of his brief collegiate career, paced the Providence College attack with 16 points, two more than Ethier garnered. Wehr, as previously noted, was top gun for the visitors but he had plenty of assistance from Capt. Frank Miller, Jere Edwards and Pete Harlow

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## CAPACITY CROWD EXPECTED TO SEE HUB BARGAIN BILI

Holy Cross, Boston College Are Close Choices to Win; N. E. Prestige at Stake

### BY BARNEY MADDEN

Two of New England's outstanding basketball teams, Rhode Island State and Holy Cross, will play the feature roles in Boston Garden to night as New England's greatest basketball crowd, expected to exceed 13,000, throngs its way into the huge Hub sports arena for the hoop highlight of the season in this section.

While the Rams and Crusaders have received top billing and are expected to wage one of the Winter's most interesting duels, Providence College and Boston College, which will collide in the second game, will have a good share of the patrons awaiting their meeting with interest almost on a parity with that generated by the opening battle.

#### R. I. Teams Underdogs

Holy Cross and Boston College are generally favored, the Crusaders because of their undefeated string and their artistic play in virtually every game this season; the Eagles because of their vastly superior size and greater reserve strength.

Both Holy Cross and Rhode Island are approaching this game apprehensively, for the victory will elevate the winner to the sectional pinnacle. The Crusaders now are rated first in New England, victorious over Dartmouth and Harvard in their principal starts hereabouts and triumphant over City College in their only New York Garden appearance.

A Freshman team, Holy Cross is unusually talented. The starting quintet, George Kaftan, Dermott O'Connell, Charley Bollinger, Ken Haggerty and Joe Mullaney, are possessed of talented hands, know their basketball and have combined into a team that features unified action rather than scoring pyrotechnics by any individual.

Mullaney probably will draw the unenviable assignment of playing Co-Capt. Ernie Calverley of the Rams, one of the game's great players! It should be an extremely interesting duel.

State's starting lineup, embracing Calverley, Dick Hole, Sal Sclafani, Al Nichols and Co-Capt. Bob Shea, is experienced and 'able. It has tangled with the best and fared very well. It boasts speed, drive, shooting ability and the will to win. Tonight, in all probability, those attributes will be needed in full, for this Holy Cross team has the power and the poise to bot er any foe and is the choice to prevail.

### P. C. Not Out of It

Providence College, picked to lose by most followers of New England basketball, might well hand the Eagles a jolt. Coach Ed Crotty's charges have come along steadily and have learned the hard way, by tangling with classy service quintets which boasted highly talented players.

Al (Gen.) McClellan, the Eagles' mentor, has gathered an array of towering performers, but the Friars have appeared sounder fundamentally and, now that Jack Sullivan is back in college, have one player who can help greatly in the rebound department.

Phil Kenney, of Newport, and Bob Fitzgerald, Hub Freshman, are likely to cause the Friars the most trouble but with Capt. Henri Ethier and Johnny Arzoomanian leading the attack and Leo LaBossier and Lebeljoining Sullivan in the play-making the Friars are likely to surprise the Eagles.

The Crusaders and Rams will mee in the first game, at 8 o'clock.

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The Big Show ...

NE MEASURE of interest in a forthcoming event is the frequency of requests over the sports desk telephone asking for information on where to buy tickets. There goes that telephone again. . . . Yes, you guessed it—somebody else looking for a pair of ducats for the Rhode Island State and Holy Cross basketball game which will be played in Boston Garden Thursday night.

The citizenry of these plantations has worked itself a lather over this one. If the Garden is not packed to legal capacity at the appointed time, it will not be for lack of Rhode Island patronage. But the qualification inherent in the last sentence is purely rhetorical. Every report from Boston indicates an early sell-out, the first in the

history of basketball in the Garden.

From the viewpoint of Smith Hill, it is a little rough the way almost everybody speaks of this impending show as though it were exclusively a meeting between Rhode Island and Holy Cross. The tendency is to overlook that the billing also includes a game between Providence College and Boston College. This is a contest that promises to generate its own fair share of excitement.

But the big clash is between those smooth-working young Cruaders and the racing Rams. This is the game that is packing Bos-

on Garden.

### RAMS WIN, 65 TO 58, **UVER HOLY CROSS**

B. C. Defeats Friars, 60 to 47 Before 13,900 at Boston

P.S. 1/25/46

#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

Boston, Jan. 24.-A Rhode Island State team that was blazingly fast, was shooting with amazing precision and was guarding with a tenacity that kept Holy Cross in check, handed the Crusaders their first defeat of the season here tonight, 65-58, and then Boston College overpowered Providence College, 60-47, in the Boston Garden.

While 13,900 fans, the greatest throng ever to witness a basketball game in New England, roared their approval of the terrifically fast action, the Rams outhustled the Crusaders all the way, built up an early margin, saw it overhauled three times, but then sped away again with a characteristic rush.

Boston College, in its convincing triumph over much smaller Providence College, demonstrated that it has, among other things, some potentially strong football material at the Heights. Against their bulk and aggressive tactics, the Friars had little chance to strut their stuff, although they did creep up to 40-34 deficit in the second half, after trailing. 30-17, at the intermission.

In the second game, the bigger Eagles streaked into an early lead and never were headed. They played their best ball of the Winter, whereas the Friars were far off their usual

Phil Kenny of Newport, one of the Eagles' aces all season, led the scoring parade with 18 points in addition to joining Jim Harrington and Bob Fitzgerald in sparkling all-court

Fitzgerald, a towering gent and a power under the hoops, picked up 17 points while Harrington, who intercepted a vast number of passes and recovered fumbles in abundance. added four.

Jack Sullivan, the Friars' big center, led his team with 11 points, one more than Lou Gelsimino scored. Arzoomanian, Gelsimino and Lebel did well in general play, but in the final analysis, they just weren't big enough to bother the rugged wearers of the maroon and gold.

Providence had 76 shots from the floor, but made good on only 17, while the Eagles clicked 25 times in 80 tries. Their greater height helped them materially in converting re-bounds into points. From the freeflip line, Providence got 13 out of 19, Boston 10 out of 15,

### CYO STARS IN GARDEN CLASH Nexto 1/28/4

To Dot Lineups of Prov-College And B. C. Fives Tonight

When the Providence College Friars invade the Hub tonight for their court meeting with the Boston College varsity quintet at least four Rhode Island CYOers will be in uniforms with the teams. The game, scheduled as the nightcap of a doubleheader, will be played before what should be one of the largest crowds ever to witness intercollegiate basketball in New England.

Leo Laboissiere of Little Sacred Heart parish, Central Falls; Lou Gelsomio of Holy Francis Providence; (Brud) King of St. Patrick's, also of Providence, and Charlie Bresnahan of St. Matthew's parish, Cranston, all CYOers of note, will see action with the Ed Crofty coached Providence College team.

Boston College has a real good ball handler in Phil Kenny of Newport CYO. In fact the biggest part of General A. McClellan's Eagles have competed in the Boston CYO-sponsored New England Catholic High Schools Basketball Fournament which the General lirected the past few years.

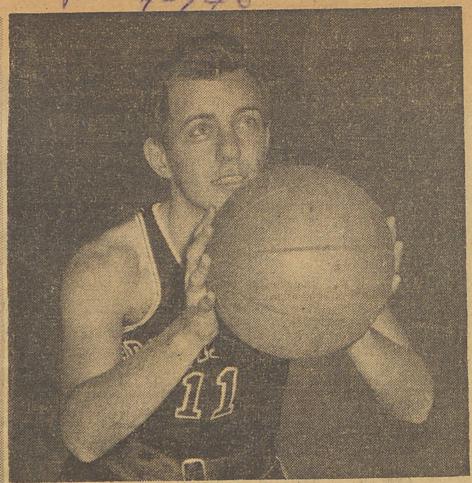
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## FRIAR HOOP, HOPEFULS





Johnny Arzoomanian (left) and Henri Ethier, who with other Providence College hoopsters, continue preparations today for their game tomorrow night against Coast Guard Academy at Harkins Hall on the Friar campus.

## Demand for Ducats Forces Transfer of Control Friars-Bruins Tilt

The rapid growth of basketball crowds this season has caused many changes, but until now it hadn't driven a team from house and home—that is, until now.

Providence College was scheduled to entertain Brown on Feb. 12, but because of the aforementioned growth in interest in the sport, the Friars will borrow the Bruins' gym to do their entertaining.

There has been such a demand for tickets for the game that Harkins Hall at P. C. would be utterly inadequate, hence the switch to Marvel Gym, where, come Feb. 12, the Browns will be the visitors in their ewn bailiwick.

## Scrappy Coast Guard Five Favored to Defeat Friars

Visitors Aren't Much Taller

Than P. C., However, and Can Expect Battle

The Coast Guard Academy quintet, one of the scrappiest teams around and one that frequently turns a likely rout into a victory through that aggressiveness, will meet Providence College tonight at 8:15 o'clock at Harkins Hall.

Coach Nels Nichtman of the Cadets will bring a team here that will be heavily favored to defeat the Friars, largely because of two victories over Brown.

The Cadets will open with their customary quintet of Bob Duin, Tom Wetmore Duane, Ross, Dick Reed and Frank Gaither and will have a full complement of reserves, something the Friars do not boast.

Coach Ed Crotty, however, is hopeful that his team will display the form it did in the early season and that some of his principal scorers will recapture their shooting eyes. In their last few starts the Friars were missing repeatedly but have done a lot of work since and are expected to be in better form tonight.

Back in the familiar surroundings of their home court, the Friars should be a better team than in their recent Boston Garden appearance. The Coast Guard forces are not too much bigger than the Friars to nullify the talents of the littler P. C. players and because of that the Friars are likely to cause the Cadets considerable concern.

Crotty will probably have Leo La-Boissiere and Capt. Henri Eithier as his starting forwards, Jack Sullivan at center and Rae Edwards and Johnny Arzoomanian at the guards.

Shorty Lee, one of the Friars regulars before the war, has returned to college and probably will make a brief appearance tonight. Lee lately returned from Tokyo and is still somewhat below his former playing form but, always an excellent set shot, he is likely to be a big help.

Friors in Action time so it is reasonable to expect them to worry Ed Crotty's Friars considerably. Brown defeated Connecticut in the that kept season's opener, but since then the ed to the final Uconns have improved greatly ch Rip Engle has on their home court, are apt to attle on some sem- a very difficult problem. Rhode Island State is displayed improved week. That is to say the regular" quintet, the and, as a result, have been idle athletically, but but eive the New England lead- the battle of the book enuous battles. arvard and Brown are likely to ne in which there should be plenty changes were of scoring and a tight duel all the week, such co P. C. will have its hands full Wedion nesday night when the Cadets come to town. Coach Nels Nechtem's ir of charges have tripped Brown twice and have given Holy Cross a tough

## PROVIDENCE GRABS QUICK LEAD, HOLDS ADVANTAGE TO END

Ethier Paces Third Victory with 17 Points; Small Floor **Bothers Visiting Quintet** 

#### BY HERB MURRAY JR.

Sporting new spark and drive all the way, Coach Ed Crotty's Providence College basketball team surprised the U S. Coast Guard Academy with a 45-37 setback last night before 500 spectators in Harkins

Rated as underdogs because this same Coast Guard team had romped to 57-32 victory over Friars back on Dec. 15 at New London, Providence ran into a 13-3 lead in the first five minutes and the closest Coast Guard came to the winners thereafter was six points early in the second half.

The victory was the third for the Friars in nine starts. Coast Guard was handed its sixth loss in 10 en-

Scoring honors in the Friars' column went to Capt. Hank Ethier who netted 17 points, most of them on set shots from the sides and corners. Little Leo Labossiere, a big man in the triumph, stole numerous passes and sifted through the Academy's defenses for 11 points.

Sullivan Key Man

Jack Sullivan, playing better defensive ball with the passing minutes, tossed in nine points and was the key man in Providence's defensive play late in the game when Coast Guard found the Friars an especially determined crew. In the last five minutes, the harried visitors were able to connect for only two field goals, and were held scoreless during the last three minutes.

Johnny Arzoomanian, a wild-passing fury in the first '0 minutes of action, finally settled down and his shifty maneuvering helped the Friars set up the needed scoring chances. Steady floor work by Lou Gelsomino, Ray Edwards and Shorty Lee, the latter back in college after war duty, rounded out the winning per-

formance.

Feeding Ethier and Sullivan a steady pass diet, the Friars built up a 29-18 lead in the first half. For nearly three minutes of the second half neither team was able to find the hoop, but Bradburn of the Coast Guard connected at 2:45 and at the 5-minute mark the visitors had narrowed the gap to six points, 33-27.

"Jam," Basketball Style



This is what went on under the Harkins Hall hoops time and again as the Providence College Friars upset the Coast Guard Academy, 45-37, last night. Clutching the ball are Jack Sullivan of P. C. and Bradburn of the Coast Guard with Gaither (No. 18), Coast Guard, trying to get in on the activity. In background is bespectacled Johnny

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men into a 39-28 lead midway in the half. Showing lots of hustle and wasting less chances, the Friars protected their advantage for the rest of the distance.

Wetmore, who fouled out with 5:30 to go in the game, picked up top points for the Coast Guard with 10. Brandfass and Bradburn were other standouts for the visitors, who said a standouts for the visitors, who said a standouts for the coast Guard with said and 1 1 0 4 0 10 0 0 6 2 0

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## Attractive Cage Bill in Store. Three R.I. Teams Mix Here

P. C. Meets Brown Tuesday and State on Thursday; **Expect Big Crowds** 

#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

With Providence College twice performing "at home away from home" the basketball situation in Rhode Island reaches a new peak this week for all three college quintets in the State will strut their

stuff on Providence boards.

First, Providence College will entertair Brown at Brown's own Marvel Gymnasium on Tuesday night and then entertain Rhode Island State a the R. I. Auditorium

Thursday night.

The Friars and Bruins were supposed to play at Harkins Hall, Providence College, but such spectator interest was generated that the game was shifted to Brown's home court in order to accommodate the enthusiasts. Providence College students alone would have jammed the Friars' chummy court.

That duel will be a family fight in more ways than one. Not only will the Bruins be visitors in their own gym, but the coach who will try to beat them is one of their own during the football season inasmuch as the Friar boss, Ed Crotty, has been a lend-lease gridiron mentor at Brown the past two seasons.

Tuesday night also will be distinctive in that it will be the date for the debut of the Providence College J. V. quintet, heretofore non-existent. Crotty has organized a Jayvee out-fit to do battle with the young Bruins, who have been doing pretty well lately and they will inaugurate the festivities at 7 o'clock.

### Friars Come Back

Until last week Tuesday's meeting appeared a shoo-in for the Bruins. but on last Wednesday night the Friars, reverting to their early season form, polished off the Coast Guard Academy team that twice had defeated During the State of the Coast defeated During the Coast defeated Brown. With that triumph in mind, the Friars are far more confident now than they were a couple of weeks ago.

On Thursday night the Friars will move their home base to the Auditorium and will encounter the rollicking Rams from Kingston in what is tantamount to the Rams first public appearance in Providence this Winter. True enough, they played at Brown but the 2500 tickets went so fast that it definitely was a case of he who hesitated, got lost.

With more commodious quarters at the Arena, hundreds of those disappointed a couple of weeks before, will take advantage of the opportunity to see Ernie Calverley, Dick Hole et als in action. It may be that State's pilot, Frank Keaney, will unveil some of his new talent in that game, some of the boys who entered State at the start of the new se-

The Rams have been talented enough to polish off every foe except St. John's this season and it is generally expected that with something new added they will be considerably

stronger.

### CYO QUINTETS IN PRELIM ON P.C.-RAM CARD Miritor 425/xL

Holly Rosary and Holy Ghost Agree to Tilt Set For Feb. 14th

Hely Rosary of Fox Point, the present leader, and Holy Ghost of Federal Hill, holder of the runnerup berth in the CYO Senior League, have been named to play the opening game of a basketball double-header the evening of Febuary 14th on the Rhode Island Auditorium floor.

Headlining the bill will be the Providence College-Rhode Island State varsity duel which is expected to attract one of the largest crowds ever to attend a basketball game at the North Main Street site.

Tickets for the twin-bill will go on sale in a few days. The CYO

will carry choice seats.

Coach Ed Crotty of the Friars and Reverend A. B. Begley, O.P., moderator of Athletics at Provi-dence College, conferred with Reverend William M. Delaney, diocesan director of the Catholic Youth Organization, and CYO Athletic Director Archie Cardillo, recently, and the outcome was the arranging of the Holy Rosary-Holy Ghost exhibition which, in opinion of all concerned, should go over big with the fans.

Holy Rosary, managed by Joe Araujo, for many years associated with his parish's CYO program, and coached by Melay Simon, well-known schoolboy athlete of yesteryear, has won all of its six starts to date. Holy Ghost's only defeat was suffered at the hands of the Simon-coached quintet.

Al Morgera's Holy Ghost boys have scored more points than the Fox Pointers, 390-348, while more points have been tallied against Holy Ghost than its opponent, 250-231. Holy Ghost, St. Thomas and St. Pius gave Holy Rosary its toughest games of the campaign while Holy Rosary, St. Pius and Mount Carmel have provided Holy Ghost with its only real opposition.

## GAME TO SUSPEND MSFFRFNISHI

Return of Larry Drew, Star at P. C. Three Years Ago, **Boosts Friar Hopes** 

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#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

One of the closest friendships in Larry Drew intercollegiate sports, that existing between Rip Engle of Brown and Ed Crotty of Providence College, will be suspended for a few hours, starting at 7 o'clock tonight, for the Bruins and Friars will square away at Marvel Gymnasium in the first of their two annual basketball games.

During the Fall Engle and Crotty see eye to eye, as head coach and line coach of the Brown football team. During the rest of the year they are virtually inseparable pals; but tonight all that must be forgotten as they try to outsmart each other in quest of basketball victory.

This game, in which the Bruins are favored, should prove interest-ing. Family fights usually are on the brisk side and tonight even the "home" is involved for P. C. is borrowing Brown's gym for the game.

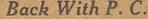
#### Game Switched

Originally planned as a Harkins Hall feature, tonight's program was switched to Marvel Gymnasium because of the demands for tickets. In just about nothing flat there were applications enough to pack Harkins Hall. In order to accommodate the student bodies alone, it was necessary to change-or not leave a floor for the boys to play on. The rising flood of students at the start of the new semester at P. C. was such that their own gynf couldn't hold them.

Consequently the Bruins will visit at home and the fifth packed house

in a row is experted.

The advance odds favoring the Bruins which were shortened last week when the Friars upset the Coast Guard Academy team that had twice beaten Brown, went down a bit more last night when Crotty came up with the announcement that Larry Drew, a Providence College star of three seasons ago, had returned from the armed services in fine trim and would draw a starting assignment tonight. Larry has been performing with a top service team and should be at or near his form of prewar days.





Johnny Arzoomanian will pair with Drew in the back court, big Jack Sullivan will be at center and Capt. Henri Ethier and Leo Laboissiere will be at the forwards. Sullivan has rounded into shape, and Ethier, Arzoomanian and Laboissiere are again in the stride that marked their early season work.

#### Another Returnee

Another returned serviceman expected to see plenty of action is Shorty Lee, who appeared briefly but effectively against Coast Guard and, with a week's additional practice, is likely to show most of the skill he displayed before starting the long trek to Tokyo.

Engle plans to start Garland Kilbourn alongside his ace, Capt. Woodie Grimshaw, in the front court, with Bill Baker at center and Dave Zuber and Paul Clapp at the guards. This will be Clapp's first

starting assignment.

Tonight's game will be the season's finale for three members of the Brown squad, who are bowing out of the picture because of completion of naval courses at Brown. They are Howie Reese, Tony Hoying and Ed

The varsity duel is scheduled for 8:40 o'clock, with the rival junior varsities clashing at 7 o'clock.

### Pat Kennedy Refereeing State-Providence Game

Peripatetic Pat Kennedy, whose combination of gymnastics and dramatics as a basketball arbiter entertained cage throughout the country, will referee the Providence College-R. I. State game at the Auditorium on Thursday night, it was announced yesterday.

Assisting Pat in his paroxyms will be Jimmie Coogan of New

## ARRY DREW LEADS FRIARS

## TO UPSET OVER BROWN

## Air Corps Veteran's Return Lifts P. C. to Season Peak

Crotty's Quintet Takes Over Lead Early and Holds It

with Smooth Play

Larry Drew, rugged defensive star of the Providence College basketball team of a few years back, returned to the fold last night and the Friars celebrated by upsetting Brown at Marvel Gymnasium by the merciful margin of six points—52-46.

Drew had returned to college from the air forces just in time to start the game and his presence lifted the Friars to their highest peak of the campaign. His steadying influence was felt immediately, his control of the backboards got the Friars off to a flying start and his play-making kept them on the hustle all the way Providence was hot and Brown

wasn't. It may have been that the Bruins underestimated the capabilities of their rivals, or it may have been that the Friars finally found themselves, but, whatever the cause. Ed Crotty's pupils took command promptly and held it permanently with a polish with a polished performance.

They spurted into an 8-1 lead as Capt. Henri Ethier popped in his first three shots, then enjoyed a 17-7 bulge midway through the period but with the period but, with Drew and Johnny Arzoomanian resting, skidded into a 19-15 advantage.

Then and there Crotty sent Drew and Arzoomanian back into action and the Friars spuried forthwith. reaching the intermission with a 32-

Zuber, hustling Brown guard, opened the second half scoring with a free throw, cutting the deficit to 12 points, but that was the closest Brown got until the last six minutes, when Crotty used his reserves unto the junior varsity.

With Drew and Jack Sullivan using their size to excellent advantage both in bossing the boards and working pivot plays, Ethier and Arall four joining little Leo LaBossiere in crisp floor work, the Friars built up a 51-30 lead with six minutes to play. Then the lifting of the starters started and down the stretch the fighting but beaten Bruins closed the gap steadily.

Ethier was high gun, tossing in 15 points, 10 of them in the early running. Sullivan, giving his best performance since returning from the navy, not only did a fine job offensively but joined Drew in bot-tling up Capt. Woodie Grimshaw the Bruins' ace and holding him to 14 points, four of which were scored on free throws.

LaBossiere Arzoomanian and scampered around tirelessly and ruined many a Bruin pass and, in the bargain, Arzoomanian chipped in with a dozen points.

Turns to Attack 13/46 In the second half, with Crotty making frequent changes, Drew turned sniper and popped in four field goals while continuing his sparkling all-around play. Friars were driving all the time and their very aggressiveness had much to do with their ultimate success, their second upset triumph in as many games, for they had jolted the Coast Guard Academy cagers in

The Friars employed a zone defense much the same as Brown's and executed it so efficiently that the Bruins were limited to 18 field goals. Because of the efficiency of Drew and Sullivan a missed shot meant few extra chances for almost invariably one of those huskies grabbed the ball and that was that. Brown missed Howie Reese, its big center, who didn't appear for the game.

their last outing.

It was a big night for the Friars. The game was their "home" meeting with the Bruins, being transplanted to Marvel Gym to accommodate the patrons and approximately 1400 of them sat in on the surprise party. Their Junior Varsity, organized for the occasion, scampered through and around the Bruin jayvees and racked up a 64-45 victory as Stutz Modliszewski gave a dazzling shooting exhibition, pitching in 16 points. It seemed he couldn't miss in the second half.

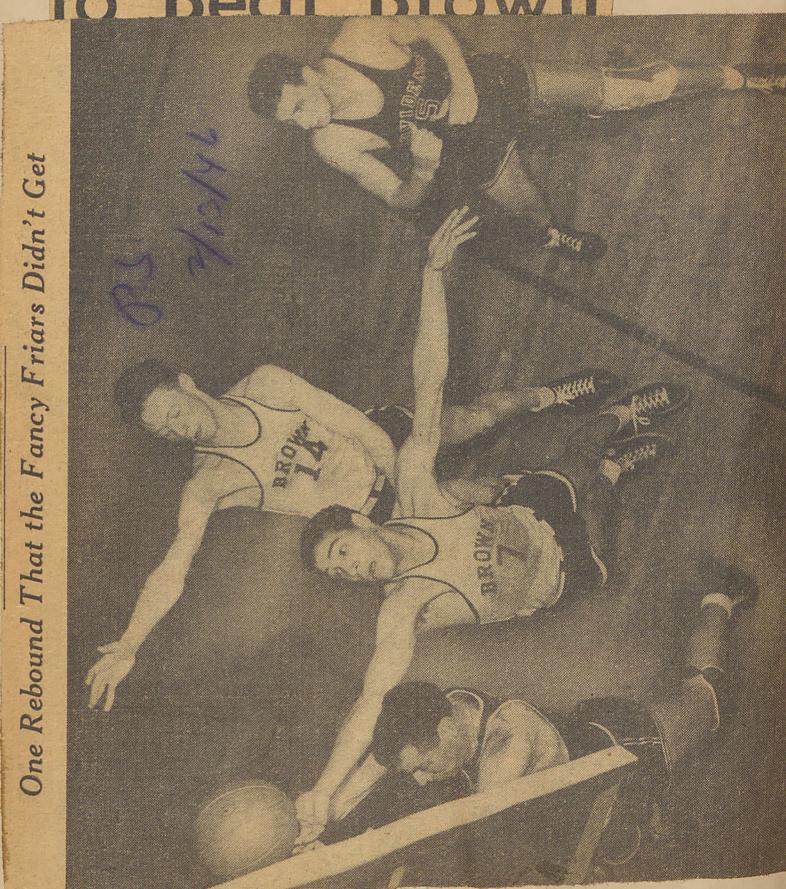
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The Friar Varsity rolled up its margin from the field of battle getting 48 of its 52 points on field goals. P. C. converted only two of 14 free tries while Brown sank 10 of 24.

Tony Hoying and Zuber joined Grimshaw as the principal Brown scorers with nine and eight points but, with four of the Friars scoring in double figures, P. C. always was able to waltz along without worry-PROVIDENCE (52) 1

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Drew Sparks Friars to Beat Brown



Dave Zuber (7) of Brown, flicking a rebound out of the eager hands of Larry Drew of Providence College during the first half of last night's game at Marvel Gymnasium. Drew is at the left. Behind Zuber is Bill Baker of Brown and at the right Jack Sullivan of the Friars.

—Photo by James McKenna Jr.

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#### DOMINICAN DOMINATION

#### By Lanning





Something new has been added to the basketball game which will be played between Providence College and Rhode Island State at the

Auditorium tonight.

It was apparent from the beginning that there would be no lack of onlookers for this contest, but the early appeal was based largely on the popularity of Rhode Island State. The Rams have packed them in to the limit of capacity whenever they have played within commuting distance of these plantations. In every case the number of potential ticket buyers has exceeded the supply of paste board, leaving the frustrated with an increased yearning to see Ernie Calverley, Dick Hole and company at work.

Putting it another way, it was certain that this game would draw because of the Rams regardless of the quality of the opposition. And putting it bluntly, preliminary indications were that the Friars of Providence College would offer the Rams liftle more than a good

workout.

The early prospect has been changed beyond recognition by recent developments having wholly to do with Providence College. Substantial evidence that things were looking up for Ed Crotty's Friars was forthcoming a week ago last night when the Friars defeated respected Coast Guard.

#### Confirmation . . .

Confirmation of the most timely kind followed night before last when Providence College moved into Marvel Gymnasium and had little difficulty in defeating Brown. Although comparative scores mean little in basketball, or in any other game, the fact that Providence College led Brown 51-30 six minutes before the end may be taken as clear testimony that the Friars had a much easier time of it against Brown than did the Rams in Marvel Gym a few weeks ago. Perhaps Brown was "up" for the Rams, "down" for the Friars. But you cannot figure that way in sports. As soon as you do, competition becomes meaningless.

One sidelight on the Brown-Providence College game stems from the friendship between Crotty and Rip Engle, a relationship which goes back to football in which Crotty has been assistant to Engle. Engle looked quickly at the basketball the Providence College Jayvees were playing in the preliminary contest and remarked, "That guy is using the zone defense I told him about a few weeks ago. I would not put it past him to throw it at me in the varsity game." Which is exactly what Crotty did.

#### Precedent ...

There is a precedent for this incident. Last year Brown played and defeated Providence College at Harkins Hall, the home court of the Friars. Woodle Grimshaw, mainstay of the Brown team, had a poor night. After the game he asked Crotty what he was doing wrong. Crotty suggested that he was faking to the left too consistently and that he should work on a fake to the right. Ten days later Providence College played Brown in a return game. Grimshaw beat one Providence College guard five times that nightby faking to the right.

One big reason for the Friars' surprising success against Brown the other night is that Larry Drew has returned to Providence College after having served his time in the army air forces. He was playing air force basketball in the weeks just before his discharge and so was in shape to go in high as soon as he returned to school.

#### Streamlined ...

Strengthened by Drew and with the whole squad in confident stride, the Friars are no longer subject to casual dismissal as an opponent for those formidable Rams who, on their record, have more than an outside claim to recognition as being the best in New England basketball. By the revised prospective, there will be not one but two good teams on the floor tonight.

The upsurge of Providence College as a power was all that was needed to stamp the game coming up as one of the better ones of the New England season. The promise is there. Whether or not it materializes, the spectacle should be a good one. For both Providence College and State are partial to fast breaking, streamlined basketball. Some of the old guard doubt that this is the very best basketball there is. But none deny that it is good stuff to watch. And we have a triangular corner on it in Rhode Island.

## RAMS FAVORED, OVER FRIARS TONIGHT

# Unpredictable Crottymen May Extend State Stars

New State Star



Jackie Allen

Game at Auditorium Expected to Attract One of R. I.'s Largest Hoop Crowds

#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

Rhode Island State's Rams, stopped only once this season during a campaign wherein they have been matched with the East's tor quintets, will make their annual visit to Providence tonight for a battle with Providence College at the Auditorium.

One of the largest crowds, if not the very largest, ever to see a hoop contest in Rhode Island is expected for this fray, for more reasons than one.

Naturally, the exploits of such estimable stars as Ernie Calverly, Dick Hole and their Kingston mates are magnet enough to draw a huge throng to the Arena, but in addition, the possibility of a stirring duel has been revived by the Friars, who scored decisive upsets in their last two starts and thereby increased the game's attractiveness.

The Rams are favorites. They have built an impressive record and are well rested. They have superior manpower, both on the starting team and among the reserves, but whereas they were regarded as shoo-ins a couple of weeks ago, now it is considered likely that they will have to be in top form to increase their imposing string of victories.

In-and-Out Season

The Friars have had an in-andout season, sometimes looking good, sometimes not so good. In their last two games, however, against Coast Guard Academy and Brown, they came through with such emphatic triumphs that they restore! the element of uncertainty to tonight's fray.

The throng that plans to watch this game is eager to see Calverley. Hole, Bob Shea et als: under pressure and, in view of what the Friars did in their last two outings, it is likely that pressure will be applied.

Al Nichols and Sal Sclafani are expected to be State's other starters, but there is some likelihood that the former De La Salle ace, Jackie Allen, will be nominated by Coac Frank Keaney for an opening role. Allen, recently discharged from the army, is expected to add considerable punch to an already potent attack.

Ed Crotty, Providence College coach, will counter with a trio of former servicemen who might make the celebrated Rams travel at top speed all the way—Capt. Henri Ethier, Jack Sullivan and Larry Drew. Drew returned in time for the Brown game and added so much balance to the Friars that they outplayed the Bruins all the way.

Other Starters

Leo LaBoissiere, the mighty mite, and Johnny Arzoomanian, a rapidly improving guard, will round out the Friars' starting lineup.

No matter the outcome, tonight's game should be played at a blistering pace. Ram and Friar attacks are based on speed and, considering the talents of the men named for starting jobs, speed should be easy to obtain.

Tickets for the fray have been going fast and there is every indication that more than 4000 hoop fans will be on hand.

The game is scheduled for approximately 8:30 o'clock and will be preceded by a duel between the Holy Rosary and Holy Ghost quintets, the best teams in the CYO's Senior League.

Holy Rosary won the league title with eight straight victories and Holy Ghost dropped only two decisions, both to Holy Rosary. They will tangle at 7:15 o'clock.

## Holy Rosary Favored in Auditorium Hoop Clash

#### Unbeaten Fox Pointers Rated Edge Over Holy Ghost Thursday

Enthusiasm is running high for next Thursday night's Senior hoop clash between front-running Holy Rosary and Holy Ghost, second place team in the Providence Senior League, on the Rhode Island Auditorium floor at 7:15 o'clock.

The main attraction will bring together the star-studded Rhode Island State Rams and Providence College's Fighting Friars in their

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Holy Ghost—M. Santiano, Patalano,
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annual classic. The feature game will start at 8:30 p. m.

Holy Rosary is favored although Holy Ghost is capable of upsetting the Fox Pointers. The two previous meetings between the pair had Holy Rosary out in front both times, lirst by 55-49 and later by 55-54.

Holy Rosary should do even better on the Auditorium court. Coach Melay Simon's boys have been playing together for a number of seasons which is something of an advantage in itself. Besides its strong starting five of Ferdy Slaimen, Joe Cabral, Manny Roderick, Ray Edmunds and Simon, Holy Rosary has such flashy subs as Sipriano and Tom Ramos. There is also a slim chance of Joe Ramos getting home on furlough from the

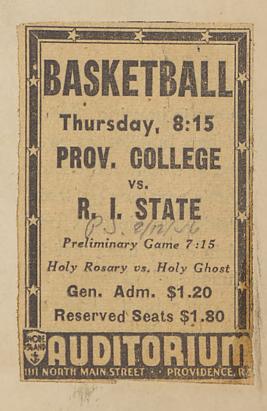
Holy Ghost's star forward, Capt. Lou Gelsomino, playing for Providence College, naturally will not be available. Coach Al Morgera has a capable replacement in Ray Mansolillo, a product of Central High. Big Lou Santiano, who because of illness was sidelined last Sunday afternoon, is expected to see action. Others in Morgera's starting lineup will be Tony Catuogno, Al (Pappy) DiMaio and Guido Salvadore.

Tickets for the double-header are on sale at CYO Headquarters.

#### Vets Prominent On CYO Quintets

More than three-fourths of both the Holy Rosary and Holy Ghost CYO senior teams slated to play the preliminary game at the R. I. State-Providence College meeting at the Rhode Island Auditorium Thursday night are World War II veterans. The twin basketball bill starts at 7:15.

Holy Rosary's starting five will include dischargees Melay Simon, Ferdy Slaimen and Joe Ramos. Lou Santiano and Al DiMaio, Holy Ghost starters, also wear the gold lapel button. A quartet of Holy Rosary reserves and the same number of Holy Ghost subs are also veterans,



## CALVERLEY LEADS STATE TO 82-60 VICTORY OVER

## Rams' Co-Captain Scores. 22 Points and Hole Gets 20

FRIARS

Friars' Loss of Larry Drew by Foul Route Hard Blow; 5139 Fans See Game

BY BARNEY MADDEN

Co-Capt. Ernie Calverley, hero of dozens of Rhode Island States' basketball triumphs, played one of his finest games last night as the Rams thumped Providence College. 82-60 before 5139 cash customers at the were disastrous for the Friars. They Rhode Island Auditorium.

The lithe leader of the Rams, an uncanny marksman from near and far, paced his hard-driving mates with 22 points, but that feat, vital as it was, baled before his other contributions to States' cause.

Calverley's floor work was superb He intercepted numerous Frian passes with leaping catches, stole the ball at other times and, by deft ballhandling, deceptive dribbling and quick, crisp passing set up a suc-

cession of easy goals by his mates. Calverley's artistry simplified mat ters for the Rams, who ran into far greater trouble than anticipated especially in the first half. In that

period, the Friars were at their best and with Larry Drew clearing the boards and starting their plays, they began to roll after State had pulled into a 5-1 lead.

In short order the Friars swept ahead, and once held an 18-12 advantage as they worked their plays with precision and set up scoring chances for Capt. Henri Ethier, little Leo La-Boissiere and big Jack Sullivan Meanwhile, they harried the Rams and checked their attack efficiently

State Starts to Roll

Ken Goodwin replaced Jackie Allen for State about that time and Sal Sclafani supplanted Al Nichols and with that quintet in action, a quintet that has functioned frequently this season, the Rams started to roll.

Calverley blasted one from almost midcourt that made the score 19-16 lity to see action. and then began his ball stealing and play-making with increased fervor.

All the Rams caught the fever and whereas the Friars had been sinking a big percentage of their shots, they began to miss and in less than six minutes, State leaped from the runner-up role to pace maker and reached the intermission enjoying a 36-25 bulge.

In that half, Calverley scored 13 points and was the chief reason for the Rams holding the lead four times. P. C., depending upon a balanced attack was in front twice and the score was tied once.

The late stages of the first half frequently were caught napping on fast breaks, and when that happened the Rams raced into command.

State was ahead, 40-29, a minute after the second halt started and, at that point Drew fouled out, and when he did the Friars' chances faded fast. With Sullivan, Drewhad contrived to control the boards and to throw a strong defense against the Rams so that his departure weakened the defense sharply and enabled the Rams to take charge of the rebounds. Once that happens, State opponents know little peace and virtually no security.

#### Rams Increase Margin

Gradually the Rams increased their margin. Calverley repeatedly set up Hole, Nichols and Shea as he shepherded the Rams through a series of brilliantly executed plays. Hole gathered 20 points in a clever shooting display.

Then, when the Rams forged into a 74-44 lead, Coach Frank Keaney lifted his ace and Calverley left the floor with the thunderous applause of the packed house dinning into his ears. It was a tribute to as fine a performance as the Pawtucket lad ever

LaBoissiere paced the Friars with 16 points, with Ethier and Sullivan

collecting 12 and 11, respectively.

Down the stretch, Keaney and
Coach Ed Crotty of the Friars using reserves in abundance, gave virtually every available man an opportun-

The game was late starting because of an error in laying the court. When the teams appeared for their warm-ups, the coaches discovered that the free throw line was about six feet too near the basket, so hurried reconstruction was effected. Even then, a temporary out-ofbounds line had to be drawn and it caused some confusion as the duel progressed. A temporary free-throw stripe also was in order.

The preliminary, between the top teams of the CYO Senior League resulted in a 48-41 victory for Holy Rosary over Holy Ghost.

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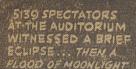
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#### Larry Drew Temporarily Halts the Ram Avalanche



Larry Drew of Providence College, partly obscured by Al Nichols of State, snaring a rebound during the first half of last night's game at the Auditorium. Others in the picture are, left to right, Johnny Arzoomanian (PC), Jackie Allen (State, behind Arzoomanian), Co-Capt. Bob Shea, Nichols and Dick Hole of State, Jack Sullivan and Capt. Henri Ethier of the Friars. —Staff Photo by Jim McKenna.





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P.C. DOMINATED THE SCENE FOR PIFTEEN MINUTES

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THE RAMS ROLLED UP ANOTHER BUMPER CROP

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## -FRIARS LOSE, 43-41

## Bresnahan's Show at End Fails to Save Providence

Uconns Lead Is Too Great

But Charlie Almost Turns

Tide of Victory

Despite a spectacular drive in the final minutes during which Charlie Bresnahan won the admiration of a hostile home-town audience with an impressive shooting soiree, Providence College's hot-and-cold Frairs dropped a heart-breaking 43-41 deciesion to a favored Connecticut University five at Storrs last night.

Hustled into the contest with four minutes remaining as Coach Ed Crotty sought to instill added drive into his charges' attack, Bresnahan turned out to be just what the doctor ordered. But unfortunately the odds at that time proved to be too great for the Friars trailed, 37-33, when Bresnahan made his appearance

The 18-year old Freshman rippled the netting with a 1-hander from outside the bucket and then followed up with a set-shot from midcourt. Walt Dropo, talented Connecticut pivot, relieved some of the pressure by tapping in a rebound and a foul, but Bresnahan broke loose again with a high trajectory from the side that closed the gap to 40-39.

#### P. C. Is Open

Playing a man-to-man defense P. C. left itself open for another Dropo thrust, but once more Bresnahan held his mates together with a twisting shot from the keyhole.

Dropo was fouled with 29 seconds left, but the Nutmeg Staters elected to take the ball out of bounds. Bresnahan stole the ball but his aim missed fire. In the ensuing action, Henri Either gained possession under the Connecticut basket and dropped the ball through but the officials had previously whistled for a fould that went unheeded in the bedlam.

The Providence players, and a good many of the fans, thought Connecticut had committed the violation but the officials ruled otherwise. In the meantime, the final gun had sounded and the floor was crowded with spectators when Art Fletcher converted from the charity stripe.

Fouls Count

Although Bresnahan almost pulled the decision out for the Dominicans the Providence array actually lost the game at the foul marker where they made good on but seven out of 16 tries, while the home club was completing nine out of 18. Each side garnered 17 baskets from the floor nine of the victor's being the personal contribution of Dropo.

The big fellow was pretty well covered by Jack Sullivan who limited him to three double-deckers in the first half and six in the second. During the first half, the teams battled on even terms and were deadlocked at halftime, 17-17.

Larry Drew boosted Providence College into the lead in the opening seconds of the second half, but after Dropo knotted the count, Connecti-

cut spurted into a 28-21 bulge 10 minutes along. Either, Johnnie Arzoomanian and little Leo Labossiere finally settled down again but Dropo & Co. matched them basket for basket and appeared capable of holding the advantage until Bresnahan stepped onto the court.

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## ED ROTH COACHES WINNING GI TEAM

Cpl. Ed Roth of 1090 Smith Street, Providence, former Providence College football player, coached the winning 435th Construction Battalion athletes in a sports meet held recently at Camp Pinedale, Fresno, Cal., in conjunction with a nationwide Recruiting Day program.

wide Recruiting Day program.

Roth's athletes piled up a total of 240 points in winning the camp championship, taking first places in volleyball, touch football and softball, and at ceremonies after the meet, received a gold trophy. The trophy presentation was made by Col. John F. McDavid, director of operations, and was accepted for the champions by Corporal Roth.

# Friar-Uconns Tilt Featured By Aces' Duel

Victorious over Coast Guard Academy and Brown, but defeated by Rhode Island State in their last three starts, the Providence College Friars will tackle another rapidly improving opponent tonight when they play the University of Connecticut at Storrs.

The Providence resurgence traces to the return of Larry Drew to college, the former member of the air forces being a steadying influence on the young team as well as one of New England's most dependable guards.

The duel between big Milt Dropo, the Uconns' towering ace, and Drew is expected to highlight the contest. Coach Ed Crotty will start Jack Sullivan, Leo LaBoissiere, Johnny Arzoomanian and Capt. Henri Ethier along with Drew.

## HUSKIES BEAT PROVIDENCE 43-41; MEET WEAK NORTHEASTERN SAT.

#### By Dave Comen

The rampaging Connecticut Huskies continued on its victory stride Wednesday night as they defeated Providence College in a nip and tuck battle, 43-41. It was the Nutmeggers' sixth straight win in a contest that was again dominated by Walt Dropo who sunk 21 points to lead both teams in scoring. John Sullivan, the big Providence center, equalled Dropo in height and did an outstanding job cleanly blocking many of big Walt's pivot shots.

Although the Providence Captain, Henri Ethier, was high scorer for the visitors, with 13 points, a diminutive forward named Charlie Bresnehan amazed the capacity crowd by swishing four beautiful field goals out of six tries to keep his team in the running. The score was tied six different times throughout the contest which ended up in a wild melee.

#### Daly Scores

After Fred Daly started the scoring with a foul shot, Drew, Ethier, and Sullivan sank three goals to give Ed Crotty's boys a quick lead. Two lay-ups by Art Fisher, a foul by Dropo made it 6 up. But Ethier sank a set shot and a foul to put Providence on top once more. short lay-up and a foul by Dropo, a set by 5' 4" Leo La Bossiere, and another layup by Substitute Al Cone tied the score again. Dropo continued his spree with a lay-up and a pivot shot only to have Joe Sullivan and Ethier sink foul shots and La Bossiere swish a beautiful set shot to tie the score at the half,

The second half started fast with the Huskies' latest addition, Charlie Muzikevic, sinking two goals in rapid succession. Connecticut continued to pull ahead and at the nine minute mark was on top by 27-21. Muzikevic, Bernie and Art Fisher scored for Connecticut and Sullivan, Larry Drew, Ethier swished set shots for Providence but three successful foul tries put the score at 34-31 at the six minute mark.

Charlie Brenehan then took charge of affairs with his amazing dead-eye. His four swish shots were counter-balanced however by scores from reliable Walt Dropo and Connecticut still remained on top with a 42-39 advantage. With 39 seconds remaining to play, Captain Henri Ethier interrupted a Husky pass and proceeded to sink a lay-up to put Providence one point behind. Both teams began to rough it up a little and Berme Fisher was fouled

in the fracas as the final buzzer sounded. The floor had to be cleared as Bernie sank his foul to end the scoring with the Huskies leading, 43-41.

Box Score:

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#### UConns After Sixth Against Improved PC

by Herb Margolis 7/19/46

This Wednesday night the Huskies come into the home stretch of the current season with a contest against Providence College. Ed Crotty's boys made a very poor showing early in the season, but the return of a few veterans has helped no little. They lost eight out of their first nine games, but have done a turnabout as of late. In their last three games they vanquished Brown, 52-46, Coast Guard, 45-37, and lost to Rhody, 82-60.

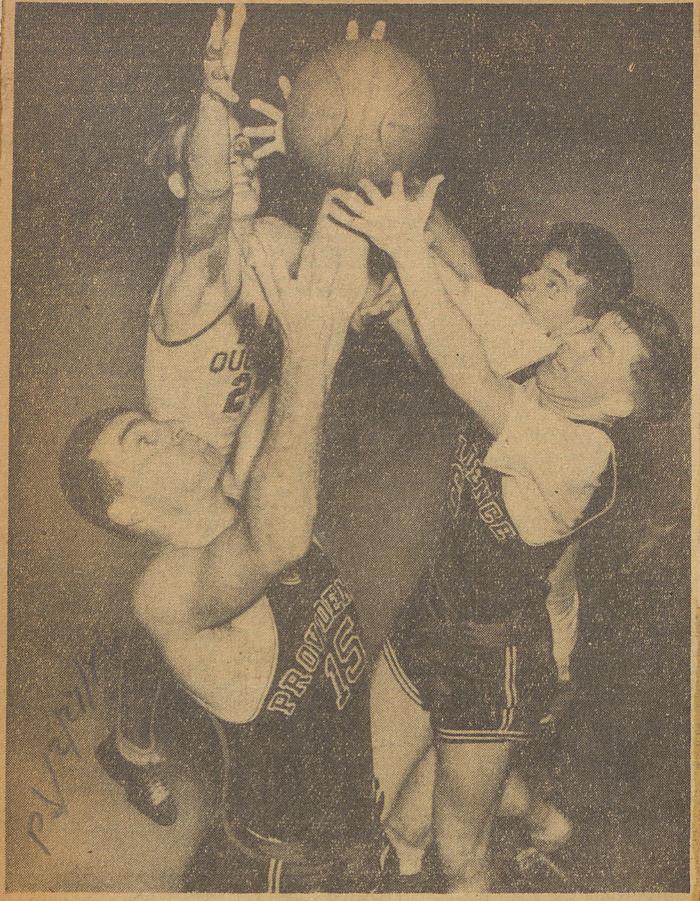
The sudden show of strength on the part of P.C. might be attributed to Larry Drew of the '43 team to his old guard position. Drew was a standout player during his pre-service days and seems to be continuing in the same capacity this season. Paired with Drew in the backcourt is bespectacled 5 ft. 4 in. John Arsomanian. This tiny guard is one of those hot and cold scorers. Providence boasts another pint sized first string player in the person of Leo Laboisere, 5 ft 2 in. forward. Little Leo makes up for his lack in height with his dazzling displays of speed.

The real scoring threat of the Providence team is the Captain. Henri Ethier. In P.C.'s appearance in Boston garden against St. Michaels, Captain Ethier sank fourteen goals and six free throws for a total of 34 points.

At the pivot spot for Providence will be 6 ft. 4 inch Jack Sullivan a naval dischargee. Big Sully will be one of the toughest centers Dropo has opposed to date.

In attempting to make it six straight Coach Gullion will start the same team that has done so admirably thus far. Art and Bernie Fisher will hold the forward posts and Cy Daly and Capt. Walt Alesevich the guard spots. As fast as the center position, "Ce va sans dire."

### Gimme, Gimme! No, I Want It



That might have been the conversation, if the lads had time to talk, while battling for the ball during the Quonset-Providence College game last night. Intensely interested in gaining possession are, left to right, Larry Drew (PC), Ed Leede (Quonset), Jim Warner (Quonset) and Charlie Bresnahan (PC).

-Photo by James McKenna Jr.

#### P. C. and Brown Fives Play on Road Tonight

The Providence College and Brown basketball teams are on the road tonight, with the Friars travelling to the Naval Air Station at Quonset for a return clash with the classy Quonset Flyers and the Bears performing in New York

against Columbia.

Providence College and Quonset staged a hot battle on the former's floor. Tuesday night when the favored Flyers had to go into overtime to take a 64-59 decision. Quonset will be the choice again tonight, particularly because of the home floor advantage, but the Friars are likely to make things in-

Brown's game at Columbia will mark a return to action for the Bruins, who have been idle since the Providence Gollege game Feb. 12 because of semester examina-

tions and graduation.

Paul Zuber, one of the stars with last season's crack Brown quintet, has returned to college after separation from the army, and will be at center tonight. His brother, Dave, will pair with George Watts at the guards. Woody Grimshaw and Bob Brownell will be the forwards. Neil McAllister, recently promoted from the junior varsity, is likely to see considerable service in a forward role, Coach Rip Engle said last night.

## **QUONSET CRUSHES** FRIARS, 47 TO 32

Flyers Defense Checks P. C. Cold: Servicemen Lead 26-7 In First Half

Throwing up a tightly-knit, unorthodox zone defense that not even team play nor individual efforts could penetrate, the Quonset N. T. S. Flyers continually thrwarted the best offensive measures of Providence College basketball team and roared forward to a 47-32 triumph last night at Quonset Point.

So effective was the Flyers' defense that the Friars were able to cage only three baskets in the first half as they trailed by a 26-to-7 count. In the meantime, the Quonset aggregation was hitting the mark with remarkable consistency, with Ed Leede setting up plays brilliantly for the service outfit.

Leede, an indoor court wizard from Dartmouth, was the kingpin in the naval offensive and also copped top scoring honors with nine points. The Quonset attack was clicking to perfection, however, with forwards and guards alike breaking through the Friars' defensive setup and keeping the point-scoring evenly distributed.

During the first half, the Friars caged only four of 44 shots at the hoop, counting attempts from the foul line as well as from the floor. After 10 minutes of play, the Flyers were out front by an 18-3 figure, Bresnahan's effort being the only Friar field goal to that point. Just before the half, Henri Ethier and Bresnahan caged two more baskets, but the Flyers had added eight points in the interim.

Coach Ed Crotty of the Friars revamped his lineup for the second 20

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minutes of play and the team appeared to click better, but not enough to give the home team too much trouble. In the early moments of this half, Quonset Point hooped seven of nine shots at the hoop.

Out front by 42-25 proportions with five minutes remaining, a new Flyers combine took to the floor and the Friars again gained momentum, Ethier and Campbell each netting

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# Friars to Be Hosts Tonight To Devens' Lovell Quintet

Favored P. C. Five Will Face formers at P. C. in recent years, will

Alumni McConnon, Fallon in

Harkins Hall Tilt

Providence College, playing better ball with each succeeding game, will entertain the Lovell General Hospital's quintet from Fort Devens tonight at 8 o'clock at Harkins Hall,

The Friars, nipped by the University of Connecticut in their last start, are expected to turn back the Soldiers tonight, despite the presence in the Lovell lineup of two former Friar aces, Ted McConnon and Steve Fallon.

McConnon, one of the best per-

formers at P. C. in recent years, will make his last start for the Devens quintet tonight. His discharge from the service is expected momentarily. McConnon played his last game as a collegian at Harkins Hall and tonight returns there for his farewell as a soldier athlete.

Coach Ed Crotty of the Friars is likely to use Bresnahan, the young-ster who almost won the Connecticut game for P. C. with a late spurt, in a starting role. Larry Drew, Jack Sullivan and Capt. Henri Ethier, all former servicemen, are scheduled for starting roles.

## FRIARS REGISTER LOPSIDED VICTORY

Bresnahan Leads P. C. to 74-

47 Rout of Makeshift Team

from Lovell General

Providence College uncovered another potent scorer in Charlie Bresnehan last night as the tall Freshman poured 19 points through the hoops in the Friars' lopsided 74-47 conquest of a makeshift Lovell General Hospital basketball team from Fort Devens in Harkins Hall, before 300 fans.

Coach Ed Crotty trotted out a dozen basketeers against the soldiers, who were playing their fifth game in two days. In addition, the Lovell club had to "draft" a Providence College student who was recently discharged from the armed service to fill out its lineup.

The Bay State quintet called upon Vinnie Vasilauskas to occupy the left guard spot and he provided six of the losing team's points. After playing four games yesterday at Gloucester, Mass., where they won the New England Amateur Basketball championship, however, the Lovell boys were physically spent from the start.

The soldiers' chore was made more difficult by the absence of three of its regulars, Ted McConnon, an ex-Friar who has been scoring in double figures, and Guards Dennis Cappiculli and Charlie Mandell.

Crotty sent Bresnehan onto the scene at the 10-minute mark in the opening period and he proceeded to tally three baskets and a foul in rapid-fire order. He played his best brand of ball in the last half, however, breaking away with intercepted Lovell passes for six baskets.

The Friars height told from the outset in the back court, with Larry Drew and Johnny Sullivan controlling the defensive backboards. After Jim, (Heinie) Rosenberg put Lovell in the van with a foul shot in the second minute of play, Providence College roared to the front and led by 19-7 after 10 minutes of play.

Crotty sent in a corps of Friar substitutes when the score soared to 22-8 with but six minutes remaining in the first half. Here, Lovell picked up speed and points to trail, 33-19 at the intermission.

The wholesale list of substitutions by the Friars took its toll of the Lovell "ironmen" in the early moments of the second half, with Bresnehan, Henri Ethier and Sullivan breaking away to run the score up to a 53 to 28 count.

The P. C. mentor again called on his second-line operatives to take over against the Fort Devens crew midway through the period and the soldiers once again were able to find the scoring range.

The summary:
PROVIDENCE (74)
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Ethier, rf. 5 2 12
Gelso'ino, rf 1 1 3
Sullivan, c. 2 2 6
Label, c. . . 0 1 1
Drew, Ig. . 1 0 2
Edwards, Ig 0 1 1
Arzoo'an, rg 4 0 8
Carberry, rg 1 0 2

Totals . 33 8 74
Referees—Crosby
Haughey. Time—Two 20-minute halves.

#### Cushing Tilt Cancelled, Friars to Play Lovell

The Providence College-Cushing General Hospital game scheduled for Saturday night at Harkins Hall has been cancelled and in its place a clash between the Friars and Lovell General Hospital of Camp Devens has been substituted.

The game will mark the final appearance of Ted McConnon, former Friar ace, as a soldier-athlete. The Pawtucket star will be discharged from the army soon. Consequently he will play his last game as a serviceman on the floor where he bade farewell to collegiate sport.

Because of heavy discharges of personnel at Cushing, the Framingham soldiers find it too difficult to assemble a representative team and are withdrawing from the sport.

## Aggressiveness Costs P. C. Victory in Regulation Time Sullivan, Top Scorer, Misses waged a highly interesting duel all the way and their prolific scoring

# FRIAR FIVE FACES

Quonset Seeks 20th Triumph In 24 Starts Tonight at Harkins Hall

In quest of its 20th victory in 24 starts, the crack basketball team from the Naval Air Station at Quon-set in Naval Air Station at Quonset invades Providence College to-night to face Coach Ed Crotty's imbroved Friars in a game listed to start at 8:15 o'clock. The contest will be preceded to the between two be preceded by a clash between two Providence College teams scheduled for 7 o'clock. intramural

The game presents a rare opportunity for Providence fans to see the Flyers, one of the East's top service is exservice teams, and the crowd is expected to tax the seating capacity of the Friars' Harkins Hall.

Providence College will be in the underdog role, but the Friars are expected to put up a strong battle on their own floor, particularly in view of the close, particularly in payily of the close tussle they gave heavily favored University of Connecticut last Wednesday last Wednesday night at Storrs be-fore dropping a heartbreaking 43-31 verdict

Coach Crotty plans to start his regular lineup of Leo Labossiere and Henri Ethier, forwards; Jack Sullivan, center, and Larry Drew and Johnny Arzoomanian, guards. Charley Bresnahan 18-year-old Charley Bresnahan, 18-year-old Freshman who performed brilliantly against Connecticut and in the 74-47 victory over Lovell General Hospital Saturder Lovell General Hospital Ho pital Saturday night, is due for plenty of service with the Friars.

Quonset's opening lineup probably will have Quinlin and the high-scoring Ed I Officing ing Ed Leede as forwards, Offtring at center and Horne and Peterson as Shot 8 Seconds from End;

Warner Knots Count

BY BARNEY MADDEN

Aggressiveness, the competitive zeal that keeps athletes driving until the final whistle, boomeranged and cost Providence College a basketball victory last night, setting the stage and five times the score was tied. for a 64-59 triumph by the Quonset Flyers in a fast, hard fought overtime duel at Harkins Hall.

With the Friars leading, 55-53, 10 seconds from the end of the regulation time, big Jack Sullivan, the Friars' bulwark last night and the game's outstanding scorer, broke toward the basket, saw an oppor-tunity to give the Friars conclusive command and fired.

He had whizzed in 10 field goals already, but that time he missed. The Flyers pounced on the rebound, fed a lengthy pass to Jim Warner and that worthy deadlocked the score from outside the free throw circle.

The ball scarcely had been put in play again when the final whistle

was sounded and an overtime period made necessary.

Given a lease on life by that unexpected turn in events, the Flyers hit their offensive peak in the first minute of the overtime, Warner, Clarence Horne and 'Ed Leede, former Dartmouth ace, sinking shots that just about settled the issue. Horne set up Warner's easy shot by deft ball handling. Leede fired from afar and then fed Horne a pass that made his basket elementary.

From the start the teams had been traveling at a swift pace and each had swarmed ahead with a frequency that kept the crowd yelling enthusiastically and now, with defeat al-most a foregone conclusion, the Friars surged anew.

McCormick sank a free throw, the first half of a 2-shot foul, and when the Friars took the second ball out of bounds they quickly converted it into a field goal as Johnny Arzoomanian heaved in a spectacular shot

That cut the Friar deficit to four points but as they drove hard for further points, Frank Oftring and Leede broke up the attack and set in motion the counter-drive by the Flyers that clinched matters, Leede feeding a nifty pass to Frank Quinlan, who promptly made it 64-58. Larry Drew scored the final Friar point after the game was over, having been fouled just before the end.

kept the lead changing with exciting swiftness. Sullivan finished with 25 points, Leede with 23, getting two during the overtime period.

As they virtually matched basket for basket, the lead shifted eight times in the first half, which ended with Providence leading 27-26. Then in the furiously fast and at times frantic last half, Quonset surged ahead five times, the Friars twice

With four minutes of regular playing time remaining, Quonset held a 48-45 edge as Leede, faking beautifully, streaked in for a layup. But in this game, nobody was giving up without a fight and Arzoomanian, forced to the side by close guarding, let fly a dazzling shot that made it 49-47. Then Oftring, abandoning his highly efficient defensive role for the moment, pushed home the shot that recaptured the 4-point margin for

Sullivan sank a free throw and Arzoomanian hooked home a running shot, but Oftring converted a rebound, with 67 seconds remaining, and gave Quonset a 53-50 advantage.

Sullivan, dribbling through a swarm of players, was fouled as he shot but sank the field goal and, by adding the free throw awarded him, deadlocked the score. The din was

Then a Quonset attack was broken up by Larry Drew, the night's outstanding defensive star, and large Larry set in motion a 3-man break by Arzoomanian, Capt Henri Ethier and Sullivan. Ethier climaxed the maneuver by scoring from close quarters.

Then came the sin of aggressiveness and Warner's clutch shot that chased the game into an extra ses-

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Leede,f. 11 1 23 Ethier,f. 3 2 8
Beardsley,c. 1 0 2 McCormick,f. 0 2 2
Warner,c,g. 3 0 6 Sullivan,c. 10 5 25
Horne,g. 3 0 6 Arzoom'ian,g. 5 1 11
Oftring,g. 2 6 10 Gelsomino,g. 0 0 0
Drew,g. 2 2 6

Totals ... 27 10 64 Totals ... Officials—Merritt and Kutneski.

## Ram, Cocking Ear for Bid, Faces Friars Wednesday

State Team Major Candidate nesday night at Boston against Bosfor N. Y. Invitation Tourney: **Bruins to Meet Crottymen** 

BY BARNEY MADDEN

While listening attentively for "come hither" sounds from Madison Square Garden, Rhode Island State's basketball brigade is preparing for the final joust of the regular schedule, a meeting with Providence College at Kingston Wednesday night.

The Rams are likely to be appraised of their welcome to the Garden's Invitation tournament any moment, but meanwhile they must prime themselves for the Friars and then concentrate on their War Memorial Fund game with Brown at the Auditorium on March 12.

A short time ago, the Rams and Friars met at the Auditorium and the Rams triumphed in impressive fashion. Fading a bit after that classy showing, they split with Coast Guard Academy and barely outlasted Connecticut. It could be that, being boys. the Rams were listening too intently for a bid to the Garden, instead of applying themselves to the job at

However, this week finishes the Rams' regular schedule as it does the Friars. Providence returns to Marvel Gymnasium Saturday night for its second meeting with Brown, hopeful of repeating its upset victory of Feb. 12. The Bruins will tune up for the Friars with a game Wedton University.

## Rams Face Friars Tonight With Tourney Bid in Offing

Bruins Play Boston University

in Basketball, Meet Trinity

in Swim Competition PS 3/4/16

College will tangle tonight in the last game of the regular season for the Rams and that duel, at Kingston at 7 o'clock tonight, might be the determining factor in the Rams' hopes of a bid to the Madison Square Garden Invitation Tournament.

While the Rams and Friars are dominating the Rhode Island sports cene tonight Brown will be active in two sports, with the basketball team playing Boston University in Boston and the swimmers meeting Trinity at Hartford.

State's Rams, defeated only twice in a long and exacting schedule, are favored to repeat their Providence triumph over the Friars. In that game, at the Auditorium, State scored an 82-60 victory, though the Friars led in the early stages and still were very much in the game unil the intermission. An especially lassy display of all-around ability by Ernie Calverley simplified maters for the Rams in the second half.

Calverley was far from his best against Connecticut last Saturday, though his work in the clutch left little to be desired. The Pawtucket ace had been feeling below par, but probably will be back in peak form tonight.

The Friars also have an illness problem, for big Jack Sullivan, their center, has had a cold for the last few days and though he is listed as a starter, his status is still undetermined.

Capt. Henri Ethier and Leo LeBossiere have been named as starting

LINEUPS AT KINGSTON RHODE ISLAND PROVIDENCE COLL.

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Nichols, f. f. Laboissiere
Calverley, c. c. Sullivan
Shea, g g. Drew
Scalfani, g. g. Arzoomanian Referees-Towner and Roberts. Time of game-7 o'clock,

forwards by Coach Ed Crotty and Johnny Arzoomanian and Larry Drew have been selected to open at the guards.

Coach Frank Keaney has named a team of Dick Hole and Al Nichols, forwards, Calverley center and Bob Shea and Al Sclafani guards. Although Lou Gelsomino and Bresnahan have shown considerable improvement lately, the Rams are much stronger in reserves.

An added feature tonight is expected to be the appearance of Al Palmieri against his former mates. Palmieri, a Friar student before entering the armed services, now is playing for the Rams

## RAMS WALLOP FRIARS,

# Inept P.C. Shooting Assists State Five in Final Contest

78 TO 55

Throng Cheers Aggressive R. I.
Show as Hole Leads

Scoring Parade

#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

The rollicking Rams of Rhode Island State wound up their regular season last night by scoring a 78-55 victory over Providence College before a capacity crowd in Rodman Gym, on the Kingston campus.

Seating conditions at State being what they are, the capacity crowd was virtually a solid State bloc and, as such, was a duly appreciative audience as the Rams wound up and let fly with the scoring punch that sent them ahead promptly and kept them there permanently.

Actually a sharper-shooting foe than P. C. was last night would have made things extremely interesting for the Rams, but the Friars were missing with discouraging regularity in their early stages and with the Rams as the opposition that is not a sound procedure. It seemed in the first few minutes that the Friars couldn't throw the ball into the balcony and while they were adjusting their sights the Rams swept into leads of 8-0, 10-2 and 14-4.

The first P. C. field goal came after about seven minutes of play, but even when the Friars recaptured their touch the Rams kept pouring in the points and at halftime were happy in a 39-21 lead.

In the second half Coach Ed Crotty inserted Jack Sullivan into the line-up and the altitudinous but ailing star helped materially in snaring rebounds, something that the Friars didn't do in the first half with any degree of consistency, despite the general excellence of Larry Draw

general excellence of Larry Drew.

The Friars did a much better job during the second half, trailing the Rams only 39-34 over that stretch.

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However, the Ram regulars, Dick Hole, Al Nichols, Ernie Calverley Bob Shea and Al Sclafani, functioned in approved fashion much of the time, shot with commendable precision and frequently gave crisp fense and made scoring relatively as a forward and then as a guard worked into the Keaney scheme of things much more smoothly than in those was appearances.

State's aggressive tactics paid handsome dividends and, by driving in for rebounds, the Rams managed to control the ball much of the time, especially in the first half. Hole, in frolicsome mood paced the scorers with 21 points, seven more than Nichols contributed. Nichols operated efficiently as gunner on plays with Hole and Calverley on several occasions.

Drew was high man for the Friars with 15 points although performing under the handicap of emergency medical treatment. The Friar guard sustained a gash beneath his left eye midway through the first half when he collided with an elbow.

Calverley picked up 11 points, as did Shea, while Sclafani got seven. Calverly handled several situations adroitly in setting up scoring plays and now and then tried long-range shooting with such excellent results that he had the patrons roaring.

It was the final home game for the modest but mighty mite and when he departed a few minutes from the end he was noisily applauded.

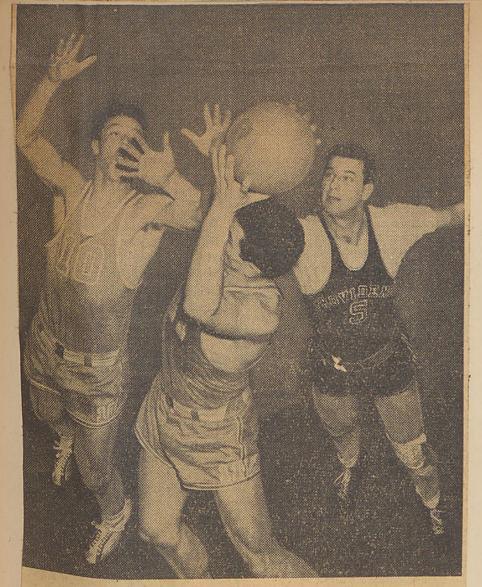
Over the route the Ram starters did well, at times they were brilliant. For the Friars Drew and Sullivan were most productive, Leo Gelsimino and Johnny Arzoomanian were effective workers, especially on defense.

## Hungry Hands—Basketball Statuary



Leaping, groping for the ball, this group of players exemplify the spirit of battle as waged last night by R. I. State and Providence College at Kingston. In front, at left, is Bob Shea of State and at right, Larry Drew of P. C. Behind them are Charley Bresnahan of P. C. and Jackie Allen of the Rams, while at the extreme right is Leo LaBoissiere of P. C.

— Staff Photo by Dave Lamontagne



A 3-WAY SCRAMBLE for the ball in Providence College-R. I. State basketball game at Kingston last night. Left to right, Jackie Allen and Dick Hole of the Rams, and Jack Sullivan of the Friars.

# Full House Sees Rams Batter

## Friars Seek to Stop Brown In Their Final Tilt Tonight

Over Bruins in the First of Home-and-Home

Providence College, upset victor over Brown in the opening game of their home-and-home series, will attempt to repeat the triumph tonight when they meet again at Marvel shaw was just recovering from a Gymnasium at 8:30 o'clock.

season for the Friars and, with a again. He and Garland Kilbourn successful finale as an added incentive, it is a foregone conclusion that the Friars will shoot the works.

Feb. 12 in the P. C. 'home game,' played, as tonight's will be, at Marvel Gym, but since has not fared too well although they have played Commerce and the Brown Jayvees some good ball. In their last two will open the program at 7 o'clock.

P. C. Will Try to Repeat Upset starts they were far from their early season shooting form.

Tonight Coach Ed Crotty will start Capt. Henri Ethier and Lou Gelsimino up front, Jack Sullivan at center and John Arzonanian and Larry Drew at the guards.

Brown, beaten by Columbia and Boston University since resuming its schedule after the holidays, expects to be stronger tonight than for the last two games. Capt. Woody Grimcold when the Terriers were met-The game will be the last of the but now seems to be in top condition will :tart at the forwards and Coach Rip Engle intends to use the Zuber brothers, Paul and Dave, at center Providence defeated Brown on and guard, and will round out his starting team with George Watts, guard.

The New Haven Junior College of

## Quite a Job—Taking on the Family



LARRY DREW OF P. C. outjumping Dave Zuber (foreground) and his brother, Paul, for a rebound during the second half of last night's Friar-Bruin game at Marvel Gymnasium.

## BROWN NIPS FRIARS, 53-51

## P.C. Leads in Opening Half Then Fades in Rough Finale

Play Turns Rugged but Still the Providence bulge to 38-31 with Friendly: Sullivan and

Grimshaw Excel

In a game that progressed, or retreated if you prefer, from the gen-teel to the gruelling, Brown overcame Providence College, 53-51, last night at Marvel Gymnasium before approximately 1000 patrons who were first drowsy and then practically delirious.

The Friars, completing the campaign, went out determined to do or die for Coach Ed Crotty in the finale, but after doing nobly for some time, their drive died and the irrepressible Woodie Grimshaw and Bob Brownell, another brisk bomber, collaborated in a late surge that squared the series for the season.

neither team got up a good head of that put Brown ahead, 53-51. steam. But things were vastly different in the second half, perhaps because those old pals, Crotty and Coach Rip Engle of the Browns, delivered impassioned pleas while the P. game oranges.

#### Boom, Bump, Brown

Whereas the opening 20 minutes had been devoted to precise playmaking, the second 20 were replete with vigorous blocks, holding, pushing and what not. The athletes entered into the new spirit with verve and dash and the Marvel Gym court was no place for the weak or timid during those final, furious 20 minutes. Many a basket was scored as the marksman wriggled and shoved his way clear from a mass, if perpendicular, wrestling match.

As the second half opened the Bruins closed the gap and had cut their deficit to two points when Capt. Henri Ethier of the Friars started to sizzle and in short order boosted

three thrilling throws from outside. Then Johnny Arzoomanian, a busy guard, made it 40-31 and the Friars appeared on their way to a substan-

Brownell got the range but big Jack Sullivan continued to flip in rebounds in fancy fashion so that with 10 minutes to play, P. C. still

Re-enter Brownell. He banged one in from afar and scored again after an interception. Grimshaw swished one from the side before Sullivan tapped in a rebound, and with 6.30 to go, it was P. C., 48-41. Larry Drew, the Friars playmaker, sank a free throw but Paul Clapp did likewise for Brown, then added a field goal and Brownell, getting set, made it 49-46 and Sullivan fouled out, weakening the Friars no little. Watts got a free throw but Charlie Bresnahan, on a Drew set-up, made it 51-47. Brownell streaked in close for a layup, Grimshaw converted a Providence leisurely fashioned a rebound and then battled his way 27-23 lead in the first half when inside again and looped the shot

Foul on Dispute

Shortly thereafter Brownell fouled out and disptued the ruling so that a technical was levied. C. missed both shots and athletes were munching their mid-couldn't get organized in the final minute for a shot that might have tied the score.

Although the game was rough and rugged it was on the frolic-some side. The Bruins and Friars are very friendly and although they broke the contact rules repeatedly they gave and received their bumps in great good humor. They really had a time for themselves and with the duelling so close, the play leaping from good to bad, by way of indifferent, there was excitement enough for everyone.

Each team scored 20 field goals and each missed 11 free throws. Sullivan's loss hurt, Brownell's came late enough to be reasonably harmless. Sullivan and Grimshaw shared the scoring honors with 24 points apiece and Brownell and Ethier, who waxed hot and cold in turn, were next with 16 and 15.

In the prelim the Brown Jayvees thumped the New Haven Junior College of Commerce, 77-34.

The summaries:

PROVIDENCE (51)
G. F. P.
LaBoissiere, f 0 0 0
Bresnahan, f. 1 0 2
Ethier, f. . . . . 7 1 15 Costa,c.... Clapp,g.... Nickel,g.... 0 1 1 Geishna 0 1 1 Drew,g..... Carberry,g... Totals .. 20 13 53 Totals ... Officials: Towner and Haughey. Officials: Towner and Haughey

BROWN J. V. (77)
G. F. P.

McAllister f 5 0 10 Holm, f ... 6
Gordon, f 3 0 6 Celentano, f 2
McCormick, f 8 1 17 Bernstein, c 0
Andrews f 2 0 4 (Chernoff, c 1
Barnes c 3 0 6 Burke, c ... 0
Downey c 2 2 6 Yasevac, g 3
Sheldon, g 4 7 9 Germaine, g 0
Mesch, g 5 3 13 Winchester, g 1
Dake, g 1 2 4 Martin g 0
Glavin, g 1 0 2

Kayezeaning g 0 0 McAllister. 1 3 0 6 C Gordon, f 3 0 6 C McCormick, f 8 1 17/B Andrews f 2 0 4 C Barnes c 3 0 6 B Downey. c 2 2 6 K Sheldon, g 4 1 9 C Mesch, g 5 1 2 4 M Glavin, g 1 0 2 Kavazanj'n g 0 0 0 Total ...34 9 77 Total Referees—Kearns and Mullen.

A Pair of Bruins and a pair of Friars giving their all for possession of the ball during the Brown-Providence College game Saturday night at Marvel Gymnasium. From left to right, Larry Drew (PC), Woodie Grimshaw (B), George Watts (B) and Jack Sullivan (PC). The only casualty was photographer Dave LaMontagne, who was smacked by the ball (foreground) directly he snapped the picture. Brown won, 53-51.

## Fliers Ride Friars To Defeat

## In Two This Week

#### First Game Score 64-59; Second Tallies 47-32

With the season nearly ended the Fliers chalked up two more victories, both against Providence College. Last Tuesdays game with the Friars lived up to its expectations of a thrilling and exciting game resulting in a 64 to 59 triumph for Quonset, while the return game with Providence College played Saturday night at Biros gym proved to be weak competition against Coach Adler's boys, final score Fliers 47, Providence 32.

The first half of Tuesday's game was closely fought with both teams matching baskets, keeping the spectators cheering. Providence led at the end of the first half, 27-26.

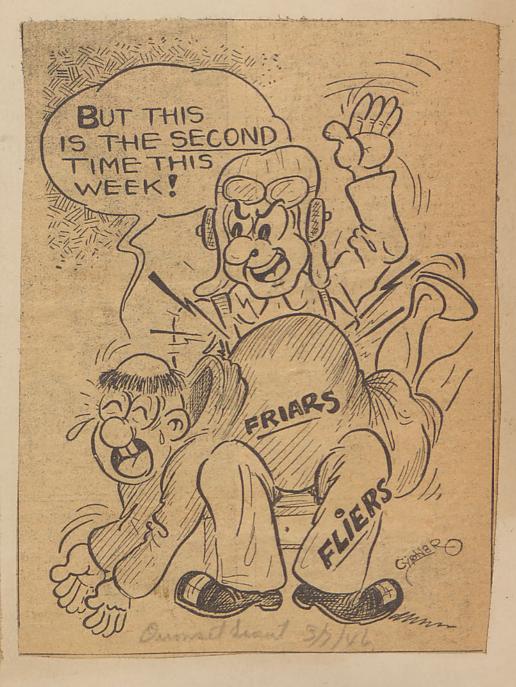
With ten seconds from the end of regulation time to play, Friars leading 55 to 53, Jim Warner of Quonset sank a clutch shot and tied the game 55 all, sending the game into a five minute overtime session. Within a few minutes of the overtime period the Fliers charged out with a powerful offensive killing all chances of a Friar victory. Field goals by Ed Leede, Horne and Warner in these last few minutes ended the game in a hard-fought victory.

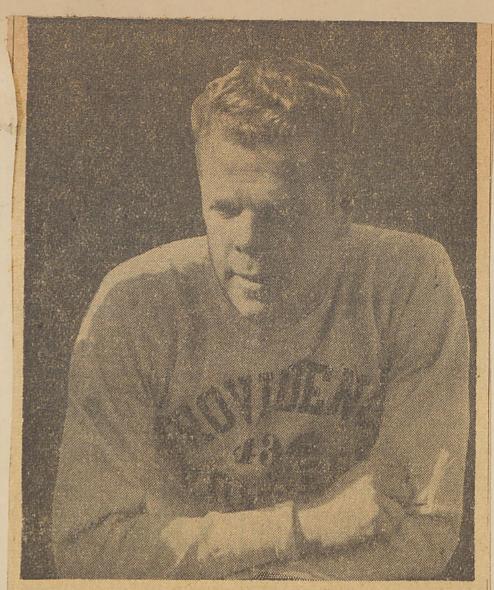
Quonset outclassed the Friars in Saturday's return game by smothering their opponents with field goals in the first half. Providence couldn't hold on to the ball long enough to get into the higher scoring bracket, meanwhile Coach Adler's boys were having a field day sinking baskets galore. By the end of the first half Providence had scored only seven points while the Fliers led with 26. Sullivan, highest basket sinker for Providence, couldn't get the range in the first half and spent the remainder of the game on the bench.

The last half the Friars started to move and made the score a little more presentable. The last quarter replacements for the Fliers' first team were sent in, by then the crowd had gotten sympathetic and began rooting for the Friars which brought the losing team's morale up.

Box Score—Tuesday Game

Quonset Fliers (64) Prov. College (59)
Quinlin, f 6 2 14 LaBoisere, f 1 1 3
Westm'n, f 1 1 3 Bres'han, f 2 0 4
Leede, f 11 1 23 Ethier, f 3 2 8
B'rdsley, c 1 0 2 McCor'ck, f 0 2 2
Warner, g 3 0 6 Sullivan, c 10 5 25
Horne, g 3 0 6 Arz'mian, g 5 1 11
Oftring, g 2 6 10 Drew, g 2 2 6
Totals 27 10 64 Totals 23 13 59





ED CROTTY

#### BY BARNEY MADDEN

head coach of basketball at Providence College, has resigned and will go "back home"—to Danbury, Conn. —where he will direct athletic train—as a scout in 1942, was appointed to ing and physical education in the the football staff as line coach in public schools.

The Friar coach will assume his new duties in September when he will inaugurate physical education in the city's seven grade and junior such, coached the Bruin linemen high schools, will be head football during the past two seasons. and basketball coach in the high basketball.

Crofty, who not only is basketball coach but also head of the physical education department at Providence College, will not leave the Dominican school until the end of the semester.

His departure from the Rhode Island sports scene will be keenly felt in many places, but principally at Providence College and Brown University, both of whom he has served efficiently and generously. When the war came along and coaches and physical directors were at a pre-

mium, Crotty became one of the first Ed Crotty, for the past eight years of the "lend lease" mentors, handling basketball at P. C. and assisting in football at Brown.

> He became affiliated with Brown the Skip Stahley regime the next year and, with the elevation of Rip Engle to the head coach's berth Crotty became his assistant and, as

One of the best young coaches in school and also serve as athletic di- the business, and extremely personrector in the high school. He will able and popular in addition, Crotty have two aides in football, one in has been a good-will ambassador for both P. C. and Brown. He has created countless friendships throughout New England college circles and has retained and improved those he made with players and coaches throughout the country during his student days at Notre Dame and his coaching days here.

> Neither Providence College nor Brown wanted Crotty to leave. Each sought to retain him, each assured him that his were the qualities college ranks needed and that he would be

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## Crotty Leaves Berth at P.C.

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warmly welcomed if ever he should wish to return to either institution-or both. Crotty's personality and willingness to help have been instrumental in binding more closely the ties between PC and Brown so that he has been free to work and coach at both places.

During the past few years Crotty has been particularly busy with physical education. He was chief of that department during the residence at Providence College of the Army era, gave corresponding courses at Brown, where the navy flourished.

with small, inexperienced players the up-coming service schools. brought excellent results and the Friars developed into teams that could give virtually any opposition trouble.

His best pre-war quintet at Providence was just reaching peak form when calls to the armed services took away his entire first team and a most of his second squad. That sitd uation arose as the Friars had rato tled off their ninth straight victory, and even though the team which finished the campaign was a far cry from the squad that started it, the record was 15 victories in 20 games.

> Crotty installed the physical education program at Providence College and also instituted an intra-mural program that is in robust health today. He had his plans completed for the postwar work in physical training when he decided to lend a hand in the development of the kids of his home town.

One of Danbury's best athletes,

Crotty studied at Notre Dame and did much work in physical training and coaching lines. He adequately prepared himself for the work he has been doing and the opinion is widespread that the Danbury school committee acted with extreme sagacity when it persuaded Crotty to 'come home."

He has been very successful with young players, and the athletes he has coached have been enthusiastic in their praise of him. They, both at Providence and Brown, have individually and collectively sought to influence him to remain here, which is just about the apex in commendation.

Crotty has rejected several college coaching offers during the past few years, one of the most tempting coming from his alma mater, ASTP students and, during that same Notre Dame. When Hugh Devore, who brought Crotty to P. C. as his line coach when he took over the His teams at Providence have been football duties here in 1938, became soundly coached, sportsmanlike and acting director of athletics at Notre generally successful. Without benefit Dame, one of his first moves was to of navy students at PC, Crotty was offer Crotty the basketball job. As hard pressed to fashion teams the recently as five days ago Crotty was past two seasons but patient work sought as basketball coach by one of

> The Friar coach is going back to Danbury at a time when the athletic fortunes there are at their lowest ebb. Last Fall's football team achieved a solitary tie in an otherwise all-losing season and the basketball team split even in 22 games.

Danbury schoolboys, however, hearing reports that Crotty is coming home to be their coach, already are looking toward brighter days. They know his record as an athlete and his record as a college coach and are, as a consequence, supremely confident that from now on everything is going to be all right.

Crotty deeply regrets leaving Providence College, where he has so thoroughly enjoyed his work and his association. He has similar regrets at leaving Brown but it is likely that he will be more lonesome for his Friars for, with them he was a builder and had just reached the point where his work was bringing good results when he was induced to go back home and develop the latent talent in the young athletes of Danbury.

It will be a complete "home-coming" for him inasmuch as his family his wife and two children, hav made their home in Danbury for the past few months, since the death d Mrs. Crotty's mother.

# BOARD WILL NAME CROTTY

Head Slated to Take Place
April 8:3/4/46

Edward J. "Copper" Crotty, formerly of Danbury, will be recommended for election to the position of supervisor of athletics and physical education in the Danbury public schools, at the next meeting of the Danbury Board of Education on April 8, it was announced today by F. Ward De-Klyn, chairman of the committee on schools and libraries.

Mr. Crotty announced his resignation today from his present position as director of the physical



Edward J. Crotty

education department at Providence college, Providence, R. I., and also as basketball coach at that institution, and it is expected that he will immediately accept the position in Danbury upon his election.

The decision to recommend Mr. Crotty for the position, left vacant by the recent resignation of Gideon C. Roy, as athletic coach at the High school came as the result of a recent meeting of the committee, following a conference of the members with Mr. Crotty, at which proposed changes in the program of athletics and physical education, and improvements in facilities were discussed at length and in detail.

Is Highly Rated

Mr. Crotty is a graduate of the Danbury High school in the class of 1932 and also holds a B.S. degree from Notre Dame university. He has done post-graduate work at Columbia university and Providence college and is now completing his requirements for a master's degree. He has coached with outstanding ability the basketball team at Providence college for several years, and has also been director of the physical education department at Providence college. In addition to these duties Mr. Crotty has been assistant coach of football at Brown university, where he achieved a reputation as a "play analyst" and recognized authority on the T formation. He is rated among coaches in collegiate circles as a man of outstanding ability, and is extremely popular with the students of both institutions with which he has been connected.

Mr. Crotty is married, his wife being the former Miss Gloria Young, of this city, and is the father of two children. He is well known here and his selection as head of the important department of physical education and athletics in the Danbury schools will mark the beginning of a revised and ex-

panded program of school atnletics here.

Mr. Crotty's duties will commence formally at the opening of the next school year in September, but he has already had several conferences with Superintendent of Schools Walter P. Sweet, and plans will be made immediately to inaugurate the new program.

#### New Program

The committee has under consideration the enlarging of the present program to include elementary schools as well as extending the training to other grades in the High school. In the future, teachers will be employed, as vacancies occur, who will be able to coach or assist in the coaching of several other sports, according to the statement issued today, by the committee. It is contemplated to add track as a major sport and soccer and softball as physical education activities.

In the plans under consideration, practically every boy and girl in the High school will have an opportunity to participate in some physical activity in which his interest and abilities lie. For the past two years, the athletic program has included the Junior Varsity activities and it is intended to carry these along in all sports and to add to them Freshmen teams if facilities can be arranged.

DIRECT PROPER GIVER

#### Crotty Named Athletic Head For Danbury Public Schools

Danbury, Conn., April 10.—(AP)—The appointment of Edward J. Crotty of Danbury as supervisor of athletics and physical education in the Danbury public school system was announced today by the School Board. Crotty, who will assume his duties on Sept. 1, succeeds Gideon C. Roy, resigned, who held the post since 1927.

Crotty, a graduate of Danbury High School and Notre Dame-University, will coach all major Danbury High School teams. For the past several years he has coached and acted as director of physical education at Providence College. During the war years he also served as assistant coach of the Brown University football team.

The board also announced the appointment of Lawrence Frew, a Providence College graduate, as teacher of English and social studies and assistant to Crotty.

#### Departure of Ed Crotty

Editor:

It was with sincere regret that I, as an alumnus of Rhode Island State College, learned of the forthcoming departure of Ed Crotty from our surroundings.

Ed, to me, has exemplified everything that a good sportsman stands for. He has been a credit to himself and to the colleges he represented. There was a time before Ed took over at Providence College when rivalry between State and P. C. tended to reach out beyond sportsmanship and threatened to develop into free-for-alls both in football and basketball.

In all the contests I have seen, since Ed took over, I have never seen the situation get out of hand and on more than one occasion have seen Ed insist on his members being good sports and play the game clean and hard.

The citizens of Rhode Island are losing a truly fine gentleman, and I know that those of us who have had the pleasure of knowing him will miss him. Our loss is Danbury's gain and we can only wish him well in his new endeavors. He may rest assured that he will always be welcome in Rhode Island. Best of luck, Ed.

Providence,

ALLEN J. STRAUSS.

# Joe McOsker, Lou Gelsomino, Former Schoolboy Sports Stars, Start Naval Duty

Joe McOsker Jr., former All-State football player at Mt. Pleasant High School and one of the Highlanders



mainstays as a pitcher, was sworn into the navy yesterday, recruiting station officials announced last night. McOsker, son of Joe McOsker, Journal-Bulletin suburban staff reporter, was graduated from Mount Pleasant in January and had completed a half year at Providence College.

Lou Gelsomino, former athletic

Lou Gelsomino, former athletic stalwart at Central and Rrovidence College, also was sworn into the navy yesterday. Gelsomino was a 3-sport star at Central and played left forward on the Friars' 1945-46 basketball team. He had completed one year at the Dominican college.

Both McOsker and Gelsomino were Senior class presidents in high school. Gelsomino had two brothers in the last war, Guido, gunner's mate 2c, and Salvatore, private, first class, both now discharged. His father, Michele, is a veteran of World War I.



Lou Gelsomino



## Crotty Feted At Farewell Sports Party

Retiring Basketball
Coach at P. C.
Lauded at Dinner

# ED CROTTY FETED BY R. I. FRIENDS

Retiring P. C. Hoop Mentor

Lauded at Metacomet

Golf Club

Friends of Ed Crotty, retiring basketball coach at Providence College, gave him a farewell party at the Metacomet Golf Club last night, told him how deeply his impending departure saddens them, wished him luck in his new work and as a remembrance presented a stop watch to him,

There were representatives of Providence College, Brown, Rhode Island State, the coaching profession, Gridiron Club as well as scores of others who have known Crotty as a friend during his years at P. C., and at Brown as assistant football coach.

The Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O. P., dean of Providence College, told the gathering that Crotty had been a builder of men; Frank Keaney, R. I. State's famed mentor, lauded him as a coach, a friend and a man, and Rip Engle, under whom Crotty coached football at Brown, said that the development of Brown's team during the past few years largely was the result of Crotty's excellent work.

Frank Lanning, Journal-Bulletin cartoonist, was the principal speaker and, after having transferred his humor from the drawing board to the rostrum, became serious and commended Crotty for having done more than any other coach in his memory to cement relations between the Rhode Island colleges.

The Rev. A. B. Begley, O. P., athletic director at P. C., told of Crotty's excellent work with the Friars and Bill Corr, senior member of the R. I. State athletic council, assured the gathering that no rival coach was more welcome at State than Ed Crotty. Barney Madden, of the Journal sports staff, was toastmaster.

Others introduced were Tom Monahan, president of the P. C. Alumni; Everett (Busy) Arnold of New York and Brown; Jack Hess, Journal-Bulletin sports editor; Dr. Wally Snell, Brown athletic director; Johnny McLaughlin, Notre Dame club president; Paul Gleeson and Tom Gilbane of the Gridiron Club and Larry Drew, Crotty's successor as basketball coach at P. C.

Joe McGee, former P. C. football coach and chairman of the dinner committee, made the presentation and Happy Stanley, alumnus of Danbury (Conn) High, where Crotty is going as athletic director, entertained.

Ed Crotty Says Farewell to Providence

Snell, Athletic Director at Brown; Rip Dinner Held in His Honor at Metacomet Golf Club Last Night. Crotty Is Leaving to Become Athletic Direc-Engle, Brown Basketbal Coach; Crofty and the Rev. A. B. Begley, Athletic Director at Providence College. ED CROTTY, Retiring Providence College Basketball Coach, Bids Farewell to Some of His Associates at tor of the Danbury, Conn., Public Schools. Left to Right: Walter H.



#### Farewell ...

ED CROTTY, who has left his job as basketball coach at Providence-College to become school athletic director in Danbury, was on the receiving end of a party the other night. As such affairs go, it was not an especially big party, nor was it a hilarious one. But it was an appropriate farewell, for the underlying note of it was one of sincerity. Ed Crotty is a sincere young man. And those who came to know him in the course of the eight years he has spent here, are sincerely sorry he is going.

There was some ribbing, of course. Represented officially or unofficially, were such institutions of academic and athletic learning as Providence College, Brown, Rhode Island State, Holy Cross, Boston College, Dartmouth, Notre Dame and quite possibly some others. It was broadly hinted along the line that the favor of Crotty would be worth currying if for no other reason than that in his new capacity he would be close to the good athletes coming out of Danbury.

That was all in jest, to be sure, but the small truth in the spoken jest is that there was no college coach or no athletic director or no alumnus present who would turn his back on any 190-pound tailback or 6-foot, 9-inch forward Crotty might send his way.

#### On Loan ...

In his own quiet way Crotty created much good will for Providence College during his stay in our town, and, yes, for Brown as well. The circumstances were war-born. With football suspended at Providence College and curtailed at Brown, Crotty was able to work as assistant to Coach Rip Engle of Brown during the Fall season. This made for a situation that is perhaps without parallel in sports. For several months of the year Crotty pulled with all his weight to help Engle and Brown to have a winning football team. With the football season over, he pulled exactly as hard to direct his Providence College basketball team to victory over Engle's Brown team.

Last season Brown and Providence College drew in basketball, each side winning one game of the series. Commented Crotty: "Since we could not win them both, it was nice to split."

That an arrangement having a man coaching for two colleges worked out for the benefit of all concerned, is a tribute to everybody involved. A man with lesser diplomatic qualities than Crotty could not have got away with it. If Providence College had vetoed the deal, few eyebrows would have been raised in surprise. Brown might well have thought twice before entering upon an experiment which could be laden with dynamite.

#### Assist to Roger ...

But there was no explosion—not with Crotty in the middle. He became an ambassador for two institutions, with portfolio from each. He met the authorities, the alumni, the students of each and made friends everywhere.

Without question he contributed to the excellent relationships existing between Providence College and Brown, and took away the bitterness dreamed into a cross-town rivalry by the sidewalk supporters of each. Rivalry still exists, to be sure. It should. But it exists on the baseball field and the basketball court, where it belongs.

Providence College and Brown shared a coach in a period of emergency and, as a result, are closer together than ever. It is items like that which makes a guy glad that he is a sports writer in a town like Providence. Maybe it could happen elsewhere, but this bystander, for one, is inclined to doubt that it would happen in many towns other than the one established by Roger Williams.

It is worth some of the bumps you daily take when driving over our downtown streets. After all, except for the steel shortage, you can always buy another front spring if you have money enough. But with or without money you cannot buy an iota of broadmindedness. That is a product of decades and centuries.

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#### Monogram Club Honors Crotty; Drew Named P. C. Hoop Coach

The Monogram Club of Providence College, in the first postwar gathering, honored Ed Crotty, Friar hoop coach, last night at a testimonial dinner at Fred's Tavern, Mineral Spring Avenue, and presented the departing coach a silver cigarette case and a lighter because "they regarded him so highly professionally and personally."

Crotty recently resigned to become athletic director of the Danbury, Conn., public schools and football and baseball coach of the high school.

The Very Rev. Fred C. Foley, O. P., president of Providence College, expressed the college's regret at losing Crotty, thanked him for the great good he had done the school and the boys who played under him and concluded:

"If as you go through life, you boys keep the grand character that is Ed Crotty before you as an inspiration, you will do well," he told the Monogram winners.

Other speakers were the Rev. A. B. Begley, O. P., athletic director at P. C., Rip Engle, Brown football coach under whom Crotty served on a lend-lease basis during the past three seasons; Jack Sullivan of the hoop squad, and Barney Madden of the Journal sports staff.

It was a chummy gathering-and a newsy gathering.

Larry Drew, the toastmaster and the club member who made the presentation to Crotty, was announced as Crotty's successor as Providence basketball coach. An outstanding guard, Drew's career was interrupted by army service but even in uniform he found time to star for service teams. He had been offered the post of assistant to Crotty in Danbury.

Ted McConnon, ace of Crotty's last prewar team, disclosed that he has signed as basketball coach at St. Anselm College, Manchester, N. H., and passed out cigars in honor of his brand new daughter.

Jack Sullivan was notified by Father Begley that he had been elected captain of the 1946-47 Friar quintet. Sullivan, a center, returned to college late last season after long naval service.

# ED CROTTY TO BE FETED BY R. I. WRITERS

Friar Coach Leaves State to Take Over at Danbury

Words Unlimited, organization of Rhode Island sportswriters and sportscasters, at a meeting last night started preparations to honor Ed Crotty, Providence College coach who will leave his Friar post to take over at Danbury, Conn. The affair will be held during the latter part of May.

The group will have a complete command of the press box at the R. I. Auditorium starting on next Monday night. Mike Thomas of the Providence Journal is chairman of the committee in charge of the Crotty get-to-gether. Ambrose R. Smith of the Times is one of the committee members.

Dinner was served at the Auditorium prior to the business session. The meeting was held in the R. I. Skating Club rooms of the North Main Street Arena.

## Devore to Coach St. Bonaventure

Olean, N. Y., Feb. 13.—(UP)— Hugh Devore, coach of Notre Dame's fooball team last year and former All-American end for the Fighting Irish, has signed a 3-year coaching contract at St. Bonaventure College, the Rev. Thomas Plassman announced today.

St. Bonaventure will resume football competition under Devore for the first time since 1942. The team fielded in 1942 was coached by Mike

Captain and end of the Fighting Irish, took over the head coaching post at the South Bend, Ind., school, when Ed McKeever left to pilot Cornell University. He was line coach at Notre Dame at the time-

Previously, Devore had been a line coach at Fordham, assistant head head coach at Holy Cross and head coach at Providence College. During his playing years, he was considered one of the best blockers and defensive ends in collegiate football.

Devore's appointment indicated that the Brown Indians may break ato the ranks of big time football. College officials already are planding a formidable schedule for the 1946 season.

Devore, father of four children, said he planned to make his home in the Olean area shortly. He hopes to assume his new duties about March 1.

Two of the western New York's for two years. Little Three" members, St. Bona-venture and Niagara University, lege, still is seeking a new head have signed head football coach.



**HUGH DEVORE** 

coaches for the 1946 season. Lt. James P. Moran, USN, of Dorchester, Mass. assumed the coaching post at Niagara within the past few days. He signed

#### Drew to Aid Crotty In Post at Danbury



Larry Drew

Simultaneous with the announcement yesterday by the Danbury, Conn., School Board that Ed Crotty, Providence College basketball coach, had been appointed supervisor of athletics and physical education in the Danbury public schools, came the disclosure that Larry Drew, oustanding P. C. athlete, would be Crotty's assistant.

Drew, one of New England's best guards in basketball and a star at end on the last Friar football team, will be a teacher of English and social studies in addition to his physical education work. Drew returned to P. C. late in the recent basketball season and performed notably. His play was instrumental in the Friars' upset of Brown. He is a former member of the army air forces.

Crotty has assisted in football coaching at Brown the past few years as well as directing the Friars on the court and heading the physical education program at P. C., during civilian and soldier residence there.



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