

On making it

One of the myths spoken several times a day, every day, hereabouts is to the effect that this is the slow lane and we who live in it can't cut it in the fast lane.

Don't believe it.

It's our observation, after 31 Christmases here, that he who can make it here can make it anywhere in the whole wide world.

And, truth to tell, if he can survive economically here, he can make it in New York, or Los Angeles, or Tokyo, or London, or Moscow or Shanghai.

Consider: save for the bare cost per square foot of renting suitable housing, nothing, or almost nothing, one buys here is cheaper than in the big city.

Grocery prices advertised in the Cleveland newspaper exceed prices for the same commodities here. And, in a good many instances, such as meats and vegetables and fruits and fish, superior in quality to ours.

Admittedly, automobile liability insurance in, say, Cuyahoga county is more expensive. But gasoline is cheaper. So are other ancillary automotive services.

Unit cost of natural gas in, say, Toledo or Cleveland or Akron is lower than here. Electricity bills do not vary much. Water and sewer charges, affected as they are by circumstances peculiar to each community, are nevertheless as high as, if not higher, than what are in force in the cities.

Any shopper can tell you that items offered by retailers in the small town do not compete with similar items offered in the cities by selection, number and price. If this were not so, why would the small town shopper go out of town to do his buying?

We pay the same income taxes. Real estate taxes vary. If comparable services are equated, taxes in the city are not higher than those in force here.

Cost of recreation hereabouts exceeds that in the city, particularly for the sedentary person, who must drive 20 or more miles to see a motion picture that he can walk down the street to see in, say, Cincinnati.

Hereabouts it is our wont, through gossip, to define moral positions, commit ourselves to certain values or survey the attitudes of others to see what their values are. Issues such as what is acceptable or not acceptable, applaudable or condemned, responsible or irresponsible, fair or unfair, for or against, right or wrong are decided by and with gossip.

Which is not to say that gossip is bad. In addition to defining moral positions, gossip educates others in the tried-and-true formula of success, or interesting deviations from it. The management of family enterprise, even the family pay check and bank account, is the meat of local gossip. Observant neighbors know the condition of pasture, crops, livestock, general financial status, age and condition of automobiles, whether one's house needs paint and how long it has gone without paint, to recite but a few facts. Management style is laid out for the whole world to see, if it wants to listen.

If the inventory in a retail operation diminishes, be certain that it is remarked upon over the coffee cups.

Women face judgmental remarks as well as men. How effective are they as wives, what kind of housekeepers are they, how well do they manage their children, what is the pattern of consumption in their households?

So far as we know, the average fellow living in the city escapes the focus that gossip brings to bear upon us. The small town setting is a moral universe. He who survives it is a stronger, a better person than the man who does not know it, or has not known it.

Which is not to say we would trade places, not even with something thrown in by the urbane, sophisticated city fellow, but to state, with some emphasis, at this season, that we and our neighbors can lick the whole world if it plays by the rules that govern us.

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A leader in scoring of the Big Red team that has won three games so far and is undefeated in Firelands conference play. Troy Keene will start at Greenwich tomorrow as Plymouth seeks to win No. 3 in league play, over a Trojan team coached by a Plymouth alumnus, Jacque Daup.

Reams to be hosts for family dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Quentin R. Ream will be hosts at a family dinner Sunday to J. Robert Phillips, Shelby, and the Sidney Reams. On Christmas day her daughter and son-in-law, the Richard Raders, Lexington, will be dinner guests.

Port kin succumbs at Cleveland

Sister of the late Fred Port, Mrs. John Sweeney, 94, Cleveland, died Dec. 12.

Born Elizabeth Port, she is survived by a daughter, Laverne, now Mrs. Sue Zukie, and a son, Jack; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Her husband, a sister, Mrs. Mary Reichel, and five brothers, John, Fred, David, Nicholas and Fred, died earlier.

Funeral mass was celebrated from St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church in West Park, Cleveland, Monday.

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Fred Port, Plymouth route 1, was at the funeral home Sunday.

Ring theft investigated by police

Theft of her engagement ring and her wedding band was reported to police Dec. 9 at 4:22 p.m. by Mrs. H. James Root, 1110 Sandusky street.

Police are investigating.

Mrs. Trisler, born here, dead at 76

A Plymouth native, Mrs. Rachel J. Trisler, 76, died in Orange, Calif., Dec. 9, the result of a traffic collision.

Born Rachel J. Snyder here on Oct. 16, 1909, she lived in Belleville until 1970, when she went to California. She was employed as a practical nurse in Richland hospital's tuberculosis center until she retired. She returned to Mansfield area in 1977 and was active as a foster grandparent in New hope center until 1981.

Three sons, William A. Bellville; Robert E. Mansfield, and

David Lee, Cibolo, Tex.; a brother,

Paul Snyder, Erie, Pa.; two sisters,

Mrs. Eleanor Starkey, Los Banos, Cal., and Mrs. Florence Rundell, Galion, and four grandchildren

survive.

Funeral arrangements by Finefrock Funeral home at Mansfield are pending.

He was charged with domestic

In self-defense?

Man slays kin, 52, after family spat

A 52-year-old Fenner road man died in Shelby Memorial hospital Friday night, victim of a pistol wound allegedly administered by his brother-in-law, who lives nearby.

The brother-in-law, identified as Alonso Surgeon, who occupies as tenant the house of Paul Staudt, says he fired in self-defense after Malcolm Gamble came to his house in high dudgeon, carrying a 16-gauge shotgun, and in an argumentative mood, seeking his estranged wife, sister of Sprague, with whom he earlier had had a spat.

Richland county sheriff's department is investigating the offense. It says Mrs. Gamble ran to her brother's house after the spat and her husband followed her there. An argumentative colloquy ensued between Gamble and Sprague. The latter fired a pistol into Gamble's abdomen, apparently at 11:58 a.m. Gamble died at 8:05 p.m., having been taken to the hospital by the Plymouth ambulance.

No arrests were made as of Monday.

John Allen, Richland county prosecutor, said his staff will question Sprague at length, as well as Mrs. Gamble, to obtain a clearer picture of what transpired.

5% pay raise for staff voted by village council

A five per cent raise for full-time employees of the village will be in force Jan. 1.

After spending four hours during the Dec. 3 committee meeting wrestling with raises that will fit into the 1986 budget, formal action was taken at the Dec. 10 council meeting.

At the committee meeting, Councilman Terry Hopkins said he is opposed to giving some departments raises and not all of them. He said it is easy to give raises to water, sewer and electric employees because rates can always be raised to assure that funds are available.

It is different, he pointed out, with the general fund, from which the police department is paid. It depends on approval of a levy by voters, not a sure thing.

Mrs. Terry Jump said she doesn't think it fair to hold raises for one department hostage because another does not have available funds.

John Fazzini, clerk-treasurer, said he provided a 10 per cent pay increase in the 1986 budget, but pointed out that almost half would have to be applied to increases of public retirement, longevity, vacations and such.

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He said 29 cents of every dollar paid in police salaries goes for public retirement, of which the village pays 13.95 cents and the employee 8.5 cents.

The raises follow, with the new wage first and the old one in parentheses; village administrator, \$23,000 (\$22,000); utility clerk \$4.85 an hour (\$5.10), a new position was added, that of utility clerk/dispatcher, which the present clerk is now doing, \$5.85 an hour; director of taxation, \$6,615 (\$6,300);

Also, police dispatcher-court bailiff and clerk, \$5.67 (\$4.53); police chief, \$20,350 (\$19,404); police captain, \$18,150 (\$17,326); patrolman Class I (probationary) \$6 an hour (\$5.54); patrolman Class II \$8 an hour (\$7,035 year); patrolman class III (part-time less than 40 hours a week) \$6 an hour (\$5.70); police dispatcher \$4.12 an hour (\$3.93).

Also, head electrician, \$20.27 an hour (\$8); head water technician, \$8.04 an hour (\$6); head of streets and sewers, \$7.11 an hour (\$5); meter reader, \$5.04 an hour (\$4.80).

The new pay ordinance changes the classifications in each utility department to provide for seasonal and additional employees. A village mechanic has been added at \$5 an hour.

The cemetery sexton goes to \$9,750 (\$9,282); assistant sexton \$4.35 an hour, and parttime and students, \$3.96 an hour (\$3.78).

In the fire department the chief's salary will be \$1,050 a year, up from \$1,000. The two assistant chiefs for both fire and ambulance will receive \$785 a year, up from \$750. The

third assistant chief will receive \$4.45, up from \$4.25.

A secretary for the department has been added at \$350 a year.

Run and meetings for these five positions will be paid as those to the firemen, \$3 for one-half hour, up from \$2.50, and \$5 a practice or meeting, not to exceed 24 a year unless authorized by the mayor.

Members of the ambulance squad will remain at \$2.50 an hour with not more than six on one run.

Custodian of Mary Fate park will receive \$162 bi-weekly from April 15 through September 15, and \$3.93 an hour during the rest of the year. That position had paid \$154 and \$3.75.

Remainder of salaries stays at the 1985 level, custodian for the village offices, \$3.35 an hour; technical adviser for the sewer system, \$65 a month, and emergency snow removal, \$7 an hour.

Personnel of Mary Fate park swimming pool also remain the same, \$4.50 an hour for a maximum of 40 hours a week for the pool manager, and \$3.50 an hour for the assistant. Life guard will receive \$2 or \$2.50 an hour, depending upon experience.

The ordinance provides 22 cents a mile for employees who use their own vehicles for village use.

By motion, the council approved Mayor Keith A. Hebble entering a two year contract with the village solicitor, Richard Wolfe, 2nd.

Wolfe was appointed by former Mayor Eric J. Akers in 1980. With no time stipulation in the contract, the recent state audit of the village found this in error, because state statute states a solicitor's contract is only binding for two years.

Several changes in the terms of his contract were made. He had received a \$100 monthly retainer for one meeting, hourly work at \$35 and per diem (when necessary to spend a day in court) at \$300. In the new contract the retainer fee is eliminated, the hourly work raised to \$50 and per diem to \$400. He also will receive mileage at 22 cents.

Advertisement for bids for a new bucket truck for the electric department were approved. James C. Root, village administrator, estimates it will cost just under \$60,000.

The mayor swore veteran park board member Eldor Burkett into another three-year term.

His son, William Burkett, was promoted to the rank of police captain from patrolman.

This last meeting for 1985 ended with the mayor and council profusely thanking Terry Hopkins for his contribution to the village. He completed his four year term Dec. 31 and chose not to run for re-election.

First he struck her, then turned self in!

A 28-year-old confessed woman violence. She was bruised but declined treatment.

Police looked into two fights at 6

East Main street.

Ronnie C. Shepherd, 21, Plym-

outh, was accused of assault after he allegedly seized a 16-year-old

local boy and ordered him to kiss the floor. When the boy refused, Shepherd admitted he seized him and flung him against a wall.

Jeffrey A. Feltzer, 19, Willard, and a local boy, 17, were accused of assault after a fight outside the pool hall.

Here's what folks did 25, 20, 15, 10, 5 years ago

25 years ago, 1960

Father of Vernon C. Peters, Shiloh, Jacob F. Brillhart, Republic route 1, died at Willard.

Evelyn M. Williamson married Harold R. Crouse at Bucyrus.

Town Teen USA, directed by the Donald Sheavers, will close Jan. 1.

Red 57, Colonel Crawford 41, Jim Russell scoring 17.

Army Col. scored 18, Red 62, Bellville 38.

Mt. Hope Lutheran church plans a picnic-style supper to say goodbye to the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Cassell, who are retiring.

The C. G. Lannerts marked No. 54 at Shiloh.

Florin S. Noble sold Lot 26 and part of Lot 27, Shiloh, to Joe Spener.

Twelfth grade honor roll: Hilda Elliott, Jane Hamman, Ray Lynch, Larry Smith, William Schmitz, Kenneth Van Lou, Cheryl D. Faust, Wayne Kessler, Joan Dyer Kay Forsythe, Karen Moore, Linda Lake.

The Noah Sammonses escaped injury when their car struck another in Route 224.

"The same people always win it" was the reason, Chamber of Commerce said, why a Christmas decorations contest won't be conducted this year.

Community chest was much less than full and its campaign life extended.

20 years ago, 1965

Mrs. John Hastings is worthy matron of Plymouth Chapter 231, OES. Her father, Orya Dawson, is a worthy patron.

Six pupils made 4.0 grade-point averages: Judy Blankenship, Sharon Hamman, Nancy John son, 12th grader; Deborah Dawson, 11th grader; Kathy Moore, 10th grader; Vicki Gilger, ninth grader.

NYC program began in the high school for 12 pupils. It provides feeding and caring for work by children of needy families.

Fire destroyed the house of 257 West Broadway.

A 17-year-old New Washington boy, Robert E. Murray, was struck and killed by a car in Scott Road 50.

Aunt of William C. Enderby, Mrs. Wesley Enderby, 81, Greenwich, died at Norwalk.

The Mike Fenners marked No. 45.

The Arthur Stobers set No. 50 on Dec. 16.

The C. H. Owenses, Shiloh, set No. 50 on Dec. 18.

The Wayne Hunters set No. 25 on Dec. 25.

Mrs. Virgie Price, 77, formerly of Shiloh, died in Oregon.

Bloomville 83, Plymouth 65, Billy Goth scoring 18.

Bob Hoyt scored 25, Clear Fork 70, Plymouth 41.

15 years ago, 1970

Perpetual care fund was abolished by village council.

Question of extension of the Smith property well lease on the Smith property in New Haven was left pending.

Mother of Reed White, Mrs. Walter White died.

James Kennedy was named Kennedy's high school football coach of the year.

Robert D. Foyette, Jr., Shiloh, received the associate in science degree of Tri-State College, Angola, Ind.

Elmer Balduff, who formerly lived at 70 Plymouth street, an R-H R retiree, died at Bradenton, Fla.

Contest of the will of George S. Mitenbuhler was settled out of court.

A cakewalk is a lottery board of education which advised by its attorney, but there are no teeth in the law to punish it.

Howard G. Noble, 49, Shiloh road 2, died at Cleveland.

Alto B. Brumback, 86, retired Shiloh farmer, died at Columbus.

The Ralph D. Reams set No. 50.

Red 71, Clear Fork 67 in overtime. John Conley got 27 points.

The Clarence S. Beviers, former residents, set No. 50 a little early in Tampa, Fla.

Daniel F. Shields pledged to marry Miss Debra Ann Braahart, Mesa, Ariz.

10 years ago, 1975

Village reached accord with the Roy J. Johnsons, Sr., for an easement of a force main for the sewer system.

Arthur C. Nurdyke, 60, died at Willard.

Mother of Thomas Secor, Mrs. Raymond Secor, 72, died at Willard.

Mrs. Cloyd H. McQuate left \$43,995.

Defeated clerk William G. Hamilton, black refused to assist his conqueror, Miss Anita M. Riedinger, in an orderly changeover of the duties.

Two Shiloh pupils made 4.0 grade-point averages, Karen Russell, eighth grader, and Mary Ellen Pugh, seventh grader.

Red won No. 1, 47 to 45, over Crestline. Holly Tuttle got 16 points.

Red won five bouts but lost to Clear Fork in wrestling.

The L. B. Roberts set No. 59. C. Edward Waddies pledged to marry Marsha Lynn Kemp on Dec. 22.

David McKown and Deborah K. Chapman Lahman will marry at New Haven on Dec. 27.

The Howard Billers marked No. 45.

Five years ago, 1980

New Haven Supply Co. paid a Christmas bonus for the 32nd year.

Junior Girl Scouts raised \$400 in a rock-a-thon to fund a trip to visit the Center for Science and Industry in Columbus.

Junior High school honor roll: Amy Cussey, Bertha Hall, Michael Hawkins, Jessie Miller, Jodi Pitzen, Theresa Taylor, Debra Schrader, eight graders.

Strike at PLM, Inc., will cost the village substantial tax revenue, Mrs. G. Thomas Moore, tax director, told village council.

Sgt. Frank Dodge married Brenda Carol Montgomery at Clinton, W. Va.

Mrs. Earl Huston will conduct the cantata "The Joyous News of Christmas" at Wesley Evangelical church, Shiloh.

Lind Hollenback, Englewood, Colo., arrived to visit her mother, Shirley.

Officers chosen for two years by Firebelles

Shiloh Firebelles conducted their last meeting of 1985 with six members present.

A motion by Mrs. David Kunicic that since so many members are working and cannot attend the meetings, meetings be held in June, July, August and November for the next year was approved.

Special meetings will be called if there is a need.

A motion to elect officers for two years was passed.

Officers elected for the next two years are Lori Wallace, president; Marlene Cuppy, vice-president; Joyce Rinehart, treasurer; Mrs. Kunicic, secretary; Mrs. Marlene Cuppy, news reporter.

Next meeting will be the second Thursday in May.

Land sold

Thomas E. and Rita A. Albright bought 2.8 acres in Baseline road, New Haven township, from Warren Turf Nursery, Inc., Huron county recorder reports.

Marjorie Ruth Smith has moved to her daughter and son-in-law, Debra and James Fidler, Lots 82 and 83, North street, New Haven, and to her son, Edward Lee Heckman, Lots 82-84 and Lots 90, North street, New Haven.

A 1981 alumna of Plymouth High school, Michelle Metcalfe, daughter of the Robert Metcalfe, was chosen employee of the month in November by Lake Charles Memorial Hospital, Lake Charles, La., which she serves as registered nurse.

She is a 1985 graduate of Marshall General hospital school of nursing.

All about town . . .

Mr. and Mrs. John Haas will host to their children, the Delaney family, from Washington, the Russell Laricks, Bucyrus, and the Carl Haases. His sister and brother-in-law, the Earl Wilford, New Washington, will also be guests.

SHOP AT HOME FIRST

The Paul Joneses will spend part of Christmas eve with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rang, Bellevue. Later they will go to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carey, and Ronald Carey and the Keith Clawsons, Columbus, the Allen Careys, and David and Daniel Careys.

The C. Michael Follette, Jr., will leave tomorrow to visit his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Follett, Leesburg, Fla.

Richard B. Hopkins, 263 West Broadway, and Paula Stephen, Shiloh route 1, have applied in Richland county probate court for a license to marry.

Shiloh PTO on Dec. 3 set a walk and dance Feb. 15 from 7 to 10 p.m.

School menus

Here's menus in Plymouth school cafeteria for the week:

Today: Chicken gravy over mashed potatoes, dinner roll, strawberry delight, milk;

Tomorrow: Hot dog, baked beans, pineapple, cookie, milk;

Menus in Shiloh:

Today: Pizza, bread and butter, baked potato, pear, milk;

Tomorrow: Turkey sandwich, potato chips, mixed vegetables, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

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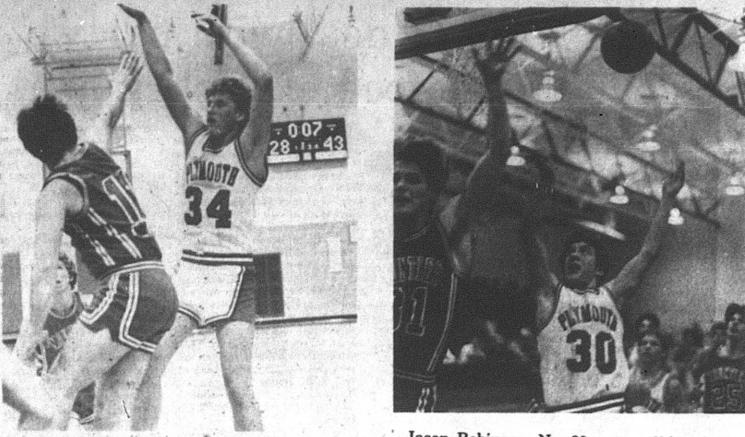
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Bryan Christoff, No. 34, got off this shot, against attempted block by Mapleton player, in second period here Saturday.

Red swamps Mapleton, 86-50

Hur-e, hur-e, come and get it! Dr. Dunn's magical basketball prescription! Guaranteed to produce a winner every time! Hur-e, hur-e!

"Doctor who?" Dunn, David P., doctor of basketball, coach of the Big Red

team; which Saturday night won its third of the season over Mapleton, 86 to 50.

"Oh, that doctor!" That doctor, His formula, simple that it is, worked like a charm on the home floor Saturday.

"What formula?"

Mix one stout defense with a red-hot offense, stir with a run of 14 in the first period and decant into a Christoff flask and a Keene phial. Guaranteed to work.

Which Mapleton's Mounties found out in Firelands conference play as Plymouth roared to a 36-point victory margin. The Big Red never was in trouble after the first 90 seconds of play.

Nor did Dr. Dunn run up the score.

He substituted liberally early on

Worst defeat in history hung on Red

Not since the sport was founded here eight years ago has a Plymouth wrestling team been shut out.

But that's what happened here Dec. 10 when Northmor's Golden Knights whitewashed the Big Red, 70 to 0.

Summary:

98 lb.: Jefferson (N), won by forfeit;

105 lb.: Phillips (N), 4 Hale (P);

112 lb.: Bream (N), won by forfeit;

119 lb.: Herndon (N) 3, Echelberger (P);

126 lb.: Jones (N) pinned Stagg (P);

132 lb.: Nungesser (N) pinned

Arnold (P);

138 lb.: King (N) 3, Barbett (P);

145 lb.: Frank (N) pinned Helm (P);

155 lb.: Rinehart (N) pinned Bolen (P);

167 lb.: Phillips pinned Hawking (P);

175 lb.: Miracle (N) pinned Burks (P);

185 lb.: Brinkman (N), won by forfeit;

Hwt.: Hunter (N), won by forfeit.

Jason Robinson, No. 30, came off bench to score nine points for the Big Red in a virtual walkover over Mapleton in Firelands conference play.

- by the third minute of the third period he had 60 per cent of his team in substitute form on the floor and kept it that way for the remainder of the game, using every player authorized to participate and getting scoring from seven of them - and managed at least 20 points in each period.

Write the name of Bryan Christoff in your basketball book. Unheralded, with the least credentials of the lettermen contingent coming into the season, particularly a troubler, he has ripened into a Clean Air Act. On Saturday he took just nine shots from the basket, all of them in the first three quarters, and scored with eight. The ninth teetered on the rim before falling away. He wound up with 18 points.

Keene, who also did not score in the fourth period, because he was cooling out on the bench, likewise managed 18 points. He had eight field goals. He scored with his only free throw.

Plymouth led by 18 after eight minutes and by 17 at the half. It led by 25 after 20 minutes in the third period, which is something new, difference and wholly welcome here, adding 21 points to an already burgeoning total and holding the Mounties to just six, scored on three field goals in 12 attempts.

Overall, Plymouth shot for field goal 63 times and scored with 36 of them, slightly over 57 per cent accuracy, a pace that if maintained will take Plymouth to Dayton in March. And its accuracy at the free throw line was no better than 14 of 17.

It was only in rebounding that the Big Red did not clearly excel. Plymouth took down 34 caroms, compared to 31 for Mapleton.

Offensively, Plymouth was charged with 16 mistakes. The Mounties made 21.

Five players in red got into double figures. In addition to Christoff and Keene, these were Kevin Taylor and Steve Hall, with 10. Only Eric Rath among the starters failed to get into double digits. Rath held to what the little boy shot at.

Sure that Mapleton outscored Plymouth by one in the second quarter, with Dan Moore's eight points leading the way, Plymouth never was in any difficulty.

Lineups:

Plymouth fg ft tp

Hall 6 1 13

Lasch 4 2 10

Keene 8 2 18

Porter 1 0 2

Robinson 2 5 9

Christoff 8 2 18

Taylor 6 1 13

McRae 1 0 2

To Wilson 0 1 1

Totals 36 14 66

Mapleton fg ft tp

Hickey 1 0 2

Smith 1 2 4

Young 3 0 8

Glen 4 0 8

Moore 4 3 11

Mohrman 4 0 4

Gervig 4 5 13

Totals 19 12 50

Score by periods:

M 6 22 6 16 - 50

P 24 21 21 20 - 86

It was a good night for Red fans all around. Reserves walked the visitors, 40 to 23, Todd Wilson, who also saw action with the varsity, bagging 12.

Lineups:

Plymouth fg ft tp

Ts Wilson 1 0 2

Combs 3 0 6

Rockford 2 0 4

To Wilson 6 0 12

Hall rallies Big Red to nip Edison, 76 to 72

Steve Hall shed the goat's horns and came away the leader that he is at Milan Friday by scoring the winning points in a stirring, come-from-behind Firelands conference victory over Edison.

The Big Red won in double overtime, 76 to 72.

Hall missed an easy field goal and two free throws that would have given Plymouth the lead in the second overtime period before stealing an inbounds pass with 12 seconds left and steaming in for a bucket. This made it 74 to 72.

Eight seconds later, Hall was shoved by John Kilgore—it was an exceptionally well referred game—and went to the foul line with four seconds on the clock. He threw both shots through the hoop and Plymouth was home free in its second double overtime of the young season. It lost the other, to Northmor.

The Chargers outscored the Big Red from the field, 32 to 26. But their defense erred too much. Plymouth went to the foul line 40 times and came away with 24 successes, not nearly enough for a team that wants to go places and do things, but enough to win. And 10 years, nay, 10 weeks, from now, no one will remember but that Plymouth.

The Big Red was, on the whole, not up to the level of its previous performances. After storming off to a strong lead in the first eight minutes, it let up and the Chargers, despite offensive mistakes that would give Bob Knight a stroke, were there in the first half alone, 27 in the entire game—and some missed opportunities to put it away in regulation time, such as its lapses.

Plymouth led by four at 21 to 17 after three quarters. Troy Keene having thrown in seven points. He continued his assault on the basket in the second quarter with two buckets and two free throws.

Given only brief respite, he contributed 26 points to the Red cause.

The lead changed hands 11 times and the score was tied 10 times before the outcome was decided.

After 32 minutes, it was knotted at 63. Kilbide's basket at 1:14 tied it. Big Chris Mize had a chance to put it at 69 when he was fouled by

Kevin Taylor, who changed from forward to guard in this game scoring 14 points. But Mize blew both shots. And with two seconds left, Edison got possession in its forecast and called time out. The diagrammed play did not succeed.

In the first overtime, Keene carried his team, scoring four points on a field goal and two free throws. Eric Rath threw in the others.

After 35 minutes of furious play, Plymouth had converted 24 of 69 shots at the basket and 20 of 34 free throws. Edison's record was 30 successes in 68 attempts and nine of 17 free throws.

Plymouth's penchant for throwing the ball away—the Big Red did so six times in the third quarter, seven times, including two by Hall, in the fourth period and twice in the first overtime—cost that a dozen chances to win.

It could be expected that Edison would show well on its home floor and shoot well if it did, just over 45 per cent. Plymouth's output was only 37 per cent.

And the Chargers dominated the backboards. They took down 46 rebounds. Plymouth just 31.

Every Plymouth starter save one was in double figures and no other player scored. Rath concluded a fine game with 16 points. Brian Christoff contributed eight. Hall had 12, low for him.

Eight charges got on the scoreboard, led by Kilbide with 21. Before he fouled out, Kevin Rutherford was the Edison leader. He scored 10. Chris Mye had 15.

To have a successful season, a good team must also have some luck. Plymouth played well enough to win against Northmor and lost in double overtime. It did not outplay Edison, not by any means, but won in double overtime. Of such vagaries are records made.

The Red bench furnished three subscores and one shot at the basket as well as a few missed free throws. This was a weakness unknown before and, it is hoped, equally unknown again.

Despite almost impossible road conditions, about 60 hardy Red fans turned up for the game. They were not disappointed. The bus was about 20 minutes late and the

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Mounties blow girls off floor by 61 to 23

Mapleton blew Plymouth from the gymnasium in Firelands conference girls' basketball here Thursday.

It was an Abbott and Costello show toward the end. The Mounties led by 40 points at one time. Score was 61 to 23.

Kim Stuart scored 23 and Jackie Myers 13 for the visitors.

Mapleton got off 51 shots, making 24. It missed 14 of 27 free throws. Plymouth fired for field goal 64 times, scoring with only 10. It missed six of nine free throws and took down 37 caroms.

Lineups:

Mapleton fg ft tp

Stuart 10 3 23

Gribben 3 3 9

Jackson 1 3 5

Myers 5 3 13

Smith 2 0 4

Nickoli 3 0 6

Cornish 0 1 1

Totals 24 13 61

Plymouth fg ft tp

Tackett 1 0 2

Martin 3 0 6

Niedermeier 2 0 4

Collins 3 1 7

Branham 1 0 2

Gibson 0 2 2

Todd 10 3 23

Score by periods:

M 14 17 16 14 - 61

P 6 3 2 12 - 23

Plymouth reserves were victorious, 18 to 11.

Lineups:

Plymouth fg ft tp

Smith 1 0 2

Branham 4 2 10

Laser 0 0 0

Snipe 3 0 6

Osborne 0 0 0

Totals 8 2 18

Mapleton fg ft tp

K. Rafeld 1 0 2

Zeller 1 0 2

McConnell 0 1 1

T. Rafeld 1 0 2

Seibert 1 1 3

Cornish 0 1 1

Totals 4 3 11

Score by periods:

M 2 3 4 2 - 11

P 0 6 4 8 - 18

Plymouth reserves were victorious, 18 to 11.

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Metzger fires shot, sinks Red

Kim Metzger's shot with 17 seconds remaining sank Plymouth, 46 to 45, in Firelands conference girls' basketball competition at Mill Creek on Friday night.

Eleventh grader, letterman, ace shot, cool floorman, Steve Hall rallied Plymouth to double overtime win over Edison at Mill Creek on Friday night.

Red nips Chargers in overtime

reserve game started 15 minutes late.

Lineups:

	fg	ft	tp		fg	ft	tp	
Plymouth	5	2	12	Hall	5	8	26	Kaene
Hall	9	8	5	Ackerman	3	2	4	Christoff
Kaene	5	0	6	Vitz	5	6	16	Rath
Christoff	3	2	8	Mittendorf	4	5	14	Taylor
Rath	5	6	16	Sommers	26	24	76	Total
Taylor	4	5	14	Miller	1	0	10	Edison
Total	26	24	76	Keller	32	8	72	Rutherford
Edison	fg	ft	tp	Bellamy	1	0	2	Reinbert
Rutherford	5	0	10	C. Mize	1	1	1	Kilbridge
Reinbert	0	1	1	Total	32	8	72	Hillis
Kilbridge	9	3	21	Score by periods:	18	18	18	Flowers
Hillis	3	0	6	Lineups:	18	18	18	Bellamy
Flowers	4	0	8	Edison	1	1	1	Kuhl
Bellamy	3	3	9	Ackerman	1	1	1	C. Mize
Kuhl	1	0	2	Hicks	3	0	6	Total
C. Mize	7	1	15	Vitz	2	0	4	Score by periods:
Total	32	8	72	Mittendorf	3	0	6	18
Score by periods:	18	18	18	Sommers	1	0	2	18
P 21 E 17	18	14	10	Miller	3	6	12	E 17
10 5 8 - 76	18	8	5	Keller	1	2	4	21
E 17 17 21 8 5 4 - 72	18	5	4	Bellamy	1	1	3	72
Red reserves blew a lead and couldn't recover despite strong efforts with time running down. Edison prevailed, 44 to 41.				Kuhl	1	0	2	
Lineups:				C. Mize	3	0	6	
Edison	fg	ft	tp	Total	32	8	72	
Ackerman	3	0	6	Score by periods:	18	18	18	
Hicks	2	0	4	Edison	1	1	1	
Vitz	2	0	4	Ackerman	3	0	6	
Mittendorf	3	0	6	Hicks	2	0	4	
Sommers	1	0	2	Vitz	2	0	4	
Miller	3	6	12	Mittendorf	3	0	6	
Keller	1	2	4	Sommers	1	0	2	
Bellamy	1	1	3	Miller	3	6	12	
Kuhl	1	0	2	Keller	1	2	4	
C. Mize	3	0	6	Bellamy	1	1	3	
Total	17	7	41	Kuhl	1	0	2	
Score by periods:	18	18	18	C. Mize	3	0	6	
P 17 E 11	6	15	8	Total	32	8	72	
10 5 12 - 41	-	-	-	Score by periods:	18	18	18	
E 11 15 5 12 - 44	-	-	-	Edison	1	1	1	

All about town . . .

The Douglas Marquardts plan to spend Christmas day with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Reed, Bowling Green.



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Mrs. Eugene Harris
Raymond Biven
Danielle Shaver
Jessica Shaver

Dec. 25
Bill Amos
Robert Conley
Mrs. D. E. Fettess
Mark Carey
Mary Ruth Steele
Mrs. Malcolm Dendinger
Carol Cameron
Pamela J. Ireland

Christina Horner

Wedding Anniversaries:
Dec. 18
The Fred Barnes

Dec. 20
The Edd Vandervools
The Laurence Quiggle

Dec. 22
The Gary A. Howers
The Timothy E. Rooks
Dec. 24
The Edgar Barnett

Dec. 25
The Glenn Dicks

Newsy notes . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. MacMichael will be Christmas day guests of their daughter and son-in-law, the James Rameys, Westerville.

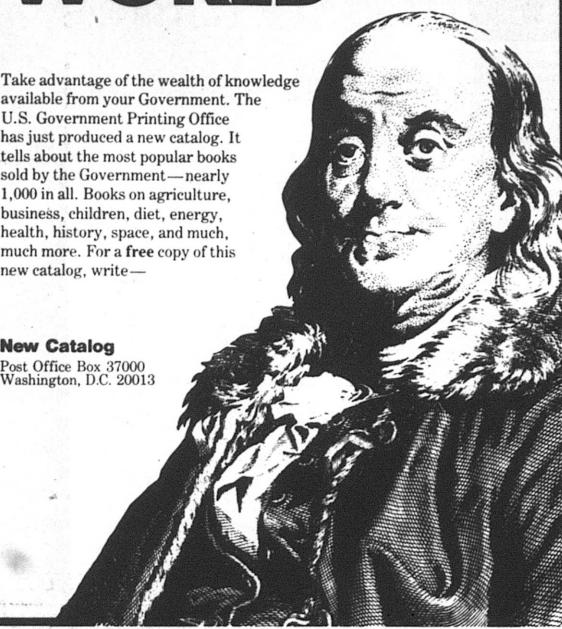
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