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Hoopsters Have the Guns Rebounding the Question

By STEVE SOLOMON

The smallest team in recent Providence College basketball history will take on UMass on the road tonight to open the long-awaited 1969 basketball season, the first under new coach, Dave Gavitt.

The Friars met Princeton in a day-night scrimmage, Nov. 21 at Princeton and fared quite well. They were confronted with a legitimate big man, John Hummer at 6'9", but the team handled him and the Tigers quite well.

The Friars will be out to avenge a 75-64 loss to the Redmen of UMass in a game played at Alumni Hall last year. The Friars have had trouble with UMass in recent games and this opener should prove no different. Here are the men who will represent PC in this school's most prestigious sport.

JIM LARRANAGA, JR., 6'4", 185 lbs., Bronx, N. Y. Averaged 19 points a game as a sophomore to lead the team in scoring. Was voted New England Soph of the Year. Jimmy is an outstanding all-around ballplayer who can come up with the clutch shot. Top game last year was his 28 point performance in the near upset of Boston College. Will be counted on at both forward and guard due to the lack of height on the varsity.

VIC COLLUCCI, JR., 6'2", 180 lbs., Newark, N. J. Outstanding accuracy from 15-25 feet, Vic placed second behind Larranaga in scoring with a 15 point per game average. Encountered occasional wild streaks which hurt his shooting percentage. Nevertheless Vic has one of the best touches this school has seen and will be counted on to supply much of the team's offensive arsenal. Not noted as a driver though he has made great strides to improve in this area. A hustler on defense and



JIM LARRANAGA

well-conditioned. Should start at guard in '70.

GARY WILKENS, SOPH., 6'3", 165 lbs., New York, N. Y. Gary compiled the second highest freshman scoring average in PC history (31.7 p.p.g.) behind John Thompson. A flashy offensive performer who can become unstoppable from 10-20 feet once he gets hot. A great passer though he gets a little careless at times. Must work harder on his defense; not especially hard nosed, but could be effective on a pressing defense.

BILL CONNELL, JR., 6'4", 200 lbs., Montclair, N. J. Bill provides depth at the forward slot whenever Coach Gavitt will need rebounding help. Saw limited action last year but his desire could earn him playing time this season. He is a rugged ballplayer around the boards and he must show this when he gets into a game.

RAY JOHNSON, JR., 6'7", 235 lbs., Narragansett, R. I. The hopes of the Friars rest on Ray's massive shoulders since he is their only "big" man. Came on strong last year after an inauspicious debut. Uses his weight well under the boards, and has learned to block out effectively. His shooting has improved vastly to the point where he could average well into double figures. The key is whether he will foul as much as last year. If Johnson gets into foul trouble or is disqualified the Friars' next biggest man stands 6'5." Ray must be in there most of the time.

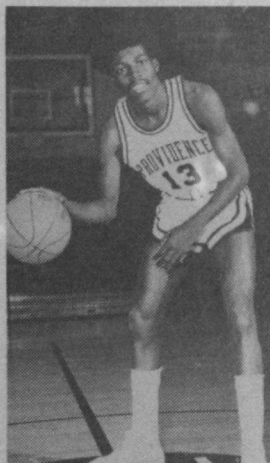
MIKE HAGEN, SOPH., 6'4", 195 lbs., Queens, N. Y. Last year he averaged 13 points per game on the frosh team. Mike has a good shot from the side and is a strong, accurate driver. He will be counted on to bolster the team's rebounding, but here he must learn to go to the boards better and stronger.

WALT VIOLAND, SR., 6'1", 190 lbs., Lakewood, Ohio. Walt can play either guard or forward but will probably see most of his action up front. A pleasant surprise last year and can figure on a lot of playing time this year. A tougher player cannot be found and what he lacks in height is made up for in his hustle and scrappiness.

DENNIS WALSH, SR., 6'5", 180 lbs., Bayside, N. Y. Could be the best long range shooter on the club. Will probably see more playing time this year due to the team's overall lack of height. His rebounding has improved tremendously over last year and Coach Gavitt may draw on him quite often to bolster the front line. A real hustler.

DON LEWIS, SOPH., 6'4", 175 lbs., Cromwell, Conn. May find himself as the smallest forward in big time basketball. Despite his obvious height disadvantage he is very effective up front. Opposing forwards will be shocked when Don takes a rebound over their heads. He will concentrate on ballhandling, defense and rebounding this year. He averaged 17.0 points as a freshman and can shoot very well. A probable starter who could develop into the best all-around player on the team.

JUNIOR FERRO, JR., 5'10", 155 lbs., Bristol, R. I. Could be the surprise of the '69-'70 Friars. Will see considerable action this year especially against zone de-

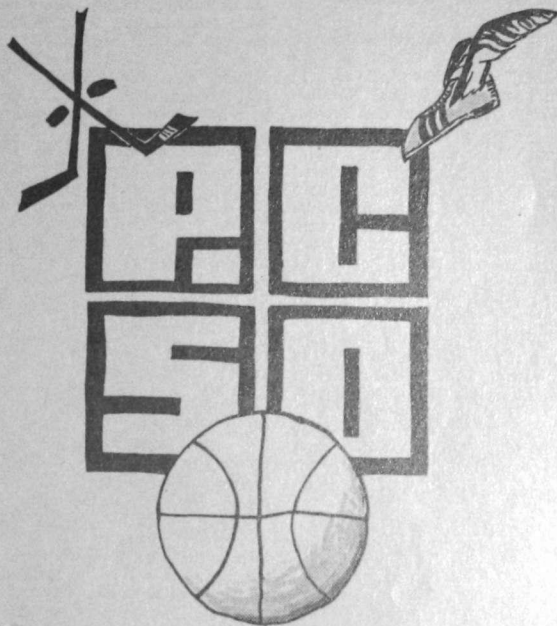


GARY WILKENS

fenses. Extremely accurate up to 35' and Junie handles the ball as well as anyone. His lack of height hurts him on defense but his hustle will score more points for the Friars than his height will lose. Skillfull passer on the fast break.

MIKE MCGUINN, JR., 6'4", 195 lbs., East Providence, R. I. Will find himself playing as a reserve forward and center. Although only 6'4" Mike is a tough man off the boards and he throws his weight around quite well. Might be used to spell Johnson or when strength is needed off the boards.

CRAIG CALLEN, SR., 6'5", 200 lbs., Warwick, R. I. This year's captain will see a great deal of action even if he does not start. Has a great set shot and is effective under the boards. Good leader who hustles from start to finish. Began to acquire confidence in his shot last year and if he keeps shooting can be very valuable asset.



Frosh Show Great Balance All-Around Depth Featured

"Pleasing," is the way freshman basketball coach Bill O'Connor describes the performance of his present club. Although the team is not physically strong, they make up for this weakness with good shooting inside, and out, and a lot of hustle. The actual potential of the team won't be known until the season begins, but the play of Ernie Di Gregorio, Fran Costello, and Nehru King is impressive in practice thus far.

Di Gregorio, from nearby North Providence, played at St. Thomas More Prep School in Connecticut last year along with King. King played his high school ball at St. Anthony's in Jersey City, New Jersey. Di Gregorio's biggest asset is his pinpoint passing. In the modern era of basketball with big, strong, fast, good shooting players, rarely do we see the player who excells with passing. Such pro stars as Walt Frazier of the Knicks, and Guy Rodgers of the Bucks are masters at getting the ball to the scorers, and Di Gregorio does just that.

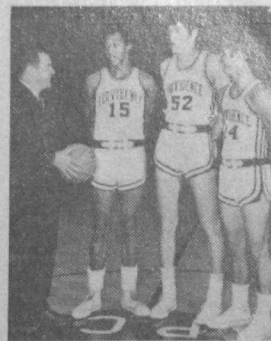
Fran Costello said of Ernie: "As long as we keep moving, we know Ernie will get the ball to us." Ernie with a keen sense of teammates' moves will remarkably always hit the open man with a crisp pass. In a one-on-one situation, Di Gregorio because of his ball-handling ability and also being a good shooter is a headache for any opposing player.

In a two-on-two situation, Ernie may have to develop his shooting a bit because of his small size when being guarded by a taller opponent. Because he

is a unselfish player, he will give up taking a shot if a teammate is in better position. Defensively, his threat of stealing the ball from his man is reminiscent of the days of Lenny Wilkens, and he will get the ball out for a fast break, which we will see a lot of this season when Di Gregorio teams up with the speedy Nehru King.

A strong rebounder, King is quick to get the ball off the boards and start the fastbreak. Also a good ball-handler his seemingly endless durability makes him a valuable asset. A consistently good shooter from outside, King picks up many points battling on the boards and his ability to beat his man to the basket adds to this.

Fran Costello, who led his Catholic Memorial High School



GAVITT, KING, COSTELLO and DiGREGORIO

(Boston) team to a 28-0 record last season, is a hustling player who gets his job done. He
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New Friar Coach Dave Gavitt; Man With A Definite Purpose

By JOE DELANEY

Some people have called it Mission Impossible. Others have said that the ghost of Joe Mullaney still walks the confines of Alumni Hall to haunt those players who do not properly execute his combination defense.

But Dave Gavitt, last year's New England "Coach of the Year," should have little trouble in keeping the famed "Cardiac Kids" true to form this season.

He has inherited one of last year's best sophomores in Jim Larranaga, who will be moved up to a forward position to help on the boards. He has a nucleus of guards to shoot baskets with the skill and accuracy of Davy Crockett and Daniel Boone and enough height to rate a chance of reaching the N.I.T. Championships in March.

And if there are any skeptics out there, the answers to the following questions provided in an interview with Coach Gavitt, should clear any doubts:

Q. Coach, what was your reaction when you were asked to come back here and coach after doing so well at Dartmouth?

A. "Well, I think it was a very easy decision to come back here. It wasn't a particularly easy decision to make to leave Dartmouth at that particular time, although I probably would have left there at some point in the future. The timing wasn't really very good in that I had two very good recruiting years there and never really got a chance to coach any of my own kids. I was playing for two years with boys who were non-recruited by me. They did a good job and really worked hard. I was very pleased with them since they got us respectable again. We were just about ready to reap the rewards of a lot of hard work when I was asked to leave. And I don't think I would have left Dartmouth except to come to Providence College at this time. But knowing the situation here as I did, the people, the school, I just felt that it was something I couldn't turn down. There were mixed emotions from the standpoint of leaving there, but we were very delighted to be back here.

Q. Do you feel there is any extra pressure on you this year?

A. I can honestly say that I myself don't, because as a coach you are pretty realistic about the kind of material you have on your ballclub. The only thing I am interested in is seeing that we play as well as we can as a team and do the things that are best for us to do as a club, and do them well. I'm sure that I'm coming into a situation of more pressure than I left. I have been asked why would I give up the security I established at Dartmouth to take a job perhaps where there is less security. Well, I never gave that too much thought, I don't think that at my age you think too much of security, whether you should or not. I just have confidence that we can get the job done here relative to my expectations. I don't know if we can satisfy some people's expectations, I have no idea. I think some of them are really magnified and blown out of proportion, but I think relative to what the players on the ballclub and my other coaches

and myself want to do, I feel confident that we can do the job.

Q. It is rather obvious that you have taken command of things, especially judging from the way you are putting the guys through rigorous drills and a lot of running before you even start scrimmaging. What is the purpose behind these drills?

A. Everything we do is done toward a definite purpose. I feel strongly about the fact that you have to be fundamentally sound in order to win. We do not have, as you know, an overwhelming amount of size and brute strength on this team. I think with our demanding schedule and the superior size we will be forced to play against in almost all games, plus the fact that we will play ten games in December and 40% of our schedule in the first thirty days, we better be ready. For these reasons, we have done a lot more early conditioning and running type work than was done here in the past, but I think that if we are not in a lot better shape than our opponents then this work will not be to our advantage. This accounts for some of the change. We have broken down our press and offense perhaps a little more into two on two, three on three, but it's done relative to making that part of the total picture.

Q. Did you have any trouble evaluating the members of this year's squad, or did you get help from Joe Mullaney and Bill O'Connor?

A. I think that the transition was made a lot easier because I had been here before. Obviously, Joe Mullaney and I are very close and I found both Bill O'Connor and Dick Whelan to be extremely welcome additions to me in my initiation. They both have been very helpful and I think that they are both outstanding coaches. Through the summer and early fall before we did start practice, we spent a lot of time together and I had spent time with Joe prior to that talking about the ballclub and what some of the strengths and weaknesses were of the personnel. I received a lot of help in knowing what to expect and it has pretty much been thoroughly discussed in terms of their evaluation.

Q. You seem to be pretty set at some positions and everyone is impressed with the improved shooting of Ray Johnson, but what about your guard situation? How are you going to work that fine abundance of backcourt material into your plans?

A. From the standpoint of front-line players, fellows who were obviously stickouts on last year's freshman club or who played a great amount of time on the varsity, we only have one true forward, Craig Callen. He is the only one you could say is a college forward. We have one forward, one center, Ray Johnson, and that's it. So of our top returning seven players, we have one center, one forward and five guards. And we have played in practice so far with four guards and Ray. We have moved both Larranaga and Wilkens into the frontcourt although they are both probably more accustomed to being at guard. We just don't have the answers up front so they had to move up. Then

Colucci and Lewis have been in the backcourt along with Violand and Ferro. We just don't have any forwards so we're going to have to play guards at forward and hope for the best.

Q. Since you have a small, fast team, are you going to try and bring the fastbreak type team of Vinnie Ernst and Co., or play a deliberate type of offense?

A. I guess it's fair to say that in the first three weeks of practice we worked a great deal of time on the fast break. Hopefully it will pay dividends. We are somewhat limited, and it depends on how much we can get the ball. We are definitely going to run the ball every chance we get. We don't want the ball walked up the floor even when people score against us. Hopefully we are going to be intelligent enough to realize when it isn't there. There are only two effective ways you can break. One is off a steal and the other is off a clean rebound and quick outlet and make the transition quickly. We know that we don't have an ordinarily strong board team, but we do have good speed and shooting so we are going to have to keep constant pressure on the opposition. The only thing that concerns me is that when it isn't there, and we have made the effort to get it up there quickly, and we don't outnumber them; we have got to be intelligent enough to recognize it and get right into our offense and get it moving. But our philosophy is going to be to run at every single opportunity we can get unless, of course, the game is such that we have a big lead in the second half and we want to get time working in our favor.

Q. You undoubtedly know the Mullaney combination defense. Do you plan any new variations on it, or do you think you will bring in a full court press to help out your fastbreak?

A. Those who have watched us know that we have developed a philosophy of trying to play defense the entire length of the court. Not as a gambling all-out press, but just trying to defend 94 feet instead of 47 feet. We have taken the normal Providence combination, match-up defense, and instead of picking it up at halfcourt, we have extended it to the fullcourt. We have worked more on this than anything else.

We are playing what you might call a combination press. It isn't a zone press, it isn't a man to man press; it's whatever the offense makes it. If we get chances we double-team it. If we don't, we will just stay matched up man to man. We have been quite pleased with it so far. It takes the shape of whatever the offense is. Sometimes it looks like a one, two, two zone press. Other times it looks like it is straight man to man. Sometimes it looks one, two, one, one, or even two, two, one. This has been our basic defense. After every score, we set right up in it. If we play it well, intelligently, and if we work hard at it since playing this type of defense for 40 minutes is a real test, we should not get the beat for baskets on it. Not that people can't get the ball up court on it, obviously they can, we shouldn't get beat

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for easy baskets. So, hopefully it will be like creeping death. It will be there all the time. It will be something the offense will be confronted with all the time.

We hope it will do three things for us; one, wear teams down so that we might run by them late in the game by being in better shape than they are; two, with a small team extend the opposition's offense deeper on the court so we are not forced to defend 6'7 forwards with 6'3 forwards, and three, enable us to maybe come up with four or five steals in a row and change the complexion of the game our way. This has been our philosophy in the press, and I think that the players are beginning to feel confident in their ability to get the ball. There have been some days in practice when we have been extremely effective in it. And most days we don't get hurt on it, and that's something we want to be sure doesn't happen in the press. It takes a little extra work, but we are willing to do it.

Q. Joe Mullaney was a rather famous coach known to all the nation. Usually his "name" so to speak, helped him to sell PC basketball. Do you feel his departure will hurt your chances of recruiting top notch talent or do you feel that the tradition here will carry over.

A. I think we have two, perhaps three big pluses here that we have to sell to prospects thinking of Providence College. First, I think we have a very unique school. The faculty, priests, and administrators here really care and are interested in each individual student. The element of teaching here is one of care and wanting the individual to do well as opposed to one of disinterest in personality in other schools. The element of the student-teacher relationship in many places is one of fear, but this is not found here.

In some places there is the attitude of either you do it or you are gone and I don't think this kind of situation exists here. So I think this is something very strong in our favor and something we have to work hard to explain to boys interested in our school. But I think this is the strongest thing we have going for us from the standpoint of the student-teacher relationship found here.

Second, obviously we have a very fine basketball tradition that was established during Joe's tenure here. We work very hard in talking about the fact that we have won, we have been to tournaments, we are not trying to go somewhere we haven't been before. Everything that is nec-

essary for it is here except for the players, and that is what we are talking to the individual boys about.

Third, we have a very live wire basketball situation. A situation that has a very fine schedule that is getting tougher and more competitive every year. I think that this year's schedule is probably as tough as we ever played and next year's will be tougher. We have got a situation in the schedule where if we do well people are going to be recognized because we are playing the best. We also have excellent television and newspaper coverage of our games, as well as fantastic alumni interest in the city and the state of Rhode Island.

And these are the three areas of concentration that we are trying to work on in recruiting. I'm sure that we will have to work harder to get the same or better results that Joe got in the past here. We are working harder at it. I think at this time of year we have contacted far more boys than in past years. We feel that we have the nucleus on our varsity and freshmen to be a real good ballclub and we obviously this year have to come in with some size because we are recruiting for a class that will be on the varsity when Johnson, Larranaga, Colucci and that group have graduated. So we have really got to get somebody to replace Ray in the pivot because we really do not have any other pivotmen at this time. We are really out after a couple of big guys and hopefully a good, big forward since our guard situation is pretty sound.

Q. Do you think you will make the N.I.T.?

A. I have not really thought about the season in that aspect. I have thought about the Massachusetts game because they beat us by 13 last year and that will be away. I am not a coach who thinks too much about what the other team does. I think we can adjust to whatever they do. I am interested in what we do. I want us to do the things we can do best as well as we can do them. I let people worry about us. I really believe in playing from strength. I think we have enough in our arsenal of offenses to have the answer for what anybody else plays against us. So it won't become a question of what they are doing against us, but how well we are doing and what we can do.

Q. What coach or team do you enjoy playing against the most?

A. Well, I guess anybody I can beat.

PC's All Time Players

Hardcourt Greats Chosen; Hockey Stars Reveal Bygone Era of Glory

By JIM CRAWFORD

I conducted a poll with four of the most knowledgeable and longstanding authorities on Providence College basketball: Fr. Begley, P. C. Athletic Director; Mr. Vin Cuddy, Director of Sports Information and former varsity basketball coach; Mr. Pete Louthis, P.C. Head Trainer; and Fr. Taylor, a man who has lived through the rise of the Friars to the top and is a veritable wealth of knowledge on the subject.

LEN WILKENS, '60. Lenny was the first in a long line of P.C. stars. As soon as he arrived his presence was well known. In his freshman year, the 6' 1" guard established himself. In that year, 1957, he averaged 21 points per game and led the squad in assists. In 1958 Lenny again led the team in assists and posted a 14.9 average. It was in the '58-'59 campaign that Len and his backcourt mate, John Egan, led the Friars to their first N.I.T. This team chalked up a 20-7 mark and finished fourth in the prestigious post-season tourney. Wilkens was named to the All-New England and N.C.A.A. (DISTRICT I) 1st teams, and was also placed on the N.I.T. All-Tournament team on the basis of the 78 points he scored in the four games. 1959-'60 brought even greater honors to Wilkens, as he captained the upstart Friars to a 24-5 mark and second place in the N.I.T. Len averaged 14.2 in that, his senior year. He made his mark as one of the cagiest ball handlers around.

Upon completion of his college career, he was named to three different All-American teams and was named as the Most Valuable Player in the N.I.T. with 84 points in four tilts. Among other innumerable awards, he tied with Jerry West for the M.V.P. Award in the East-West All Star Game in 1960.

JOHN EGAN, '61. This little, 5' 11", guard was Mr. Everything. Conquering his lack of height with outstanding ability and hustle, Johnny became one of the Friars all time scoring leaders. In his three year varsity career he averaged 17.9 points a game and totaled 1,434 points, which places him fourth on all time Providence scoring list.

In his sophomore year, averaging 20.9, he played with Wilkens in the N.I.T. and was named to All-Tourney team on the basis of his 76 points in four games. He was an Honorable Mention All-American for both the A.P. and U.P.I. and was the top voted getter as the Most Outstanding Opponent in the Philadelphia Palestra poll.

In the 1959-'60 season Egan, Wilkens and Jim Hadnot pulled the Friars to the finals of the N.I.T. only to be dumped by Bradley in the finale. John averaged 14.2 in this campaign and was a Second Team pick for the N.I.T. All Tourney team. In his senior year Egan threw in an average of 18.9 points a game and captained the Friars to a 24-5 year. The Friars won the N.I.T. that year,

defeating St. Louis 62-59 in the championship game. Johnny poured through 95 points to lead the team in the tournament and he still holds the all time scoring record for most points by a single player in N.I.T. competition with 249 points in 12 games.

JIM HADNOT, '62. Jim was the first of Providence's big men. At 6' 10" he pulled down a career record total of 1,299 rebounds. He twice hauled in 25 caroms in a game and holds that school record also. Hadnot ranks third on the scoring list with 1,467 career points. He scored 42 points in a Providence victory over Holy Cross in 1962. The big center was an Honorable Mention All-American in both his junior and senior years. Jim was picked for the N.C.A.A. District I team in 1961 and 1962. In his senior season he led the team with 55.5 percent average from the floor. He also topped the team in scoring in all three of his varsity season enroute to compiling his 17.5 average. He captained the Friars in 1962 and led them to a 20-6 mark and the N.I.T. He scored a total of 144 points in N.I.T. action.

VIN ERNST, '63. TALK ABOUT SMALL!!! Vinnie was listed on the program as being 5' 9" tall but that was a flattering figure. Ernst was perhaps one of, if not the greatest, ball-handlers the Friars have ever had. He made his mark at the free throw stripe and with his great assists. Vin holds the P.C. single game assist record with 16 against DePaul in 1963. He also holds the career and single season record with over 600 and 243 respectively. In his sophomore season, Ernst was the M.V.P. in the N.I.T. as he drove the Friars to their first N.I.T. crown. He was also an Honorable Mention All-American in 1962 and 1963. He scored a total of 911 points in his varsity career and short 79.1 percent from the foul line.

RAY FLYNN, '63. Ray saw most of his action at guard and was a rugged 6' 3". He was to lead the tradition of small but tough men who crashed the boards when necessary. Flynn captained the squad in his senior year and was the M.V.P. in the N.I.T. in 1963 when the Friars compiled a 24-4 mark. He led the squad to the championship as they defeated the Griffins of Canisius. He also topped the team in scoring with an 18.9 average and the number one position in the E.C.A.C. Ray totaled 1,025 points in his varsity career and stands 11th on the all time Friar scoring charts.

JOHN THOMPSON, '64. Big John came to P.C. and teamed with Jim Hadnot in 1962 and they gathered in 642 rebounds between them. During John's three year varsity career, the Friars were 64-16. Thompson tallied 43 points for his high point in his senior year against Fairfield. His 1,542 points put him in second place in the Friar record books for career points. John is second to Hadnot in career rebounds with 1,070. As captain of the 1963-'64

squad, the 6' 10" Thompson led the team in scoring with a 26.0 average and a 59.0 percentage from the floor. In his senior year he made All-East, All-New England and Honorable Mention All-American. He was also named to the N.I.T. All Tourney team in 1963. John also took the Friars to the N.C.A.A.'s in '64.

BILL BLAIR, '66. Bouncing Billy was the springiest forward the Friars ever put in a uniform. His amazing ability to leap over much taller men was always a marvel to watch. Blair averaged 10.29 points per game and totaled 803 points in his three year career. He captained the Friars in his senior year along with Jim Benedict and they led the club to the Holiday Festival title in 1965. In 1965 the Friars also went to the N.C.A.A. tourney but they were defeated in the Eastern finals by Bill Bradley and the Princeton Tigers. In 1965 the fans first got a look at Jim Walker and it was in that year that the Friars had amassed that great 24-2 season record. With Blair as co-captain in the 1965-'66 season the team again went to the N.C.A.A. clash with a 22-5 slate. The Friars were dropped by St. Joe's in the opening round. Bill was an All-East selection in his senior year. He also led the nation in free throw percentage for 1966.

MIKE RIORDAN, '67. Mike was a tough 6' 4" forward who always seemed to be there when the pressure was on. Riordan pulled down a career total of 553 bounds, score 836 points and averaged 11.3 points per game. Mike co-captained the '66-'67 team with Walker and more will be said about that. In his four year stint with Walker, including freshman year, the Friars piled up a 88-14 record.

Mike has made a big name since leaving Providence in 1967. His greatest efforts came for the New York Knicks last year. This season he has seen even more time and is beginning to show he is a very competent pro-ballplayer. He was drafted by the New York club but failed to make the team in 1968. He signed on as a free agent when injuries plagued the Knicks and has been a mainstay ever since.

JIM WALKER, '67. Not too much can be said here that has not already been told many times. There are no offensive records which Jim does not hold. He averaged 24.733 for three years and scored 2,045 points. He led Providence to the N.C.A.A.'s in his junior and senior years and directed the Friars to two Holiday Festival crowns. His superb ability is reflected in the fact that he was twice picked as a consensus All-American and he was also a great team leader. His praises cannot be heralded enough and I won't attempt to do so. So much has been said about his greatness that no more superlatives can be mustered by me. He was drafted number one by the Detroit Pistons and you can now follow his career from there.

PROVIDENCE COLLEGE ALL-TIME HOCKEY TEAM

By PETE GOBIS

GOALIES:

Bob Bellemore, '65 — In Bob's first varsity game he made thirty saves in shutting out Merrimack 6-0. Bob went on in his three varsity seasons to provide outstanding goaltending for the Friars. His netminding guided the Friars in the '63-'64 season to a 19-7 record. The Friars were number 1 in ECAC competition and finished 4th in the NCAA playoffs mainly due to Bob's quick reflexes and good glove. Bob is now the Friar freshmen hockey coach.

Don Girard '59 — The rugged netminder was known for his 'head's up' play. During the '56-'57 campaign he impressed many coaches with his play as well as many Canadians as he came up with 47 saves in a 5-3 loss to Loyola of Montreal. Although bothered by injuries in his junior and senior years the hard-nosed netminder was the mainstay of the Friar defense in halting opponent's attacks.

DEFENSEMEN:

Larry Kish '64 — One of the finest defensemen ever in Eastern hockey, Larry was an All-American in his senior year, as well as All-East and All-New England. Besides his steady defensive play, he possessed a hard blue-line shot, and with his powerful skating was an offensive threat. Elected captain in his senior year, his play drew praise wherever the Friars played. Larry now devotes his time to coaching hockey at Mt. St. Charles Academy in Woonsocket, R. I.

Jack McGeough '62 — The fiery Friar was an All-New England defenseman in his senior year as he also tallied 27 points. Jack carried the puck well, was an aggressive checker, skillfully stole the puck, and had a fast shot. Jack was MVP in the Boston Christmas Tourney in '61, and later played for the R. I. Reds of the A.H.L. during the '62-'63 season. He was also named to the U.S. National Hockey Team in '65.

Lou La Fontaine '58 — The tough and steady defenseman also played at forward. Lou scored 28 goals in his junior year, and was named to the Boston Christmas All-Tourney Team in that '56-'57 season for scoring 2 goals and 2 assists against Northeastern and 3 goals against Dartmouth. As captain in his senior year, Lou was the mainstay of the defense with his stickhandling of the puck, and led many rushes up ice.

Mike McDonough '57 — The rough rear guard constantly kept opposing forwards in check. Equally adept at moving the puck up ice, Mike was instrumental in the Friars 6-3 upset over Harvard during the '56-'57 season. His fine defensive play in the Boston Christmas Tourney of '56 resulted in his being named to the All-Tourney Team.

FORWARDS:

Marsh Tschida '62 — The

all-time Friar scoring leader with 68 goals and 69 assists was one of the flashiest skaters and surest shooters P. C. has ever known. His most productive year was the '60-'61 season as he registered 27 goals and 25 assists. As a sophomore he had a 4 goal effort in a 7-0 win over Harvard. Marsh was awarded the Paul Hines Trophy for being the most improved player during the '60-'61 season, as well as winning the Tomasello Unsung Player Award of '62. Named to the All-East and All-New England teams, Marsh was also a member of the U.S. National Team of '65.

Grant Heffernan '65 — The number two all-time scoring leader with 133 points on 55 goals and 78 assists, also holds the P.C. record of most points in a season with 58 during the '64-'65 season. The smooth-skating, good stick-handler was essential in the Friars number one rating in the East during the '63-'64 season. Grant won the Paul Hines Trophy for being the most improved player during the '63-'64 season, as being named to 1st Team All-New England, and to the All-East's 2nd team.

Lou Lamoriello '63 — Though not considered a top college prospect, Lou's hard work and determination made him one of P.C.'s best. During his career, Lou scored 58 goals and had 60 assists. Lou also holds the record for most career "hat tricks" with an amazing nine 3-goal games. His most productive year was the '61-'62 campaign as he had four 3-goal games and finished the season with 52 points. During that same year he had a four goal game in a 7-3 win over Norwich, as well as scoring 3 goals and 4 assists against Rutgers.

Joe Keough '61 — During Joe's career he banged home 60 goals and had 58 assists. As a freshman, he broke the frosh scoring record, and then led the varsity with 23 goals in his sophomore year. A good stick-handler, Joe was dangerous from anywhere on the ice because of his fast skating and shooting ability. He also poked home many game-winning goals by being in the right place at the right time, and provided the winning tally as the Friars tripped powerful Dalhousie in the Boston Tourney of '60, 5-4.

Joe Barile '59 — The flashy playmaker had 88 assists, the Friar record, in his three seasons as well as 28 goals. In his sophomore year Joe had 37 assists and led the icemen in scoring. Joe received All-East honorable mention because of that feat. Joe could also put the puck in the net, as he scored 3 goals in a 5-4 win over Norwich that year. During his junior year, Joe had a 4 goal game against Northeastern and was named All-Tourney center in the Boston Christmas Tourney. Joe's outstanding playmaking continued in his senior year as he had 8 assists in just one game.

Ray Mooney '64 — Ray totaled 121 points on 54 goals and 67 assists in his career. He also had three 4-goal games over

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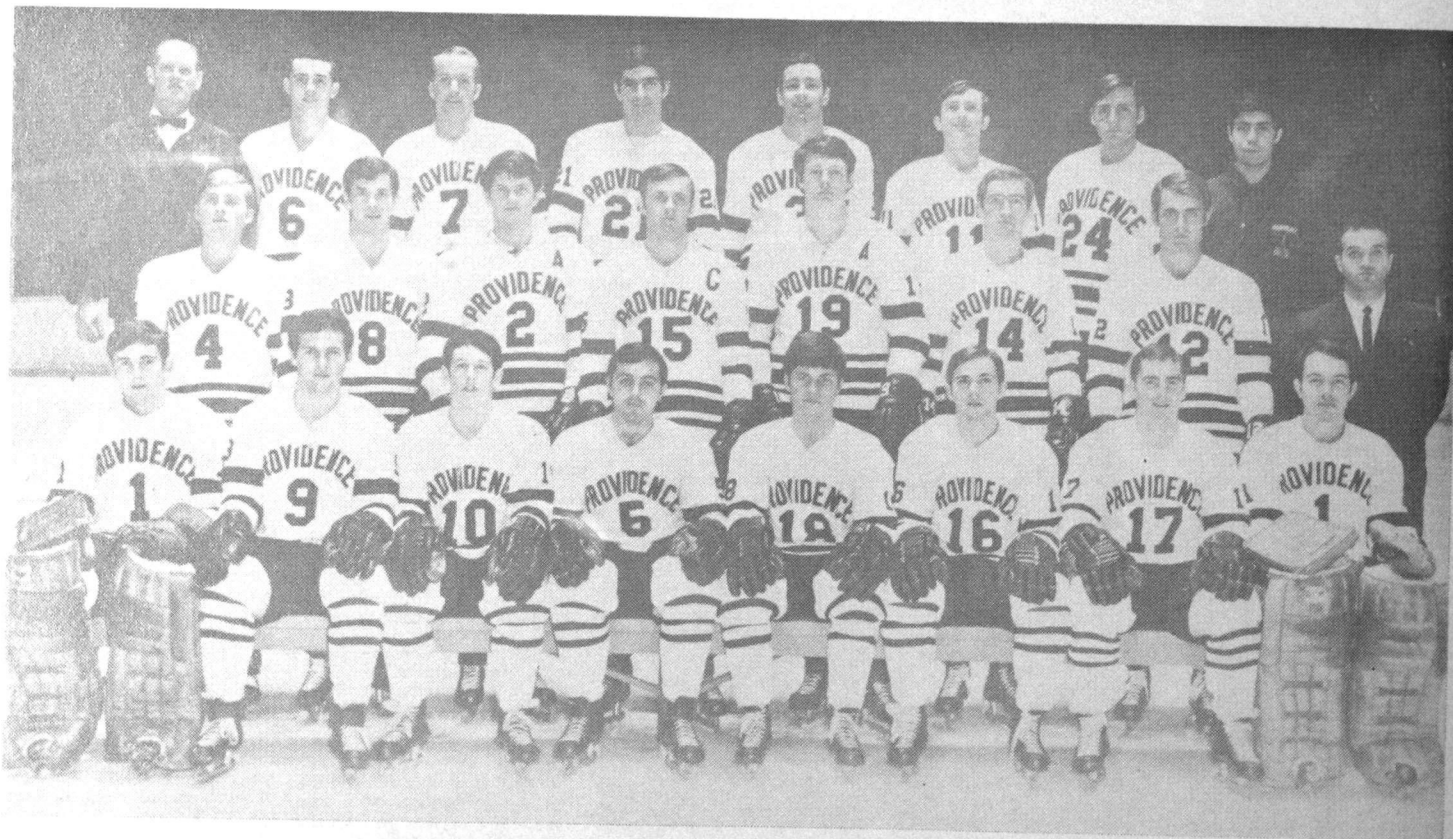
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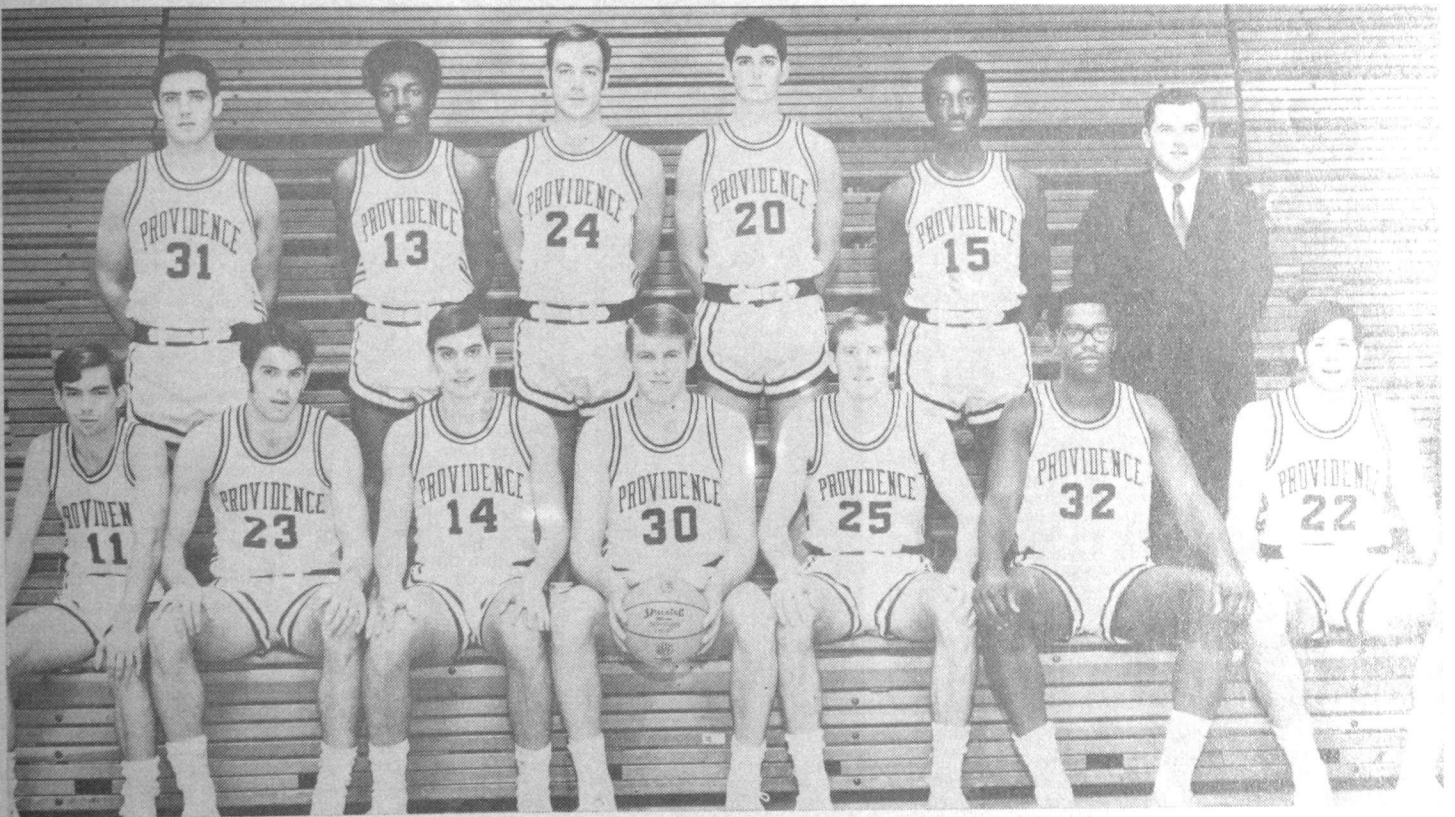
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Good Luck to The Friars

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Talented Sophomores Blend With Returning Pucksters

By JOHN O'REILLY

The start of the 1969-70 season for the Friars marks the second season at the helm for Coach Lamoriello. Last season the Friars posted a 7-14 record, and eight of the losses were by two goals or less.

Last year looked as though the Friars' defense would be solid but Boislard was slowed up by a shoulder injury as well as assorted injuries to Brian Smiley. With mostly sophomores and juniors seeing action, there was a lot of inexperience and lack of depth.



MIKE LEONARD

This year should be better, but all of a sudden, in two pre-season games with Bowdoin, start defenseman Smiley suffered a dislocated shoulder. Al "Tex" Evans sustained a broken nose, and forward Chris Ciceri tore ligaments in his leg and he, along with Smiley, will be out a few weeks. The offense is coming around. It will be led by Captain Skip Sampson and assistant Captain Rich Pumple. Also strong should be Badyk, Bosco, Leschyshyn, Bolduc, Leonard, Gaffney and Dixon. Jack Sanford will once again be in the nets, and should have help on defense from soph Glenn Collard and junior John Marchetti. Brian Reynolds is back-up goalie and is good enough to start if needed.

ROBERT BADYK, JR., C., CALGARY, ALBERTA. A junior who played regularly as a sophomore. A steady performer with good moves especially one on one. Bob is a smooth skater who shoots right and has quick wrist shot.

JEAN BOISLARD, SR. D., WESTMOUNT, QUEBEC. The "policeman" type of defenseman who started as a sophomore and junior. Jean has been slowed down in pre-season drills by a shoulder injury. He should be ready for the start of the season. Has a good wrist and slap shot from the point.

DAVID BOLDOC, SOPH., C., WATERVILLE, MAINE. Sophomore center on last year's frosh first line. Could very easily launch a regular job before pre-season drills end. He is a smooth skater with fine hockey sense.

ANTHONY BOSCO, SO., W., NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO. Sophomore right wing who led the frosh in goals, (26), assists (27), and points (53). Tony will be counted on heavily in the scoring department. He possesses a good, low shot and is also a faithful backchecker.

CHRISTOPHER C ICERI, SOPH., W., MONTREAL, QUEBEC. Speed, desire and hustle

can best describe this sophomore. The inspirational type of player who always goes all out. Will hold down one of the regular right wing spots and also will be used killing penalties. Chris also has a hard shot.

GLENN COLLARD, SOPH., D., DORVAL, QUEBEC. Left defenseman up from last year's frosh team. Glen has been very impressive in pre-season drills. Should hold down one of the regular defensive posts. He is one of the better hitters on the team and has a fine, low shot.

ERIC DIXON, SOPH., C., LACHINE, QUEBEC. Eric did not play freshman hockey last year but has been very impressive in pre-season drills. He is a fine skater with a good shot and is very strong on his feet. He shoots left and should be one of the regular centers.

ALLAN EVANS, SOPH., D., QUEBEC. Sophomore defenseman who shoots left. Allan as a freshman had eight goals and 17 assists for 25 points. He can rush the puck when necessary and has an outstanding shot from the point. He should see plenty of action as a regular. One of the many keys from last year's frosh team.

MICHAEL GAFFNEY, SOPH., W., NO. PROVIDENCE, R. I. Back after a year's absence. Mike adds needed size up front. As a freshman two years ago he had 50 points in 19 games. More important, of the team's 14 wins, Mike had eight winning goals. He is a strong skater with a good, hard shot.

THOMAS HEALY, SOPH., W., WALLUM LAKE, R. I. Tom missed most of last year due to a shoulder injury and will be out until after Christmas this year due to an operation. He will give the team needed depth when he returns. He is a former R. I. All-Stater who can play both forward and defense.

JAY HILDERBRAND, SOPH., W., OSAWA, ONTARIO. Son of a former NHL player, Ike Hilderbrand. Jay was sidelined most of last year by a broken collarbone. Seems to have recovered 100%. Jay is a left shot who can play both left wing or center. Should see action as the year progresses.

MICHAEL LEONARD, SR., W., SCOTSDALE, ARIZONA. Back for his third year on the varsity. Mike is a consistent performer who never stops working. Besides playing on a regular line, he is also used as a penalty killer. He has a quick low shot and his greatest asset is his strong desire and hustle.

GERALD LESCHYSHYN, SOPH., W., CHATAM, ONTARIO. Left wing who was the second leading scorer on last year's frosh team. Gerry has all the makings of an outstanding college hockey player. He has speed, a quick shot and possesses the gift of good hockey sense. Should be one of the top wings on this year's varsity.

JOHN MARCHETTI, JR., D., WELLESLEY, MASS. Former Bay State all league player who played regularly as a sophomore and improved with every game. John should keep his starting job. He has a fine shot from the right side but his greatest asset is his skating ability.

RICHARD PUMPLE, JR., C., LACHINE, QUEBEC. A 6'2", 200 lb. center, who led the varsity in scoring last year. Also, as a freshman he set a school record in both goals (38) and points (71). After a year's experience he should improve greatly on his 31 points of last year. Rich has all the qualities of becoming a great one. Does everything exceptionally well. Will be used on the power play and killing penalties, as well as his regular shift. Besides having great ability, he has a great attitude and is a fine team player.

BRIAN REYNOLDS, SOPH., CALGARY, ALBERTA. Last year in 19 games as a freshman, Brian had an outstanding 2:10 average. He is capable of playing varsity right now and along with Sanford, gives the team great depth in the cage. Brian has very good hands and moves his legs with a Glenn Hall style.

HENRY SAMPSON, SR., W., STONEHAM, MASS. Captain of this year's team. Skip has shown great leadership with his constant desire and hustle. A right wing with all the tools of a good hockey player. Will be counted on heavily in the scoring department and will also be used in killing penalties.

JOHN SANFORD, SR., G., EAST MILTON, MASS. As a freshman he had an amazing 1.86 average in 19 games, and the last two years has been the



ANTHONY BOSCO

starting varsity goalie. Last year he was nominated on several occasions to the ECAC Team of the Week. Jack has a great glove hand and is at his best when the pressure is on. A dedicated athlete who is one of the big keys for the Friars this season.

BRIAN SMILEY, SR., D., ST. LAURENT, QUEBEC. One of the keys to the defensive corps. A senior who has the potential of being a great defenseman. He was slowed down last year by injuries. Brian can carry and rush the puck like a forward. He has a hard shot and this could be the year we've been waiting for from him.

THOMAS ST. JEAN, SOPH., G., CANTON, MASS. Spare goalie on last year's freshman team. Has been impressive and will back Sanford and Reynolds. Tom is a very dedicated player and hard worker.

Friar Runners Train For Winter Season

Thomas Aman, '72, Rochester, N. Y. Tom has made marked improvement after a mediocre freshman year. He has run a 4:18 mile and looks forward to that event and a position on the 2 mile relay team.

Daniel Beasley, '72, Wakefield, Mass. A speedster with adequate stamina. Dan is a spirited competitor. He will be a big gun on the mile relay team, as he points to a sub 50 second quarter.

Robert Buckley, '72, Coxsack, N. Y. Bob has the speed and strength to produce good times in both the mile and the two mile. A sensation his freshman year, he will have to break a string of injuries to measure up to his potential.

Thomas Calabrese, '72, Buffalo, N. Y. The "Cat" is eager to lower his two mile time nearer to the nine minute mark. He has tremendous strength and rarely falters at an opponent's charge.

Gerald Dillon, '70, Springfield, Mass. A speed merchant, Jerry is a newcomer providing the sprint team with additional depth. If he can stay healthy and overcome a lack of experience, he may give the Friar's some startling performances.

Thomas Dunn, '70, Utica, N. Y. Tom is an overpowering runner. In his two previous seasons he has not had a chance to get going, but if all is sound this time he could put forth some strong efforts.

Michael Durkay, '72, Turtle Creek, Pa. Mike, a newcomer, could be the biggest surprise of the season. He has handled easily a fall of distance running and possessing good speed, he may become a prime contributor to the team's two mile relay.

Michael Gorman, '72, West Hartford, Conn. Mike has recently joined the team and is an addition to the ever increasing number of sprinters. The well-built sophomore is pointing to the quarter mile.

Raymond LaBonte, '70, Beverly, Mass. Ray has fine 4:15 mile and 9:05 two mile times to his credit. Coupling his deceptive speed and superb strength, Ray will rank high among New England tracksters.

Philip McMurray, '71, Ashby, Mass. Another newcomer to the team, Phil has looked well to date and could fashion some impressive times this season; he may be another surprise.

Thomas Malloy, '70, Stamford, Conn. Tom runs well at every distance. The solidly built senior inaugurated last season with a 1:56 half mile and all indications are that he will go even faster this year. He should be a mainstay of the two mile relay.

Eugene Quinn, '72, Monroeville, Pa. Gino has developed good endurance but has been harassed by leg injuries in the past. He will look primarily to the two mile this season and take a crack at the road racing circuit.

Martin Robb, '70, Syracuse, N. Y. In his initial and sole meet of last year, Marty cracked the nine minute barrier in the deuce. If all the pieces fall together properly, the determined senior could match strides with the nation's finest collegians.

Anthony Schroeder, '72, Greenville, R. I. Tony joins the team this year as a transfer student. He excelled in his high school days and could be a surprise here.

Christopher Schultz, '71, Schenectady, N. Y. Chris, a 4:17 miler, has the proper combination of speed and endurance that enables him to produce respectable times from the quarter mile on up. If Chris can avoid trouble with his Joe Namath knees, he could be the squad's premier miler.

William Speck, '72, Lockport, N. Y. One of the hardest working and most dedicated members of the squad, Bill is coming off of a fine cross-country season and could make some noise in the two mile. "Specker" also ranks high in New England as a road racer.

Richard Urson, '71, Stamford, Conn. Rich has the speed and strength to run superb clockings in the half mile and the quarter. He should be the important link in the mile relay and could very easily grab a place on the 2 mile relay.

John Walton, '71, Providence, R. I. After a year of ineligibility, John looks to regain his old form and produce times to match his capabilities. He could also be a member of this year's surprise party.

Freshman Basketball

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has been working with the weights to become physically stronger which will aid his outstanding ability of rebounding. Probably the most coachable player on the team, Costello works hard on every aspect of the game. A very good ball-handler for a player of his size, he can score from any where on the court.

Billy Sullivan from De LaSalle Academy of Newport, R. I. is a good shooting guard as well as Ned Cohnley. Rebounding help is available from the rugged John Gimblay of Regis High in New York, and Paul Cuddy of North Providence.

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BEST OF LUCK TO THE FRIARS DURING THE 1969-70 SEASON

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Hockey Greats . . .

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that span. During his soph season, he had two of them, of which one led to a Friar 7-3 upset over St. Lawrence. The hard shooting, aggressive forward poured in 4 goals in aiding the Friars defeat of Boston College during his junior year. The hustling play of Ray during his senior year was a big factor in the Friars 19-7 record that season.

Other players nominated:
Goalies: Ed Hornstein, Tom Haugh, and Jim Toomey.

Defensesmen: George Bouchreau, Jim O'Kane, Bob Blanchette, Howie LaPorte, and Frank Brander.

Forwards: Jim Gegear, Dan Sheehan, Pete Bergen, John Keough, Jim Umile, and Rich Pumple.

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BOSTON STATE: (Dec. 18, H) This is one of the few Division II squads that the Friars meet, and it should not be a show of talent. Last year the Friars ran up a 7-2 score. Last year Boston State had a 10 and 11 record overall. B.S.C., defin-



RAY LaPLANTE

itely outclassed last season, tried to stop the Friar skaters with hard and rough hitting as displayed by 16 penalties during the contest. The hitting did not stop the Friars offense as Rich Pumple blossomed with his first varsity hat trick, while this year's captain, Skip Sampson, had two tallies.

R.P.I. TOURNAMENT (Jan. 2, 3, 4, A—Jan. 10, A) This marks the 19th year that R.P.I. has hosted its tournament and is the first trip for the Friars. Also competing in the tourney is Bowling Green State of Ohio and one of the stronger Canadian teams, the University of Montreal. Last season R. P. I. posted an 8-6-1 record in Division I standings with a combined overall record of 12-8-1. Dale Watson, who once led the nation in scoring, will be returning for the Engineers. Last season the Friar tilt with Rensselaer was cancelled due to snow and was not made up. Every contest with the Engineers is tough. If they ever lack talent they always assemble a troop of giants.

NORTHEASTERN: (Jan. 6, H—Feb. 16, A) The Huskies had a 4-14 record in Division

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games though, but whether they are a tournament calibre team will depend on how their young players develop through the season.

ST. JOHN'S (Jan. 28, Home). St. John's always comes up with a winner and this year should prove no exception. Although hurt by the loss of score-bounder John Warren and playmaking guard Carmine Calzonetti, the Redmen still look like they have the tools to make it. Quick Joe Depre is back and he is expected to add to his 16.1 scoring average. Up front the Redmen will rely on Ralph Abraham and Bill Paultz who looked very good at the end of last year. Jim Smythe and Rich Gilken also return. Heading the soph brigade is outstanding guard Rich Lyons and 6-4 rebounding forward Rick Riley.

VILLANOVA (Feb. 4, Home). Villanova was hurt by the loss through graduation of Johnny Jones and playmaker Frankie Gillen, but as usual, Coach Jack Kraft seems to have the men to step in. Led by the great 6-8

All-American Howard Porter, and 6-6 center Sammy Sims, the Wildcats will be tough up front. In the backcourt will be Fran O'Hanlon and 6-5 sophomore Chris Ford. It looks like Villanova will be NCAA bound again due to their customary harassing zone defense.

BOSTON COLLEGE (Jan. 6, Home). The Eagles will have to look hard for replacements for center Terry Driscoll, guard Billy Evans and Coach Bob Cousy. But new coach Chuck Daly seems to have them. Starting with 6-5 Tom Verronneau and backcourt ace Jim O'Brien, the Eagles will be tough. Add to this Bob Dukiet (soph sensation two years ago) and Frank Fitzgerald and it looks tournament time for the Eagles again.

NIAGARA (Jan. 25, Home). Calvin Murphy is the name of the game and if he gets help this year the Purple Eagles could give quite a few teams the fits this year. Trying to make it at center this year will be 6-6 Bob Churchill. Up front along with Churchill, will be returnees Steve Schaffer and Mike

Samuels. To go along with Murphy will be his two-year backcourt companion Mike Brown. Therefore, with the scoring of Murphy and the overall experience of the team, things should be looking up at Niagara this year.

HOLY CROSS (Feb. 21, Home). Coach Jack Donahue's team will be hurt by the loss of sharpshooter Ed Siudut, but he does have three starters led by 6-8 Jim Kissane. Complementing



RALPH ABRAHAM

Kissane will be Don Sasso and Jack Adams, and up front from the freshmen is Buddy Venne who scored at a 27.9 clip last year, and is regarded as one of the future greats at the Cross. Six foot, four Stan Grayson offers substantial rebounding help.

BROWN (Dec. 18-March 9, Home-Away). Billy Kahn, a 5-11 guard is the only returnee of any significance. Help is coming from the freshman though in the form of 6-6 Arnie Berman and Oscar Colvin. Brown won't be good but should definitely improve on last year's 3-23 record.

move to the rear guard where he is expected to continue to be a standout. Mike has racked up 78 assists in two seasons and is just a dozen short of the B.U. record. The top mark of 164 career points is not out of his reach either. Starting the season he has chalked up 119. If the Terriers can settle their forward lines and defense by the time they meet the Friars, they will be tough.

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT: (Feb. 10, A) The Catamounts in Division II compiled a 13-12 mark. In the nets the squad had Reece who compiled a 3.40 average. The Friars were upset at the hands of Vermont last season, 4-2. Coach Jim Cross will have 19 veterans returning and the Cats are eager to improve on last season's performance. Aiding the veterans are several outstanding sophomores, including Ted Yeates and Bill Dunnington, who are expected to add more depth to the defense. Also, soph Dave Snelgrove will add more scoring punch to the club—a major weakness in past years. The Cats play a total of six Division I teams.

YALE UNIVERSITY: (Mar. 3, H) Last season the Friars lost to the Elis by a 3-1 score. Yale had a weak squad and the Friars did not play a good game. Yale wound up with a 9-14 Division I record. This Ivy League school has been weak ever since All-American Jack Morrison graduated in 1967, however, a good freshman squad last year could supply some help.

Hockey Schedule

I and an overall record of 7-16 in the '68-'69 campaign. Last season's standout on the team was junior wing Dave Poile, who scored 27 goals and 11 assists in 18 games, while being named as the Most Improved Player in New England. He had two four goal games last year against Dartmouth and A.I.C. A low scoring squad, consisting mostly of sophomores and juniors, should establish a better base for the Huskies.

Last year's first meeting saw Jack Sanford move into the nets, having beat out Frank Trudeau, and he was there to stay. He came up with a brilliant game, 45 saves, and a 5-4 victory. A bright spot in the contest was the scoring of the Friar defensive corps led by Brian Smiley's two tallies. The Friars should be in for two tougher battles, since the Huskies have a strong nucleus returning with more experience.

COLGATE: (Jan. 9, A) Last season the Friars were dropped by the Red Raiders, 4-2. Not many shots were taken by either squad and for Providence, Pumple generated the only offense with two goals. Colgate had a 6-10 record in Division I and they were 12-13 overall. Pacing the squad in scoring were Tom Earl, with 37 goals and 20 assists, followed by David Conte 22-34:56 points, and Bob Stanley 11-12: 23 points. As usual this will be another tough tilt for both teams.

ARMY: (Jan. 27, A) Coach Jack Riley lost quite a bit in offensive punch through graduation. Dave Merhar, who led the nation in scoring with 57 goals and 52 assists for 109 points, and Tony Curran, who was second nationally, with 25 goals and 55 assists, are both gone. Army doesn't play a strong schedule but are always a well conditioned team due to the size of their ice surface in New York, which is the nation's largest. The Friars play in West Point and will face a disadvantage because of the rink's immense proportions.

Coming back for the Cadets will be Dave Young (17-30:47); John Roberts (20-17:37), and hopefully the plebes of last season will help out. The Friars

will have to be in their best physical condition to fair well on the large rink and the well drilled Army squad.

CLARKSON: (Jan. 30, A) Coach Ceglarski will have 14 returning lettermen to work with this season. Three seniors were lost last year and Tom Deacon, first line center on last year's team, left college for personal reasons. The key to the goal tending will be in the hands of junior Bruce Bullock from Toronto. Last season the Golden Knights posted a 19-7-2 record and will play 27 games this year including the E.C.A.C. Holiday Festival in Boston. This season's captain is Wayne Lachance, who scored eight goals and had 24 assists as a defenseman.

The Golden Knights were ranked fourth in the East last year and have some fine scoring punch returning. Last year's leader, Rick Magnusson (11-34:45), is back along with Luc St. Jean, 17-18: 35), Bill O'Flaherty (14-20:34) and Terry Ainslie (11-12:23). Clarkson once again will be one of the top teams in the East and will be one of Providence's roughest.

ST. LAWRENCE: (Jan. 31, A) Last season the Friars dropped a 4-3 heartbreaker, playing possibly their best game of the season. St. Lawrence was 8-9-2 in Division I and over all they were 11-11-2. The Larries averaged 4.25 goals a game and were led by Campbell's 15 goals and 20 assists. Hind, Slater and Wilkinson tallied 85 points between them. In the nets Healy came up with a 3.87 average. Once again the Larries will be shooting for the Eastern laurels and will severely test the Friars.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY: (Feb. 6, H—Feb. 28, A) B.U. was one of the top teams in the East last year and finished fifth. The Terriers had a 19-10 slate and the freshman squad was undefeated in 17 clashes. Jack Kelley, the B.U. coach, is faced with the massive rebuilding project of replacing eight of his '68-'69 regulars, including four defensesmen. Wayne Decker is the only returning defenseman.

Mike Hyndman, the team's top scorer for two seasons, will

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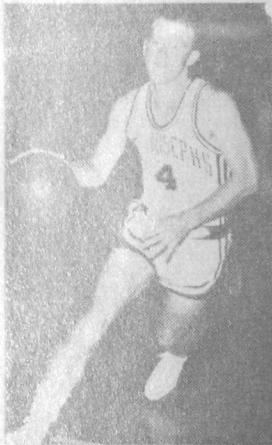
Ambitious Eastern Slate Confronts Primed Friars

By BRIAN HUSSEY

UMASS (Dec. 2, Away). The Redmen will be tough to dethrone in the Yankee Conference. Coach Jack Leaman has three scorers returning in Ray Ellenbrook, Dennis Chapman and Kevin Mathias. Up from the frost will be 6'5" Julius Erving who will help on the boards. Umass will be a tough opening test for the Friars.

U.R.I. (Jan. 31 and Feb. 25, Home, Away). The Rams always give the Friars trouble and this year will be no exception. Their two leading scorers, John Fultz and Claude English return and along with two outstanding sophs, Phil Hickson and Mike Beale, little Rhody will be challenging. J.C. transfers Nate Adger (6'5") and Dwight Tolliver, (5'11") schoolboy hotshots from Hartford Public (Ct.), should help.

ST. JOSEPH'S (Dec. 16, Away). The Hawks and the Friars rivalry dates a long way back. Any time these two teams meet, the game is hotly contested. This year, the Hawks have their two leading scorers back in Mike



DAN KELLY

Hauer and Dan Kelly. Also returning is 6'6" center John Connolly who should have more help rebounding this year with the addition of either Eric Mitchell or Bruce Marks at forward.

DAYTON (Jan. 10, Home).

The Flyers have won twenty games in their last five campaigns and could do it again this year. Although hurt by the loss of their leading scorer and rebounder, Dan Sadler, the Flyers think they have a replacement in 6'5" junior Ken May. At center will be 6'8" George Janky and the guards will be veteran Jim Gottschall and soph Rex Gardecki. Another soph to look out for will be 6'5" Pat Murnan, the leading frosh scorer last year. As always the Flyers will be tough to beat.

CREIGHTON (Feb. 23, Home). The loss of Bob Portman and Wally Anderzunas, both in the N.B.A., will hurt the Bluejays. Mike Caruso and Joe Bergman seem to be the only holdovers who will start as new coach Eddie Sutton has five excellent sophs, led by 6'9" Cyril Baptiste, waiting in the wings.

FAIRFIELD (Jan. 3, Away). The Stags have four of last year's five starters back headed by 6'3" forward Frank Magaletta who averaged 19.5 last season. Slick backcourtman Wayne Gibbons also returns with center Richie Sanabria and 6'6" Wayne Frazier. Help may also be on the way up from the freshmen in the likes of sharpshooter, Billy Haff.

ST. FRANCIS (N.Y.) Dec. 13, Home). The Terriers were 7-16 last year and this year could be a carbon copy. In the middle is 6'7" Earl Roberts, who had trouble hitting the boards last year and at one forward is 6'3" Jim Sullivan who offers Roberts little aid. The only reliable player seems to be little guard John Conforti, who had a 24.3 scoring average in last year's campaign.

SETON HALL (Feb. 28, Away). Led by Mel Knight, the Pirates are looking forward to a better season than last year. Returning with Knight are 6'4" rebounder Gary Cavallo and 6'1" guard Ken Moss. Help off the boards should come with 6'8" Junior Foy and soph Frank Cortez, who scored at a 23.4 pace for the frosh.

CANSIUS (Feb. 17, Home). It took the Friars three overtimes to take the Griffins last year. A pair of junior college transfers, Gary Stewart and Clyde Alexander, both 6'6" and

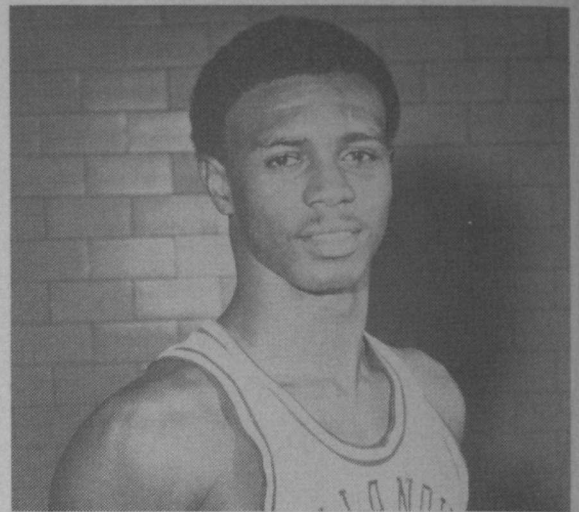
225 pounds, are counted on to improve last season's 7-16 mark. They join veteran guards, Gene Roberson and Roger Brown, and soph Tom Carson 6'8" on a tall but inexperienced squad.

ASSUMPTION (Dec. 4, Away). Sharpshooting juniors, Serge DeBari and Eric Inauen will lead the Greyhounds toward another successful New England small college season. Assumption has always been difficult for the Friars early in the year.

DEPAUL (Dec. 22, Away). Coach Ray Meyer is in his twenty-seventh year with the Blue Demons and he hopes to get a shot at the N.I.T. this year. His top scorer of last year, Al Zetzche, is gone. The brunt of the rebounding will fall upon 6'7" Ken Warzynski who averaged 14.5 last season and 6'4" Tom Hunter. The guard slots will be held down by 6'3" Tom Tracey and 6'1" Joe Meyer, the coach's son.

ST. LEO'S (Dec. 6, Home). St. Leo's mainly known for its baseball teams down in Florida, has been stressing basketball of late. Little is known about them so far but they could prove to be surprising.

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH (Dec. 8, Home). This small college plays a fairly tough schedule and has decided to take a northern swing this



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year. They have six junior college transfers and might be a dark horse on the Friar slate.

DUQUENSNE (Feb. 7, Away). The Iron Dukes look ready for a return to the top. Four out of five starters return from a tournament team and that should say enough. Led by Jarrett Durham who scored at a 17.4 clip last year, plus the rebounding of the 6-9 Nelson Twins, the Dukes will be tough to beat. Senior Capt. Bill Zopf will provide the playmaking leadership. He's a good one. Add to this 6-6 sophomore Mickey Davies and 6-4 J.C. transfer Perry Johnson and you have the

making of one of the top teams in the country.

ST. BONAVENTURE (Feb. 14, Away). The Bonnies have Bob Lanier, one of the truly good big men in the country. Unfortunately, that's where it all ends as only one other starter returns from a 1-7 team. He is 5-11 guard Bill Kalbaugh who pulled his 8.4 scoring average up to be of help. Also, coming up from the Freshman is 6-5 Matt Gantt who is expected to help up front with his scoring and rebounding. St. Bonaventure should win quite a few

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Pucksters Set to Face Best of Area Sextets

By JOHN O'REILLY

MERRIMACK: (Nov. 25, Feb. 24, A, H) Despite the loss of six stalwart seniors, Coach Tom Lawler is very optimistic about having the best year ever since he came to North Andover five years ago, with 17 lettermen returning. Leading Merrimack's sextet this year will be senior John Power, with Bill Boyce and Joe Cecchini as alternate captains. They will be pointing for another entry into Division II playoffs, which would make the fifth such eligibility in five years.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA: (Nov. 29, H) Last season the Friars did not meet Penn but the season before in one confrontation Providence came out on top, 4-1. Penn ended up last in the Division I standings last season with a 1-14 record, also scored only 44 goals against 116 scored by their opponents. In overall standings Penn had a 6-15 mark. This should not be a tough game for the Friars but they must not be overconfident and let down as happened in games last season.

BOSTON COLLEGE (Dec. 3, Feb. 18, H, A) This season marks the 33rd for the dean of them all, Coach John "Snooks" Kelley. Last year's squad skated to an excellent 19-7 record and another appearance in the ECAC championship tournament.

For Snooks there will be nine returning lettermen led by Tim Sheehy, who made second team All-American last season (60 points). Also returning will be Kevin Ahearn, Paul Achilling (37 points), Charlie Toczykowski, John Snyder, Don Callow and Fred Willis. Captain John

Sullivan, an excellent defenseman, is the only experienced defenseman returning. Senior John Burnett and junior Jim Barton will battle for the goalie's job.

In a nutshell Coach Kelley has what appears to be a rugged rebuilding job ahead of him in the vital area of defense. But BC must not be overlooked, as they are always perennial Eastern powers.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY: (Dec. 11, Home at Mount St. Charles) The Tigers of Princeton last season compiled a 5-18 record. One of the victories was against the Friars (6-2), who played their worst game of the season in Baker Arena. The Tigers should not be much stronger this season and we can look forward to a different game when the teams meet at the Mount.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE: (Dec. 13, Feb. 12, A, H) Wildcat hockey coach Charlie Holt has nine returning lettermen from last year's ECAC team that posted a 22-7-1 record. However, Coach Holt also lost eight lettermen by graduation, including a high scoring first line of David, Brandt, and Ontenkean; second team All-East goalie Rick Metzner, and such top notch defensemen as Graham Brude, Mickey Goulet and Mark Tully.

This year's first line will be Lou Frigon, Captain Allan Clark and Dick Umile. Frigon was with the third line last year and was the Wildcats' top scorer with 33 goals. The Holtmen were ranked fifth in the East last season. Will once again be a tough series this year.

BROWN UNIVERSITY: (Dec. 16, Feb. 3, A, H) Coach Fuller-

ton's Bruins will be out to revenge last season's defeat, which was its first defeat at the hands of the Friars in five seasons. Providence, with its upset victory, knocked Brown out of post-season action and the Bruins ended up with a 11-10-1 record. Brown was paced last year by Curt Bennett, the outstanding defenseman from



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Cranston who was All Ivy, All East and Second Team All American. Also coming back will be McGinnis in the nets who sported a 2.83 goal average in 12 games. On the forward lines will be Sacheli, the high scoring wing with 20 goals and 20 assists. McLaughlin and Walsh, who contributed 22 goals between them last season, will be on the same line with Sacheli.

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Dear Fans:

I am sure you are all as anxious as we are in anticipation of the start of the season. Everyone on our ball club has worked very hard in pre-season workouts and the entire squad is in good physical condition.

Excellent shooting ability, good team speed and a lack of size are the general characteristics of this year's team. In Jim Larranaga and Vic Collucci we have last season's two leading scorers returning. They are performing as expected, and if anything, have improved in some areas. Our one big man, Ray Johnson, has continued even further, the improvement he showed in the second half of last season. We are counting on him a great deal.

Larranaga, a very complete player, will swing both at forward and guard this year. His running mate up front could be sophomore Gary Wilkens, a fine offensive player who has worked very hard toward improving other areas of his game. Collucci will probably team in the backcourt with sophomore Don Lewis, a very fine defensive player and a strong driver.

Captain Craig Callen and "Junior" Ferro have both shown well in pre-season workouts. Callen gives us increased strength in the vital area of rebounding while Ferro handles the break well and is a good outside shooter. Returning lettermen Walt Violand and Dennis Walsh should help, as both have proven offensive ability.

We are going to have to work very hard to overcome our smallness defensively and on the boards. The schedule is perhaps most challenging ever, but I can assure you that the team will be a bustling, aggressive squad throughout the entire season.

DAVE GAVITT