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FRIARS, RAMS CLASH TONIGHT

R. I. Arena Battle Looms As Toss-Up

By Phil Griffin

Tomorrow night at Rhode Island Auditorium, Providence College meets Rhode Island University in the 1952 renewal of their red-hot basketball rivalry. Our J.V.'s will meet the Ramlets in the preliminary.

The Rams come to town sporting a classy new "University" in their official title and a classy, if not new, ball club to go along with it. Coach Red Haire will exhibit a few new faces at the Auditorium, but you can bet he'll be relying on his talented collection of veterans to supply the pressure when the chips are down. In fact, this is probably Rhode Island's best club since Frank Keady was turning out its astronomical-scoring wonders not so long ago.

Haire's main threats will be Bill Baird, Fred Conleton, Ed Hole, Chuck Stewart, Dan Drunk, Dave Stenhouse, and Art Hellwig. And you might see a lot of a new addition, Tottie Keady's boy.

Baird Is Top Gunner

Baird is the gunner that might be the most trouble. He knows how to hit from either the outside or the inside and he's put his knowledge to practical use so far this season and has scored 186 points, tops for the boys from down Kingston way. Conleton, too, will be a highly respectable gentleman when he starts showing that big frame around the boards and canning shots from the bucket.

Hole and Stewart, though not as spectacular as Conleton and Baird, both can score and neither boy is likely to wilt when things start getting a little warm as they always do along about the fourth quarter of these duels.

Hellwig, a fresh, has more than held his own at a starting position right from the first whistle when Rhode Island got a good St. Joseph's team. (Continued on Back Page)

Keady And Cuddy Predict Close Game

"We'll probably play another close game on Tuesday, against Providence, but I think that our South County boys will win in the end, 71-70. I'm sure that no matter who wins it will be another grand contest, similar to those of previous seasons and that it will be a continuation of the fine rivalry that has existed. I know Providence has a good ball club but I'm predicting a one point victory with State taking the measure, 71 to 70."

So said Mr. Frank Keady, who is now Athletic Director at R.I.U., in a conversation with a COWL reporter Friday. Mr. Keady, former coach of the Rams, is known far and wide as the man who developed the "fast breaking" type of ball as it is played today.

When we ran across our own Vin Cuddy later in the day, he said: "I feel sure that it'll be another close one, but I think the gang can take them."

In his two previous games as coach at Providence Vin Cuddy has directed the Friar five in two major upsets over our Rhody rivals. His freshman year as mentor saw him drop State for the first time in almost a decade (59-57), and again the following season he pulled the quintet through in an overtime contest (68-67).



Cowl Sports Scribe Reminisces On PC, Ram Basketball Rivalry

Records Show R. I. University Has Won 25 While Providence College Has Captured 8 In 22 Year Hoop Rivalry

By James Marshall

Tonight when the Friars tangle with the Rams at the Auditorium they will be renewing Providence College's oldest rivalry which dates way back to 1921. The Rhodymen lead in this basketball series with a record of 25 victories to Providence's 8 but the previous record can be disregarded as far as tonight's encounter is concerned.

Glancing back over the records I happened to find that the very first game of basketball that was played at this Dominican institution was against State in 1921 and it found the Rams coming out in front by the score of 85 to 35. The following year found the results almost as disastrous for us as we again ended up on the short end of a 35 to 19 score.

No Games From 1923 to 1935

Sports activities between the two schools were severed in 1922 and it was not until 1935, after a layoff of some thirteen years, that competition was continued. P. C.'s quietest was at that time under the leadership of "General" Al McLellan who was mentor of the Smithhills until 1938 when Ed Croty took over. We beat State twice that year and had quite a profitable following year, in 1935-36, when we won both our games from the Rams by a score of 53 to 28 and 47 to 43.

In 1937-38, the Rams and Providence were sporting two of the top teams in New England but neither team was able to gain the upper-hand and we split the series. However, the Rams had something to cheer about since it was the first time in sixteen years that they gained a victory over our squad. Once the State fans got to cheering it seems that they wouldn't stop be-

Martinmen Face Ramlets In Opener

Providence's J. V. squad will play the preliminary game of tonight's doubleheader at the Arena. The Ram Jets will do battle with the Mart Javvies beginning at 7:00 p. m.

The Martinmen are fresh from last Thursday's victory over Bryant and should be ready for the Rhody men. They took the measure of the Bryant forces by the score of 79 to 64. Leading the scorers in last Thursday's tilt was Charlie Aquavia who tossed 14 points through the hoop for the Smithhills.

Aquavia will be confronted to turn in his usual good performance to night and if his set shot is working he'll make it pretty rough for the visiting Ramlets. But Aquavia isn't the only Friar with the scoring touch. Coach Martin can depend on Ray Gordon and his dead-ly set to back up Aquavia at the guard post.

Up at forward the lineup will probably feature Jack Keating, who has been doing a great job off the boards. Jack's colleagues will be Bill Quinlan who has just been rounding into form after having dislocated his shoulder earlier in the season. Bill was high point man in the first game of the season and his loss, due to his injury, was sorely felt after the second game.

Completing the starting five for the Javvies will be "Stretch" Pantan, center. "Stretch" has been improving with each game and can be counted on to turn in a good performance.

Tonight's contest will find two freshmen, Jack Lowney and Joe King playing dual roles. They will be helping Coach Martin out in the Jayvee encounter when necessary and they will also be on hand for the varsity tilt, if required. Both will be used sparingly in the preliminary game, however.

PC's Individual Scoring Record Broken By Moran

Bob Moran, the Friars' star forward, established a new school record when he scored 29 points in last Saturday's encounter against Rensselaer, which the Friars won 71 to 69. The previous school record was held by Captain Jim Schlimm who had scored 28 points against this same New York club a year ago.

Bob, who missed the first two games of the campaign due to an injured eye, has been scoring at the rate of 19.5 points per performance. His total of 176 points, compiled in only eight contests, makes him high man on the (Continued on Back Page)

Friar Boy IV:

"P.C. Over R. I. U. By Three Points In Tonight's Game"

As Told To Joseph Ungaro

"Providence College over R.I.U. by three points in tonight's game." That's what Friar Boy IV told this reporter in an interview (exclusive of course) yesterday afternoon.

Friar Boy also said that the game will be a close one, but that P. C. would run the Rams off the floor with a terrific fourth quarter surge. He added, "Our last quarter pace will be so hot that it will wear the hide right off those Rams."

The interview, unpublicized by this reporter, came about Monday afternoon when Friar Boy visited the Cowl office and offered to give his prediction on tonight's game.

"After my triumph in accurately predicting the results of last year's NAIB tournament (which, incidentally



was) Friar Boy's first attempt at peering into the crystal ball since he took over the job of official mascot after the death of Friar Boy III—the editors, I know my fans are eagerly awaiting my prediction on tonight's game." "Beside I know," he added, "you're short of copy."

"Friar Boy IV, if you remember, correctly predicted that P. C. would beat St. Anselm's in the first game of the NAIB tourney which was held last March at Tufts College. He also predicted correctly that Tufts would (Continued on Back Page)

Friars, Rams Are Evenly Matched In Tonights Game

(Continued from Front Page) into overtime. Stenhouse walked off with Words Unlimited's "School Boy Athlete of the Year" Award this winter so you can rest assured he's a capable boy to have around in the event that one of the starters gets fatigued. Dunn returns with bitter memories of last year's passing at the hands of our top yearling outfit.

Kubiskey, a six-foot-three inch examine, will be in there contributing valuable efforts to the Rams' rebounding cause thanks to a wonderful Christmas present—his discharge from the Marines.

However, we fancy the boys out our way will be more than able to hold their own against anything that the woolly animal with the curved horns can offer.

Schlimm Is Back In Form

Jim Schlimm's playing first fiddle on maestro Vin Cuddy's bandwagon again. He looked like the James of old scoring 24 points against Fairfield in the Friars' last game. Big Vin showed fine form as he dunked his pivot shot with all the old authority. After watching Bobby Moran get off his automatic shots from the tightest of situations he is convinced he can play the trombone in a telephone booth. Mr. Haire is undoubtedly tearing out some of his tresses right at the moment trying to figure out a way to stop the versatile sophomore.

But these two are simply the best of a good lot. There's Ray Korbuskiel, who showed his Waterbury neighborhood some beautiful jump shooting when he starred against Fairfield; Jerry Lembo, who justified Mr. Cuddy's confidence in awarding him a starting post a few games back by turning in consistently fine ball playing; and Hank McQueensy, who has proved his worth as a rebounder while playing an unfamiliar "inside" role in the attack.

Friar Defense Men Ready

Phil Lynch or Tom Mullins get the nod if any of the Rams seem to be finding the hoop a little too consistently. Mullins showed his defensive capabilities by transforming Fairfield's deadly Keough from a high pressure hose into a leaky faucet late in the fourth quarter of the Paid game. Lynch appears to have found something of a scoring touch to go with his defensive talents. Both boys will give any shooter fits by their crowding, aggressive tactics.

Lanky Bob Prendergast will get many opportunities to ply his wares against Kingston's representatives. Bob has the height and the shots to go against Conigleton and Helwig, the Rams' big men.

Friars Have Strong Bench

Also on the bench will be veterans of past R.I.U. games, Tom Bauer, and Ronnie Gagnon, who will provide the reserve strength along with sophomores Jack Durkin and Jack Reynolds, who were in on that frosh shellacking last season, and Freshmen Ken Kerr, Jack Lowney and Joe King.

So it looks like history will repeat itself and the two teams will stage another of their 24 carat melees with all the stoppers pulled out. My prediction: Friar Boy by a knockout in the last few minutes.

Friar Scoring

Player	Pos.	Ttl Pts	To Date
Bob Moran	F	176	
Jim Schlimm	C	159	
Ray Korbuskiel	G	116	
Hank McQueensy	F	94	
Bob Prendergast	C	36	
Ken Kerr	G	36	
Jerry Lembo	G	34	
Phil Lynch	G	30	
Tom Bauer	F	21	
Jack Reynolds	C	13	
Ronnie Gagnon	G	13	
Jack Lowney	G	12	
Tom Mullins	G	10	
Jack Durkin	F	9	
Joe King	C	6	

Tickets Available

The sale of tickets for TO-NIGHT'S game will continue until 3 o'clock this afternoon, in the Athletic Office. Sale of tickets will be discontinued promptly at 3 p. m., so it is urged that you buy them immediately. Student seats are 40 cents. If you wish to obtain the regular seats, for a date or a friend, you may purchase them for \$1.25.

Moran . . .

(Continued from Front Page) squad. Not only is Bob the team's leading shooter but at last reports he was the top hoopster in New England in foul shooting.

While in high school the Brooklyn boy was chosen on the New York, All-Brooklyn squad. Bob is not the only Moran playing in New England, for his brother is one of the stars for the Boston College five.

Next Cowl Tomorrow

The next regular issue of the Cowl will be on the stands tomorrow. This edition has been prepared by the editors in view of the great interest in tonight's P.C.-R.I.U. contest.

Tomorrow's edition will contain news of the proposed Regional Cup Federation, the Commencement Ball Committee, and other features.

Hoop Series Is Marked By Many Thrills

(Continued from Front Page) Dick Hole, Ken Goodwin and Jackie Allen.

F.C. Winslow From '42 to '49 We had to wait for a long time before we gained another conquest, (12 long games), but when this victory came it was well worth the wait. It goes back to that notable night of December 15, 1949, at the Arena, when we broke our losing streak by registering a 59 to 57 win.

I was a freshman that year and full of all the enthusiasm that goes with being a yearling, but even I was discouraged when I looked up at the scoreboard in the first half and it read 33 to 15 in favor of the Rams. When the half ended P. C. was still far behind.

The second half started slowly but something seemed to be clicking with the P. C.'s that was previously lacking. We were still losing throughout most of the second half, then suddenly with about five minutes to go the fans realized that we did have a chance. During the ensuing minutes there was not one patron in the Arena who was sitting—the place was in a frenzy.

Lembo's Fouls Tie Game

With 30 seconds left in the game Jerry Lembo was fouled in the act of shooting a lay-up that would have tied up the ball game. The ref awarded him two shots; if he made these two good the game would be tied up if he didn't P. C. would probably lose.

Calmly, Jerry strode up to the foul line and sank both baskets.

The score was now tied (57 to 57). P. C. got possession of the ball (old ruling) and it was passed off to the balding Walt Loszoki who dribbled into a position about 25 feet from the Ruddy basket. Wait just stood there for a second and then he let arch a set shot that swished through the hoop without even touching the rim.

Demonstration Follows '49 Win

In the ensuing 15 second the Rams failed to score and Providence had brought home the "bacon" by the two point margin of 59 to 57. But the story of that night did not end on the basketball floor—it had just begun. In one of the wildest scenes the North Main Street Arena has ever seen the players and coach Vin Cuddy were carried to the dressing room by the fans.

In the second encounter of the 1949-50 season P. C. lost a thriller down at Kingston by the close margin of 60 to 58. Johnny Mitchell saved the day for the South County boys when he put on a one man exhibition of dribbling for the last 3 minutes of play. However, the Cuddymen had won the big ball game that year when they defeated the Hairemen at the Auditorium.

'56 Game A Thriller, Too

Who would ever dare predict that the following season 1950-51 could ever produce a thrill that would match the two games of the 49-50 classic but the impossible happened. The first

Friar Boy . . .

(Continued from Front Page) defeat New Britain Teachers' College, and that we in turn would beat Tufts to capture the crown.—The Editors).

"I also want to say," he went on, "that I am somewhat disappointed by the attitude of those P. C. students who gave up on the team after the humiliating Brown defeat. I know the team played as if they were a group of high school boys, but it was just an off-night. Besides, they made up for it with an excellent game against the Cross, which we would have won if the Crusaders hadn't had a phenomenal night in shooting."

He ended the interview by saying that he expects all P. C. students to get behind the team and attend the game tonight. "Win or lose," he added, "P. C. men should back the team 100%."

The night of the chapter but it will be continued tonight, at the Auditorium. Till we see you there, au revoir!"

game of the series which was played at the Arena found P. C. on top by the one point spread of 68 to 67.

The follow-up encounter in Fary found the Friars in a weakened condition due to the fact that Frank Pelligrino was bowled with an injured knee and the Cuddymen before a superior Ramlet five, at Kingston, to the tune of 62 to 86.

This is the end of the chapter but it will be continued tonight, at the Auditorium. Till we see you there, au revoir!"

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