

Rice cagers clobber Borgess

LUTHERAN NORTH 63, CRANBROOK 45

This Metro Conference battle was decided after the first eight minutes of action when Lutheran North outscored the Cranbros 25-5 in the first quarter. "We were two for 21 (shooting from the floor) in the first quarter and that," said a discouraged Cranbrook coach Dan Hazen. "They (North) put a zone up against us, and we couldn't do anything about it."

The Cranbros shot seven of 41 from the floor in the first half and 15 for 80 for the game for an anemic 19 percent. Cranbrook, 7-6 overall and 2-5 in the league, was led by Regan Stoutermire's 18 points. Marty Seaman scored 26 for North — 16 of which came in the first

quarter and 21 in the first half. The Cranbros, who host Detroit Lutheran West on Friday, played without the services of two of their three tri-captains. Bill Hill was sidelined with a groin pull, and Dave Turner is out for the year after tearing ligaments in his right ankle. Turner had played 30 straight games for the Cranbrook varsity before last week's injury.

BROTHER RICE 72, BISHOP BORGESS 51

The state-ranked Warriors clinched a spot in the Catholic League playoffs with this road victory over the Spartans.

Judd Hart and Paul Jokisch led a strong inside game for Rice with 18

points each. Guard Brian Brennan added 10 points, 11 assists and seven steals. Kevin Smith, also a guard, netted 10 points. Jokisch and Hart led Rice on the boards with 10 and nine rebounds, respectively. Mark Bartkowiak paced Borgess with 19 points. Marty Rudy added 17. Rice, 7-1 in the league and 11-3 overall, hosts Detroit DeLaSalle on Friday.

LAHSER 54, PONTIAC NORTHERN 39

The state-ranked Knights held Northern to seven points in the second quarter and only two in the third quarter to come away with this road victory.

Tim Wawn scored 22 points to lead the Knight, and Steve Hirsch, breaking

out of a scoring slump, added 15. But it was the Lahser defense which made coach Nick Conti smile. "It's (the defense) been an area where, in the past three or four games, we've really come along," the Knights' coach said. He added that his squad kept Northern off the offensive board throughout the contest, adding to Lahser's effectiveness. Chris Howze led Northern with 17 points.

Lahser starters Milton Carthens and Glenn Cross returned to the Northern gym that Tuesday night to play against the school they used to attend. The two cagers transferred to Lahser last September when a Pontiac millage failure eliminated sports programs in the fall.

Guthard gets MSU position

By DENNIS O'CONNOR

When Frank Waters III, assistant coach and son of new Michigan State University head football coach Frank "Muddy" Waters, first approached Bloomfield Hills Lahser's Ted Guthard, the Knights' head football coach thought his prospects for a college coaching job were at Saginaw Valley.

The younger Waters first talked to Guthard two weeks ago at a high school football clinic in Lansing. At the time, Waters had not been named MSU's top man — he was still coaching at Saginaw Valley.

Three phone calls and two weeks later, Guthard made two trips to East Lansing to meet Muddy and athletic director Doug Weaver.

Monday afternoon he resigned from his head coaching job at Lahser to become a defensive line coach for the Spartans.

"I have a very nice thing going (at Lahser), but there comes a time when opportunity knocks, and when you open it, it might be a disaster, or it might be a great opportunity," Guthard said.

Guthard, whose eight-year record at Lahser was 40-32 with one Metro Suburban Association (MSA) co-championship in 1972 (his first season), was in the midst of the Pontiac transfer conflict earlier in this fall, where several athletes transferred to Lahser after the Pontiac schools failed to pass its millage. Despite rumors, he denied moving onto a college position at the end of his 6-3 season last November.

"I really wasn't that excited when I was going up there (to East Lansing on Sunday)," Guthard said, "but he (Muddy) captured my heart — he wants to build things around the kids."

Guthard's appointment came less than 48 hours after Brother Rice head coach Al Fracassa turned down the No. 2 assistant position as offensive coordinator to stay at the Birmingham high school.

Guthard, a 1967 MSU graduate and offensive lineman for the Spartans, said the "salary is comparable. They increased my salary (at MSU). No great shakes there." Guthard coached at the college assistant level at Eastern Michigan University and Wake Forest before coming Lahser. He turned down assistant coaching jobs at MSU under Denny Stolz and at University of Minnesota under Cal Stolz while at Lahser.

His wife Carol will continue to teach at East Hills Jr. High in Bloomfield Hills. The Guthards plan to look for residency in Howell, halfway between Bloomfield Hills and Lansing.

High school cage standings

AREA PREP CAGE STATS (As of Feb. 4)

OVERALL STANDINGS	W	L	GB	Opponent	Score
O.L. St. Mary's	12	0	x	Oxford	3 5 5
SHL Manassas	10	1	x	Avondale	3 5 5
SHL Christiana	10	2	x	Troy	3 5 5
Lahser	10	2	x	Mt. Lamphere	2 6 6
Brother Rice	10	3	x	Madison Hts.	0 8 8
SHL-Lathrup	9	4	x	Chippewa Valley	0 8 8
Southfield	8	4	x		
Farm. Harrison	8	4	x		
Rochester	8	5	x		
Andover	7	5	x		
Cranbrook	7	5	x		
North Farmington	6	6	x		
Brook Adams	5	7	x		
Birm. Groves	5	7	x		
Farmington	3	8	x		
Reaper	3	8	x		
Troy	2	8	x		
West Bloomfield	4	10	x		
Country Day	1	8	x		
W.L. Central	2	10	x		
Birm. Seaborn	2	10	x		
Troy Athens	2	10	x		

GREATER OAKLAND ATHLETIC LEAGUE

	W	L	GB	WEST BRACKET	
Clarkston	6	0	x		
Rochester	5	2 1/2			
Andover	4	2		O.L. St. Mary's	7 0
Wat. Kettering	3	4 3/4		Mt. Carmel	6 1
W. Bloomfield	2	5 1/4		St. Andrew	3 4
Milford	0	7 1/2		Gab. Richard	3 4
				St. Florian	1 6
				St. Agatha	1 6

METRO CONFERENCE

Lutheran East	5	2 1/2	Waterford	5	1
Lutheran West	4	3 3	Liv. Stevenson	4	2
Harper Woods	3	3 1/2	Farmington	3	3
Lutheran North	3	4 4	Mill. Lakeland	3	3
Cranbrook	2	4 1/2	Pontiac Northern	2	4
Country Day	0	8 7/2	Wall. Lake Central	1	5

METRO SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	GB	LEAGUE	W	L
Lahser	6	0	x		5	1
SHL-Lathrup	4	2	2	Liv. Franklin	4	2
Birmingham Groves	3	3		N. Farmington	4	2
	3R.O.	Don-		Thurston	3	3
drew	3	3	3	Redford Union	3	3
Rochester Adams	1	5	5	Westland Glenn	2	4
				G.C. East	1	5

OAKLAND-A LEAGUE

U. Eisenhower	8	0	x	Waterford	6	0	x
U. Ford	8	0	x	Plymouth Canton	4	2	x
Utica	6	2	2	Farm. Harrison	4	2	x
Clawson	6	2	2	Liv. Churchill	3	3	x
Romeo	5	3	3	Northville	1	5	x
				W. L. Western	0	6	x

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