

DONNIS BUTCHER

MEADE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Five-year letterman (1951, 52, 53, 54 and 55)

2,400 career points

Three-time All-District selection (1953, 54 and 55)

Two-time All-15th Region selection (1954 and 55)

Honorable Mention All-State (1954)

1st Team All-State (1955)

Meade was the 59th District champion twice (1953 and 55)

In his senior year (54-55) Meade had a regular season record of 27-0

*defeated in the 15th Region finals by Pikeville High School (61 to 47)

PIKEVILLE COLLEGE

Three-year letterman (1959, 60 and 61)

2,073 career points

1,086 career rebounds

more than 750 career assists

Three-time KIAC All-Conference selection (1959, 60 and 61)

Two-time NAIA All-American (1960 and 61)

Pikeville College won the 24th District championship in 1959

The Bears also won the KIAC regular season title in 1959 and 1960

1961 NBA Draft pick (7th Round, 60th overall selection) by the New York Knicks

NEW YORK KNICKS

Played in 141 games in 2 seasons

Made his NBA debut and 1st career NBA start on December 1, 1961 against the Syracuse Nationals

*On March 2, 1962 he played in one of the most historic games in basketball history. On that night, in Hershey, Pennsylvania, Butcher's Knicks lost to the Philadelphia Warriors 169 to 147. Donnis scored 10 points that night in the loss. What made history that night was Warriors center Wilt Chamberlain, who scored 100 points in the game!

Scored an NBA career-high 23 points against the Philadelphia 76ers on October 25, 1963

Traded to the Detroit Pistons on December 16, 1963

DETROIT PISTONS

Played in 138 games in 2 seasons

Recorded a triple-double (19 points, 15 rebounds and 15 assists) against the New York Knicks on March 14, 1964

*Also in this game Butcher's teammate Ray Scott recorded a triple-double. According to the Elias Sports Bureau this was the first time in NBA history that players recorded their first triple-doubles in the same game. A feat not accomplished again until December 3, 2013!

Played in his last NBA game on November 24, 1965 against the Baltimore Bullets

*In 279 NBA games Butcher scored 1,696 points, grabbed 821 rebounds and dished out 585 assists

DETROIT PISTONS (COACH)

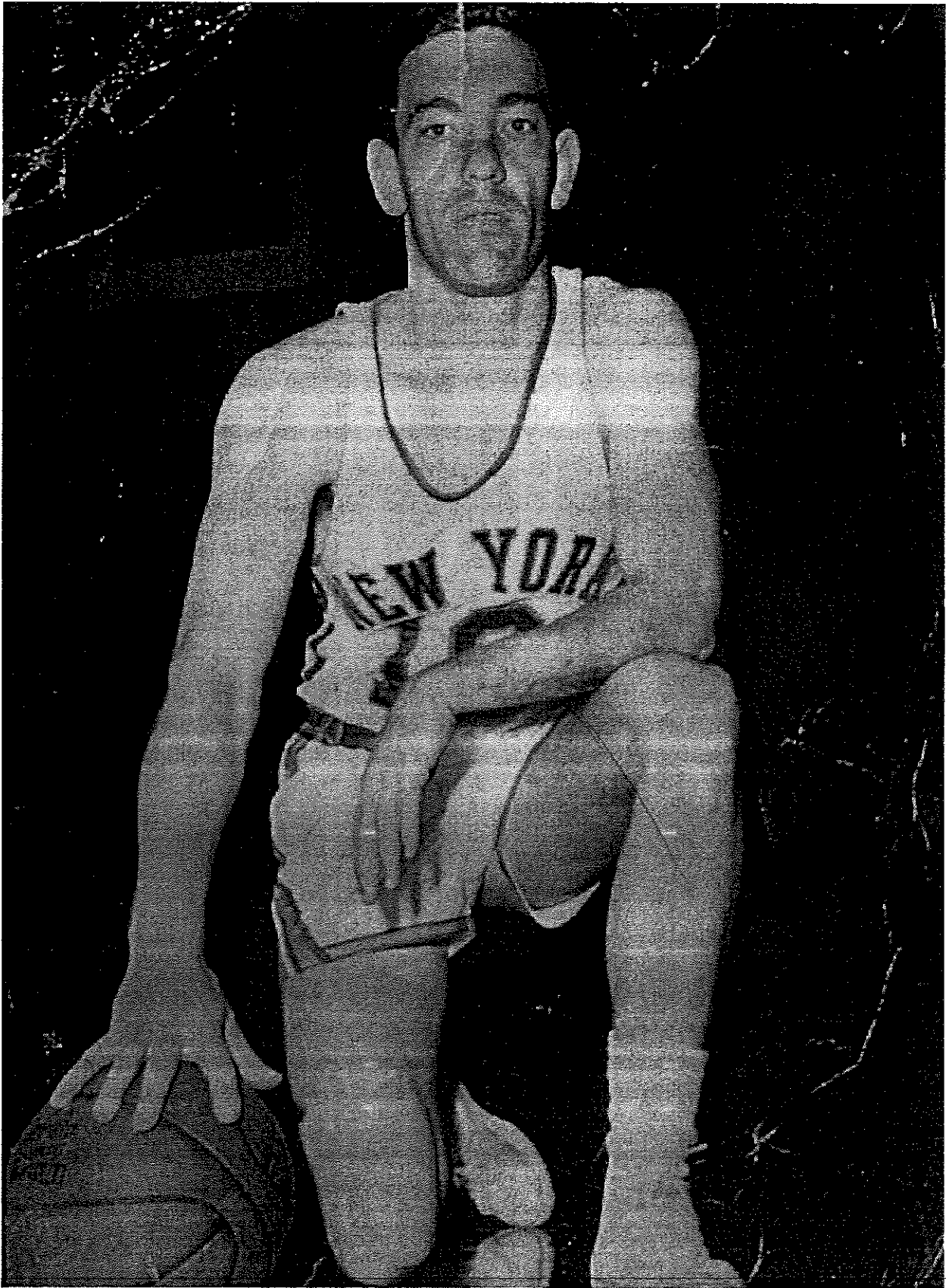
On March 8, 1967 he was named head coach of the Detroit Pistons

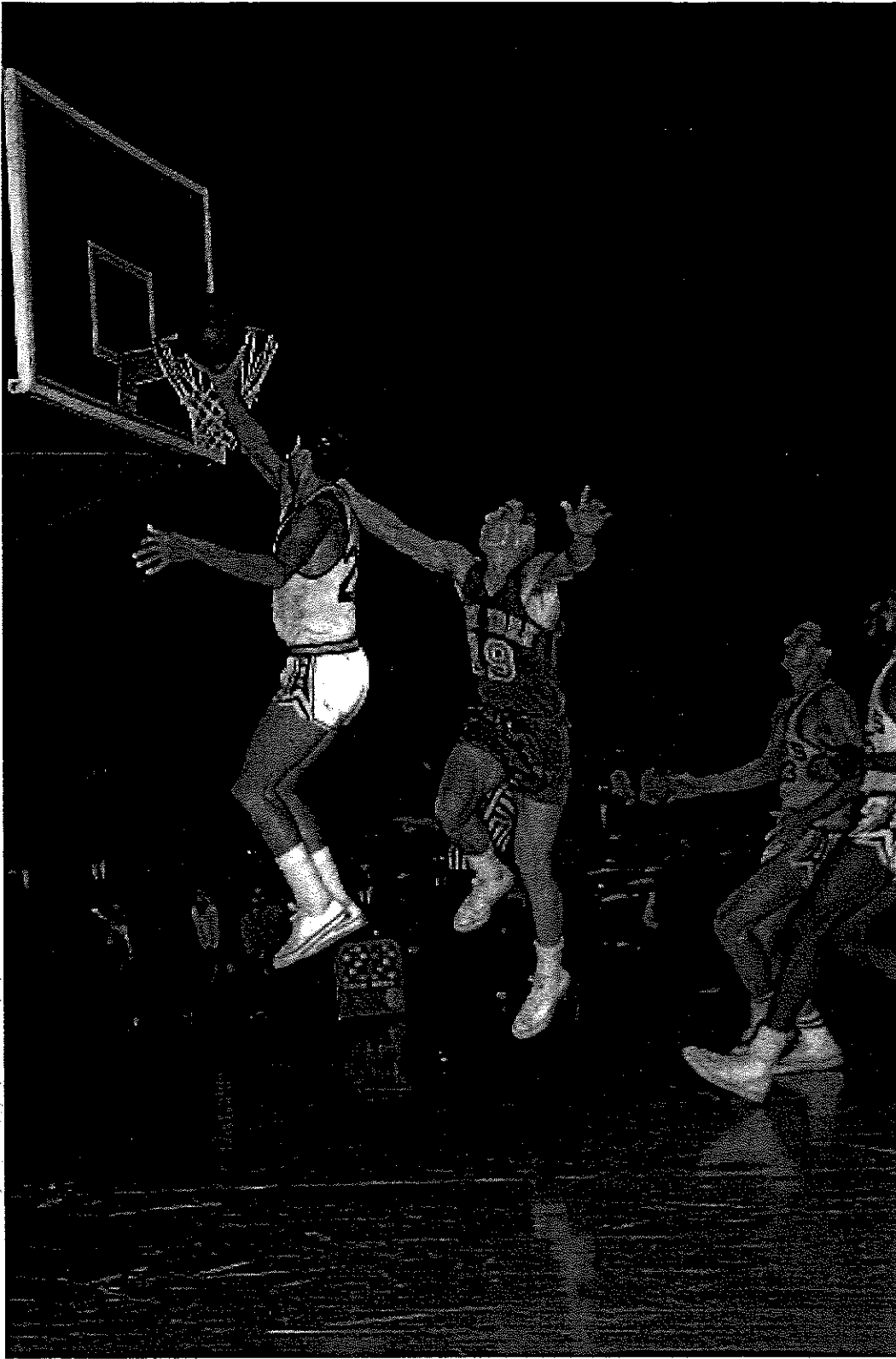
Coached the Pistons until December 3, 1968 when he was relieved of his duties

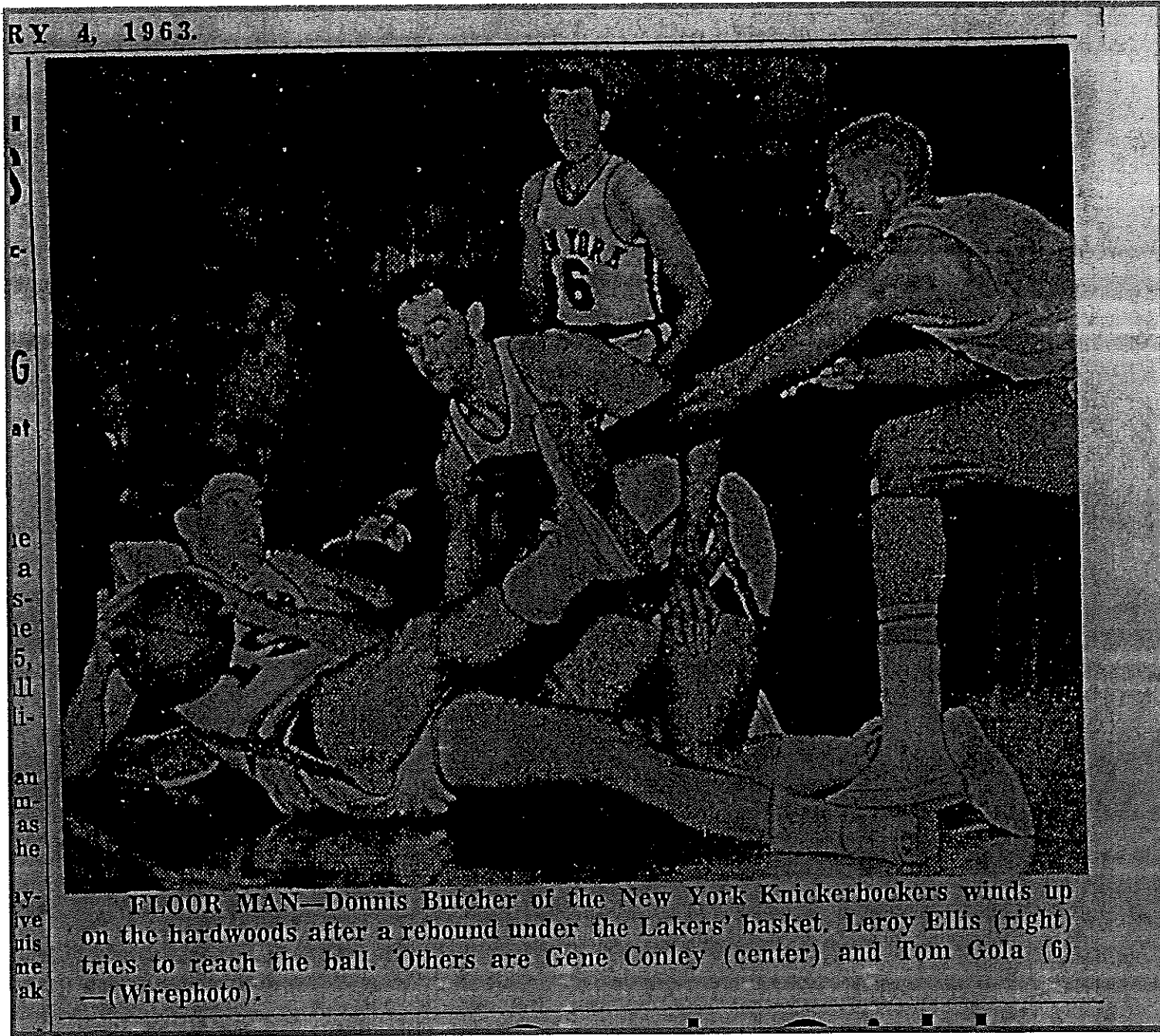
During his tenure as coach the Pistons had a 52-60 overall record and a 2-4 record in the playoffs

AFTERWORD

After working as a scout and coach in the NBA he had a long career as an executive with the Converse shoe company. One of the company handbooks described him as "a true Converse legend and one of the toughest competitors to ever play the game [of basketball]." In 1989 he was inducted into the first class of the Pikeville College Athletic Hall of Fame. He has also been named on of the Top 100 Detroit Pistons of All-Time. Sadly he died on October 8, 2012 in Livingston County, Michigan.



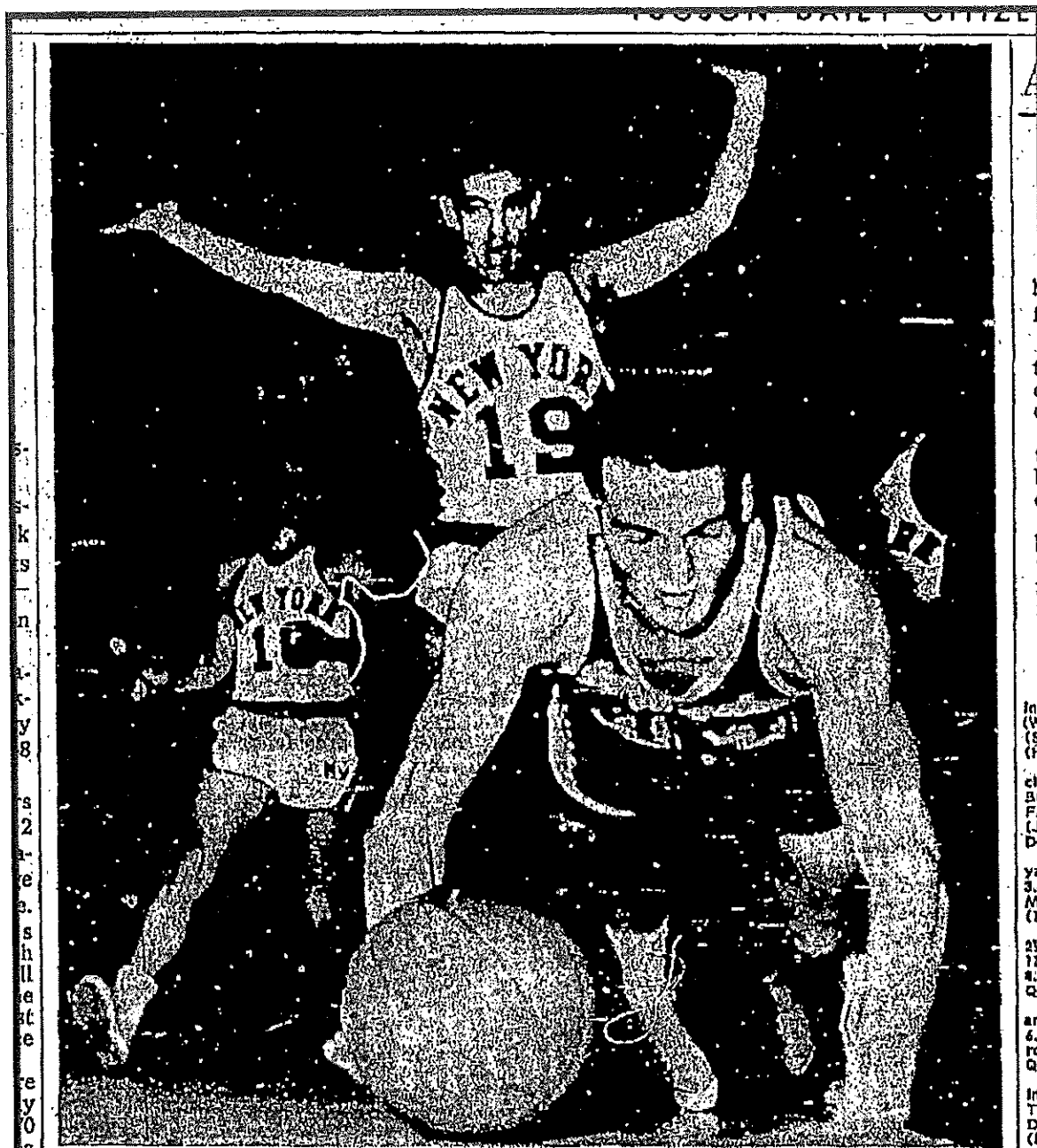




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FLOOR MAN—Donnis Butcher of the New York Knickerbockers winds up on the hardwoods after a rebound under the Lakers' basket. Leroy Ellis (right) tries to reach the ball. Others are Gene Conley (center) and Tom Gola (6) —(Wirephoto).



PUSH UPS, ANYONE?

—AP Wirephoto

Jerry West of the Los Angeles Lakers seems to have taken a break to do some fast push ups during last night's game with the New York Knickerbockers, but he is actually going after the loose ball. Directly behind West is Donnis Butcher (19) of the Knicks while Dave Budd (10) also moves in on the play. The Lakers won, 116-115.



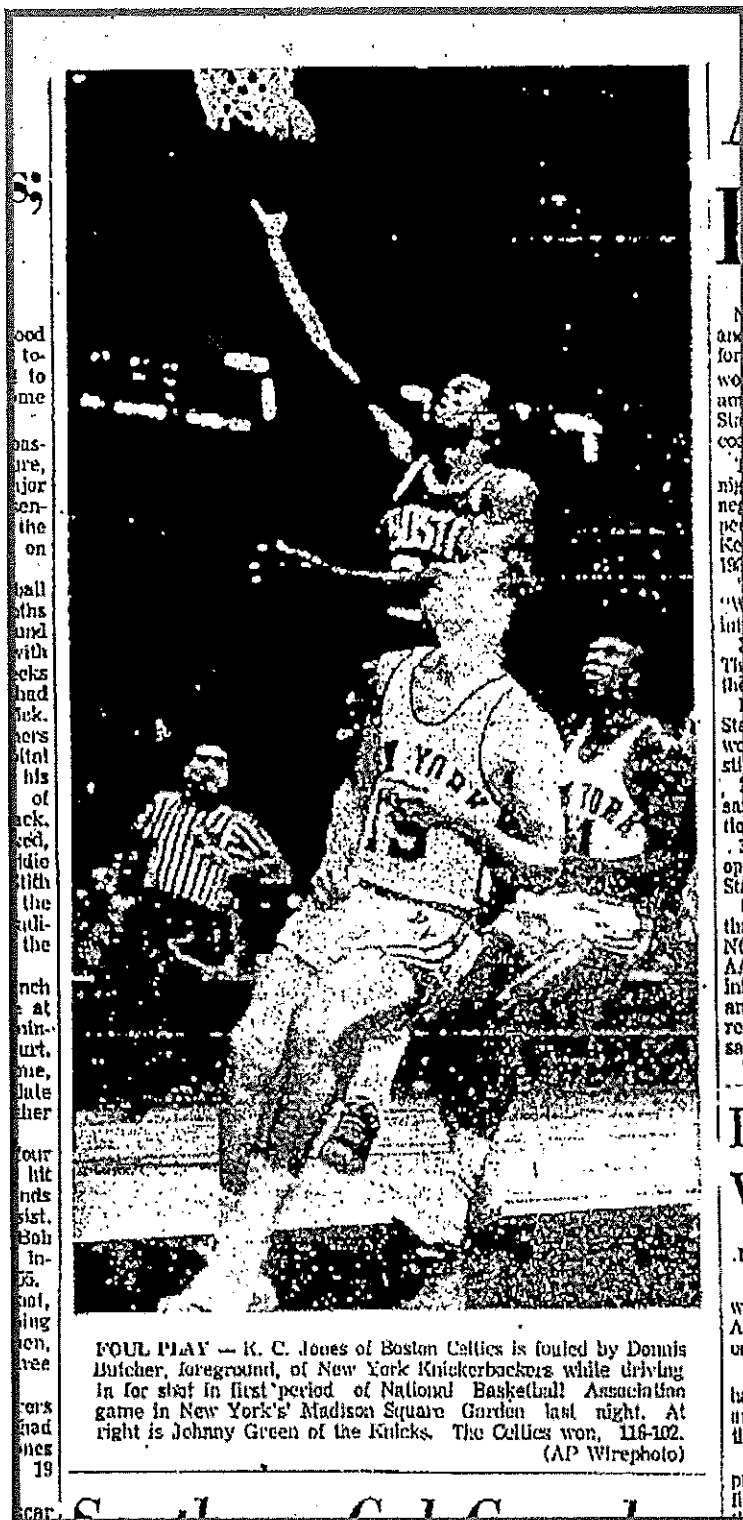


BUTCH FOR TWO—New York Knick Howard "Butch" Komives, former Bowling Green State University star and last year's national scoring leader, goes high for a two-pointer as Detroit Piston's Donnis Butcher tries to guard shot during fourth quarter action Monday in Boston. Detroit won the first game 123-117, and Boston won the second contest, defeating the Los Angeles Lakers, 133-112. (UPI Telephoto)

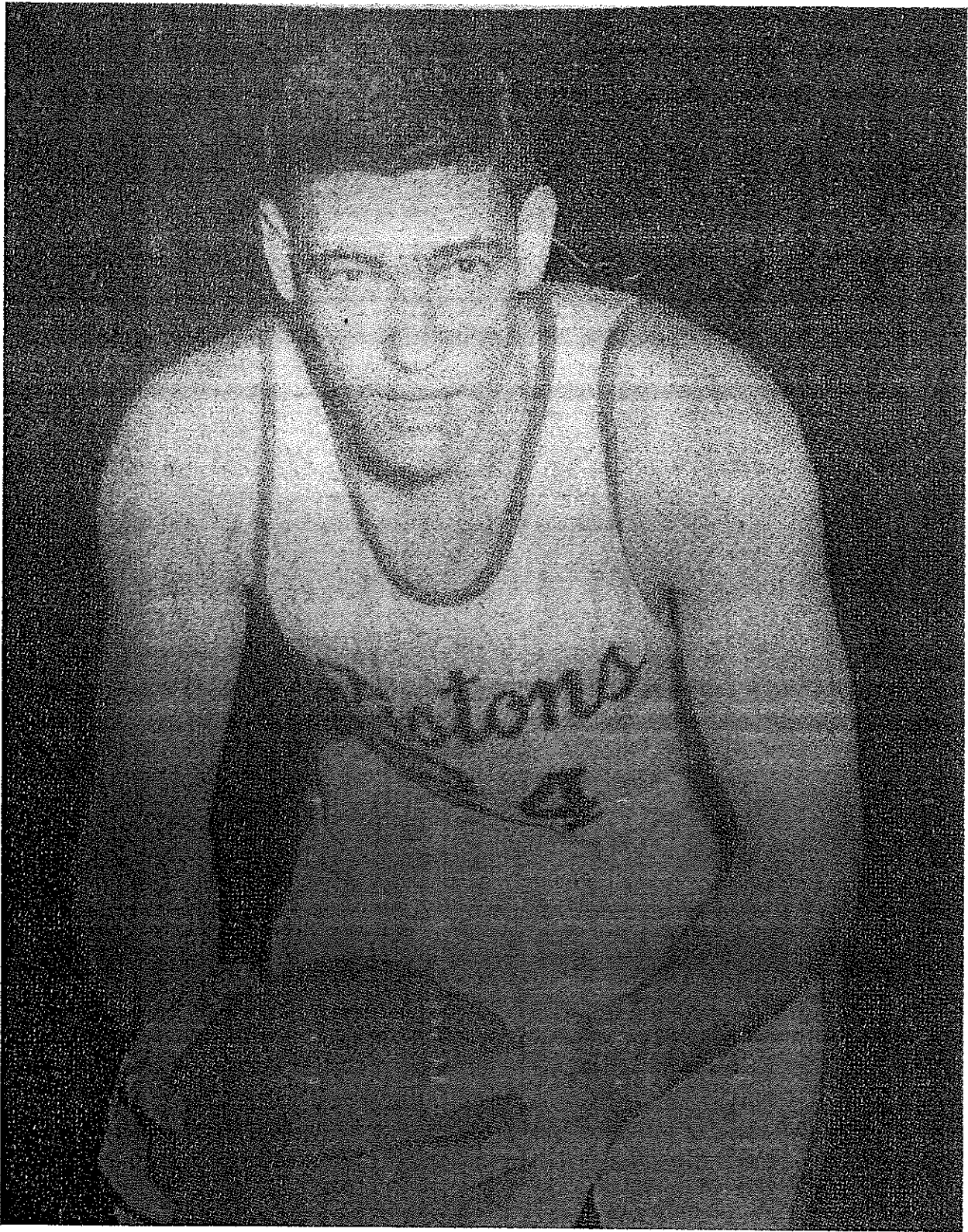
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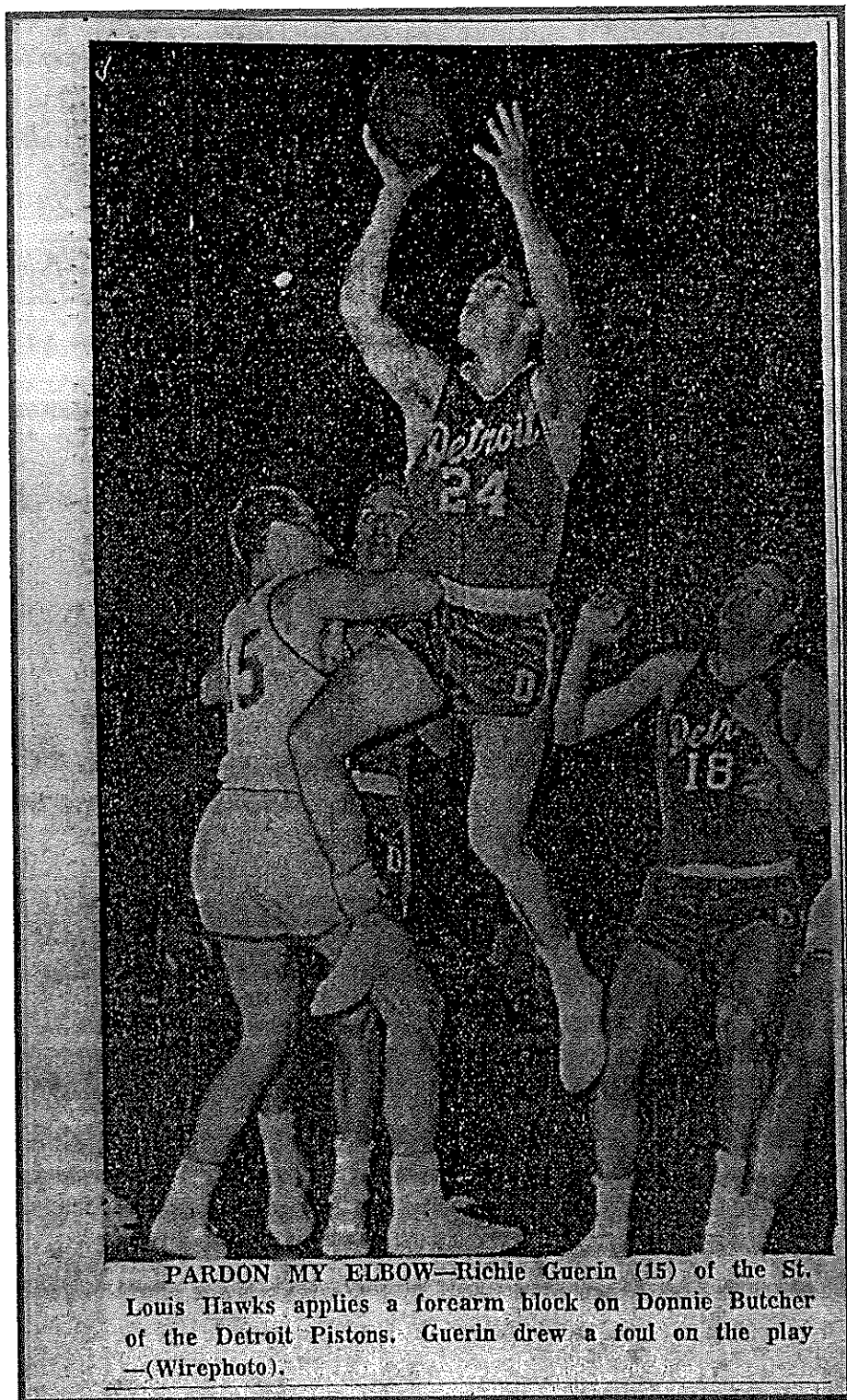
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FOUL PLAY — K. C. Jones of Boston Celtics is fouled by Donnis Butcher, foreground, of New York Knickerbockers while driving in for shot in first period of National Basketball Association game in New York's Madison Square Garden last night. At right is Johnny Green of the Knicks. The Celtics won, 116-102. (AP Wirephoto)





PARDON MY ELBOW—Richie Guerin (15) of the St. Louis Hawks applies a forearm block on Donnie Butcher of the Detroit Pistons. Guerin drew a foul on the play —(Wirephoto).

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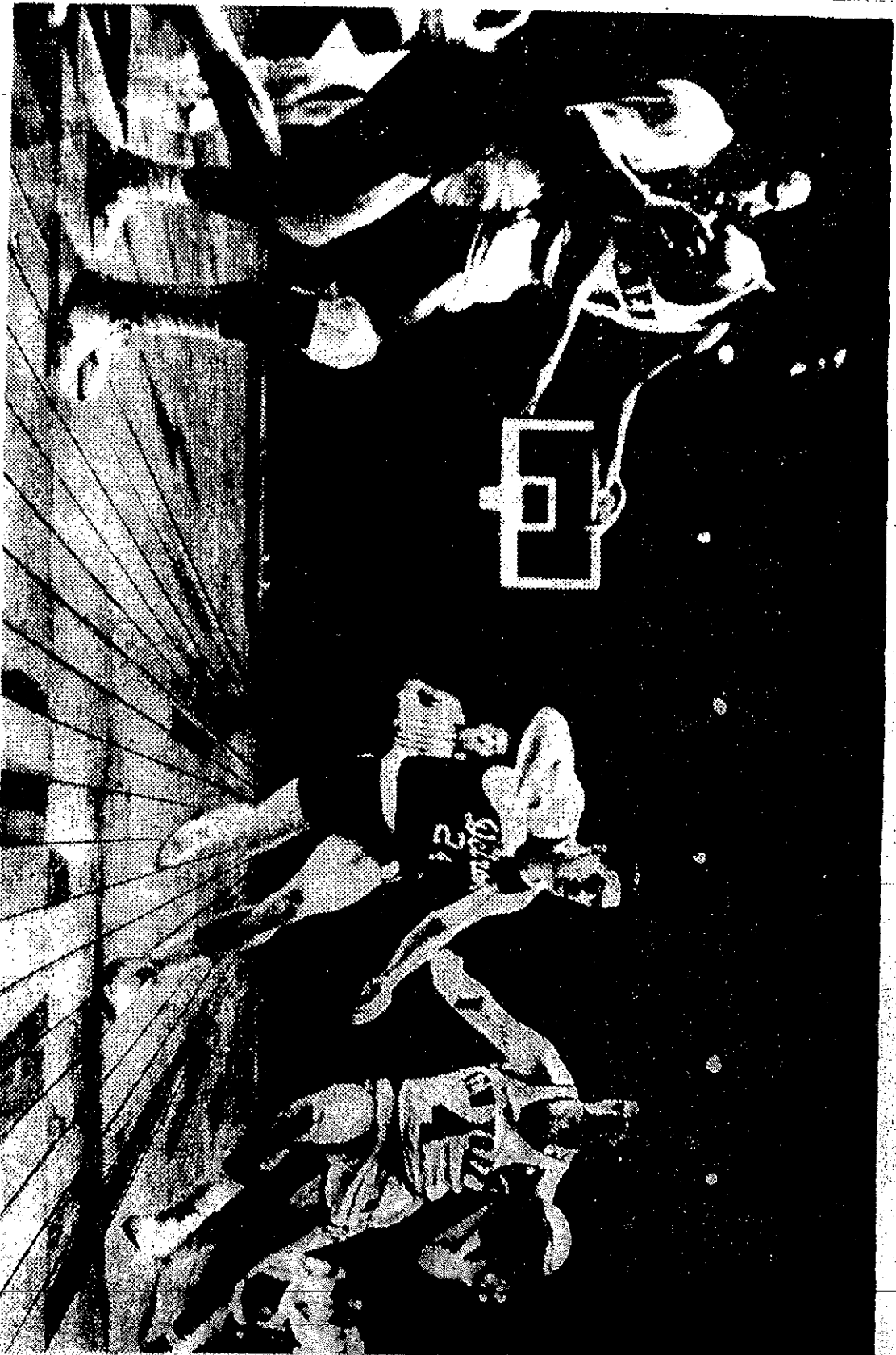
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MAKING A BID: Art Heyman, Knickerbocker guard, tries to drive around Donnie Butcher of the Detroit Pistons

The New York Times

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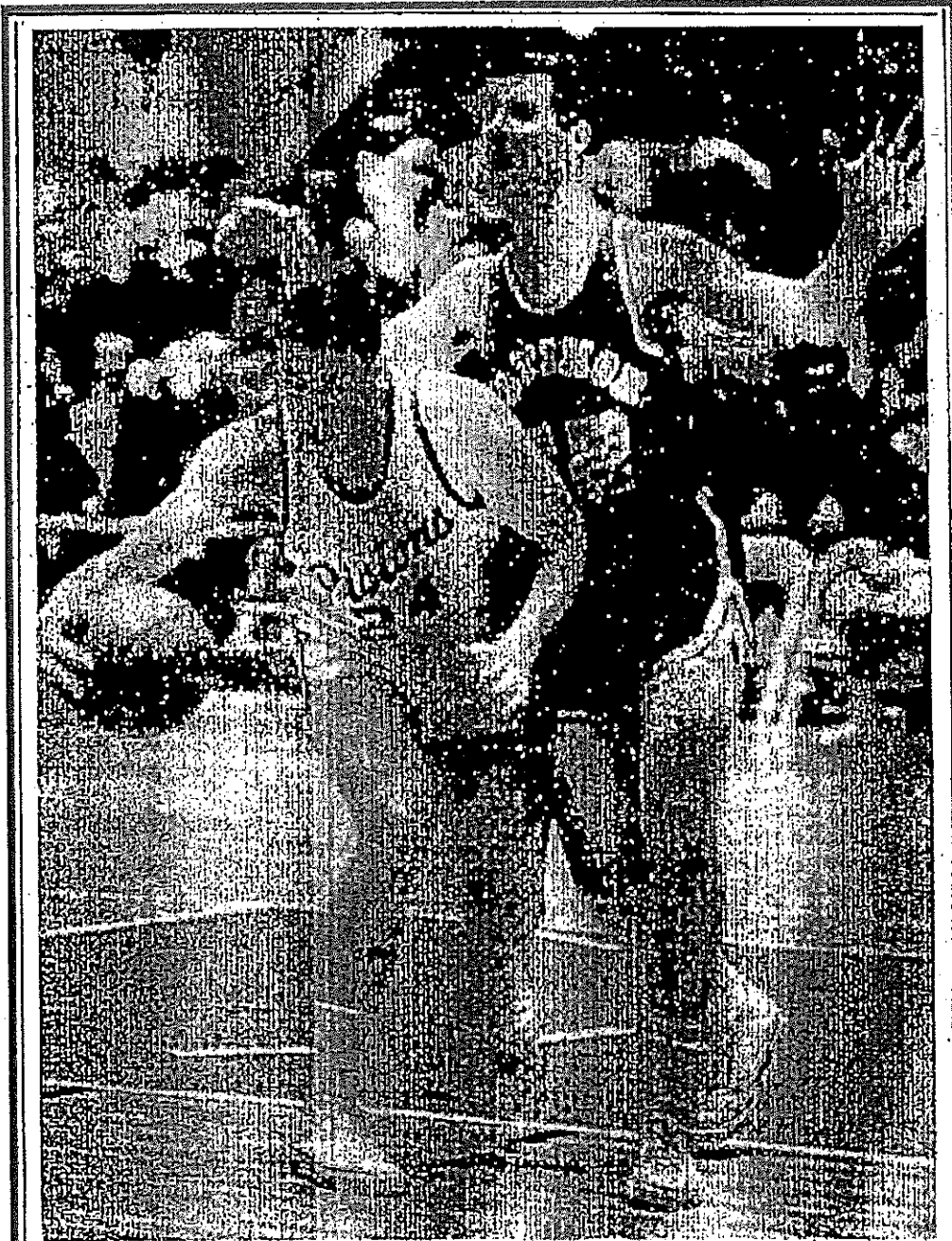
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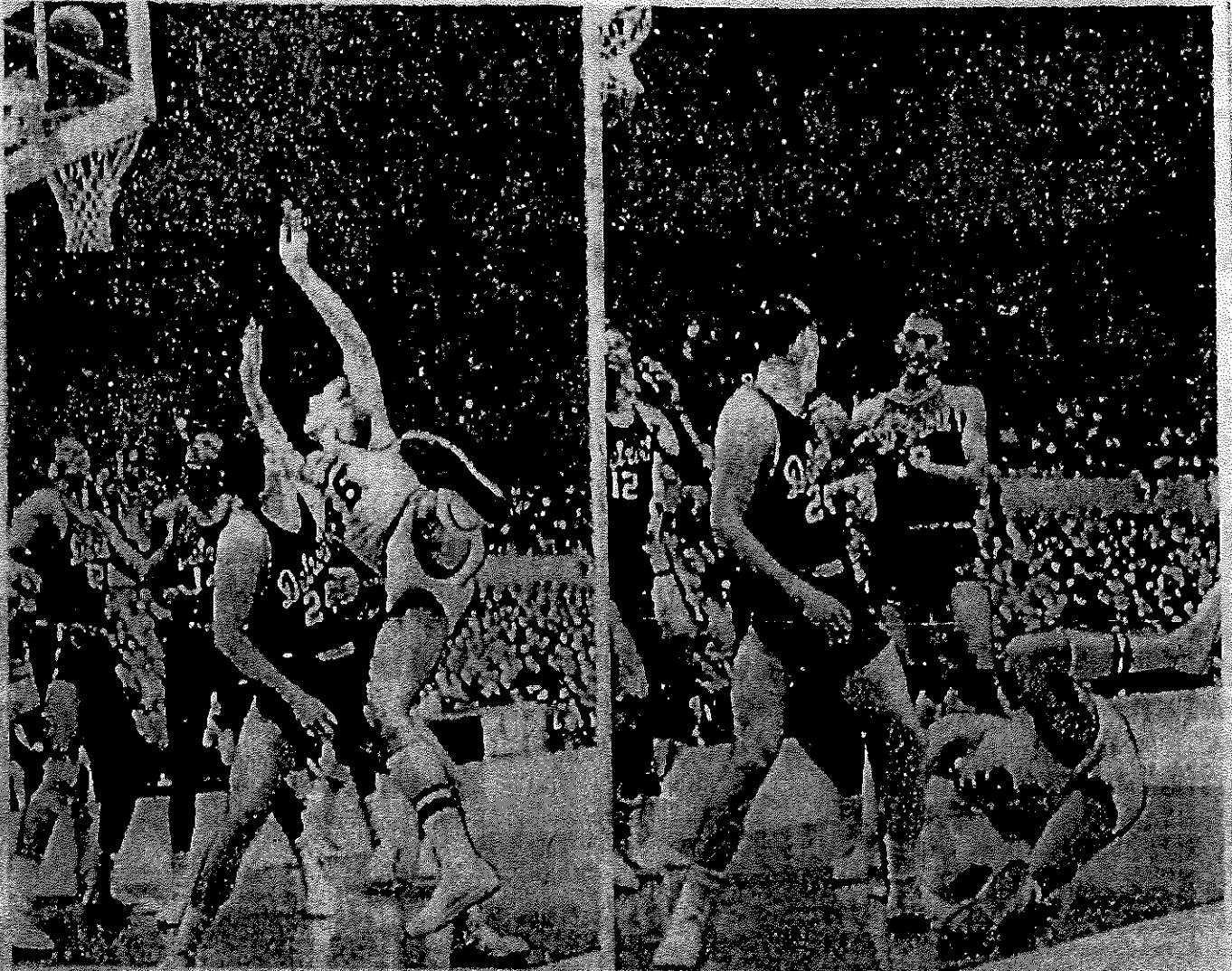
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Hold It, Buddy

Baltimore's Kevin Loughery (right) gives out with a yell as he is run into by Detroit's Donnie Butcher (24) during the second quarter of the Fort Wayne-Balti-

more National Basketball Association game Wednesday night in Detroit. Baltimore won the game, 106-99. (Unifax)



BASKET THE HARD WAY

Rudy LaRusso of Los Angeles sinks a basket the hard way as he falls to the floor after colliding with Detroit's Donnie Butcher (24). Detroit won the NBA game Friday night 111-103.—UPI Telephoto.



Butcher, Triplett Named To All-State Basketball Squad

Donnis Butcher of Meade Memorial High School and Herbie Triplett of Inez High School were among the ten players chosen on the 12th annual all-star squad by the All-State Board of coaches, sports writers and officials.

Butcher, a dual-purpose performer, played guard and center. He was chosen All-District three years and All-Regional twice. During three seasons, he tallied 2,400 points and averaged 27.9 points a game this season. A second baseman, he is considered a pro baseball prospect. A senior in high school, he plans to attend the University of Kentucky.

Triplett, a fine outside shot and a good defensive player, helped Inez win the state championship in 1954. A junior in high school, he has been named All-District twice, All-Regional once and was selected for All-State Tournament Team last year. Triplett has scored 1,350 points during his three years of play, and tallied 518 of them this year.

Honorable mention for the Fifteenth Region was given to Jack Williams of Paintsville, Charles Hall of Paintsville, Charles Osborne of Flat Gap, Lowell Hughes of Prestonsburg, Ronnie Blackburn of Belfrey, Edgar Reister of Garrett and Don Whitt of Pikeville.

Sandy MacGregor says: It's sound Scots sense to buy Savings Bonds where you work or where you bank. The payroll savings plan makes it automatic.

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Walter Simpson, who has been a patient in the Paintsville Clinic, is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. William Danfel and little son, have been visiting Mrs. Daniel's sister, Mrs. Kelle Daniel, and Mr. Daniel, Wheelwright, the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Belcher are visiting here over the week end.

Earn Preston is much improved at this time.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cantrell visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Butcher, over the week end.

Mrs. Rachel Mollette and daughters were shopping in Paintsville Saturday.

Claude Preston, who is employed at McVeigh, visited his family here over the week end.

Robert C. Meek, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rickman last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Castle, Boons Camp, visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Castle over the week end.

Mrs. Vina Simpson, Veneda Rose, Mildred Mollette, Felix Ward and George W. Butcher attended the teachers' meeting held in Morehead Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Ward made a business trip to Pikeville Thursday.

Herman Preston and son, Huntington, W. Va., were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earn Preston, over the week end.

Peggy and Robbie Ward, children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward, are much improved at this time.

Mrs. John N. Ward is visiting her daughter who is a patient in the Pikeville Hospital.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Pikeville To Meet Phelps In Opening Tournament Game

The Panthers closed out their 1959-60 regular season Tuesday night by downing a stubborn Maytown team 100-74. Pikeville jumped out to an early lead of 10 points at the end of the first quarter but were outscored by the visitors in the second quarter by outscoring the visitors 33-11. The last quarter saw numerous substitutions by both squads with Pikeville hitting for 27 points against Maytown.

"Hammerhead" Mims found his scoring eye as he led all scorers on 14 field goals and seven charity tosses for 35 points. Radliff hit for 34 points on 16 field goals and two charity tosses. Baird continued his brilliant play as he added 15 points in the win.

On Friday night the Panthers downed Garrett 76-43 with

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Mims hitting for 21 points and Venters 16 points in registering their 15th win of the season. In climaxing a winning season, the Panthers avenged an earlier defeat at the hands of powerful Lexington Dunbar by downing the talent-loaded central-Kentucky team 54-48. The score was identical to the point in which Dunbar defeated Pikeville at Lexington earlier in the season.

Mims was high point man for the winners with 18 points with Venters and Weems both hitting for 11 points and second honors.

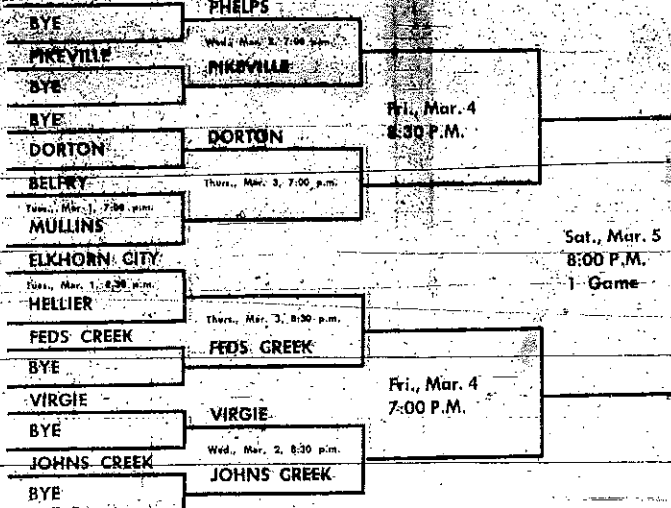
To single out an individual in Pikeville's big win would be unfair for the team as a whole was great. A great team effort was the difference in victory and defeat.

Winning their last three starts, the Panthers are preparing for defense of their District Championship, Wed. night, the Panthers will make their tournament debut by meeting Phelps at 7 p.m. Tuesday night win gave the Panthers an overall season record of 17-7.

Pikeville will retain as tournament favorites in the 57th district with Virgie rated as the number two choice. Virgie now has a season mark of 17-5.

A repeat is expected again in this year's tournament with Virgie and Pikeville meeting in the championship round of the 57th district tournament.

TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS



Tournament Officials

REFEREE: Ashley Sherrill, Nelson R. Allen

TIME: Gabel Newsome

SCORE: Bill Hickman

ANNOUNCER: Edward Colman

MANAGER: Commodore Griffith

ASSISTANT MANAGER: Gary Layton

Bears Facing Berea Tonight In Tournament

The top-seeded Pikeville College Bears will meet the unranked Berea College Mountaineers at 7:30 this evening in the opening round of the Kentucky Interscholastic Athletic Conference tournament at Covington, Ky.

Other first-round games will match Georgetown and Bellarmine, tied for fourth place in the conference, and Pitt Union against third place Villa Madonna. In Friday's semifinals the Pikeville-Berea winner will meet the Georgetown-Bellarmine survivor at 9 p.m. after the winner of the Villa-Madonna-Union match has tangled with Transylvania, which drew the only first-round bye, at 7:30. The semifinal winners will meet at 8 p.m. Saturday for the tournament crown in the evening's only game.

HONORARY PAGE
Starr and Johnny Branham, children of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Branham, of Robinson Creek, have been named honorary pages in the general assembly. They were nominated by T. T. Colley, state representative from Pike County's 94th legislative district.

On July 7, 1769, Daniel Boone in his own words, "beheld of pleasure the beautiful level of Kentucky."

Bears Take Revenge; Defend Homecoming In Downing Rebels

The Pikeville College Bears took revenge for their last defeat on their own floor, and safely defended their homecoming, as they turned back the Villa Madonna Rebels 81-57 here Saturday night.

In midgame ceremonies Toby Ann Bussey, David, Ky., senior at Pikeville, was crowned the college's 1960 homecoming queen.

Regular-season champions of the Kentucky Interscholastic Athletic Conference since runner-up Transylvania was mathematically eliminated from the top spot last Thursday, the Bears wound up 10-1 in conference play. They ended their regular card 17-6 in all games, as the Rebels closed their 11 in KIAC action and 14-12 overall.

The win was the Bears' 20th in a row on their home court. In their last loss at Pikeville they fell 99-95 to the Rebels Feb. 21, 1958.

Donnis Butcher, triple-teamed and held to five points before halftime, canned six field goals and 10 free throws to lead all scorers in the game with 22 points.

Paul Setser followed with 20 points, hitting nine of 18 shots from the field and two of three from the line. Dan Tiepman, Villa Madonna scoring ace, paced the Rebels with 19 points on nine fielders and one free throw.

The Bears, hitting 44 percent of their field shots—20 of 47—built their 24-point winning margin gradually except for one Rebel rally. They pulled out to a 32-17 halftime bulge after taking the lead to stay 11-10 on Butcher's only field goal of the first half with 10:05 left in the period.

Butcher led in rebounds and assists also, grabbing 21 saves off the boards and handing off to six scorers. Vern Woods, 11:30 (CIT) by the National Society of the Colonial Dames in 14 points, and Everett Hooten, 19, as Ken Maynard notched six points, and Harry



DONNIS BUTCHER

Meek got two.

In their next game the Bears will meet the Berea Mountaineers at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the first round of the KIAC tournament at Covington, Ky.

FRANKFORT EVENT
Frankfort—"The wives of the members of the General Assembly will be the guests of honor at a "coffee" to be given Thursday Morning, March 3rd, at 11:30 (CIT) by the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, at Liberty Hall in Frankfort."

Donnis Butcher Can Claim Direct Hand In Bears' Record

Credited with 149 of the 346 assists in the Pikeville College Bears' 23 regular-season games, scoring leader Donnis Butcher can claim a direct hand in 149 of his teammates' field goals this season.

And the versatile guard-forward-center kept on the well-tried principal that you can't score if you haven't got the ball. Consistently outjumping 6-6 and 6-8 men, the spry, heel-heeled 6-2 Butcher has snared 337 of the Bears' 1105 rebounds, pressing Pikeville's top grabber, 6-5 Vern Woods, who has picked off 341.

Butcher's prominence in three separate categories despite his size only average for a present-day basketball player, makes him one of the big factors in the Bears' successful season. Pikeville's only varsity freshman last year, he was the team's only representative on the all-KIAC squad.

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Butcher Adds To Laurels By Capturing K.I.A.C Scoring Title

All-America candidate Donnis Butcher, "Pride Of The Hills" added to his many laurels Saturday night even in defeat. The Bears lost their last game of the season to previously beaten Villa Madonna, of Covington, Kentucky, but the Meade Memorial product clinched the K.I.A.C. scoring title by netting 28 points. In notching the title, Butcher nosed out another eastern Kentucky basketball, Everett "Mutt" Varney, a native of Belfry, Kentucky. Butcher's game average was 28.5 percent, Varney's percentage 28.2.

Also among the nation's top scorers, Butcher leads his team in assists, a "Cousy" of the hardwood who is unexcelled in team generalship.



Donnis Butcher

The 6' 2" junior guard, center, or forward, operates with equal adeptness at every position. His rebounding strength, even the of small stature compared to most basketball players, can be measured by the fact that he leads his team in rebounds.

Butcher's biggest asset is the ability to maneuver for shots, never is he at a loss for an offensive thrust. A trait acquired early in life at Meade Memorial High School of Johnson County.

Two years ago as a freshman at Pikeville College, "Butch" led his team to the N.A.I.A. tournament at Kansas City. He was named to the K.I.A.C. all-star team the same year.

As a sophomore, Donnis was named to the number one spot as the All-K.I.A.C. player of the year, an honor voted by the coaches and sportswriters of Kentucky.

This past season, junior year, "Butch" has added to his laurels by notching the scoring race of the K.I.A.C. and being named the most valuable player in the 3rd Annual Camp Lejuena Christmas Tournament. This award was voted over many proven college stars such as All-American Dick Sullivan.

"Butch", a member of a sport loving family, has always been above average in every endeavor. As a senior at Meade Memorial High School, coached there by his brother Paul, (now coaching at Pikeville College) he led his team to 32 straight victories before an upset victory by Pikeville High School in the regional finals. Brother Paul sometimes finds himself at a loss for words in describing his younger brother's feats. Recently asked his best feature — Paul, in a somewhat puzzled tone remarked, "I don't know... except that he can do everything a player needs to do."

Coach and brother Paul is the first to praise his younger brother's ability, but is never at a loss for words in correcting errors. Even the star has felt the bite of the stern disciplinary measures of the Pikeville Coach. Donnis however has never needed prodding for he has always given his all and has on many occasions passed many honors on to his teammates.

A team-player who will pass

up headlines to get the job done, doubled, teamed or triple teamed he assumes the part of play-maker, passing off for the good shot.

Donnis has amassed a field goal accuracy of 54.8 and a foul-throw mark of 76.0, both second high for the team. From the floor he has hit on 184 of 336 tries and from the free line on 193 of 254 tries.

Improvement has been steady throughout his basketball career, from the day-of the nailed hoop on the barn, throughout his early school years his progress has soared but one way... UP.

As a sophomore in college when he finished with a 21.1 per game mark and now as a junior with a mark of 28.5 and all indications it will be even higher his senior year.

As a sophomore, the following statement was made last year by veteran coach J. B. Secaree, Jr., of Georgia Southern College:

"He's the greatest college sophomore I've seen play". This comment came from a coach whose teams had played Georgia Tech, Furman and many of the southern powers. Donnie, this same year wrecked the Georgia home winning streak of 15 straight games.

Recognition by opposing coaches, headlines and sports awards have been plentiful but yet he still maintains the same unassuming air of an average player. "Butch" has gained the respect of his fellow players, teachers and above all has niched a spot in the hearts of all the people of the community.

A crowned star with honors dating back to Meade Memorial where he attained such honors as All-Regional and All-District. He was denied the privilege of ever playing in a state tournament when Coach John Bill Trivette's Panthers upset the dope in the finals of the regional tournament. "Butch" was a regular for three years at Meade, starting every game, averaging better than 30 points per game.

Married and the father of one daughter, the 25 year old star has yet to attain his full potential. After three years in the working world "Butch" returned to school to fulfill an early dream of a college education and with one year to go he will have soon fulfilled his biggest dream. A major in education and minor in history, Donnis is a leader and standout student in his college academic work.

After graduation, Donnis has several fields open, including a

Pikeville Bears Me Thursday In K.I.A.

When it rains... It pours... ac
Pikeville upset by Villa Madonna last Saturday night 91-87, must now win, or be runnerup in the K.I.A.C. tournament to qualify for the N.A.I.A. play-offs.

Pikeville defeated the Knights on their home court recently by a handy margin but failed to get the big one at Villa.

In losing to Villa, the only consolation gained was that Butcher clinched the K.I.A.C. scoring mark with a 28 point outburst. This total gave the star a season mark of 28.5 to nose out Everett "Mutt" Varney of Berea who finished the season with a 28.2 average.

Varney is also a product of eastern Kentucky, having played his high school basketball at Belfry High School. Varney recently was honored at Berea with a "Varney Day" at which time he was honored for his contribution to Berea College basketball.

Box Score of Villa Madonna Game:

Pikeville 87 Villa Madonna 91

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Butcher	9	16	5
Sotser	7	5	4
Woods	3	6	4
Campbell	5	2	3
Horn	5	2	4
Francisco	1	0	0
Preston	0	0	0
Hunt	1	0	0
Totals	31	25	21

VILLA MADONNA

Player	fg.	ft.	pf.
Emmerich	7	5	3
D. Abritnek	10	5	5
Artrichs	1	1	5
Tieman	6	4	2
Gross	5	0	0
Miche's	2	0	1
Niederegzer	2	3	2
Gerrein	0	2	1
Totals	35	21	24

Halftime: Villa Madonna 47-45

The Bears will tee off Thursday night in the K.I.A.C. tournament at Bellarmine Gymnasium in Louisville, Kentucky. Pikeville will meet Berea at 7:45 p.m.

Bellarmine and Transylvania will open the tournament at 8 p.m. with the conference winner Georgetown ringing down the curtain on the first night's

possible shot at professional baseball, and opinions in the area rate him a great professional basketball prospect.

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announcement received from the Christmas Decorating Commission that the decorations are being placed in the city.

As lights are being placed throughout the city, business establishments are not given their share to this extent.

Christmas Parade on Nov. 24th, and eight days from the area. Invitations to need your help to ease expenses, so already done so, please mail your share to Pikeville Christmas Decorating Commission, Box 897, Pikeville, Ky. "We want to know who have we last week."

Christmas Paint Company of Pikeville, Ky. \$10; Pikeville Store, \$10; 11.50.

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Bid Schedule Listed On Construction Work Linked To Fishtrap

HUNTINGTON, W. V. — The Huntington District Office of the U. S. Engineers yesterday listed a probable schedule on which it will ask bids for construction in connection with the Fishtrap Dam and Reservoir project.

The office said it would seek bids next month on grading, draining and paving of six miles of state highway from Phyllis to Kimper, in Pike County, estimated cost \$500,000 to one million dollars; in February 1962 for about 10 miles of county roads in the same area, estimated cost \$500,000 to one million dollars, and March, 1962 for 8.2 miles of U. S. Highway 460 from Belcher to Mouthcard, estimated cost, two million to five million dollars; all in connection with the Fishtrap Dam and Reservoir project.

Fire Destroys Local Company

The Big Sandy Maytag Company on the Pikeville by-pass was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin yesterday morning.

The building, a one-story concrete block structure and its contents were described as a total loss by John Peters, owner of the company.

Firemen were notified of the blaze at 6:20 a.m. yesterday but the building was beyond saving when they arrived at the fire, O. W. Lawson, fireman, said.

Lawson said firemen concentrated on keeping the blaze from spreading to an adjacent service station and trailer and other buildings including the Justice Supply Company and the Eagle Electric Company.

There are no fireplugs on the by-pass and water used in controlling the blaze came from tanks on two firetrucks and a water tank belonging to the city street cleaning department. Lawson said it would have been impractical to pump water from the Levisa Fork.

Lawson said the fire department was informed of the blaze by O. M. Anderson, of Third Street, who saw the fire on the by-pass across the river from his home.

The Big Sandy Maytag Company building is near the intersection of the by-pass and the Williamson Road. The building originally housed Langley's Steak House.

Smoke from the fire hung heavily over the town yesterday morning and at the height of the blaze it billowed hund-



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Donnis Butcher Heads For Pros

Donnis Butcher, Pikeville College's Little-All-America basketball player of last year, announced Monday his decision to sign a professional contract with the New York Knickerbockers of the National Basketball Association.

He left Tuesday Nov. 21 for New York to close negotiations, which have been going on ever since the Knicks chose him in last spring's player draft, his brother, and coach for the last two years. Paul Butcher, said today.

A 25-year-old senior, Donnis was eligible for the draft while still a college player because he had worked in Ohio for two years before enrolling for his freshman year at Pikeville. He was a National Cash Register employee at Dayton, where he had played on NCR's team in an AAU league.

A 6'2-1/2", 200-pound guard, called "the most versatile player Pikeville College has had in many years," he was shifted regularly to forward, and used

occasionally in the pivot.

In addition to his NAIA All-America ranking, he was named to the all-conference team of the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference for each of the three seasons he played for the Pikeville Bears. He totaled 2073 points in 88 games for Pikeville for a 23.6-point average, on 490 field shooting with 720 baskets on 1470 tries, and hit 633 of 870 free throws for a .728 figure in that department.

With better than 350 rebounds each year, he totaled 1086 in the three campaigns, and gave off over 750 assists.

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Gas Explosion Hits

Grand Jury Reviews Shooting Case Gives Stephenson Its Final Report

The Pike County grand jury's investigation of the shooting of Arnold McCoy, 35, of Zebulon, on the night of Oct. 20 on the South Mayo Trail resulted in no indictments.

The grand jury, specifically instructed by Judge James B. Stephenson to investigate the shooting, recommended that law enforcement agencies continue to investigate the matter and that the next grand jury, which meets in March, continue the investigation.

The grand jury devoted a page of its final report, returned Friday, to the matter.

McCoy, wounded in the chest, was discharged from the hospital on Nov. 2. He was not summoned by the grand jury.

His wife, Mrs. Fern McCoy, appeared before the grand jury twice last week. Court records indicated that Mrs. McCoy on Nov. 15 appeared before the grand jury and refused to answer certain questions. She was brought before the court to show cause why she should not be held in contempt of court for failing to answer.

A source indicated that Mrs. McCoy was advised by counsel of her constitutional rights to refrain from giving testimony that might incriminate her or testify against her husband. She was not held in contempt of court.

The same source indicated that Mrs. McCoy on her second appearance before the grand jury, answered questions in keeping with her counsel's advice.

The questioning then attempted to discover if a third party was involved and the source said Mrs. McCoy indicated that no third party was involved in the shooting which reportedly occurred near the Campbell Oil Tool, Inc., on the night of Oct. 20.

Early accounts of the shooting from an officer were to the effect that Mrs. McCoy, driving a 1960 model sedan, was turning in a driveway when her husband was shot.

The officer said Mrs. McCoy could state only that her husband was shot from outside the car and could give no details other than that she immediately rushed him to the hospital.

The officer said the front glass on the right side of the car was broken and that there were three bullet holes in the car's windshield.

Judge Stephenson, in instructing the grand jury, referred to a newspaper item which quoted McCoy and his wife as stating the shooting was accidental, involved only the family and was purely a family matter.

said Judge Stephenson.

The grand jury report that many rumors linking local persons, including members of the local state police with the shooting, had started by unknown sources.

The grand jury said in its opinion, the investigation should continue to protect integrity of the state police department as a group and all innocent persons are exonerated and the public confidence in our law enforcement agencies is fully restored.

Judge Stephenson commended the grand jury on its report and said he realized the grand jury was limited in what it could do having started "with a clean slate." He said he believed that because of the recommendation the next grand jury would have more facts to work with.

Regarding indictments reported by the grand jury in cases Judge Stephenson said would set trial dates as many cases as possible during the current term of court.

Here is the portion of the report.

3 Raccoon Are Indicted August Slaying

Three Raccoon Creek men were charged with wilful murder in a joint indictment reported Friday by the Pike County grand jury.

They are two brothers, Charles Chapman, 24, and Chester man, about 30, and George Slone, 24.

Bond was not set for the men who are in the county jail.

The three are accused of the shotgun death of James (Jim) Justice, 44, also of Raccoon, about 7:30 p.m. Aug. 15.

The Commonwealth Commonwealth Justice was killed in a fight when fired upon with guns as he walked from home.

Indictments involving other Raccoon men as a result of an altercation in which Justice was injured the day before his death also were reported Friday.

Investigators said that night before Justice was shot and Lora Slone, fath of Justice, were involved in an altercation which resulted in Justice's being shot in the eye with a shotgun pellet. The hospitalization of Slone with a knife wound in

Bears Opening Cage Season In Tourney Friday

The Pikeville College Bears will open their 1961-62 basketball season with the first game of the Southern Warm-Up Tournament at Williamsburg, Ky., meeting the cagers of West Liberty (W. Va.) State College at 7:30 p.m. (EST) Friday.

Coach Paul Butcher's third edition of the Pikeville Bears will be introduced to the home spectators when they entertain the Golden Bears of West Virginia Tech at 8 p.m. Tuesday (Nov. 28) in Pikeville's only home game before mid-December. In a 6 p.m. curtain-raiser, the Pikeville junior varsity will host Mayo State Vocational School's cagers.

Since Little-All-America Donnis Butcher decided on Monday to sign with the pros, his brother Paul, Pikeville's head coach, is left with only four returning lettermen in his third edition of the Pikeville Bears. He plans to start two of them against West Liberty, he said today, choosing at least two of his other starters from four younger players, including another letterman, a freshman and two transfer students.

Starting will be the squad's two seniors, 6'3" forward Pete Campbell, Chattaroy, W. Va., and 6'0" guard John Will Hunt, Feds Creek, Ky. Others will be

chosen from 6'5" letterman Don Elliott, Bradenton, Fla., a junior who saw action in 15 games last year, and three new men.

The other possible starters named are Charles Blevins, Betsy Layne, Ky., a 6'4" transfer from the University of South Carolina; 6'4" Charles Duncil, Hazard, Ky., a former star at Lees Junior College, and 6'5" freshman Bob Fletcher, Chattaroy, W. Va.

The other Butchermen on this year's club are sophomore letterman Gerald Preston, Meally, Ky., 6'4"; freshman Bill Stone, Van, W. Va., 6'1", and three more transfer students, 6'1-1/2" H. L. Justice, Pikeville, from Georgetown College; 5'10" James Moore, Hindman, Ky., from

● Donnis Butcher

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including 393 in his sophomore year.

He was a high-school star, also under his brother Paul's coaching, at Meade Memorial High School in his native Williamsport, Ky., where he was captain of the team that won 32 successive games in 1954-55. He was named all-state once, all-regional twice, and all-district three times.

The huge chain and anchor with which Confederates blocked the Mississippi River to turn back Union gunboats is the main point of interest of Columbus Belmont State Park in western Kentucky.

Berea, and 6'3" Roger Mullins, Pound, Va., from the University of Richmond (Va.).

Friday's encounter will be the first between 500-student Pikeville and 750-student West Liberty, so they have no record against each other. But if the fortunes of war should throw the Bears against the cagers of Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., in the final round Saturday, the Butchermen would have a chance to avenge their only previous meeting with the Georgians.

Piedmont measured Pikeville 91-77 Feb. 8, 1956, on its home court at Demorest, with the Bears playing under a coach who will be on hand to see the action this week end—John Renfro, now Cumberland College coach and host to the tourney.

The season was Pikeville's last in junior-college athletics, before the Bears undertook a full senior-college schedule. And high-point man for the Bruins—then the Renfros—~~with 21 points~~ was freshman John Waddell, since graduated from Pikeville and now assistant basketball coach there.

If the Bears meet Renfro's Cumberland Indians in the second-night's games, they will be trying for their third straight

win over the seasons, after 1 victories last year.

Although Pikeville and West Liberty were junior-college rivals for years before the stride upward when they resumed their annual home series at the college level.



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I will begin my service in January. I have two offices with office hours. One at Little Card Creek, Route 460, and [unclear] City.

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LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE

BY HAROLD GRAY

LEAPIN' LIZARDS! ONE SURE WAY WE CAN HELP LICK TUBERCULOSIS IS TO LICK PLENTY O' CHRISTMAS SEALS; EH, SANDY?



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Wilt Chamberlain Scores 100 Points

HERSHEY, Pa. (AP)—"It's a record I'd hate to try and break myself," says Philadelphia's Wilt Chamberlain eyeing his new 100-point National Basketball Association single game standard.

Chamberlain's mark, eclipsing his own record of 78, came Friday night as the Warriors defeated the New York Knickerbockers, 169-147.

The total points scored, 316, also set an NBA record in a night just made for rewriting the NBA record columns. The previous high was 312 scored by Boston (173) and Minneapolis (139).

When Chamberlain scored the 78, earlier this year, in a triple overtime against Los Angeles, Coach Frank McGuire predicted, "someday he will hit 100."

He Scores 100

The 7-foot-1 giant lived up to the prophecy as he scored 36 field goals, and 28 of 32 foul shots, both NBA records. He also scored 31 points in the final quarter, and

scored 59 points in the second half both records.

The 36 goals were made on 63 tries, for 57 per cent.

"I wasn't even thinking of hitting a 100, but after putting in nine straight free throws, I was thinking about a foul shooting record," he said.

His Greatest Game

"It was my greatest game," he added.

McGuire agreed, "It has to be the greatest game of his career."

Chamberlain scored again, and again on his fallaway shot as the excited crowd of 4,124 shrieked, "Give it to Wilt, give it to Wilt." His teammates complied.

"The team made all the difference. It would have been impossible to score this many if they hadn't kept feeding me," said Chamberlain.

When he hit 100 on a dunk shot with 46 seconds left, the fans streamed out onto the court to

mob him. The game was held up until the floor was cleared.

Chamberlain, approaching a 4,000-point single season, has scored 3,865 points this season and has four games to go. He has scored an average of 50.8 points for the 76 games.

Chamberlain's career total is now 9,605, having scored 2,707 points his rookie year and 3,033 last year.

GeGts \$15,000 In Gifts

Another NBA standout had a "night" for himself also.

St. Louis' Bob Pettit received \$15,000 worth of gifts from Hawks fans, then canned 33 points in a 138-120 victory over Eastern Division champion Boston. Pettit and roomie Cliff Hagan, who had 43 points, led the Hawks to a third period spurt that killed the Celtics.

Cincinnati defeated Detroit 120-112 at Ft. Wayne, Ind., in the other NBA game.

Dasterson Says He'll Go

NEW YORK		G	F	P	T
Naulls	9	13-15	5	31	
Green	3	0-0	5	6	
Imhoff	3	1-1	6	7	
Guerin	13	13-17	5	39	
Butler	4	0-0	1	8	
Budd	6	1-1	1	13	
Butcher	3	4-6	5	10	
Buckner	16	1-1	4	33	
Totals		57	33-41	32	147
PHILADELPHIA		G	F	P	T
Arizin	7	2-2	0	16	
Meschery	7	2-2	4	16	
Chamberlain	36	28-32	2	100	
Rodgers	1	9-12	5	11	
Attles	8	1-1	4	17	
Larese	4	1-1	5	9	
Conlin	0	0-0	1	0	
Ruklick	0	0-2	2	0	
Luckenbill	0	0-0	2	0	
Totals		63	43-52	25	169
New York	26	42	38	41	147
Philadelphia	42	37	46	44	169
Attendance		4,124			

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			At Boston			
BOSTON	ovc			NEW YORK	ovc	
G	F	T		G	F	T
Heinsohn	4	2 / 10		Gola	3	5 / 11
Sanders	4	22 / 10		Green	8	0 / 16
Russell	7	24 / 16		Conley	7	22 / 16
S. Jones	7	2 / 16		Shue	0	2 / 2
Cousy	3	2 / 8		Guerin	8	4 / 20
Havlicek	10	6 / 26		Budd	8	0 / 16
K. Jones	3	3 / 9		Butler	4	0 / 8
Lovellette	7	0 / 14		Foley	1	1 / 3
Swartz	3	2 / 8		Rudometkin	2	4 / 8
Loscutoff	3	0 / 6		Butcher	2	6 / 10
Totals				Totals		
	51	21 / 123		43	24 / 117	
NEW YORK		20	22	30	38	— / 110
BOSTON		30	34	28	33	— / 123

Attendance: 4,090.

At Syracuse

✓ **NEW YORK** ✓

✓ **ST. LOUIS** ✓

	G	F	T
Guerin	3	8	14
Green	5	4	14
Gola	4	2	10
Butler	10	7	27
Conley	3	1	7
Budd	4	6	14
Butcher	7	7	21
Nordmann	6	1	13
Shue	0	3	3

	G	F	T
Tor'len	0	2	2
Pettit	14	9	37
Hagan	3	0	6
Vaughn	5	1	11
Beaty	4	3	11
Farmer	1	3	5
Bridges	1	0	2
Barnhill	6	7	19
Jordon	0	0	0
Sauldsbury	4	3	11
Duffy	4	1	9

Totals	42	39	123
ST. LOUIS			20
NEW YORK			25

Totals	42	29	113
34	26	33	113
31	31	36	123

KNICKS (175)			
10-25	0	1	1
Green	11	3 7	25
Chappell	7	9 1	23
Nordmin	0	0 0	0
Butler	4	0 2	8
Gola	2	9 11	13
Butcher	7	9 10	23
Budd	6	1 1	13
Rud'kin	6	2 3	14
Conley	5	0 0	10
Harkness	1	1 2	3
Hogue	2	0 0	4
Total	5	34-47	136
Knicks			26
Philadelphia			26
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Attendance — 5,175.			

PHILADELPHIA (112)			
	6	1	1
Walker	5	1 3	11
Shaffer	7	3 3	17
Kerr	5	3 4	13
Castello	1	10 10	12
Greer	5	10 12	20
White	6	4 5	16
Bianchi	1	0 0	2
Gambiae	3	1-2	7
Warley	3	6 6	12
Dierking	1	0 0	2
Total	37	38-45	112
Knicks	33	40	37 — 136
Philadelphia	39	29	18 — 112

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Pistons Trade Two to Knicks

DETROIT (UPI)—The floundering Detroit Pistons picked up a pair of guards from the New York Knickerbockers Sunday in a three-way deal that also involved the Cincinnati Royals.

The Pistons obtained 6-2 Dennis Butcher and 6-3 Bob Duffy from the Knicks for Johnny Egan and Larry Staverman plus a player to be determined before the 1964 college player draft.

The Knicks then shipped Staverman to the Royals along with cash to obtain 6-8 Bob Boozer.

The Pistons, who lost to St. Louis, 104-92 Saturday night and are in last place in the Western Division, obtained Staverman earlier this season from Baltimore for Kevin Loughery.

Detroit Coach Charley Wolf said that Butcher was the key player in the deal. "He's a hard-nosed player, just the type we need to take charge of our fast-break offense," Wolf said.

Detroit has lost nine of its last 10 starts, but Wolf still hopes the club can rebound and make the playoffs.

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DETROIT (107)

KNICKS (103)

	G.	F.	P.
12-17			
Butcher	5	7-12	17
Duffy	0	1-1	1
Ferry	7	4-9	18
Howell	4	7-7	15
Imhoff	2	1-2	5
Jones	6	1-2	13
Miles	7	3-5	17
Moreland	1	0-0	2
Scott	6	7-10	19
Total	38	31-48	107

	G.	F.	P.
Boozer	2	6-11	10
Budd	0	0-0	0
Butler	2	0-0	4
Chappell	6	10-13	22
Conley	3	3-3	9
Egan	2	2-2	6
Gola	4	3-3	11
Green	3	3-5	9
Heyman	9	2-4	20
Honver	2	1-1	5
McGill	2	3-4	7
Total	35	33-46	103

Detroit	25
Knicks	28

34	18	30	107
27	26	22	103

Fouled out—McGill, Howell, Moreland.
 Officials—Mendy Rudolph and Red Oates.
 Attendance—7,864.

Donnis Butcher Haunts Knicks In NBA Game

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By United Press International
The New York Knickerbockers were wondering today if perhaps they shouldn't have let Donnis Butcher see a little more action before they sent him to Detroit in a trade.

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Butcher, involved in a week-end trade between New York and Detroit, returned to Madison Square Garden with his new Piston teammates to haunt the Knicks Tuesday night.

Detroit let Butcher play 44 minutes — the longest single-game stint of his pro career — with these results: Butcher scored 17 points, pulled down nine rebounds and played a key role in the Piston's come-from-behind victory.

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He grabbed two key rebounds in the last minute of play and scored three of Detroit's final five points as the Pistons overcame a six-point deficit in the final seven minutes for a 107-103 victory.

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In the opening game of a Madison Square Garden doubleheader, John Havlicek's 43 points sparked the Boston Celtics to a 131-114 win over the Baltimore Bullets. The San Francisco Warriors held off a last period rally by the St. Louis Hawks for a 110-106 victory in Tuesday's only other game.

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Baltimore led Boston by five points midway through the third quarter, but two baskets by Havlicek and one by Sam Jones put the Celtics ahead. The lead see-sawed until two minutes were gone in the final period when Havlicek and Hank Ramsey led a 17-4 Celtics' streak that decided the issue.

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Baltimore's Walt Bellamy led all players with 45 points.

CINCINNATI (147)				DETROIT (121)			
	G.	F.	P.		G.	F.	P.
2-12							
Twyman	7	3-5	17	Howell	8	9-12	25
Lucas	13	1-1	27	Scott	11	6-9	28
Embry	7	5-10	19	Harding	3	0-0	6
Robertson	13	12-14	38	Ohl	10	1-3	21
Smith	10	3-3	23	Butcher	3	4-4	10
Hawkins	8	0-1	16	Ferry	5	3-3	13
Bockhorn	2	1-1	5	Miles	3	0-0	6
Olsen	1	0-0	2	Duffy	1	0-1	2
Staverman	0	0-1	0	Moreland	4	0-1	8
				Jones	1	0-0	2
Total	61	25-36	147	Total	49	23-33	121
Cincinnati	35	30	43	39—147			
Detroit	26	26	41	28—121			

Fouled out—Twyman, Ohl.
Attendance—3,507.

DETROIT (126)

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	G.	F.	P.
Butcher	7	5-11	19
Ferry	4	3-4	11
Harding	3	0-1	6
Howell	13	7-8	33
Jones	4	0-0	8
Moreland	3	1-1	7
Ohl	9	1-1	19
Scott	11	1-2	23
Total	54	18-28	126

NEW YORK (124)

	G.	F.	P.
Boozer	8	10-13	26
Budd	1	1-2	3
Butler	0	1-1	9
Chappell	13	2-5	28
Egan	1	1-2	3
Green	7	2-3	16
Hyman	8	11-13	27
Hoover	4	2-2	10
Rudometkin	1	0-0	2
Total	47	30-41	124

Detroit	26
Knicks	28

37	35	28—126
35	24	32—124

Fouled out—Hoover, Moreland.
 Attendance—3,230.

Celts, Bullets Score In Garden Twin Bill

New York (AP) — The Boston Celtics lost an 18-point lead in the second period, but rallied to beat the Detroit Pistons 118-106 in a National Basketball Association game at Madison Square Garden last night.

Yesterday the Baltimore Bullets held off a fourth quarter rally by the New York Knicks to win 114-108 the second game.

Jail Liston After Battle With Police

Denver (AP) — Former world heavyweight boxing champion Sonny Liston was jailed by Denver police yesterday after a pushing and shoving fracas which pitted Liston against 10 patrolmen.

While the former champion struck no blows during the melee, police reported that Liston "kept bouncing back out of the car like a rubber ball" when they attempted to take him into custody.

Liston and a friend were pulled over after two policemen became suspicious when Liston staggered and almost fell in a parking lot prior to getting into his car.

Neither policeman reported

Boston was in front 41-23 early in the second quarter, then rested Bill Russell, who had led a good defensive performance and had 31 rebounds.

With Russell out, Donnis Butcher, Rod Thorn and Joe Caldwell ignited the Pistons to a 53-53 tie. Boston led 58-54 at intermission on a pair of baskets by Sam Jones.

Sam Jones, Russell and Havlicek had Boston in front 88-77 at the end of the third period. Ahead, 109-91 with less than five minutes left, Russell again went to the bench.

With Walt Bellamy scoring 31 points, Baltimore staged a 22-7 burst in the second quarter en route to a 19-point bulge, 66-47, right after intermission, and led by 16 points, 95-79 early in the fourth period.

BOSTON			DETROIT		
G	F	T	G	F	T
Coultas	0	0	0	2	4
Havlicek	11	5	27	5	18
Heinzohr	1	1	3	2	8
K. Jones	0	1	1	2	12
S. Jones	13	6	31	2	1
Naults	0	3	3	1	3
Russell	9	7	21	8	18
Sanders	5	9	19	1	5
Siegrist	3	2	3	6	13
Thorn's'n	1	0	2	8	20
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BOSTON			118-106		
DETROIT			106-118		

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Donnis Butcher To Coach Pistons

DETROIT (UPI) — Donnis Butcher will get more than eight games to prove he is a major league head coach with the Detroit Pistons.

Pistons General Manager Edwin Coil said Wednesday that Butcher will be given the job next year, in addition to handling the team for the last eight games of this season.

Dave DeBusschere Tuesday asked to be replaced as head coach in order to devote full attention to playing his forward spot in the Detroit starting lineup. Butcher, an assistant coach and chief scout all season, was given the job.

Butcher, 29, made his debut as head coach Wednesday night, guiding the team to a 120-113 victory over Baltimore.

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Professional Golfers Association

New Piston Coach Suffers First Loss

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Donnis Butcher's tenure as the only undefeated coach in the National Basketball Association lasted just one game.

The Los Angeles Lakers ripped the Detroit Pistons 118-

103 Friday night and cut Butcher's coaching record to 1-1.

Butcher took over the Pistons Tuesday when player-coach Dave DeBusschere stepped out as coach. DeBusschere scored 19 points and Eddie Miles 24 for Detroit. Gail Goodrich chalked up 24 points to lead the Lakers.

St. Louis downed San Francisco 111-105 and Chicago whipped Baltimore 132-115 in other games. The action left Chicago a full game ahead of Detroit in the fight for fourth place in the Western Division, the final playoff berth.

Jerry West sat out the game with an injured leg, but Elgin Baylor scored 20 points, Archie Clark 19 and Darrell Imhoff 18 to back up Goodrich.

Chicago's McCoy McLemore hit six straight baskets in a fourth-quarter surge to victory. Don Kojis topped the Bulls with 22 points.

St. Louis remained one game ahead in the race for second place in the Western Division by scoring 20 points in leading the Hawks past the Warriors. Rick Barry, the leading NBA scorer, topped San Francisco with 38 points.

NBA Stands

	Won	Lost	Pct.	Behind
xPhiladelphia	63	11	.857	—
Boston	53	19	.743	x
New York	36	41	.468	24 1/2
Cincinnati	34	41	.457	29 1/2
Baltimore	19	57	.250	43
Western Division				
xSan Francisco	41	31	.569	—
St. Louis	35	41	.461	7
Los Angeles	34	42	.447	x
Chicago	30	47	.390	11 1/2
Detroit	29	46	.387	12 1/2

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- Friday's Results
- At Louis 113, San Francisco 108
- Los Angeles 118, Detroit 103
- Chicago 132, Baltimore 115
- Today's Games
- Chicago at Cincinnati
- Boston at Philadelphia
- Los Angeles at San Francisco
- Sunday's Games
- Baltimore at Boston
- Philadelphia at New York
- Cincinnati at St. Louis
- Detroit at Los Angeles
- Monday's Games
- Cincinnati at Chicago
- Boston vs St. Louis at Memphis
- Detroit at San Francisco

Seattle Louis Curbing

Pistons Storm Past 76'ers For 2nd Win

By RICHARD L. SHOOK

DETROIT (UPI) — Donnis Butcher had a perfect day.

First, his wife, Delores, gave birth to the couple's third child, a six-pound, seven-ounce boy.

Then Butcher's Detroit Pistons went out Friday and stormed to a 132-122 decision over the Philadelphia 76ers for their second straight National Basketball Association victory.

There has been talk that Butcher's job as head coach of the Detroit club is in danger, but you certainly couldn't tell it from the way he went around the locker room giving words of congratulations and instructions on upcoming practices.

You also couldn't tell it from the way his players hustled on the floor.

Meantime, Dave DeBusschere and Happy Hairston were running them all ragged with their rebounding and scoring. Rookie center Otto Moore, grinning like a happy kid even when he

did something wrong or was badly fouled, hustled and showed definite improvement.

Dave Bing, who ended with 37 points and 11 assists ("I should have had about 15"), then led a fast-breaking assault which saw Detroit out-score Philadelphia by a 29-10 margin over the first 9:18 of the third quarter.

Hairston chipped in 31 points for Detroit while DeBusschere added 23. Hal Greer led the 76ers with 30 points with Archie Clark putting in 24 and Billy Cunningham adding 26 more.

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Mel, both forwards, have supplied the scoring punch up to date.

Joining the three lettermen in the starting lineup are 5 - 10 guard Larry Grusnick and 6-2 center Ken Sisko.

The Ramblers will open with the same starting lineup they have used in their first three games; 6-3 Mike Selz at center, 6-3 Tom McSorley and 6-1 Bill Caton at the forwards, and 5-10 Dan Pedersen and 5-7 Dave Miller at the guards.

Regis Coach Tony Fiore hopes his club can find the combination that will enable them to put together a good game. He summed up the Campaign game in one word, "Lousy", but saw some bright spots in Saturday's 77-54 loss to La Crosse Aquinas.

"Acquinas was a strong ball club, and we could never get momentum early enough in the game," he said. The Rambler mentor felt that the clubs rebounding has been progressing well, but was stumped by

nation tonight.

NBA Pistons Fire Coach

DETROIT (AP) — Detroit Pistons General Manager Edwin E. Coil today fired head coach Donnis Butcher and replaced him with assistant coach Paul Seymour.

"We felt that we weren't getting the full potential out of our players this season," Coil said.

Butcher succeeded player-coach Dave DeBusschere as head coach at the end of the 1966-67 National Basketball Association campaign.

Last season the Pistons enjoyed their best campaign since coming to Detroit and finished with a 40-42 won-lost record to make the playoffs for the first time in six years.

However, several players reportedly were unhappy with Butcher's hard-line coaching methods.

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Donnis Butcher Fired As Piston Head Coach

DETROIT (AP) — Paul Seymour took over the reins of the sagging Detroit Pistons of the National Basketball Association Monday but says he hasn't had a chance to decide what changes he will make.

General Manager Edwin Coll announced that Seymour, 41, would be the head coach in place of Donnis Butcher because "we felt that we weren't getting the full potential out of our players this season."

Seymour, speaking in a telephone interview from his home in Syracuse, N.Y., said he was told of his new job Sunday when he got a call from Coll.

"He said we'd discuss things later" Seymour said. "As far as the team is concerned I don't know what to say until I talk with the kids and see a few workouts."

Concerning possible changes he added: "I haven't given it any thought . . . We'll go pretty much the way we have, except we should get some more scoring out of the pivots and I may change the offense a little bit."

Detroit, which stands 10-12 and is in fifth place in the Eastern Division of the NBA, has won only three of its last nine starts.

Seymour was Baltimore's head coach during the 1965-66 season when the Bulls finished in second place. He resigned to devote more time to his family and business interests in Syracuse.

He started his professional basketball career as a player with Baltimore in 1947. After being sold to the Syracuse Nationals he became an all-star guard and served as player-

coach in the final four seasons of an 11-year career with the Nats.

The St. Louis Hawks hired him as head coach in 1960-61 and they finished the season with a 51-28 record before bowing to the Boston Celtics in the playoffs. Seymour was fired early the next year and was out of the NBA until his assignment at Baltimore.

He has been a scout with Detroit since March 6, 1967.

Butcher, who succeeded player-coach Dave DeBusschere as head coach at the end of the 1966-67 season, led the Pistons last season to their winningest campaign since coming to Detroit. They finished with a 40-42 won-lost record to make the playoffs for the first time in six years.

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Pistons Release Donnis Butcher

DETROIT (UPI)—The Detroit Pistons, whose dismal National Basketball Association showing prompted them to fire Donnis Butcher as coach in mid-season, Tuesday announced they're releasing him from the club entirely.

Butcher's release brings to an end his five-year association with the Pistons as a player, coach and scout. He'll be paid for the remainder of his contract, which runs out in September.

"We regret to have to make this move," said Pistons General Manager Edwin E. Coil.

"But in revamping our team staff by naming Bill Van Breda Kolff head coach and Paul Seymour scout and adviser on player procurement, we no longer are in a position to retain Donnis on a full-time scouting basis.

With the Pistons' record at

10-12 last season, the club management ordered Seymour, then a scout, and Butcher, then the coach, to switch jobs.

The team went on to a sixth-place finish in the NBA eastern division with a 32-50 record.

Earlier this month, the Pistons hired Van Breda Kolff to take over.

Butcher's outright release had been expected since that

He came to the pistons in the 1963-64 season in a trade from the New York Knickerbockers and played with the club until 1965, when he was made head scout. He took over as coach from Dave DeBusschere with eight games remaining in the 1966-67 campaign.

The next year, Butcher coached the squad to a 40-42 record and into the playoffs. Overall, Butcher had a 52-60 record as coach and a 2-4 mark in the playoffs.

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by Leo Martonosi

Donnis Butcher, an ex-pro basketball player and coach of the Detroit Pistons, addressed the Chamber of Commerce Early Birds this morning in the Hotel Warm Friend on the subject "The Ups and Downs of Pro Basketball."

Butcher, who was presented a pair of wooden shoes by Jim Vande Poel, is a scout for the Pistons and works in sales and promotion for Converse Rubber Co.

He said, "The word quit should be taken right out of the dictionary. That's one word that I can't stand and I hope you in this audience will let your kids play all the sports they want to in high school.

"If they don't want to play, don't force them but some people may think its bad to play all sports if you're thinking of being a professional. But I disagree because once you get to college, you'll find out what sport is your best."

Questions were fired from the audience to Butcher, who handled them rather well.

"Pro basketball will go bankrupt if the owners continue to pay the kind of money they are

paying out now to both rookies and veterans alike," he added.

"The minimum wage in pro basketball is \$16,500. The second year man earns on the average of \$18,500 and the average NBA salary is around \$55,000," commented Butcher.

"No, I don't think that the NBA and ABA should raid the colleges under the hardship cases," he continued. "They are definitely hurting college basketball and they themselves may have to start a farm system if they continue to do so."

Butcher was the last coach to lead the Pistons to a playoff spot in 1968. He stated, "Detroit hasn't had a good team since 1968 and I'm not saying that just because I was the coach. They have good individual players but not ones that work together as a unit."

Butcher was replaced at the helm of the Pistons in 1969 by Paul Seymour. "Yes, it was Seymour who was responsible for trading All-Star forward Dave DeBusschere to New York."

Ironically, Butcher took over as Piston coach from DeBusschere.

Butcher doesn't forget roots

Cage great goes from Meade Memorial to pro career

Ask anybody in Johnson County who remembers basketball during the period between 1951-55, and you're bound to hear them talk about the Meade Memorial Red Devil's basketball star of that era, Donnis Butcher.

A tall, imposing figure on and off the basketball court, Butcher captured the eyes of many college scouts and was offered many scholarships before finally accepting one to play under the famed Adolph Rupp at the University of Kentucky.

"I was offered a lot of scholarships," Butcher replied, modestly. "But getting a chance to play for Rupp at that time was a dream come true, especially for a boy from Eastern Kentucky. But, after one semester, I longed for the mountains and came back home and enrolled at Pikeville College."

Happily, for Butcher, it turned out to be a wise decision because after only three years at Pikeville, and with one year of eligibility remaining, he was drafted by the Knickerbockers and moved to New York.

'Not a day goes by that I don't think about Eastern Kentucky. You don't forget your roots, and I try to get back at least once a year.'

-- Donnis Butcher

In 1960, Butcher left the airplane hanger auditorium of Pikeville College and moved into Madison Square Garden, where he played on the team for 2 1/2 years.

"I can't explain what an adjustment it was to go from shooting hoops in front of hundreds of people to playing in front of nearly 20,000," laughed Butcher.

Considering that less than one percent of college athletes get the opportunity to play in the pro arena, Butcher said he felt lucky to even get the chance to go forward with his career, saying that at that level it's a totally different world.

"I worked hard because seven out of 11 guys I had to play with were All-Americans," Butcher added. "I never stopped working on my skill and strength. I even worked out in Central Park sometimes up to eight hours a day. I love it so much I would have played for nothing."

The training must have paid off because Eddie Donovan told Butcher when he arrived at camp, that he was in the best physical condition of any athlete he had ever seen.

In 1963, Butcher was traded to Detroit and played for the Pistons another 2 1/2 years before being

hired as assistant head coach under Dave Debusser. He remained in that position before taking the head scouting position. After only three years, he was elevated to head coach during the 1967-68 season. He recalled that his three years of coaching were some of the most memorable years of his career.

Butcher commented that he believed coming from a small community prepared him for many situations because of the human need to prove, not only to himself but to others, that a person can accomplish anything he wants if he's willing to work for it.

"Not a day goes by that I don't think about Eastern Kentucky. You don't forget your roots, and I try to get back at least once a year. That's where I learned all about basketball," he said.

"I didn't make the money then that the pro's make now, but I don't begrudge them one penny of their salaries," Butcher said in defense of the money now paid to many athletes. "Performers and entertainers make the same kind of money, and the athletes now are performers who are expected to make money for the teams and their owners."

Butcher often speaks at various camps around the country and tells youngsters to play more than one position, more than one sport, in order to tone and shape their bodies if they want to excel in athletics. He also stresses that they have to believe in themselves, and whatever they do, be the best they can be. He feels this is particularly true for the athletes who come out of the smaller colleges because the larger, stronger players are often only recruited by major colleges.

Butcher, now lives in Millford, Michigan with his childhood sweetheart and wife, Delores Dee. He has been a regional sales representative for Converse Inc. for 22 years. The couple has three children: Donnie, head assistant coach at Cumberland College; Dennie, a student at Michigan's St. Mary's College, where he is currently working on his master's; and a daughter, Debra Lynn, who at the tender age of six months was the mascot for his Pikeville College team.



Dr. Arville Wheeler has published over 50 books

Few Eastern Kentuckians can boast (though he doesn't) such illustrious and prestigious credentials as Johnson County native Dr. Arville Wheeler. Though he has published over 50 books and presently has many ready for publication, most Eastern Kentuckians and many other Americans as well probably know him best as the author of the acclaimed book, *White Squaw - The True Story of Jennie Wiley*.



DR. ARVILLE WHEELER AND HIS WIFE, LOIS

First published in 1955, this historical epic captured the spirit and courage of Eastern Kentucky's first settlers, bringing to life the struggles and the sacrifices made by one woman in her quest to establish a life for her family during the early 1700s.

After the highly acclaimed publication of this book, Dewey Lake State Park's name was changed to Jenny Wiley State Park. A play adapted from Wheeler's book is now an annual musical production at the park's amphitheatre, where thousands of visitors continue to be entertained and enthralled by its message.

When asked why he chose to write the *Jennie Wiley Story*, Wheeler stated that he had read an erroneously printed a two-page feature in the *Courier Journal* about her life.

"My grandmother Wheeler had

couraged by Morris to attend Centre College. After completing his studies there, he received his M.A. from the University of Chicago. At that time, Dr. Wheeler returned to Johnson County where he became the county and city superintendent for many years before he accepted a position in Colorado at Western State University.

He later returned to Eastern Kentucky as superintendent of Ashland City Schools before resigning to complete his Ph.D. studies at Cornell University. After receiving his doctorate, he began teaching at East-

the editor. When he came down with the flu, I had the responsibility of getting the paper out entirely on my own. I did the writing, the set-up, and even ran the scales to the post office. It's not too amazing unless you realize that I was only 17 years old at the time."

An esteemed and revered educator and author, Dr. Wheeler and his wife, Lois, reside in Nashville, Tennessee.

They have two sons: Dr. Arville Vance, a renowned pediatrician in the field of blood diseases of children, and Dr. Hewett Bronell, the

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