

EDITOR'S NOTES

Some of my boys saw the Southern California-Long Island U. game. They just were over-enthusiastic about the great "flip" shooting of Ralph Vaughn, the terrific under-the-basket defensive work of Seward Berg, the all-around aggressiveness of Southern California, the great set shooting of Long Island and the fine pass work of the latter. Vaughn scored 19 points and played the whole game without a personal foul.

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In the middle-west, several high schools and colleges are experimenting on the 20" hoop--George Edwards, that one gentleman and coach at the Univ. of Missouri, seeking to relieve the great confusion around the basket, suggested the larger rim.

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Univ. of Maryland has a fine team and in DeWitt and Mondorff have two fine performers. They should finish at the top or close to it.

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Santa Clara has two great forwards in Toddy Giannini and Bruce Hale, who between them scored 34 points in a recent game at Madison Square Garden. The first player sank 9 baskets and 2 fouls and the latter put in 4 goals and 6 fouls.

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Talking about comebacks, here is one. Back in 1922 when Ray Scott, present Martinsville Ind. coach was playing with Center Grove, he and his teammates lost the final game of the Johnson county tournament by three points. The following week, they played the same team with only slight change in their conquerors line-up and Center Grove won, 127 to 3.

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In the Mountain big seven conference, the best teams appear to be Colorado Univ., Utah Univ., and Utah State with Colorado State and Denver fighting it out for favors.

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In its first league game in the Western Conference League, Purdue shot in 14 fouls out of 17 tries. Great work, Peggy.

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In New York last week, we wandered over to Madison Square Garden. It was about eleven in the morning of a busy basketball day for Ned Irish. Ned dropped all his business, greeted me with a fine smile and we talked basketball in his office for at least fifteen minutes. Asking him to write an article for our bulletin, he gladly said he would and that night at the games he came along with the news that is in this issue. Mr. Irish has done a wonderful job in boosting basketball; he certainly uses the coaches great and he insisted on taking care of my team. The Garden Basketball floor is about perfect--the non-slippery finish--the lighting--the gloss backboards--the uprights to hold the baskets so as to prevent injuries--the ball retrievers on the ends of the court--the scorers benches--the fine electric boards--all tend to make for a wonderful set-up. Congratulations, Mr. Irish for your great contribution to basketball, and you have given many college youth of America a chance to see New York.