

SPORTS REPORTS Tribute To Roberto

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On Sunday, Dec. 31, almost everyone was getting ready for the festivities that would be taking place that night to help bring in the new year. As the parties were being planned, another, type of planning was taking place. In Puerto Rico, a group of five men, organized by baseball great Roberto Clemente, was to fly to the terror stricken city of Managua, which was hit by an earthquake only eight days earlier. Their "Mission of Mercy" was to give money, food, clothing, and medicine to the survivors of this natural tragedy.

The plane took off from San Juan International Airport around 9 p.m., five hours after it had been scheduled to, due to a series of delays. About 9:22 p.m., just 1 1/2 miles north of the airport, the plane crashed into the Atlantic ocean, killing all people aboard, including Roberto Clemente. An eye witness said later that the plane had exploded in the air before it crashed into the ocean. The Union States Coast Guard has made a search, but only parts of the plane and the pilot were recovered.

Clemente, 38 years of age, just completed his 18th season in professional baseball. Every year of those seasons was played in a Pittsburgh Pirate uniform. The beloved superstar won the hearts of many fans, young and old, by his immortal playing. In the brilliant career that he had, he kept a composite lifetime batting average of .318 which is the highest of any active player. He had won the batting title four times and came a close second in 1969 and 1970 with .345 and .352 averages respectively. In 1966 he was named the League's Most Valuable Player and was selected to the League's All-Star team 12 times.

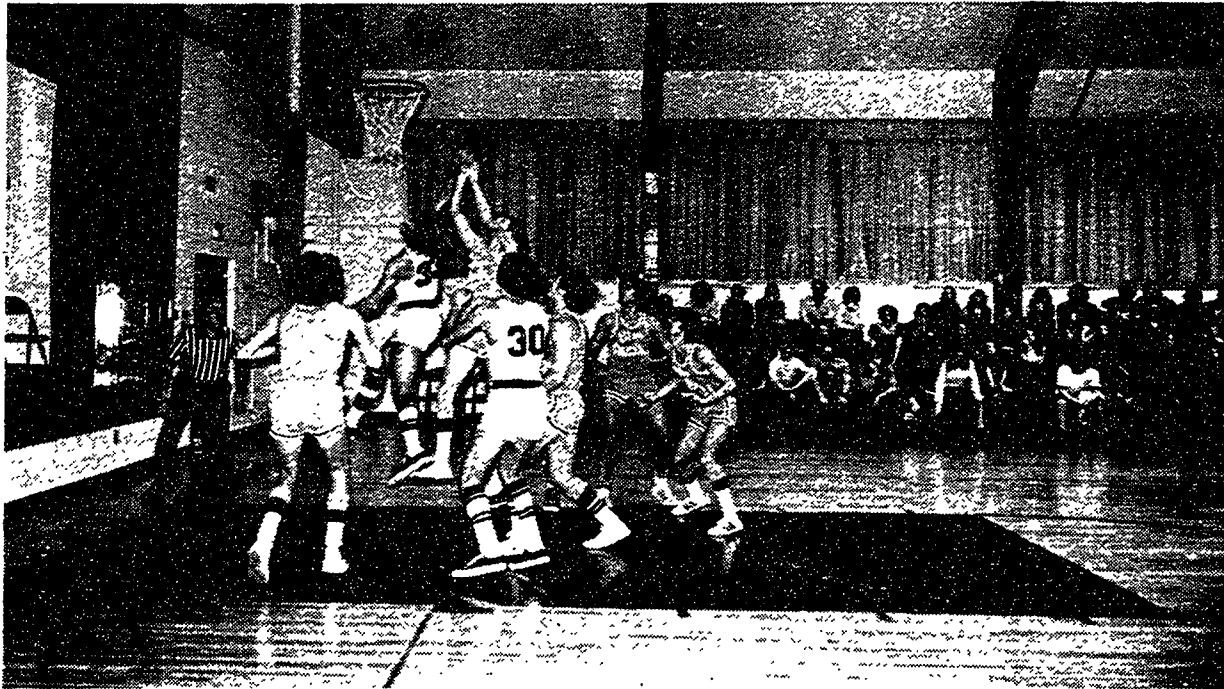
In 1971, he was named most valuable player in the World Series as he led Pittsburgh over the highly rated Baltimore Orioles. Last season he became only the 11th player in major League baseball history to collect 3,000 hits.

Aside from being a tremendous

batting star, he also won many games with his rifle-like arm, his speed and his instinctive defensive playing. He was awarded the golden glove for being one of the League's best fielders. His throwing arm was one of the best ever rated in the Major Leagues. Players knew they couldn't bluff or try to stretch extra base hits because he would only gun them down.

Watching Roberto Clemente for many years and being one of the biggest Pirate fans ever since I can remember, I know what it is like not being able to see him don the familiar number 21 in the Pirate Uniform again. In my eyes, he was the greatest athlete that ever lived. I remember many incidents in Clemente's brilliant career. If he was ever scoffed at or put down by another player or manager, he would not retaliate with words, but on the baseball field. One incident happened in 1970 while the Pirates were playing the Houston Astro's in the beautiful Houston Astrodome: On one pitch, Clemente swung and missed the ball, sending his bat flying toward the mound, just missing Astro pitcher, Don Wilson. Clemente asked that Wilson throw the bat back since it slipped out of his grasp. Wilson refused and scoffed at Clemente for hurling the bat. Clemente was furious as he went out and picked up the bat himself. On the next pitch Clemente hit one of the longest home runs ever witnessed in the Astrodome. He had gotten his revenge in a subtle way.

That's the type of man Clemente was. A great athlete and an even greater humanitarian. Baseball has lost a spectacular athlete with the death of Roberto Clemente, for he was the hero of many small children and adults all over the United States and especially in his homeland of Puerto Rico. He was even planning to build a "sport city" in Puerto Rico for the underprivileged kids, with his own money. Indeed, baseball has lost an immortal player and the world has lost a great man.



Behrend Cubs in Action

The Behrend Cubs have been working hard for a successful hoop season. The team has been pursuing a man to man defense, changing at time to use a 1-1-2-1 full court press.

Waynesburg Defeats Behrend Cubs In Close Home Basketball Contest

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If you missed last week's game you missed possibly the closest game so far. I'm not going to pretend I'm a journalism major or even an English major. I'm just a regular Health and Phys. Ed. major who knows nothing about writing so I will write on the games as I see them or hear of them.

The game started with

Waynesburg jumping into the lead. The Cubs took a minute or two to get on their feet but once they did things were hectic.

First to score for the Cubs was 6'4" freshman, Larry Szoszorek of the Cubs pursued a man to man defense, changing occasionally to use a 1-1-2-1 full court press.

Working successfully against Waynesburg's 3-2 zone defense and offense was Behrend's 6'2" junior, Denny Deiner who was leading scorer with 17 points and also leading rebounder.

Behrend's starting five gave us our total of 66 points: Denny Deiner with 17, Larry Szoszorek with 15, Mark Borrowy with 14,

and co-captains Glenn McKinney and Mike Hook with 12 and 8 points respectively.

To give an example of how close the game was, Behrend was ahead at half-time with a score of Behrend 35 to Waynesburg's 34.

Only was it in the last few minutes of the game that their lead with the final score—Waynesburg 73, Behrend 66, a heartbreaker for everyone involved.

As an added note on the light side, Glenn McKinney gave everyone quite a rush with an attempted shot that landed between the bank-board and basket rim—and stuck.

Behrend vs Waynesburg SCORE 66

PLAYER	POINTS
30 Larry Szoszorek	15
40 Mike Hook	8
33 Denny Deiner	17
32 Mark Borrowy	14
35 Glenn McKinney	12

Behrend played man to man most of the game and used a 1-2-2-1 full court press.

SCORE 73

15 Bealco	10
53 Maczuzak	16
11 Keller	17
23 Rogers	12
31 Bellich	8
25 Hinds	4
45 Skelly	6

Waynesburg played a 3-2 zone defense and a 3-2 zone offense most of the game going to a man to man defense in the second half.

Good News For Girls! New Hours in Erie Hall

Hey, girls! Are those tedious hours of studying in the library falling to the waistline and hips? Are flabby thighs distracting as you bounce your way to class? Bust line need developed? Does Dobbins Diner disfigure your derriere? Definitely! Fret no longer, there is hope for you now, down at Erie Hall.

The gym will be reserved for the girls Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, 8:30 - 10 p.m. Mrs. Wilson, Instructor in Physical Education, will be present Monday evenings and Mrs. Laudensack, Physical Education Instructor, will be in charge on Wednesday and Friday evenings. Girls can participate in a variety of sports such as volleyball, badminton and basketball or tumbling on the trampoline. A universal gym is also available for the "girls only" on Wednesday and Friday

evenings 6:15-7 p.m.

So instead of satisfying the munchies during a study break, roll your fat on down to Erie Hall where these new hours have been reserved especially for figure conscious girls.

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