

SPORTS REPORTS

History Making Week

by Dave Lojewski
Sports Editor

Last week played an important part in history as President Nixon finally got the Vietnamese to agree to a peaceful settlement and an end to the war. While Nixon was busy with signing procedures another type of history was being made, Sport history.

On Monday night, January 22, in Kingston, Jamaica another battle was being fought. Not for control of land but for control of a title. The World Heavyweight Championship was at stake. The men involved were: previously unbeaten Heavyweight Champ Joe Frazier, and a man who had never even hit the ground once in any of his 31 fights; his opponent was George Foreman, a man who captured the Olympic gold medal for boxing in 1968 and was termed as still too "green" for a championship fight. At 24 years old fight critics said that he just wasn't ready. The odds were set at 3-1 that Joe Frazier would retain his crown but before he knew what had hit him Frazier was dethroned and George Foreman was the heavyweight champion of the world.

The critics who ruled Frazier as the favorite stated that this was one of the biggest upsets in boxing history. Not because Foreman had beaten the odds, which weren't that big anyway, but because he had beaten Joe Frazier so badly. For a man who was never knocked down by an opponent, Joe was sent crashing to the floor six times in two rounds, and the fight had to be stopped with 1:33 left in the second round giving George Foreman the victory on a technical knockout.

Foreman used a combination of left and right jabs and then coupled them with left hooks to send Frazier down early in the fight. Frazier, still not aware of what had happened, tried to fight back and it proved to be his biggest mistake. Foreman took advantage of his dizzy state and continued to batter the champ and sending him down time and again. Frazier landed only one solid punch in the on onslaught but Foreman wasn't even jolted by it. Foreman pleaded with Frazier's manager Hank Durham, to stop the fight. After seeing how bad his fighter was being beaten, Durham conceded and the crown belonged to Foreman. As he stood in his corner he began to jump up and down wildly when the official ruling was made. Foreman could barely believe it himself. He was

no longer a "green" fighter, instead he was on the top of the boxing world.

At the tail end of the same week more history was made in the sports world. On Saturday, January 27 UCLA had set a new collegiate basketball record of 61 consecutive victories. The oddity of it all was they set it against the last team to defeat them, Notre Dame. The record surpassed the 60 game winning streak of the San Francisco Dons during the mid 1950's.

UCLA's last defeat was dealt to them by the Irish on January 23, 1971 when Austin Carr scored 46 points in leading the upset. Since then they have beaten everyone, taking along with them two more championships to add to their record of 20 which includes five straight. This year could make it six, and the way they've been playing, they might win many more consecutive titles. The reason they have been so good is they have had a team that plays together consistently. Even though one individual always plays so outstanding that they make the national spotlight, the team could still play excellent ball without them. Big names from UCLA's dynasty are Lew Alcindor (Kareem-Abdul-Jabbar), Sidney Wicks, Curtis Rowe, all who are playing pro ball currently Bill Walton who has completely dominated college basketball with his tremendous defensive play.

Head Coach John Wooden is pleased of his team's new record although he does not stress record breaking performances. All he asks of his players is that they play the type of game which they know how. Even though he does not stress these great winning performances, his record has been so outstanding in the past few years that he seems to know more than every other coach combined. His overall record in the past six years is 161 wins against only 5 losses. His career total is 599-154 in 27 years of service. These statistics are so fantastic they are almost unbelievable.

Even though UCLA's dynasty and records are fantastic, one day in the future they are sure to be shattered, for records are only made to be broken. It may take several hundred years but there might be someone someday who can out think a brilliant man such as John Wooden. They they too can join him as part of sports history.

DiMarco

Behrend Campus' trip Ashland College for the Ashland Invitation Wrestling Tournament proved to be a long tiresome trip. Although they tried their hardest they only came up with a ninth place finish out of the twelve teams entered.

The whole team wrestled Friday night and only three grapplers survived to advance to the semi-final round. They were Julio DiMarco, 118 pound class, Keith Richardson, 126 pound class, and Larry Fabrizi, 140 pound class. After the smoke had cleared in the semi-final bout only one Behrend wrestler had remained, Julio DiMarco.

European Summer Tour Offer Still Available to Students

BEHREND CAMPUS EUROPEAN TOUR

June 14-July 14, 1973 arranged by Dr. David P. Daniel in conjunction with

THE ERIE COUNTY MOTOR CLUB and AIR CANADA ITINERARY

Thursday, June 14 Erie-Toronto

Friday, June 15 Frankfurt-Berlin

Saturday, June 16 Arrive Berlin (Western Sector)

Sunday, June 17 Berlin-Wittenberg

Monday, June 18 Leipzig-Weimar

Tuesday, June 19 Erfurt-Dresden

Wednesday, June 20 Dresden-Prague

Thursday, June 21 Prague - Environs

Friday, June 22

Prague-Vienna

Saturday, June 23 Vienna

Sunday, June 24 Vienna-Melk-Wachau

Monday, June 25 Vienna-Salzburg

Tuesday, June 26 Salzburg-Munich

Wednesday, June 27 Munich

Thursday, June 28 Munich-Innsbruck

Friday, June 29 Innsbruck-Venice

Saturday, June 30 Venice

Sunday, July 1 Venice-Ravenna-Rimini

Monday, July 2 Rimini-Rome

Tuesday, July 3 Rome

Wednesday, July 4 Rome

Thursday, July 5 Rome-Siena-Florence

Friday, July 6 Florence

Saturday, July 7 Florence-Bologna-Milan

Sunday, July 8 Milan

Monday, July 9 Milan-Geneva

Tuesday, July 10 Geneva-Paris

Wednesday, July 11 Paris

Thursday, July 12 Paris-Versailles-Chartres

Friday, July 13 Paris

TOTAL COST OF THE TOUR: \$1,195.00

(Air and Land transportation, twin-bedded hotel rooms with private bath, meals, local tours, tips, taxes, and gratuities required.)

DEPOSIT:

\$25.00 to reserve a place. Fully refundable to March 1, 1973. After March 1, 1973, \$20.00 cancellation fee.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

March 1—\$250.00
April 1—350.00
May 1—350.00
June 1—220.00

Skiers Fly Through Snow

by Sue Sammons
Staff Writer

Look out! Behrend's ski club is coming down the slopes.

There I was on the baby hill practicing my snow plow when I heard the warning cry. I looked up and there they were. One hundred and fifty of them. Charging through the snow, a jungle of goggles, skis, bindings and poles, and coming straight at me. Wandering down in the lead were Behrend's finest; Jim

Myers, Al Davis, Rex White and Gary Pisoni, hot dogging through space.

My heart sank. I felt powerless. Onward they came, churning up a snowcloud. They were getting closer. They was nothing I could do to stop them and I saw that many of them could not do anything either. So I picked up my poles and got the hell out of their way.

Even though this year has afforded generally poor snow conditions, members try to ski at Peak 'N Peek on Tuesday evenings and Thursday afternoons. With a dollar membership fee, they receive discounts on lessons, equipment rentals and lift costs. A special trip is being planned to Holiday Valley ski resort in New York, two hours from Erie. Holiday Valley offers more varied and difficult trails for the average to advanced skier. Anyone not in the

club and wanting to go can contact Jim Meyers at 454-0541. Discount rates are being arranged.

In the club are approximately 12 very good racers for whom they are scheduling a race with Gannon. Also, in mid-February Edinboro is hosting an invitational meet at Mt. Pleasant. The best racers from twenty-seven colleges in the tri-state area will be competing in downhill and slalom racing. We hope Behrend will be well represented. The date of the meet will be published later.

Park Pioneers Outscore Cubs

by Bill Neely
Sports Writer

Last Saturday night the Behrend Cubs tangled with their toughest opponent of the basketball season when the Point Park Pioneers invaded the Gannon Auditorium in the first

game of a doubleheader.

Behrend stayed close in the first half but the highly touted Pioneers broke open the game in the second half and coasted to a 93-53 victory. The Cubs, who were playing in Gannon Auditorium for the first time, were a bit nervous at the onset of the contest and

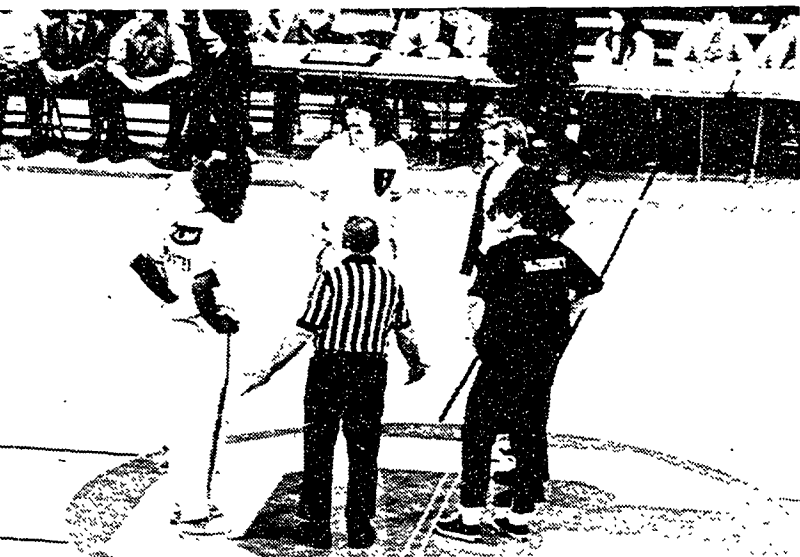
nothing would go in the basket. However Point Park did not play up to par either in the first half and led only 34-23 at the mid-way point.

As the second half got underway Point Park started to establish itself under the boards and Bob Spellmen and Jim Ney hit jumpshots from all over the floor.

During the first four minutes the Pioneers outscored the Cubs 18-6 and put the game on ice. Although Behrend was out of the game they did not give up. They scrapped for the ball every chance they could get and pleased many of the spectators with their hustle. But when the final buzzer went off the Pioneers had won.

Glenn McKinney led Behrend with 16 points and Denny Deiner and Larry Szozorek chipped in with 15 and 10 points respectively. Spellmen finished as the games leading scorer with 22 points and Ney canned 18 for the Pioneers.

Although it looked as though Behrend was playing out of its league the team had nothing to be ashamed of because it is no disgrace to lose to a team like Point Park by forty points. Behrend's record fell to three wins and eight losses.



Hosted in Gannon College auditorium, the Behrend Cubs versus Point Park College played a fine game, considering Behrend was up against a higher classed team.

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