

Sports

Men's hoop squad drops close game against Thiel *Lions record is now 3-2*



Photo by Rick Brooks

Mo goes inside: Junior forward Moise Pringle, shown here in second half action against Oberlin College last Thursday, takes the ball to the basket against two Yeomen defenders. The Lions won the contest, 92-86, in front of a full house in "The Pit." For details of this and other recent games, see the story to the right.

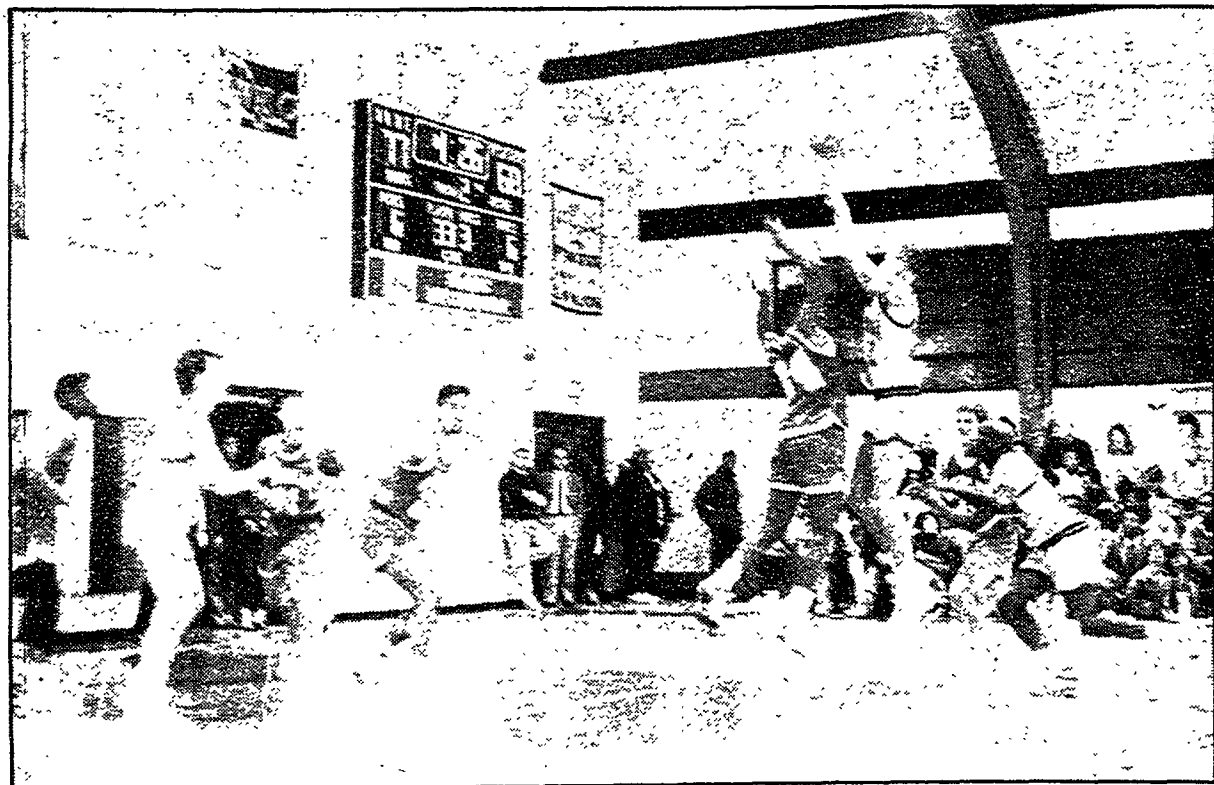


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The shot: Jeff Cowan, a sophomore guard, shoots over an Oberlin defender at the foul line. Junior forward Rick Demski watches the shot as he positions himself for the rebound.

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This past Saturday, Behrend traveled to Thiel College and suffered a tough loss, 77-76. Thiel converted two free throws with seven seconds left to take the lead. Behrend got off a final shot, but they were unable to connect.

Senior guard Dave Gurska was able to contribute 22 points, while freshman forward Steve Cooper added 13 points off the bench. Junior forward Rick Demski led the team in rebounds with 10 while junior pointman Randy Baughman collected nine rebounds.

According to Coach Doug Zimmerman, the reason Behrend's point production decreased is because several new defenses were being tested. These new defensive adjustments made it tough for the high-scoring Behrend offense to get on track.

Overall, Zimmerman said that he was fairly happy with his teams' performance. He mentioned that there are some minor areas needing to be worked on for the offense, and the team will continue to work on its defense.

The high-scoring Behrend team battled the Pitt-Bradford Panthers on November 21. In the first home game of the year, the Lions beat Pitt-Bradford 107-99 in Eric Hall, otherwise known as "The Pit."

Junior forward Moise Pringle led the team in scoring with 20 points, while Gurska hit for 18 points and freshman guard Omar Thrower collected 14. Demski collected nine rebounds off the boards and Pringle added seven rebounds. The Cubbies opened the game quickly, jumping out to a 15-0 lead and they never looked back as they disposed of the visiting Panthers.

Coach Doug Zimmerman said that the offense had played well, but the defense allowed Pitt-Bradford back into the game.

"The Pit" was packed again as Oberlin College invaded the Lion's home territory on Nov. 30. Behrend didn't take kindly to this invasion as they dumped Oberlin, 92-86. Demski was the star this time as he dominated the inside, scoring 32 points and snagging 13 rebounds. Junior guard Chris Viscuso also had a hot hand, gathering in 14 points, while Gurska added 12.

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