

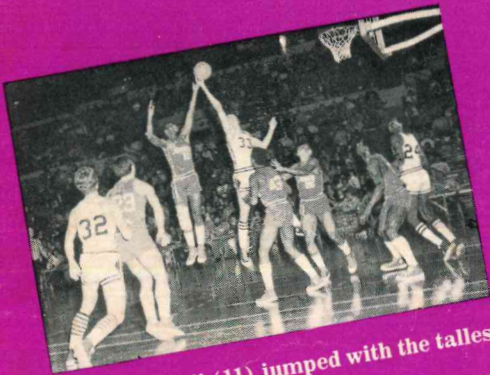
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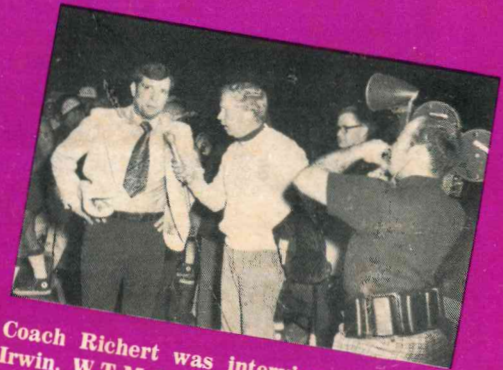
Lancer State Tourney Team Terrific



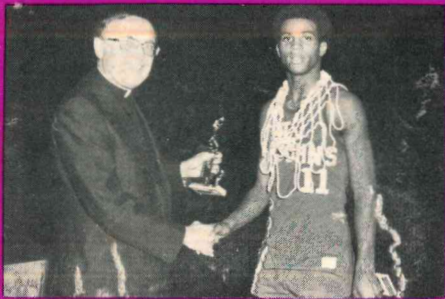
The "Boozer" (11) jumped with the tallest of the Angels.



A tremendous experience for our Lancers at the Arena, home of the Bucks and Warriors!



Coach Richert was interviewed by Jim Irwin, W.T.M.J. - TV's nationally known sportscaster, and by reporters from everywhere.



All-State tournament selection Walter "Boozer" Moseley, was outstanding throughout the tourney.



Coach Richert with the highly prized second place trophy and his plucky band of Lancers.



The springboard jumping of Ray Stevens earned him a berth on the All-State tourney team. Time after time he slapped down balls heading for the basket.



(l. to r.) Guidance counselor Michael Troy, Betty Mayer and Bob Mayer of the faculty were ecstatic during the championship game.



The Lancer cheerleaders "put it all together" as they kept cadets and faculty at fever pitch.



Ray Stevens (25) went high over the outstretched hand of 6'7" Harvey Knuckles, star center of St. Catherine.

The Wisconsin Independent Schools Athletic Association Class A regional basketball tournament opened at Carroll College's Van Male Fieldhouse in Waukesha on Thursday, February 24, when our St. John's Military Academy cagers easily defeated its old nemesis, Edgewood Academy of Madison, 63-53. Edgewood, unaccustomed to playing elsewhere but in its own lair in regionals, was no match for the Lancers as Walter Moseley scored 28 points to lead his team to victory.

The Lancers met St. Mary's Springs of Fond du Lac the following night for the championship in what proved to be a barn-burner. "Boozer" Moseley chalked up 20 points to lead his club to a 45-43 victory with a finish that had both rooting sections on its feet, shouting and cheering. With only 16 seconds left in the last quarter and the score at 44-43 in favor of the Lancers, Ray Stevens stole the ball, drew an intentional foul, and made one of the two free throws to seal the win as a desperation shot by St. Mary's with three seconds left and a tip proved futile. It was a glorious evening for coach Gary Richert for it advanced his team to the state tournament at Milwaukee's Arena, home of the Milwaukee Bucks and Marquette University. St. John's would be the smallest school in the tournament. It was also the first time that St. John's had ever gone to a W.I.S.A.A. state tournament. History was in the making.

Richert's Lancers had taken the Midwest Conference crown this year with a 10-0 record and were sporting an 18-4 record as state tournament play began. The odds against them appeared to be insurmountable what with having to take on powerful Green Bay Premontre, led by star Greg Knafelc, son of Gary Knafelc, former Green Bay Packer receiver, in the first game on Friday, March 4. The Lancers were equal to the occasion, however, as spirit on the campus mounted to fever-like proportions. Six bus loads of cadets, faculty, and staff members accompanied the team to the Arena for the opener. Cheer leaders, seen for the first time this season, came out of seclusion to lead the big following in cheers like "We ARE St. John's, We ARE St. John's . . ." With an indomitable spirit, 6'1" First Classman Walter Moseley led the attack, scoring 31 points to defeat the Premontre Cadets, 58-56, in another thriller. Knafelc, who had come into this game with a 23 points per game average, had to settle for 16. The Lancers had a 54-52 lead with 1 minute, 36 seconds remaining when coach Richert called a timeout. It was then that Moseley put on one of the greatest dribbling and stalling performances ever witnessed in state tourney play. He controlled the ball by circling, weaving, darting in and out of the Premontre defense like a seasoned professional. This prolonged, dazzling display of sensational ball handling "brought down the house." Twice he drew fouls; guard Steve Murphy drew one. Lancer Second Classman Ray Stevens, a 6'3" star forward, had already been benched due to



Stevens poured them in against LaCrosse Aquinas in the semi-finals.



"Boozer" went high over the Aquinas defender to ring up another 2 points.



Moseley's torrid speed left Aquinas players frustrated and bewildered.



Sankar Montoute (41) was rugged under the boards. Murphy (23) added football muscle to the defense.



Among the loyal St. John's patrons at the games were Charlotte Gotz, her Leader Dog, and husband Wayne from Cudahy, Wisconsin. Charlotte, an avid athlete, skis at Scotsland with the Lions B.O.L.D. organization.

fouls, so "Boozer's" show had to go on. Scott Branovan, a smooth pressure player who had replaced Stevens, worked beautifully with Moseley and Murphy as they made the two point margin of victory stick. The media of television, radio, and press lauded the efforts of "little St. John's" with one banner headline in the Milwaukee Sentinel summing it up very well with "Moseley's 31 Fuel St. John's." The Lancers were ready to take on LaCrosse Aquinas, champs of the Central Wisconsin Catholic Conference, in the semi-finals the following afternoon.

The St. John's crowd of loyal supporters were back at the Arena Saturday to spur on the Lancers in their game against Aquinas. Although Moseley was held to 11 points in this one, Third Classman Sankar Montoute,



Ray Stevens did everything short of flying . . .

burley 6'4" center, played a beautiful game, scoring 17 points, as the Lancers went on to win, 50-48, in a cliff hanger, Stevens and Mike Copeland added 8 and 7 points, respectively, to aid in the attack. With just over three minutes left, Aquinas pulled to within a basket at 43-41. Seconds later, immediately after an inbounds pass, Moseley took a long pass from Murphy and scored a layup to give his team a 4 point lead which held up until the final two pointer by the losers. The St. John's fans were ecstatic with another victory — a big one! St. John's Lancers were in the finals!

Racine St. Catherine, perennial power in the Milwaukee Metro Conference, was the opponent in the 4: 20 p.m. battle of the giants on Sunday. Co-holder of this year's Metro title, it had a 21-3 record going into this



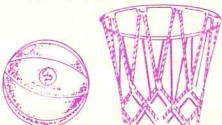
Ray Stevens (25) controlled the boards!



Montoute (41), Paul Mark (45), Moseley (11), Stevens (25), and Scott Branovan (31) ran the show as this photo clearly demonstrates. The Aquinas Cadets were defeated!

game. St. John's took a 4-2 lead early in the first quarter, but the Angels from St. Catherine came alive and had a commanding 22-13 lead at halftime. They had controlled the pace of the game and the aggressive play of Moseley. Things changed, however, in the third quarter as the Lancers broke loose to pull within a point of the Angels, 22-21. A brief see-saw followed, and then St. Catherine built up a 13 point lead. Paul Mark, Mike Copeland, and Ray Stevens jumped high throughout the second half to knock down the shots of Harvey Knuckles, the Angels' 6'7" center, to help keep the Lancers in the game. Knuckles collected only 8 points in the game. He had 3 personal fouls called on him. The turning point of the game came when Sankar Montoute drove up the middle on Knuckles and put in a layup, which was disallowed as Montoute was called for charging. The complexion of the fray changed at this point, and the 6,777 spectators were aware of it. The Lancers lost by a 43-32 score as the total effort of coaches Richert, Duggan, and Barrett plus 12 hustling, "never say die" cagers this particular day was just "breaks" away from a state championship in Class A competition. The cadet players gave it their all, brought honor to themselves, their coaches, and zealous supporters of St. John's.

Before the shouting had ceased, the cry went up: "We'll be back next year!" So mote it ever be . . .



Silver Rifles Superb In St. Paul



Despite a temperature hovering between 18 and 25 degrees below zero with a wind chill factor of 80 degrees below zero, the St. John's Silver Rifles team braved uncertain roads and blizzard conditions on Friday, January 28, to travel to St. Paul, Minnesota, for appearances in the Grande Day Parade on January 29 and the Color Guard and Drill Team competition on January 30.

Under the supervision of Sergeant Major William Golden, the group was housed at Fort Snelling. Dr. Hugh Porter, Ralph Mehlos, and Diethard Kolewe were the other faculty and staff men accompanying the cadets for a memorable winter weekend called St. Paul's Winter Carnival.

King Boreas's heralded parade was held for the first time in the event's 90 year history in the St. Paul Civic Center, due to the extreme cold. The Silver Rifles were sharp as they marched off with a second place award, as TV cameras caught them in action. On Sunday, January 30, they coveted first place and received a standing ovation from the crowd assembled at the St. Paul Armory.

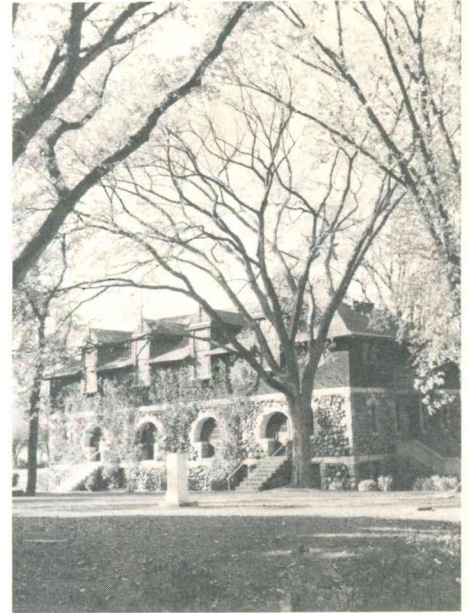
It was a weekend long to be remembered. The land of the Vikings is indeed a cold one, so cold, in fact, that not one Minnesota alumnus had the courage to come out for the parade or the drills!

Delafield - Cushing - Cochise Make History

Henry C. Weisse '15, 10135 Shasta Drive, Sun City, Arizona, recently sent us a story on Lieutenant Howard B. Cushing of the Third United States Cavalry who was a native of Delafield, Wis. He was one of the three Cushing brothers who have been cited for bravery in the nation's early wars. The Cushing Monument found in Cushing State Park at Delafield was dedicated in memory of the three brothers in the spring of 1915, when Henry was a First Classman at St. John's.

The story appeared in the Sunday Magazine of "The Arizona Republic" in January of this year. It dealt with Lieutenant Cushing's battle with the Apache In-

Kemper Hall Cornerstone Box Opened



After being lost for sometime in the cavernous halls of the Milwaukee Public Museum, the Kemper Hall cornerstone box has finally been located and opened.

The box's contents included an 1853 dime, an 1888 Indian Head penny, an 1891 dime, an 1892 quarter, a copy of the dedicatory program listing the cadet choir members, and a listing of the faculty of 1894. Of special interest was the listing of Elizabeth Farrand, English teacher, and Roy F. Farrand, philosophy teacher. Also, a list of patrons' recommendations was included.

The box, which is in a very much rusted condition, and its contents now rest in the school safe.

Kemper Hall was razed in 1975. It was the third oldest building on the campus and an architectural gem insofar as style of architecture and beauty were concerned.

Kemper Hall may be gone, but the memory lingers on.

dians led by Cochise in southern Arizona in 1871, during which he lost his life.

The article began as follows: "Howard B. Cushing of the Third United States Cavalry was a man stirred by the trumpets of valor. To him, discretion was a virtue for bankers and politicians. He had become known, in the officers' clubs of the frontier garrisons, as 'the Custer of Arizona.'" There was high distinction in the comparison for Custer, "the boy general of the Civil War," had become the nation's premiere Indian fighter. There was prophetic irony in the accolade, too, for there was a parallel in the destinies of the two officers. When this story began, in 1871, the Little Big Horn still was five years away."