

Where the Wheel Stops, Nobody Knows

By MURRAY JANOFF, Long Island Daily Press

...AND so another season of professional basketball begins and where the wheel stops, nobody knows.

Some years ago, an argument whipped around one of Leone's dinner tables. Someone started it by prophesizing that a certain NBA rookie was going to turn out to be better than another. Most of the names tossed around between courses slip my mind, but the length of argument and one part of it remains vivid. The rookie being dismissed by most of the hungry battlers was a kid named Pettit.

This was during the years John Kundla was coaching the champion Minneapolis Lakers and Kundla's every word was considered law and order because not only is it bad policy to argue with a winner, but it happens also to be terrible strategy. As I recall, Kundla eased things by stating simply:

"College coaches take pride in their players' ability to score or rebound or play defense. But to make the grade as a pro, the player must be an all-around player. Some players don't reach their peak until they've been in the pros awhile. Others come into the pros without fanfare and show more all-around ability than the college stars."

Well, there's a new trend in the NBA. The college coaches are joining college players in the league. Tonight's program has various aspects of

interest and one is that each of the four coaches concerned tonight earned respected reputations coaching college teams.

Only one, Jim Pollard of the new Chicago team, was acclaimed as an all-time pro player before age forced him to leave the Lakers and eventually take a job coaching LaSalle. Pollard has been around the pros since and now he has accepted a real challenge. Actually, his challenge is different than the others' in that he is coaching a team that didn't exist last year. He is unable to compare this year's team to last year's.

Freddie Schaus was a popular Knick, but earned the college ranks' plaudits coaching fine teams at West Virginia. Last year, he was able to take the Los Angeles Lakers to second place in the West. He had help. The team he acquired has Elgin Baylor. Still, it was a nice rookie coaching achievement. It is Schaus' prophecy that the Lakers won't lose ground this year.

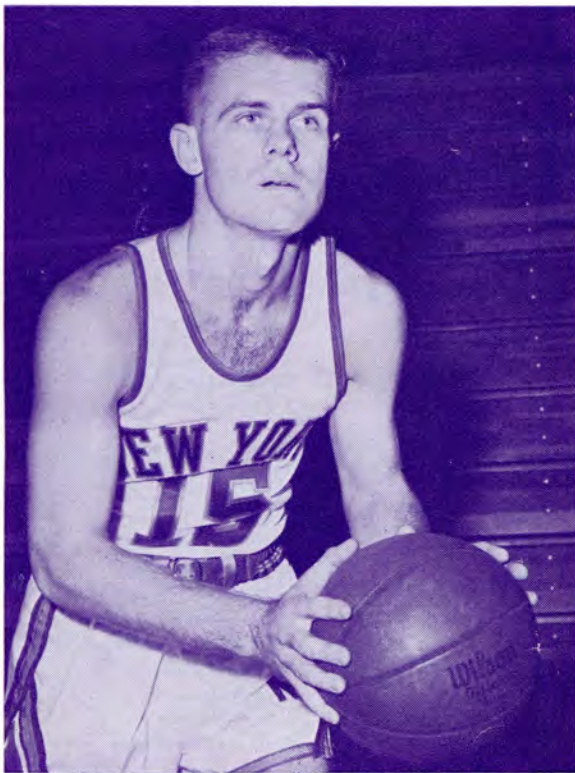
And tonight, we greet the league's newest coaches . . . and what rookies! Frank McGuire and Eddie Donovan.

In the college ranks, Donovan and McGuire were all-around coaches. But they have tremendous tasks, new challenges. McGuire, with a Wilt Chamberlain to work for him, has the edge. Donovan is a man arriving on the scene, endeavoring to provide a new outlook for the New York team and its followers who suffered through a disastrous winter a year ago.

The McGuire personality is a well known ingredient. His long background as a college coach has made him cautious when predicting the outcome of a game or a season. He has stated happiness over the core of veterans he acquired in Philadelphia. In a weak moment, he stated logically that the Warriors might challenge for the Eastern title.

Briefly, around the rest of the league: There is still speed and Dolph Schayes in Syracuse. Oscar Robertson is in Cincinnati. Detroit has a repaired Walt Dukes (three operations this summer: foot, nose, appendectomy). St. Louis remains equipped with Pettit-Lovellette-Hagan and Co. and Boston has Cousy, Russell and Donovan's predecessor, Carl Braun.

In conclusion, we arrive at Donovan and the Knicks. Donovan, small in stature, immense in sincerity, is a man on the spot. This is no secret to the Knicks, to the fans or to Donovan. He has taken over a group of players, the remains of a team which went nowhere and has since been reorganized. There are only six veterans: Naulls, Guerin, Green, Jordon, Imhoff and Budd. Imhoff and Budd were rookies last year. Jordon was reacquired in a



GEORGE BLANEY, New York Knickerbockers

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1. Thursday, Oct. 19	Knicks—Chicago Philadelphia—Los Angeles	16. Friday, Dec. 29	Knicks—Boston Harlem Magicians
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5. Tuesday, Nov. 14	Knicks—Philadelphia Syracuse—Cincinnati	20. Friday, Jan. 26	Knicks—Boston
6. Friday, Nov. 17	Knicks—Boston	21. Tuesday, Jan. 30	Knicks—Philadelphia
7. Tuesday, Nov. 21	Knicks—Chicago Los Angeles—Detroit	22. Saturday Aft., Feb. 3	Knicks—Cincinnati
8. Friday, Nov. 24	Knicks—Los Angeles	23. Tuesday, Feb. 6	Knicks—Los Angeles Syracuse—Chicago
9. Tuesday, Nov. 28	Knicks—Cincinnati Boston—Detroit	24. Friday, Feb. 9	Knicks—Syracuse
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12. Tuesday, Dec. 12	Knicks—Syracuse Philadelphia—Detroit	27. Saturday Aft., Feb. 17	Knicks—Los Angeles
13. Sunday, Dec. 17	Knicks—Boston	28. Tuesday, Feb. 20	Knicks—Detroit Philadelphia—Chicago
14. Tuesday, Dec. 19	Knicks—St. Louis Syracuse—Detroit	29. Friday, Feb. 23	Knicks—St. Louis
15. Monday, Dec. 25	Knicks—Philadelphia Chicago—Detroit	30. Tuesday, Feb. 27	Knicks—Syracuse Harlem Magicians
		31. Sunday Aft., March 4	Knicks—Philadelphia
		32. Tuesday, March 6	Knicks—Boston
		33. Friday, March 9	Knicks—Los Angeles

FRANK McGUIRE SAYS:

Warriors Definite Contender for NBA Title

By COACH FRANK McGUIRE, Philadelphia Warriors



Frank McGuire

As a rookie in the National Basketball Association, I'm not about to make any predictions as to where the Warriors will finish during the coming season. Yet the top talent back from last year's team plus the addition of several promising newcomers indicate the club should be a definite contender for the Eastern title. With players the caliber of Wilt Chamberlain, Paul Arizin, Tom Gola and Guy Rodgers on your side, we should provide trouble for any foe.

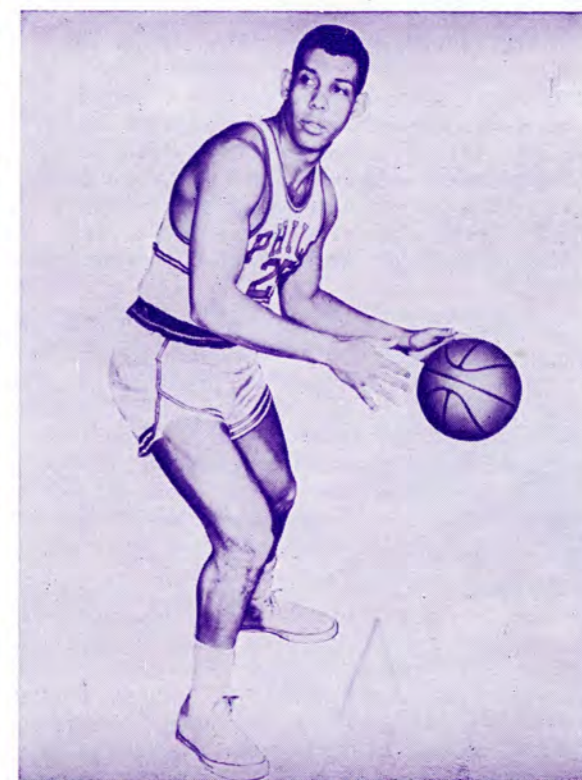
As a new coach coming from the college ranks to the pros, my biggest job appears to be to learn the personnel both on my own club and on the other teams in the league. Naturally I figure I'll be learning things about our opponents all season long. In fact, I believe if you watch the game closely, you never stop learning the strengths and weaknesses of players.

The Warriors have four regulars back from last year, and that's a good start for any coach. Chamberlain will be our centerman, and I'm certainly glad he's on my side. He's led the league in scoring and rebounding the last two seasons, and he should help us tremendously in both departments. It was a delight to learn that Arizin decided to play again this year. His experience and knowhow will help our young forwards. Our other returning starters are Gola and Rodgers who handle the backcourt duties so well. Our other veterans are Al Attles who fared well as a rookie guard last season; Joe Ruklick, the 6-9 hook shot, and Ed Conlin who can play the front or backcourt. The ability of both Conlin and Gola to play guard or forward gives the club greater maneuverability.

Three men are missing from last year's team but we have a fine crop of rookies trying to win their berths. There are three new forwards who could help us. They are Tom Meschery, of St. Mary's College, the club's No. 1 draft choice; Ted Luckenbill, a six foot sixer from Houston, and Frank Radovich who was secured in the trade with St. Louis for Joe Graboski.

In the backcourt the newcomers include Corky Withrow, of Georgetown (Ky.) College, and Carl Green, a 6-3 New Yorker who never attended college. Green played with Williamsport in the Eastern League last year and previously was with the Globetrotters.

We'll try to move the ball better this year and get it up court faster. We're working on better offensive rebounding, weaving the ball, and helping out on defense. There won't be any startling changes in the offense but we'll try to use patterns that will help our personnel. Naturally a good spirit de corps is part of our plan. Eighty games and extensive traveling will be new for me. It will be quite different from college where you have many nights off between games. I'm looking forward to the season. It's tough to win in the pros but I'm eager to face the challenge.

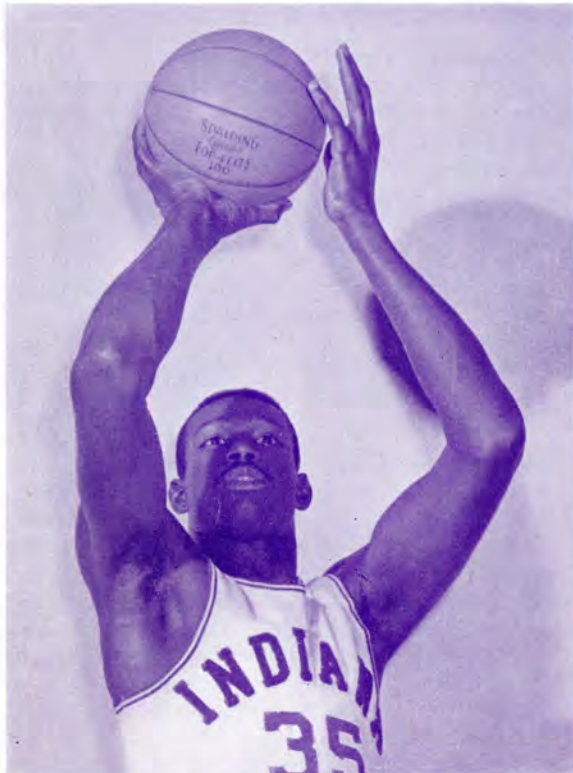


GUY RODGERS, Philadelphia Warriors

PAST LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

1946-47	Philadelphia, beat Chicago 4 games to 1
1947-48	Baltimore, beat Philadelphia 4 games to 2
1948-49	Minneapolis, beat Washington 4 games to 2
1949-50	Minneapolis, beat Syracuse 4 games to 2
1950-51	Rochester, beat NEW YORK 4 games to 3
1951-52	Minneapolis, beat NEW YORK 4 games to 3
1952-53	Minneapolis, beat NEW YORK 4 games to 1
1953-54	Minneapolis, beat Syracuse 4 games to 3
1954-55	Syracuse, beat Fort Wayne 4 games to 3
1955-56	Philadelphia, beat Fort Wayne 4 games to 1
1956-57	Boston, beat St. Louis 4 games to 3
1957-58	St. Louis, beat Boston 4 games to 2
1958-59	Boston, beat Minneapolis 4 games to 0
1959-60	Boston, beat St. Louis 4 games to 3
1960-61	Boston, beat St. Louis 4 games to 1

Thumbnail Sketches of the Chicago Packers



WALT BELLAMY, Chicago Packers

WALT BELLAMY—22, 6-10 $\frac{1}{2}$, 225, Indiana—Bellamy was the first player selected in this year's NBA draft. Chicago is not likely to regret the choice, for "Big Bell" was twice All-America, twice All-Big Ten, and a member of the 1960 Olympic Champion team. At Indiana last year, he averaged 21.8 points and pulled down 428 rebounds, a Hoosier record, to cap a three-season career in which he averaged better than 16 rebounds per game.

HOWIE CARL—23, 5-10, 165, DePaul—Although a foot shorter than the great George Mikan, Carl ranks second to "Mr. Basketball" in the annals of the cage sport at DePaul. In his three college campaigns, Howie tallied 1,461 points, an average of better than 20 per game. He was chosen on two Little All-America teams, and was also a member of the nationwide All Catholic five. A tremendous dribbler as well as shooter.

BARNEY CABLE—26, 6-7, 205, Bradley—This will be the fourth season of pro basketball for Cable, who began to live up to his promise last season with Syracuse, playing much more than the two previous campaigns. In 75 games, Barney scored 605 points and captured 459 rebounds, to rank at the head of the Nats' reserves in the latter department. He also did well in the playoffs, averaging 8 points and 8 rebounds per game.

YORK LARESE—23, 6-4, 186, North Carolina—Larese, a New Yorker who played high school basketball at St. Ann's, paced the Tar Heels in all offense departments last season. He led the scorers with 532 points, a 23.1 average, and hit .467 of his field goal attempts and .785 of his fouls. A great foul shooter, York tied the national record, hitting 21 straight against Duke in the 1959 Dixie Classic. In the same game he tallied 37 points, his best as a collegian. Possessor of a deadly one-hand push shot.

RALPH DAVIS—23, 6-4, 185, Cincinnati—Playing his entire college career and last year as a pro in the shadow of the great Oscar Robertson, Davis was chosen by Chicago from the Cincinnati Royals' draft list. A very fast man, Ralph makes use of his speed for setting up good shots. He saw limited service for the Royals last season, but still handed off 177 assists, tops for a reserve. Ralph was named All-Missouri Valley Conference and Honorable Mention All-America.

CHARLIE TYRA—26, 6-8, 230, Louisville—Played three years with the New York Knicks. In his best season with them, 1959-60, Charlie scored 945 points, averaging 12.8, and collected 598 rebounds. He led Louisville to the 1956 NIT Championship. In the tournament he played sensationally, with averages of 18 rebounds and 24.3 points per game. He paced the nation's collegians that season with 645 rebounds in 29 games and was among the leading marksmen with a 23.8 average.

ARCHIE DEES—25, 6-8, 210, Indiana—A veteran of three NBA seasons. In his best professional campaign he scored 707 points, an average of 9.7 with the Detroit Pistons, 1959-60. Last season he was out with a knee injury that required an operation, and saw limited action in 28 games, averaging 5.2. An All-America at Indiana, he won the Big Ten scoring title in 1957-58, with a 25.5 average, and was the first player to be named most valuable in the league two seasons in a row. He was the first draft pick of the Cincinnati Royals in 1958.

BOB LEONARD—29, 6-3, 190, Indiana—Leonard is the most experienced veteran on the Packers' squad. Bob played with the Lakers the past five years, once captaining the team, and averaged better than 11 points per game for two seasons. He is one of three former Indiana All-America on the Chicago roster. While a Hoosier, Bob helped lead Indiana to an NCAA title and two Big Ten championships. He was named Most Valuable Player in the 1954 East-West game.

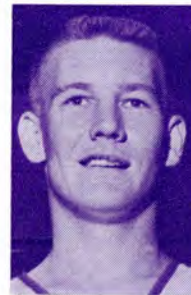
JOHN TURNER—22, 6-5, 200, Louisville—Turner paced Louisville to an NCAA berth last season, and almost engineered an upset over Ohio State in

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Looking Over the 1961-62 Knickerbockers



DAVE BUDD—23, 6-6, 210, Wake Forest—Dave showed promise as a Knick rookie last season before being sidelined with a virus for the last fifteen games of the schedule. He scored 399 points for a 6.5 average, and grabbed 297 rebounds before the illness. His .432 field goal percentage was second best on the team. He is slated to see more action this year to help plug the gap left by the loss of Ken Sears. In three collegiate seasons with Wake Forest, Budd scored 1,014 points, averaging 13.5, and pulled down 682 rebounds. He led the Deacons in scoring and rebounding in his sophomore and junior years. Dave sparked Wake Forest to the 1,959 Dixie Classic championship and to a first place tie with North Carolina in the Atlantic Coast Conference.



DARRALL IMHOFF—23, 6-10, 220, California—This is Darrall's second season with the Knicks. Last year he saw little action, scoring 293 points and capturing 296 rebounds. He showed improvement late in the season, and is expected to see more action this year. A good defensive man and rebounder, Darrall pulled 22 off the boards against Syracuse, in Boston, Jan. 13, 1961. He was unanimously All-America in his senior year for California and led the Bears in scoring and rebounding. Imhoff made the all-tourney team in every post-season event in which he played. He was All-Western Regional in 1959 and 1960 and named most valuable player both times. He was All-NCAA at Louisville, 1959, and San Francisco, 1960, and a member of the 1960 Olympic team.



WHITEY MARTIN—22, 6-2, 185, St. Bonaventure—Co-captained St. Bonaventure last season with Tom Stith. Outstanding playmaker for the Bonnies the past two years and one of the best defensive players in college competition. He has exceptionally quick hands and a good two-hand set shot. His scoring average for two campaigns was 12.5, but his true value to the Bonnies was "setting up" the high scoring pair of Stith and Fred Crawford. "He's a real hard nosed, quick moving kid," said Knick coach Eddie Donovan, former St. Bonaventure mentor. "On defense for the Bonnies he always drew the other team's best scorer. He is a better offense player than his average indicates."



WILLIE NAULLS—27, 6-6 $\frac{1}{2}$, 225, UCLA—Last season was Willie's best as a Knick. He led the team with 1,846 points and a 23.4 average, new Knick scoring records and the seventh best figures in the league. He also led the team in rebounds for the fourth straight year with 1,055. He set a new one-game field goal mark for New York with 23 against the Detroit Pistons, Feb. 7, 1961. All-America at UCLA in his senior year, 1955-56, Naulls was drafted by the St. Louis Hawks. He came to New York in a trade for Slater Martin after playing 19 games of the 1956-57 season with the Hawks. While a senior at UCLA, Willie set a school record of 661 points, an average of 23.6, in leading his team to the Pacific Coast Conference title.



CLEVELAND BUCKNER—23, 6-7, 210, Jackson State—Buckner, a Knick-rookie, was named to the All-NAIA team the past two seasons (the only repeater) and was a member of the U. S. squad for the Olympic trials at Denver in 1960. He led the Southwest Athletic Conference in field goal percentage last year with .605, averaging 21.9 points for 26 games. He was runner-up in league rebounds with a 20.9 norm. In 1959-60 Buckner was second in NAIA rebounding with a 25.5 average while averaging 23.5 points. Buckner can play the pivot and the outside where he makes use of an accurate jump shot. He is a good ball-handler for a big man, and has strong hands and split-second timing in hitting an open man for a good shot.



JOHNNY GREEN—28, 6-5, 200, Michigan State—Last season as a pro sophomore, Green showed marked improvement. He scored 787 points, a 10.2 average, and hauled in 818 rebounds, second high on the Knicks. A great jumper, Johnny often out-jumps opponents several inches taller. In his best night as a Knick, he had 27 points and 25 rebounds against Wilt Chamberlain, Feb. 2, 1960. Green scored 1,062 points in three seasons at Michigan State and was All-Big Ten three times. He set a Big Ten record in 1957-58 with his field goal percentage of .538, and was named on the 1957 NCAA tournament team and the 1958 All-Dixie Classic five.

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Meet the Coach . . .

EDDIE DONOVAN, N. Y. Knicks



Eddie Donovan is a mild-mannered, 38-year old crew-cut native of Elizabeth, N. J., who was eminently successful as St. Bonaventure University coach for eight years. He led St. Bonaventure to the final of the 1960 Holiday Festival, in Madison Square Garden, losing to Ohio State by two points. The Bonnies also competed in the 1961 National Collegiate Championship and in four straight National Invitations.

Donovan was named 1961 "Coach of the Year" by the New York Basketball Writers Association. His Bonnies last season were repeatedly No. 2 or No. 3 in national polls conducted by the Associated Press and United Press-International, alternating with Bradley and Cincinnati for the No. 2 spot.

Donovan signed a two-year contract as coach of the New York Knicks, May 8, 1961, replacing Carl Braun who had held the post since Dec. 18, 1959. "I don't believe Eddie's lack of experience in professional basketball will be a handicap," said Ned Irish, president of Madison Square Garden. "He has seen the Knicks in person and on television frequently as well as the other clubs in the NBA. His St. Bonaventure teams always gave a fine account of themselves, even when they were over-matched in personnel. I'm confident he'll do a good job with the Knicks."

Donovan enrolled at St. Bonaventure in September, 1946. He played basketball three years, but retired in his senior season to coach the freshman team. Following a four-year Navy hitch he joined the St. Bonaventure faculty in 1953 after teaching in the Olean, N. Y. public school system and coaching the Olean High School team. His two-year scholastic record was 30 victories in 39 starts, including a sectional championship.

Eddie developed Tom Stith, All-America selection the last two years. Stith was runner-up to Oscar Robertson in national scoring in 1960 with a 31.5 average and third last season with a 29.6 norm.

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trade at mid-year. Everyone else on the Knick bench, including Donovan is a rookie.

When Donovan came from a successful coaching tenure at St. Bonaventure to be introduced last Spring as the new Knick coach, one of the things he said, was, "I'll probably learn as much from the pros as I'm able to teach them."

The Knicks can go nowhere but up. How far up? Donovan asks for patience.

Like we said at the beginning . . . the start of another season and where the wheel stops, really, nobody knows.

This and That About the Philadelphia Warriors



TOM GOLA of the Philadelphia Warriors

GUY RODGERS—26, 6-0, 185. Playing his fourth season in NBA. Has been the team's No. 1 playmaker since he joined the club. Finished second in the assist race last year with 677 which eclipsed the club mark. Set a career high of 20 in one game. Played more minutes last year than anyone except Chamberlain on club. Tallied an even 1,000 points for a 12.8 average. Played college ball at Temple. One of league's top dribblers and has many fancy maneuvers including the behind the back type. Married with one child. Fine ball handler.

TOM GOLA—28, 6-6, 208. Playing his sixth season in NBA. Cleared thousand mark for the second year last season with 1,050 points and 14.2 norm. A good foul shooter, second on the club in rebounds (692) and assists. He is considered one of the most versatile players. Has quick hands and steals more balls than any player in the league. Is a fine defenseman also and is equally adept in the front or backcourt. Played his college basketball at LaSalle where he was rated one of the alltime greats. Married with a child. Runs golf links.

WILT CHAMBERLAIN—25, 7-1, 250. Playing his third year in NBA. Smashed ten alltime records last year including a 38.3 average to become the first man ever to tally over 3,000 points (3,033). Won scoring title for second straight year and is seeking to tie Neil Johnston and George Mikan

as a three-time winner. Is an accurate shooter and his 50.5 shooting mark last year was a league mark. Picked on All-League team two straight years. Greatest rebounder in league annals. Attended Kansas U. Dunking is his specialty. Still single.

AL ATTLES—24, 6-2, 175. Playing his second season in NBA. Was the surprise of team last year after coming to camp unheralded. Big favorite with fans through his fleetness and hard driving. Also can leap high. Played 77 games as a rookie, many in starting role in backcourt. Tallied 541 points for a 7.0 average. Played his college ball at North Carolina A and T at Greensboro. Teams with Rodgers to form one of fastest duos in the game. Feeds his mates well, too. Spent off-season running clinics at city playgrounds. Single.

JOE RUKLICK—23, 6-9, 215. Playing his third season in pro ball. Has served as Chamberlain's understudy for two seasons and has a nifty hook shot which delights the fans. Expects to gain more playing time this year as a forward in the corners. Tallies quite a few points for the limited amount of duty. Played his college basketball at Northwestern where he was one of the Big Ten's top pointmakers. Can shoot equally well with either hand. Popular with Philly fans who formed a fan club for him. Married in the off-season.

TOM MESCHERY—22, 6-6, 215. One of brightest stars in college basketball last year when he posted a 20.8 average at St. Mary's College in California. Selected on many All-America teams. On All-America high school team. Played with San Francisco Olympic team six straight years in National AAU tourney. At 16 he was selected the most promising player in event. Good outside shooter who can hit with either hand from the corners. A rugged build. Born in Harbin, Manchuria while his parents hail from Russia. Lettered in tennis and track and majored in French.

FRANK RADOVICH—23, 6-8, 235 pounds. Secured by the Tribe in a pre-season trade that sent Joe Graboski to St. Louis and brought Radoovich and Bob McDonald to Warriors. Was graduated from University of Indiana in 1960 and was St. Louis No. 2 draft choice. Decided to stay in college for year to brush up on studies. Scored 780 points in three seasons at Indiana including 354 points in 24 games as a senior when the Hoosiers were second in the Big Ten to NCAA champion Ohio State. A big burly fellow who is tough under the hoop.

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Rosters for Tonight's Games

NEW YORK KNICKERBOCKERS

No.	Player	Age	Ht.	Wt.	College
14	Ed Burton	25	6-6	235	Michigan State
15	George Blaney	22	6-1	175	Holy Cross
12	Cleveland Buckner	23	6-9	210	Jackson State
10	Dave Budd	23	6-6	210	Wake Forest
11	Johnny Green	27	6-5	195	Michigan State
9	Richie Guerin	29	6-4	195	Iona
18	Darrall Imhoff	23	6-10	220	California
8	Phil Jordon	28	6-10	230	Whitworth
7	Whitey Martin	22	6-2	185	St. Bonaventure
6	Willie Naulls	27	6-7	225	UCLA
16	Bill Smith	23	6-5	190	St. Peter's
17	Sam Stith	24	6-2	185	St. Bonaventure

PHILADELPHIA WARRIORS

No.	Player	Age	Ht.	Wt.	College
11	Paul Arizin	33	6-4	200	Villanova
16	Al Attles	24	6-2	175	N. Carolina
13	Wilt Chamberlain	25	7-1	250	Kansas
7	Ed Conlin	28	6-6	200	Fordham
15	Tom Gola	28	6-6	208	LaSalle
18	Carl Green	24	6-3	190	None
12	Ted Luckenbill	22	6-6	205	Houston
14	Tom Meschery	22	6-6	215	St. Mary's
9	Frank Radovich	23	6-8	235	Indiana
5	Guy Rodgers	26	6-0	186	Temple
17	Joe Ruklick	23	6-9	215	Northwestern
52	Corky Withrow	23	6-4	200	Georgetown (Ky.)

CHICAGO PACKERS

No.	Player	Age	Ht.	Wt.	College
8	Walt Bellamy	22	6-11	235	Indiana
35	Barney Cable	26	6-7	205	Bradley
10	Howie Carl	21	5-9	170	De Paul
25	Ralph Davis	23	6-4	185	Cincinnati
44	Archie Dees	25	6-8	210	Indiana
52	Vern Hatton	26	6-3	195	Kentucky
12	Andy Johnson	30	6-5	215	Portland
21	Bob Leonard	30	6-3	185	Indiana
23	York Larese	22	6-4	190	No. Carolina
22	John Turner	21	6-5	200	Louisville
14	Charlie Tyra	26	6-8	230	Louisville
15	Horace Walker	23	6-3	210	Michigan State

LOS ANGELES LAKERS

No.	Player	Age	Ht.	Wt.	College
22	Elgin Baylor	26	6-5	230	Seattle U.
14	Ray Felix	31	6-11	220	Long Island U.
20	Tommy Hawkins	24	6-5	215	Notre Dame
33	Rod Hundley	27	6-4	195	West Virginia U.
54	Howard Jolliff	23	6-7	215	Ohio U.
32	Jim Krebs	26	6-9	235	SMU
35	Rudy LaRusso	24	6-7	228	Dartmouth
11	Frank Selvy	28	6-3	180	Furman
24	Bobby Sims	23	6-5	220	Pepperdine
21	Bobby Smith	24	6-4	190	West Virginia U.
44	Jerry West	23	6-3	180	West Virginia U.
55	Wayne Yates	23	6-8	235	Memphis State

Meet the Coach . . .

FRED SCHAUS, Los Angeles Lakers



One of the first successful collegiate coaches to enter pro ranks, Schaus left the comparative security of his post at West Virginia University to lead the Lakers to their second place Western Division finish last season. Now in his second year, the former Knickerbocker hopes the pace of the final third of last season, in which the Lakers compiled the second best record in

the league, will be continued.

After winning six consecutive Southern Conference championships at West Virginia, Fred brought his winning habit into the Laker organization. The team advanced to its highest finish in four years, despite a move from Minneapolis to Los Angeles which meant an unfamiliar home court.

Schaus played five seasons in the NBA, concluding his playing career in 1953-54 with the Knicks. He played four campaigns with the Fort Wayne Pistons, averaging over 14 points three times. In 1950-51 he tallied 1,028 points, his top mark, after being named to the Second All-League team in 1949-50.

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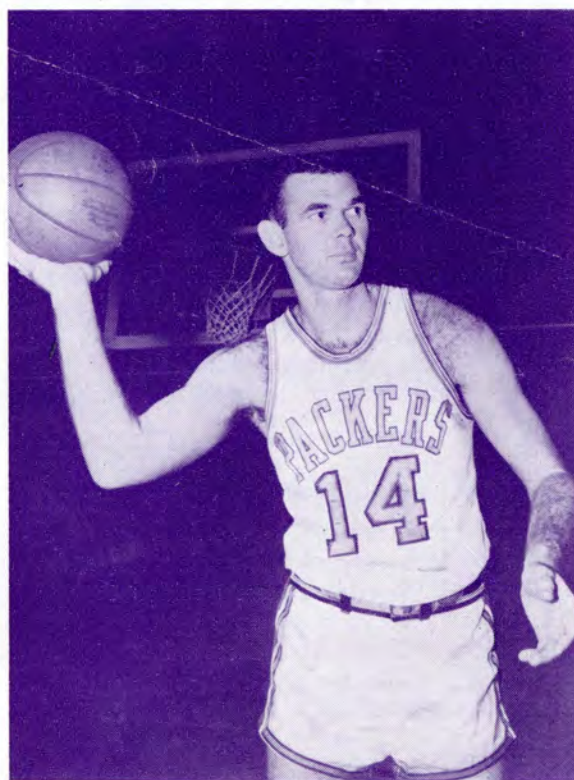
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the second round, leading all scorers with 25 points as the Cardinals were defeated, 56-55. He averaged 23.1 points and 11.4 rebounds for the season and had a remarkable shooting percentage of .520.

HORACE WALKER—23, 6-3, 210, Michigan State—Called by his college coach "Fordy" Anderson of Michigan State, "The finest all-round player I ever coached," Walker was traded by the St. Louis Hawks for the Packers' second draft choice next season. At Michigan State in his senior year, 1959-60, Horace averaged 22.6 points and 17.7 rebounds. He was named the All-Big Ten center, ahead of Jerry Lucas and Walt Bellamy.

VERN HATTON—26, 6-3, 195, Kentucky—An All-America at Kentucky and a three-year veteran with the Philadelphia Warriors, Hatton brings good credentials to the Packers. Last year he was bothered by an injury, missing 15 games, and he saw little action behind mainstays Tom Gola and Guy Rodgers when he was fit. Although never a regular, Vern has averaged over five points per game in his pro career.

ANDY JOHNSON—30, 6-5, 215, Portland—Johnson was the fifth leading scorer for the Philadelphia Warriors last season. His 755 points, a 9.5 average, was tops since breaking into the pro league in 1958. A versatile performer, Andy also pulled down 345 rebounds last season and handed off 207 assists, personal highs. Once almost turned professional boxer, but decided on bruising back-board foes.



CHARLIE TYRA, Chicago Packers

Meet the Coach . . .

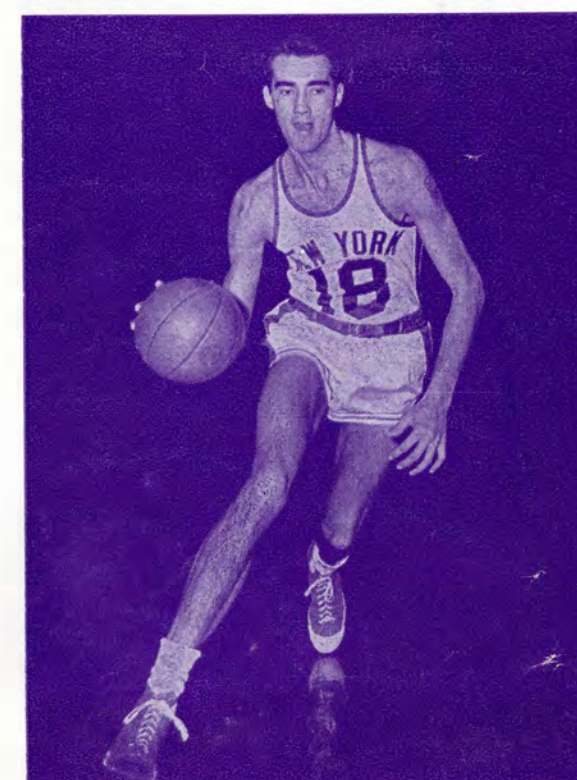
JIM POLLARD, Chicago Packers

One of pro basketball's all-time greats, Pollard returned to the NBA this season as coach of the new Chicago Packers. In his playing days, Pollard was an NBA All-League choice four times.

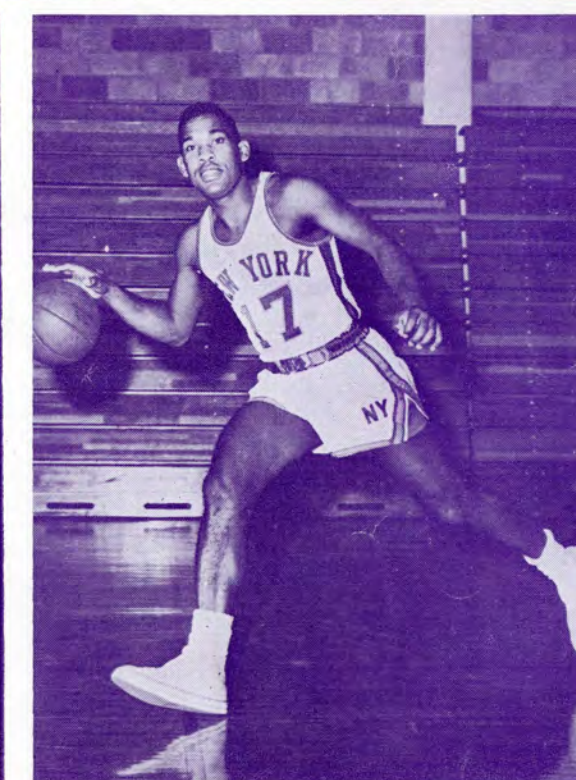
In his sophomore year in college, Pollard paced Stanford to the NCAA championship and was named All-America. His career was interrupted for three years in the Coast Guard, but he returned and played AAU ball before joining the Minneapolis Lakers in 1947.

For the next eight seasons Pollard averaged 13.1 points per game, hitting a personal high of 1,005, a 15.5 average, in 1951-52. His scoring record is even more impressive when it is taken into consideration that Jim, big at 6-6 and a top rebounder, often sacrificed to feed George Mikan. With Mikan and Pollard the Lakers won five world championships in eight years.

In 1959, Pollard responded to a Laker coaching offer by rebuilding a last-place team into a tough runner-up outfit. Jim was unable to move with the team to Los Angeles the following year, and therefore was available when the Packers canvassed the coaching market last winter.



PHIL JORDON, New York Knicks



SAM STITH, New York Knickerbockers

1960-61 N. B. A. Scoring Statistics

INDIVIDUAL SCORING LEADERS

	Games	Goals	Fouls	Pts.	Avg.
Chamberlain, Philadelphia	79	1251	531	3033	38.3
Baylor, Los Angeles	73	931	676	2538	34.8
Robertson, Cincinnati	71	756	653	2165	30.5
Pettit, St. Louis	76	769	582	2120	27.9
Twyman, Cincinnati	79	796	405	1997	25.3
Schayes, Syracuse	79	594	680	1868	23.6
Nauls, New York	79	737	372	1846	23.4
Arizin, Philadelphia	79	650	532	1832	23.2
Howell, Detroit	78	607	601	1815	23.3
Shue, Detroit	78	650	465	1765	22.6
Guerin, New York	79	612	496	1720	21.8
Hagan, St. Louis	78	661	383	1705	21.8
Heinsohn, Boston	74	627	325	1579	21.3
Greer, Syracuse	79	623	305	1551	19.6
Lovellette, St. Louis	67	599	273	1471	21.9
West, Los Angeles	79	529	331	1389	17.6
Cousy, Boston	76	513	352	1378	18.1
Russell, Boston	78	532	258	1322	16.9
Barnett, Syracuse	78	540	240	1320	16.9
Ramsey, Boston	79	448	295	1191	15.1

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

	FGA	FG	Pct.
Chamberlain, Philadelphia	2479	1251	.505
Twyman, Cincinnati	1632	796	.488
Costello, Syracuse	844	407	.482
Robertson, Cincinnati	1600	756	.472
Cable, Syracuse	564	266	.472

FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

	FTA	FT	Pct.
Sharman, Boston	228	210	.921
Schayes, Syracuse	783	680	.868
Shue, Detroit	543	465	.856
Lovellette, St. Louis	319	273	.856
Ramsey, Boston	354	295	.833

LEADERS IN REBOUNDS

	Games	No.	Avg.
Chamberlain, Philadelphia	79	2149	27.2
Russell, Boston	78	1868	23.9
Pettit, St. Louis	76	1540	20.3
Baylor, Los Angeles	73	1447	19.8
Howell, Detroit	78	1111	14.2

LEADERS IN ASSISTS

	Games	No.	Avg.
Robertson, Cincinnati	71	690	9.7
Rodgers, Philadelphia	78	677	8.9
Cousy, Boston	76	591	7.8
Shue, Detroit	78	530	6.8
Guerin, New York	79	503	6.4

Most Points One Game —Elgin Baylor, Los Angeles (vs. New York, Nov. 15, 1960)	71
Most Free Throws One Game —Richie Guerin, New York (vs. Boston, Feb. 11, 1961)	22
Most Personal Fouls —Paul Arizin, Philadelphia	335
Most Games Disqualified —Walter Dukes, Detroit	16

THE TOM MESCHERY STORY:

Long Ways From Manchuria to Warriors

The Tom Meschery story is an interesting one, a fascinating one, one of courage and the ability to overcome fantastic odds. His story is now entering upon what he hopes will be a pleasant chapter. After what has gone before, anything will seem pleasant by comparison.

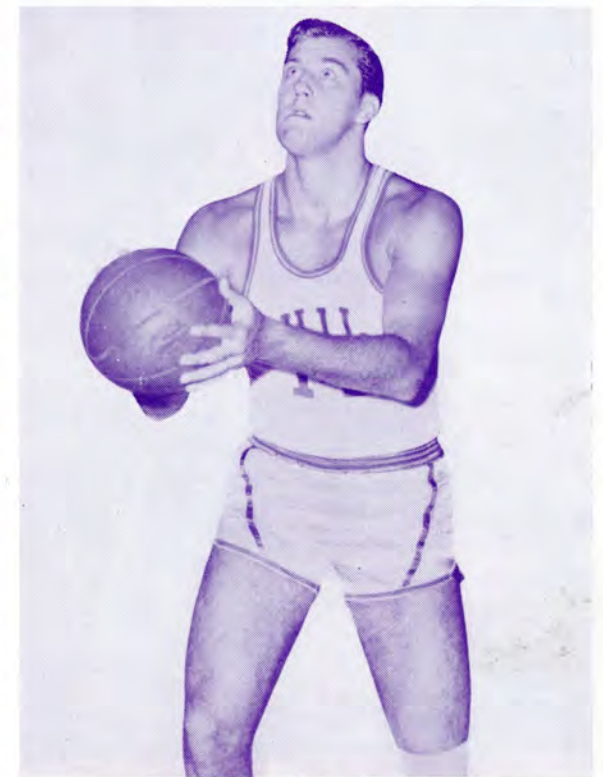
Meschery is a 22-year-old All-America basketball player from St. Mary's College in California. How he got there and how he eventually became a Philadelphia Warrior makes interesting reading. Harbin, Manchuria is halfway around the world from the Quaker City but that's where the story begins.

"Actually," Meschery said, "maybe we should start in Moscow. That is where my parents lived before fleeing to Harbin during the Russian revolution of 1917. In Manchuria they got jobs working for the American Foreign Service. I was born in Harbin on Oct. 26, 1938."

The ensuing 23 years have been full of disappointment, heartbreak, anxiety and eventually happiness for Tom (whose name is pronounced Ma-share-ee) and his father, mother and sister Ann. Right now basketball is the only thing the 6-6 230-pound West Coaster thinks about. But his memory is filled with a storehouse of events—not all pleasant—which filled his early years. Things like: Internment in a nonmilitary confinement camp in Tokyo during World War II; separation from his father during those five years; knowing the horror of being bombed, and seeing the big mushroom cloud that hovered over Hiroshima after the atom bomb was used for the first time.

"I was only three years old then," Tom recalled, "but I remember we were on a ship in Muckden harbor ready to leave for the United States to re-join my father who had gone ahead, a few months earlier, to get a job and a place for us to live. It was December 7, 1941. Of course that was the day the war began. While we were still in the harbor, the Japanese took over the ship. My mother, sister and I were taken to a camp in Yokohama. Then later to Tokyo. As much as I remember the conditions weren't bad, and the food was all right. It wasn't a military detention camp. Some civilian group ran it. There were only women and children and religious figures there. That's where I picked up English from some Christian Brothers and a little French from French nuns. They were very good to us, and actually I got a pretty good education."

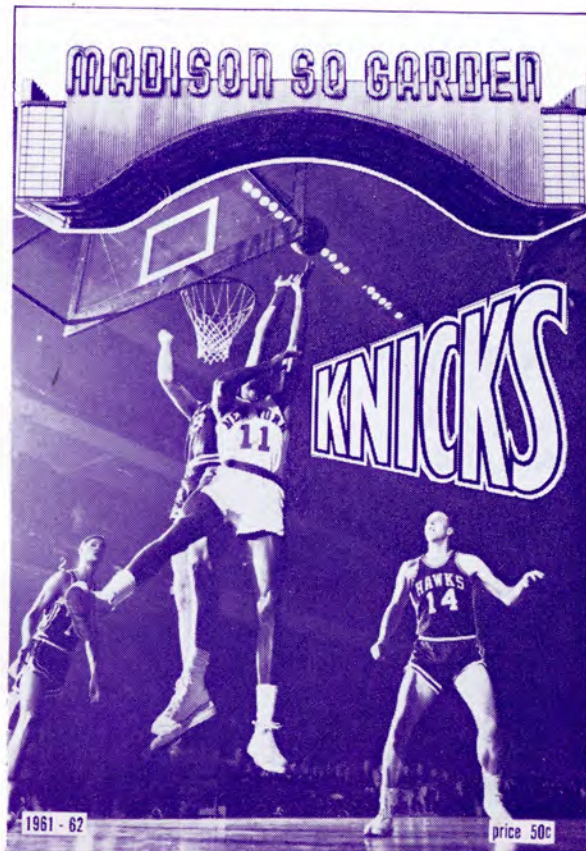
Asked if he remembered anything special at the camp, Tom replied: "Well, I remember we were bombed several times during the last months. And I guess everyone that was there remembers watch-



TOM MESCHERY, Philadelphia Warriors

ing the big mushroom cloud rising in the sky in the direction of Hiroshima the day they dropped the A-Bomb." The Mescherys didn't get out of the camp until early 1946, several months after V-J Day in August 1945. "From there we went to Formosa, then to the Philippines for almost a month, then to Hawaii and finally San Francisco. My father met us at the pier. It was a great day for all of us, especially mom and dad."

Tom's first love in sports after reaching the States was tennis. He didn't start playing basketball until he was 13 when he won a playground contest. At Lowell High in Frisco he was named to the All-America team. And the college coaches began trailing him when he was picked the most promising player in the National AAU tourney while playing for the San Francisco Olympic Club. "I eventually picked St. Mary's because it was close to home, had a nice campus, good basketball and a good French department," he said. Tom chose the Warriors over the new San Francisco team in the other league because "The NBA is on solid ground, the ABL isn't. This is the big league. I knew I could make the other league. If I make the go here, I've achieved something."



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ELGIN BAYLOR, Los Angeles Lakers

ELGIN BAYLOR—26, 6-5, 230, Seattle—One of basketball's greatest players, Baylor has averaged just under 30 points per game in his three-season pro career. Last year his mark was 34.8, second to Wilt Chamberlain. Also a great rebounder, Elgin placed fourth in the league in this department, trailing only men four or more inches taller. He was All-America at Seattle and has been All-NBA for each of his three campaigns. His single game point totals have been tops in the league each season, ranging from 55 three years ago to an amazing 71, a league record, against the Knicks last year.

JIM KREBS—26, 6-9, 235, Southern Methodist—Krebs is the rare combination of big man and outside shooter. His ability to hit with jump shot from long range has proved of particular value against the Celtics and Warriors, forcing Bill Russell and Wilt Chamberlain outside to cover him and enabling the other Lakers to control the backboards. Jim scored 629 points last year, his fourth in the NBA. He is one of very few All-Americans to come out of the Southwest Conference and succeed in NBA competition.

RAY FELIX—31, 6-11½, 220, Long Island University—No stranger to New York basketball fans, Felix is the most experienced member of the

Lakers with eight NBA seasons already behind him, six with the New York Knicks. While with the Knicks, big Ray accumulated the seventh best point total (4,499) and fifth best rebound total (3,424) in the team's history. His value to the Lakers is considerably more than his average of 6.6 points and 6.9 rebounds last season indicate. The Lakers won .631 of the games in which Ray got twelve or more rebounds.

JERRY WEST—23, 6-3, 180, West Virginia—West was generally acclaimed last season as the NBA's second best rookie, behind Oscar Robertson. Jerry averaged 17.6 points and 7.5 rebounds per game, and proved his clutch ability by raising these marks to 22.9 and 8.5 in the playoffs. His point total ranked sixteenth in the league, and no man his size pulled down as many rebounds. All-America twice at West Virginia, Jerry averaged 29.6 points in his senior year, the third best average in the country, and captained Uncle Sam's 1960 Olympic Champion team, in spite of the presence of the "Big O" and Jerry Lucas.

TOM HAWKINS—24, 6-5, 215, Notre Dame—An often brilliant performer who can come off the bench to spark the Lakers like Frank Ramsey does for the Boston Celtics, Hawkins scored 760 points last season in his sixty-man role. Tom was the Lakers' first draft choice in 1959 after breaking all scoring and rebounding records at Notre Dame. He is a great leaper and frequently will "steal" rebounds from much taller opponents or score with an accurate jump shot over their heads. In one game last winter Tom came off the bench to tally 32 points, 13 in a 2½ minute stretch over the guard of 6-9 Bob Pettit.

HOWARD JOLLIFF—23, 6-7, 215, Ohio U.—Jolliff saw limited service last season behind Elgin Baylor, Rudy LaRusso, and Tom Hawkins, but showed enough in the time he played to draw the raves of Laker coach Fred Schaus. He garnered 141 rebounds in 352 minutes of playing time, an excellent average, and 25 in 35 minutes in the playoffs. Schaus hopes to use Jolliff more this season, Howie's second in the NBA.

FRANK SELVY—28, 6-3, 180, Furman—Given the opportunity to play regularly with the Lakers last season, Selvy came part of the way back to the rookie form which saw him average 19 points per game for Baltimore and Milwaukee in 1954-55. Frank averaged 10.8 points for the Lakers after coming to them from Syracuse. Following his rookie season, he served two years in the Army and on returning to the NBA was shuffled from St. Louis to Minneapolis to New York to Syracuse. He holds the league record for free throws in one game (24), set in his rookie campaign.

RUDY LaRUSSO—24, 6-7½, 228, Dartmouth—LaRusso was the Lakers' third leading scorer last season with 1,155 points, a 14.6 average, and second in rebounds with 781. Considered a sleeper when drafted from Dartmouth in 1959, Rudy wasted no time proving himself a capable pro. He averaged 13.7 points in his rookie campaign and pulled down 679 rebounds. He is only the second Ivy Leaguer to compete successfully in the NBA, and has been called "the best Number Two draft choice" in league history.

ROD HUNDLEY—27, 6-4, 195, West Virginia—In spite of his All-America status at West Virginia, Hundley was not considered a good professional prospect because of his tendency to clown. In four professional seasons he has settled down to serious basketball, however, and was named the past two seasons on the West team for the All-Star game. He tallied 869 points last year with the Lakers, an 11 point average, and handed off 450 assists to pace the team. He set a record with 15 assists against Detroit in a playoff game last spring.

WAYNE YATES—23, 6-8, 235, Memphis State—Yates, like Krebs, is a big man with the ability to shoot from outside. He was the leading scorer and rebounder for the strong Memphis State team that participated in the 1961 National Invitation Tournament. In 22 games last season with the Tigers he tallied 377 points, a 17.1 average, and hauled down 312 rebounds. Impressed by his size and strength, the Lakers made him their first draft choice. Coach Fred Schaus compares him with the Cincinnati Royals' rugged center, Wayne Embry.

BOB SMITH—24, 6-4, 190, West Virginia—A former West Virginia star under present Laker coach Fred Schaus, Smith played ten games for the Lakers in the 1959-60 season. After spending a year completing work for his degree at West Virginia, he returned to the Lakers' tryout camp and impressed with his hustle, desire, and general improvement. Bob is a good bet for a backcourt spot if he improves his outside shooting.

BOB SIMS—23, 6-5, 220, Pepperdine—The first player to be signed out of the Lakers' off-season tryout camp, Sims possesses strength and speed. He holds the Pepperdine high-jump record with a leap of 6 feet, 7⅛ inches, and has a 9.9 clocking for the 100 yard dash. Bob was at the Laker camp a year ago, then played last winter with the Seattle team in the National Industrial League.

Knick All-Time Scoring Records

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- Points**—57, by Richie Guerin vs. Syracuse at New York, Dec. 11, 1959.
- Field Goals**—23, by Willie Naulls vs. Detroit at New York, Feb. 7, 1961.
- Free Throws**—22 (of 23) by Richie Guerin vs. Boston at Boston, Feb. 11, 1961.
- Rebounds**—33, by Harry Gallatin vs. Ft. Wayne, March 15, 1953.
- Assists**—21, by Richie Guerin vs. St. Louis at New York, Dec. 12, 1958.

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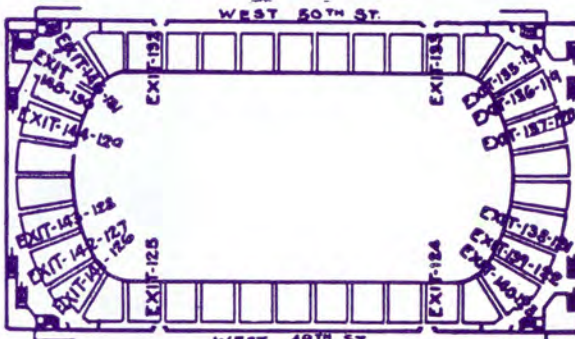
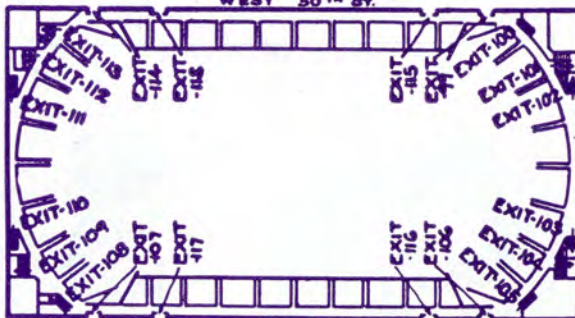
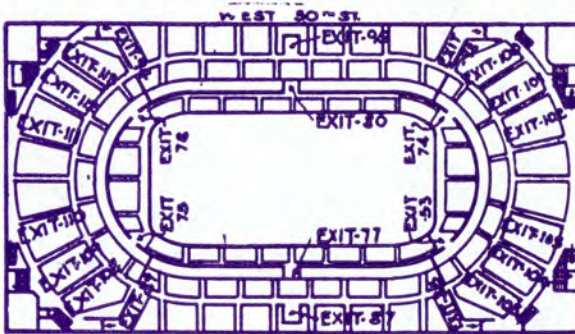
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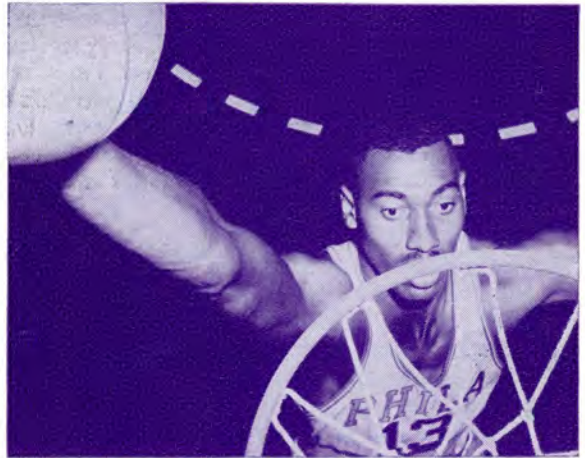
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PHILADELPHIA WARRIORS

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WILL CHAMBERLAIN, Philadelphia Warriors

TED LUCKENBILL—22, 6-6, 205. Second leading pointmaker in the history of the University of Houston. A southpaw shooter who tallied 505 points last season for an 18.0 average. In three varsity seasons the forward-center made 1,195 points for a 16.6 average. His 400 as soph topped the team in scoring. Shot at a 48.1 percent and grabbed 706 rebounds for the second highest total in the college's history. A hardworking player who drives from start to finish of every game. Good foul shooter, sinking 26 straight last year. Co-captain of team last two seasons. Was mate of Gary Phillips, the first round choice of Boston.

PAUL ARIZIN—33, 6-4, 200. Playing his 10th year in NBA and thus breaking his own club record for longevity. Third greatest scorer in history and hopes to pass No. 2 man, Bob Cousy, this year. Approaching the 15,000 point mark for career. Won scoring crown in 1951-52 when he dethroned George Mikan and repeated in 1956-57. Tallied 1,832 points last year for the second highest total in his career. Has made Eastern All-Star team every year he's been in league. Played college ball at Villanova. Top jump shooter. Married.

ED CONLIN—28, 6-6, 200. Playing his seventh year in NBA. Played first three seasons with Syracuse, split his next between the Nats and Detroit, played for Pistons in 1959-60 and then went to St. Louis. Didn't play for Hawks before coming to Tribe last season in deal for Woody Sauldsberry. Did his college playing at Fordham. Can play either front or backcourt. Good outside shooter. Best year was a 953 point season as a pro soph. Worked in camp in off-season. Married.

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