

sports Ferrndale Sports Southfield's Cage Opener

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AFTER meeting Terry Brennan, it is plain to see why the Notre Dame officials appointed him head football coach despite his age.

Brennan was only 25 when he got the job two years ago. Under Frank Leahy retired, Terry is the quiet-spoken, intelligent type guy who is a natural leader.

The clean-cut looking Brennan was in Pontiac Monday night for a speaking engagement at the All-Indiana county football banquet.

TRULLY... a few of Brennan's playing and coaching records were brought forth and an impressive list they make.

Brennan was the leading scorer at N.D. in 1946 and 1947. He was a regular for four years, picking up 1200 yards in 260 carries.

In the famous scoreless game between the Irish and Army in 1947, Terry outscored the fabulous cadet touchdown twins, Glenn Davis and Elmer Blatchford.

He started coaching at St. Carmel high school in Chicago, after he got a doctorate from the "Catholic home" with a degree in philosophy.



JIM TRALA, recipient of the first annual Anderson Memorial football award, holds the plaque which will be hung in the Birmingham high school. His will be the first name inscribed on the Memorial honoring the late John D. Anderson, former star Maple athlete.

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Maples' Lemle Gets Coach of Year Award

By DICK KELLEY
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Carl Lemle, Birmingham high school football coach, was named Oakland county coach of the year at the first annual banquet honoring the players and coach Monday night in Pontiac.

Lemle was presented a plaque with his name and honor inscribed by 6th Stanley, sports director of Pontiac station WJON, co-sponsor of the banquet with the Civitan club.

Members of the All-Oakland county football teams were given trophies at the affair attended by over 600 enthusiastic fans who turned out to see the players, coaches, and Terry Brennan, Notre Dame football coach, who was the guest speaker.

The large turnout assured the nomination for the night as a worthy effort filling a gap that has been lacking in the county in the past.

Notre Dame was well represented by the officers of the Notre Dame club of Detroit who turned out to meet Brennan and look over the college prospects in the crowd.

Birmingham players on the All-County squad were Bill Swaney, Gene Traub, Al Appleford and Wayne Geoghe.

BERNE Miosovich and Sam Mandership were selected from Southfield high school.

The entire Maple football team was at the banquet through the sponsorship of Wilson Pontiac and Cadillac and Great Lakes Tractor and Supply company.

Birmingham had an 8-1 record in 1954, finishing on top in the Eastern Michigan league under the direction of Lemle.

THOSE who turned out to see Brennan were not disappointed. The youthful Irish coach was an entertaining speaker who stressed the values of football that will help the player when finishes the sport.

The days of the dumb lineman is a thing of the past in football, Brennan said. "It takes a quick-thinking boy who knows the value of leadership to make good today," Brennan added.

Brennan named four things he looked for in a college football prospect: intelligence, desire to learn and with, team spirit and ability. He said ability was worthless without the first three qualities.

"I learn something from the same because remember 'No echo is in his own mind' filling in for the injured Dave Spohar for several games," Fry will be the only returning player.

THE BIRMINGHAM went along at a good pace thanks to the brevity of Toastmaster Thomas Gillette who earned the favor of the large crowd.

Local Ice Rinks Rely on Weather

Neighborhood skating rinks will be flooded as soon as the weather permits, according to Charles Gale of the Birmingham department of forestry.

Gale said, "We are ready to go but must wait for seven or eight inches of frost to get in the ground for a base before we can start flooding."

THESE THREE locations were picked to provide skating facilities to all parts of the city. Pembroke park is located at Elton road and Windemere. St. James park is on Grant St. behind the Birmingham YMCA. Quanton school is Oak and Chesterfield streets.

A definite opening date for the Elton park artificial skating rink has not as yet been set but an announcement is expected next week after city officials meet with the architects of rinks.

The rink itself is expected to be finished by Christmas but the shelter building will not be ready until a week later, according to latest reports.

It is hoped the neighborhood rinks will be in operation by the Christmas holidays so the kids can try out their new skates but the weatherman will have to cooperate.

YMCA Church Loop Starts Play

Playing before an audience of 100 people the First Presbyterian and First Baptist Churches kicked off the 1955-56 season of the Birmingham YMCA Church Basketball League with a stirring 33 to 23 tie game. Both teams employed a fast break and a zone defense to start the game.

Early scoring by Ronnie McChubb of First Baptist found both teams tied at 7 points when the quarter ended. Sam Hunter's three baskets in the second quarter gave First Presbyterian Church a 13 to 7 half-time lead.

With Jack Kistwell finding the range in the third quarter the Baptist segregation moved into a 29-24 lead at half time. The score was 33 to 23 at the end of the game.

High pit First Methodist against First Presbyterian at 7 p.m. and First Baptist against Lutheran at 8 p.m. St. James Episcopal Church and Congregational Church will practice at 9 p.m.

IN THE second game of the evening, Redeemer Lutheran Church started slowly but used a short, fast passing game to move into a 13 to 9 first-half lead and then staved off a rush by First Methodist Church in the last quarter to win 29 to 21.

Douglas Wueggeler, playing a forward position for Redeemer Lutheran, took scoring honors with 14 points while Jim Reeder contributed 9 points for First Methodist.

Proctor's ability to control the backboard for the Lutheran boys gave them a decided advantage. The loss was the first for First Methodist in their last 14 games including the playoffs of last year.

Games next Monday evening, December 12 at the scoring for High pit First Methodist against First Presbyterian at 7 p.m. and First Baptist against Lutheran at 8 p.m. St. James Episcopal Church and Congregational Church will practice at 9 p.m.

BIRMINGHAM high school swimming coach Jay Myers giving some tips to Wayne Geoghe (left) and Jay Lewis before the start of a practice sprint race. Birmingham will defend its Eastern Michigan league crown this season.



SOUTHFIELD'S Eric Leighton (No. 33 in white) and Steve Klamik (No. 25) wait for a rebound with Jerry Fry (No. 15) and Ted Dietrich (No. 11) of Ferrndale. The Jays lost in the final minutes of the fourth quarter, 56-48.

Cranbrook Drops Cage Opener to Walled Lake

Cranbrook lost to Walled Lake Friday night, 57-45, in the cage opener for both schools.

Never in serious trouble after the opening minutes, Walled Lake coasted to victory with center Larry Higgins leading the way (20 points).

THE Lakers jumped to 17-8 lead at the end of the first quarter and improved the margin to 28-14 at the half.

In the third quarter the Cranes put together their best effort of the night putting to within four points of Walled Lake 43-29, largely on the shooting of guard John Kirk who started hitting from the foul line and from the outside.

Walled Lake took control of play again in the fourth stanza after center Peter Bedford fouled out. The Cranes had trouble all evening hitting from outside which made the difference in the game. Higgins controlled the backboard for the Lakers giving them added scoring opportunities all evening.

RRHS was the outstanding team played Friday night and led the Cranbrook scoring with 15 points. Teammate Jerry Hudson had 11 points as did Guy Walker of Walled Lake.

Dobson and Chuck Grabe played their first game as regulars for the Cranes and showed great promise as did Guy Walker of Walled Lake.

Cranbrook will take on Birmingham high school Friday night on the Maple home court. Varsity game time is 8 p.m.

Cotton Aids Cagers

Jack Weston, assistant football coach at Wayne University, has been added to the Wayne basketball coaching staff as well as assistant coach. Weston will work with assistant coach Fred Muller in handling the Ferrndale squad. He and Muller will also act as varsity scouts. Cotton has been a member of the Wayne staff since 1947.

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Ferndale Wins 56-48 In 4th Quarter Rally

Southfield high school ran into a young, aggressive Ferrndale basketball team Friday night and lost its season opener in a thriller, 56-48.

It was anybody's game to mid-way in the final period where the Southfielders took the cage wide open to win easily.

Southfield's Steve Klamik netted 19 points to share scoring honors with McNeil. Eric Leighton got 10 points.

FORWARD Ray Pilar had seven points and guard Ken Moser, six. Southfield's all-league guard Bob Evans, guarded closely all night, was held to three points on one basket and a free throw.

THE Jays' tight zone defense halted Ferrndale's fast break (too) limiting the range from the outside. But the second half was a different story. General Ed McNeil and forward Jerry Fry, only regular from last year on the squad, found the range and guided Ferrndale to a tie, 36-36, at the end of the third quarter.

Forward Ted Dietrich sank two free throws and McNeil added an other to tie Ferrndale at three-point edge in the opening minutes of the fourth period.

COACH Bob Watt's Southfield squad will meet Farmington Friday night on this home court. The all-veteran quintet should be a strong contender for the Inter-Lake league-cage title again this season.

FERRNDALE

FG	FT	TP
14	2	12
Dietrich, f	1	2
Granow, g	5	7
McNeil, g	8	3
Dugan, g	2	0
Dahlberg, g	1	0
Moser, g	1	0
Evans, g	1	0
Pilar, f	3	2
Watt, c	2	1
Fry, f	1	0

SOUTHFIELD

FG	FT	TP
14	5	19
Klamik, f	1	6
Pilar, f	4	2
Leighton, g	1	1
Moser, g	1	1
Evans, g	1	1
Laub, g	1	1
Watt, c	1	0
Fry, f	1	0

Score by quarters

Quarter	Ferrndale	Southfield
1	10	10
2	17	12
3	14	18
4	15	13
Total	56	48

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