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Mount's Shooting in 2d Half Gives Purdue Uphill 88-85 Victory Over Penn Team

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Purdue, which relies heavily on the shooting of Rick Mount, and St. Bonaventure, quick, aggressive and buoyed by the powerful Bob Lanier, gained the final of the Eastern College Athletic Conference Holiday Festival basketball tournament at Madison Square Garden last night

night.
With Mount putting on one of his finest shooting performances in the second half, Purdue fought back from a 11-point deficit to edge Penn, 88-85, after the Bonnies had overpowered St. Joseph's, 96-61.
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The St. Bonaventure-Purdue game starts tonight at 9 P.M. after Cincinnati meets Boston College for fifth place at 5 and Penn faces St. Joseph's in the consolation contest at 6:45.

#### Hits for 37 Points

The sidelight of the final will be a battle for most-valuableplayer and scoring honors between Mount and Lanier. Mount scored 37 last night for a twogame tournament total of 67, or 9 more than Lanier.

But while Purdue needed Mount's best efforts for both its victories, the Bonnies and Lanier have been toying with their opponents.

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Mount, still hobbled by a knee injury that kept him out of four games earlier in the season, was held to 9 pcints in the first half by Penn's disciplined defense.

But he broke out in the second half. Many of his shots were acrobatic, made with two or three opponents trying to cover him.

#### Notable Defensive Job

"This was the greatest 20-minute shooting effort of his career," said George King, his coach. "It didn't look as though we tried going to Rick in the first half, but we did. Our players always look for him, but Penn did a heck of a defensive job on him in the first half."

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Mount was shackled by Dave Wohl, who scored 20 of his 26 points in the opening period. It was after Wohl had picked up his fourth foul with 15:46 left in the game that Purdue started its comeback. Mount, who had been fouled in the act of shooting, made both shots to cut the Quakers' lead to 50-46.

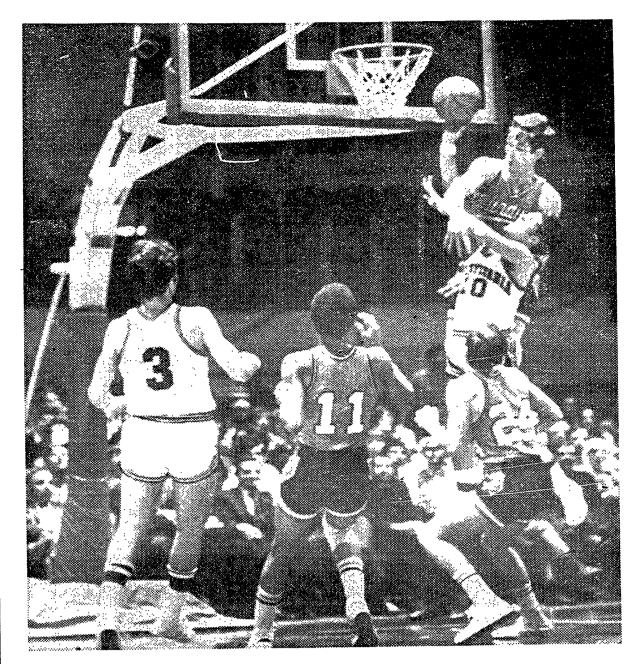
Penn was in foul trouble during the second half, and Purdue put on its winning rally with 2:40 to go. Mount, with his 24th point, gave the Boilermakers a 76-75 lead, their first advantage since the opening minutes.

Lanier and the Bonnies staged an almost fantastic shooting performance for the crowd of 14,333. The 6-foot-11-inch center, who wears size 18 sneakers. scored 25 points, making 11 of 14 floor shots. As a team, the Bonnies shot 67 per cent.

"He does everything so well," said Jack McKinney, the St. Joseph's coach. "He must have blocked 10 shots besides dominating the boards and controlling the start of their fast break.

"There is little doubt he's the best center in the nation. At times I'm almost tempted to compare him with Lew Alcin-

dor."
St. Joseph's was never in the game and lost for the third time in 10 contests. The Hawks tried slowing the play at the beginning but failed as the Bonnies went after them. They also failed with their famous zone press defense.

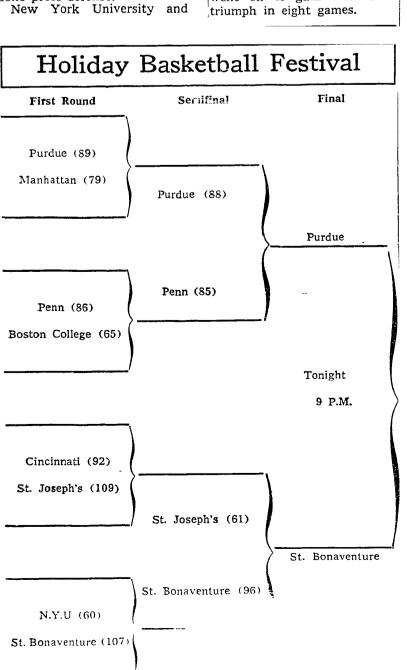


The New York Times (by Larry Morris) RISING TO THE OCCASION: Steve Bilsky of the University of Pennsylvania going high to score in the first half despite defensive action of George Faerber of Purdue, who was charged with foul. Purdue made up early deficit to win, 88-85, at the Garden last night.

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Manhattan were soundly trounced in the afternoon losers' double-header. Cincinnati sent the hapless Violets to their sixth defeat in 11 games, 91-67, and Boston College put on a second-half spurt to hand the Jaspers their second loss after seven straight victories, 91-64.

John Fraley and Don Ogletree shot Cincinnati into a quick lead, and the Bearcats went on to gain their sixth triumph in eight games.



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