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Dragon, Cobber Cagers Play Again Tonight

Happy New Year! ... This Is Your Sports Extra

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MS Cops Own Tourney Crown By Beating Bison, Cobbers

By TERRENCE O'HOOIGAN

The Dragons weren't very nice hosts.

They won their own tournament.

In a four-team invitational holiday tourney played on the MSTC court last Thursday and Friday, the Dragon team:

* Staved off a late rally in one of the screwiest games in these parts for quite a while to sneak past the NDAC Bison on opening night, 61-58.

* Had to erase a four-point deficit to beat Concordia's Cobbers, 60-51, in the championship contest Friday night.

The AC game was the odd one. It included such things as:

* A fourth quarter that got pretty well out of hand. Amid jeering by fans of both squads, it lasted nearly an hour!

* A Bison field goal that several observers thought didn't go through the hoop, but at any rate was counted.

ed.

* Five fouls on five Dragons, including every starter except Jim Gotta.

* The ejection of an AC player, Bob Geston, for a deliberate foul in the final period.

* An MSTC lead—15 points at one time—that dwindled to next to nothing as time ran out in that hectic fourth quarter.

As Jim (Enoch) Peterson penned in the Moorhead Daily News, "It appeared as though Harry (Bridgeford) and George (McCain) were total strangers."

The two officials were seeing most everything differently. For a while it looked as if the UN might have to be reconvened to settle conflicting calls.

At one time it took 10 minutes to get 60 seconds of playing time out of the way.

The Bison, paced by Jack Garrett (who later fouled out), had gotten off to a good start. They led

through much of the first period.

But Kenny Johnson potted one just before the quarter ended to give the Dragons a 13-11 margin.

In the next few minutes, things started to pop. The closest NDAC came was at 16-13.

With Gotta, Roger Bagne, Curt McCamy, and Johnson pouring 'em in from all angles, MS romped to its widest lead, 29-14, midway in the second period.

The Bison closed the gap to 33-21 at halftime, but fell behind again in the early minutes of the second half.

The Dragons rolled up a 44-30 margin before the Bison onrush began. The score was whittled down to 46-40 at the third period juncture.

With five minutes of play remaining, Johnson bucketed another to make it 52-46. After that, MS made only free throws—no more field goals.

Meanwhile, the Cow College boys MS WINS TOURNEY

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'Bandwagon,' No Less

The McGarritys Are Given a Buggy

By KEN PITCHFORD

The 14 minutes that began at 4 p.m. last Dec. 14 were probably the strangest 14 minutes of goings-on in the halls of Weld hall had ever known.

Because Bertram McGarrity (MS-

TC band director) and his wife are expecting a baby, band members got together and bought a baby carriage to present to them.

Here's the play-by-play description of the surprise presentation:



THE BERTRAM MC GARRITYS pose in front of "McGarrity's Bandwagon," the baby buggy given to them by members of the MSTC band, which "Mac" conducts.—Fargo Forum photo for The MiSTiC.

At 4, the band had assembled, piercing the air as usual with their wierd warming-up shrieks. McGarrity arrived on time, suspecting nothing, and the rehearsal began at 4:02.

Behind the scenes, much was going on. Mrs. Mac had been picked up at her home and told the whole secret. She arrived at 4:02, followed a moment later by the baby buggy, wheeled from its hiding place across campus.

The carriage, a maroon and gray contraption complete with springs and all such modern devices, had a sign reading "McGarrity's Bandwagon" inscribed on its side.

Everything was prepared, but the troupe—including most of the Weld hall teachers and two reporters—was held up until 4:07, when the Fargo Forum photographer arrived.

By 4:09, the group made its way upstairs. Ray Johnson, with the buggy, stood at one door of the band room. Through the other, out of sight from McGarrity's position, the rest tiptoed.

At 4:10, with loud huzzahs, the buggy was wheeled in. The band burst into song, with "Rock-a-bye, Baby" swelling throughout the room.

Cameras clicked. Mac's face turned a deep and beautiful shade of red. The first inspired statement he made was "Oh, goodness."

Then, collecting himself a little more, he managed to say, "Thanks from the bottom of my heart. I'm simply amazed at the interest my friends have taken."

As more pictures were snapped, the completely flustered poppa-to-be said in a false tone of warning, "If this pink shows up in the pictures!..."

By 4:14, the bedlam had partially subsided, and McGarrity had regained enough presence of mind to wonder, "How are we going to get this chariot home?"

Art Nix, who had ferried Mrs. McGarrity to the presentation, became greatly concerned with the problem until Mrs. Mac calmed him down with "It's all right, I don't think I'll need it right tomorrow, anyway."

Hope for Intra-city Sweep Before Conference Opener

The MSTC Dragon basketball team plays Concordia's Cobbers for the third time this season tonight in the Moorhead Junior High school gym.

Dragon fans will be hoping their favorites can win again, giving MSTC a clean sweep of the intra-city series before opening teachers college conference play with two games later this week.

The Crimson and White play at Mankato Friday and at Winona Saturday.

The Boys from Herring Tech did a little better last week.

In the finals of the holiday tournament held here, the Cobbers gave the Dragons a bad time, leading at halftime and within striking distance most of the time (details on back page).

However, MSTC, won, 60-51. Previously the Dragons (one of Concordia's "much boasting but never producing rivals," according to the Concordian) had whipped the Fish, 56-35.

But then, that was just two nights after the Cobbers had upset the NDAC Bison.

The 'cross-the-graveyard squad has also beaten Jamestown, college, Wahpeton Science, and (in holiday play) Mayville STC. Valley City, North Dakota collegiate pacemaker, has tripped both Moorhead teams.

The Cobbers lost to Huron, S. D. college Saturday night.

A B squad game will precede the feature attraction tonight.

The Dragon Bees hold a previous 43-41 decision over the Little Fish.

The Dec. 12 win came on Jerry Jevning's bucket in the final minute of play. Jevning has since moved up to the first team.

At Mankato, the Dragons face the highest and sturdiest hurdle in their drive for a conference cage championship.

The Indians, loop titlists for two straight years, will be out to wallop the only Minnesota teachers college squad which beat them last year.

The Dragons won, 50-48, on their home court, but went down in defeat at Mankato, 64-50.

Led by Lindy Fogelberg, an all-conference selection last year, and high scoring Dewey Nelson, the Indians have already waltzed to 11 wins in their first 14 games.

Fogelberg is a pray-making guard while Nelson, who made last year's all-conference second team, is the highest individual scorer in Mankato to TC history.

Among the Indians' victory scalps are championships of three four-team tournaments:

* LeMars, Iowa, Mankato walloped Wayne, Nebr., STC by 61-38 before knocking off Westmar, 60-44.

* At St. Peter Minn., the Indians rolled over St. Olaf, 67-43, and battered the host team, Gustavus Adolphus, 54-33.

* At Topeka, Kan., Mankato had trouble with Marysville, Mo., STC before edging out a 48-45 win, but then romped over Washburn university, 74-45.

The Indians have also beaten River Falls, Wis., STC (with center Nate DeLong, national collegiate scoring record-holder), 56-42.

Michigan College of Mines, the Indians' and Dragons' only common opponent, lost to Mankato, 85-62, and to Moorhead, 63-55.

In addition, the Indians have scalped North Central conference member South Dakota state, 38-37; and two Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic conference squads—St. John's, 59-51, and Macalester, 51-39.

The only losses suffered by Mankato were administered by:

* St. Thomas, again a co-favorite for MIAC laurels, beat the Indians, 71-66, after an uphill battle.

* Augsburg, another MIAC team upset them, 55-44.

* LaCrosse, Wis., STC defeated the Indians last week, 49-40.

The Dragons, as mentioned before, were the only Minnesota TC team to beat Mankato last year. Ironically enough, they were also the only state TC squad that lost to Winona.

Although MS won on its home floor, 61-50, the Dragons couldn't do it again at Winona, where they lost by 53-51.

Again the mainstay for the Warriors this year is sophomore center George Vondrashek, who plagued the Dragons with his hook shots last season.

Big Von rolled for 22 points against MS here, and then against the Dragons on his home court put through 27, including the bucket that won the ball game in the last 20 seconds.

The Warriors have won two games so far this season in five starts. They've dropped contests with Platteville, Wis., STC (by 66-56) and with their crosstown rivals, St. Mary's (by 48-41).

Guard Pete Polus, another dangerous foe, scored 24 tallies to lead his mates to a 69-63 win over Eau Claire, Wis., STC.

Last week the Warriors split decisions at Kirksville, Mo., STC, losing (56-46) and then winning (61-54).

Dick Elliot, a standout defenseman, has returned to the Winona lineup after an absence of two years and has been pestering opposing teams.

Before the month is over, the Dragons will have played every other conference squad. Bemidji travels here Saturday, Jan. 14, and the Crimson and White go to St. Cloud Friday, Jan. 20.

Bemidji, with eight lettermen back, could cause trouble. Ken Christianson, high scoring forward, and captain Keith Mooney, a guard, pace the squad. The two teams split last season.

St. Cloud is said to have the best chance to knock off favored Mankato for the loop championship. Rugged forwards such as Ken Novak and Vance Crosby and guard Dick Banks lead the Huskies.

The third and deciding contest of the year with NDAC is scheduled at Fargo Monday, Jan. 16. The Dragons and the boys from Silo Tech have split three-point decisions in their two previous meetings.

The Bison were victorious, 48-45, Dec. 3, but MSTC won out, 61-58, in the holiday tournament last week. Both contests were on the Dragons' home court.

MS Wins Tourney

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 were getting gift shots, too, and—
 with a couple of goals—almost
 caught up. But not quite.

Time ran out—finally. The crowd
 (some had been bleacher-sitting for
 three hours) filed out slowly.

It was a cockeyed last quarter.
 Gotta was high scorer for the even-
 ing with 14 tallies. His steadiness
 brought the team through in those
 final seconds. For the Bison, Garrett
 led an attack well-balanced through-
 out the lineup.

 The Cobber-Dragon championship
 game was somewhat less hectic, but
 no less pulse-pounding.

The Herring-chokers, walloped by
 21 points two and one-half weeks
 previous, stayed within winning range
 most of the night.

After falling behind in the first
 quarter, 15-10, the Cobbers set soph-
 omore center Kenny Severud and
 Arvid Skogerboe loose in the second
 period to go ahead at halftime,
 25-21.

Skogerboe, cage co-captain with
 MS' Bagne at Erskine, Minn., High
 school, was a deadeye on his one-
 handers from the free throw circle.

Bagne was on the beam himself,
 making seven out of seven from the
 free throw line in the first half alone.

The Dragons outscored the Fish in
 the third period, 18-8, to take a
 39-33 lead. Skogerboe bucketed one
 just as the buzzer sounded.

In the final period, McCamy went
 wild, scoring 12 of his 26 points,
 high for the evening.

However, the Cobbers were within
 five points until big Curt and little
 Bags both made two free throws to
 ice the game.

Bagne had 18 points (including 12
 free shots), Johnson nine. For the
 Fish, Skogerboe with 16 and Severud
 with 13 set the pace.

 NDAC won consolation honors in
 the Friday opener by trimming May-
 ville, N. D., STC by 45 to 39 after
 coming from behind.

Concordia had advanced to the
 finals by beating the Comets Thurs-
 day, 51-48. The Cobbers also came
 from behind to do it.

Two Victories Gained in Michigan Trip

A successful invasion of Michi-
 gan's upper peninsula Dec. 15-16
 gave Roy Domek's MSTC Dragon
 basketball team a pair of well earned
 victories.

* At Ironwood (home of three
 MSTC cagers) Dec. 15, the Dragons
 had to come from behind in the
 final minutes of play to edge Gogebic
 Junior college, 64-60.

* At Houghton Dec. 16, the Crim-
 son and White pulled away in the
 second half to defeat Michigan Col-
 lege of Mines, 63-55.

Center Curt McCamy dunked in
 26 points, his highest effort of the
 young season, against Gogebic. For-
 ward Ken Johnson made 15.

Those two boys iced the game in
 the final two minutes after the Iron-

Tourney All-stars Include Three Dragons

Three MSTC basketball players,
 one at each position, were named to
 the Moorhead Daily News' all-tourna-
 ment team following holiday play
 last week.

Three Concordians, one NDAC
 Bison, and a Mayville Comet also
 placed.

The team included forwards Roger
 Bagne, MSTC; Arvid Skogerboe,
 Cobbers; and Whitey Turner,
 NDAC; centers Curt McCamy,
 MSTC, and Ken Severud, Cobbers;
 and guards Larry McLeod, Mayville;
 Carl Zander, Cobbers; and Jim
 Gotta, MSTC.

wood school had gone ahead by one
 point.

Gogebic stayed ahead in the first
 period, but wilted when the Dragons
 shifted into high gear in the second
 quarter. MS lead at halftime, 39-26.

The Dragons held on to a 48-40
 margin at the end of the third pe-
 riod, but the Michigan boys (for
 Gogebic, that is) began to peck a-
 way at the lead. Halfway through
 the final quarter, they were within
 three points.

With two minutes left to go, Gogebic
 took a 59-58 lead before Mc-
 Camy and Johnson started to hit.

 Mutt and Jeff—McCamy and
 Roger (Bonya) Bagne—led the
 Dragons to victory over the College
 of Mines, which had previously
 tasted defeat from two other Minne-
 sota schools, Mankato STC and St.
 Thomas.

McCamy and Bagne both scored
 14 points. Johnson potted 12, while
 Jimmy Gotta had eight.

The College of Mines made a
 game of it in the first half, but fell
 steadily behind in the final two pe-
 riods.

McCamy, Bagne Tops In Cage Point-making

Big Curt McCamy and little Roger
 (Bonya) Bagne continue to lead
 their Dragon teammates in basket-
 ball scoring.

With nine games—and six victo-
 ries, including five in a row—under
 their belts, the MSTC team has
 poured 511 points through the hoop,
 an average of more than 56 tallies
 a game.

McCamy's total is 139. He also
 leads in field goals scored with 50.

Bagne, who is tops in free throws
 with 45, has a 127 total.

The scoring records:

	G	FG	FT	TP	Avg.
McCamy	9	50	39	139	15.44
Bagne	9	41	45	127	14.11
Johnson	9	25	15	65	7.22
Gotta	9	23	9	55	6.11
Klug	9	12	21	45	5.00
*Morger	5	9	3	21	4.20
Anderson	9	5	7	17	1.89*
Enger	7	4	6	14	2.00
Woods	7	4	3	11	1.57
Kellett	8	3	2	8	1.00*
Hedstrom	6	2	0	4	0.67
Jevning	2	0	4	4	2.00
*Reitz	4	0	1	0	0.25
Gran	1	0	0	0	0.00
THE TEAM	9	178	155	511	56.78

OPPONENTS' POINTS—482.
 OPPONENTS' AVERAGE—53.56
 *Has left squad.

Student Teachers Meet Tomorrow

An important meeting of winter
 quarter campus high school student
 teachers will be held in the campus
 school auditorium at 4 p.m. to-
 morrow.

Convo Set Tomorrow

There will be a regular convoca-
 tion period in Weld auditorium at
 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Five Dragons on the traveling
 squad—Bagne, Johnson, Otto Klug,
 Lowell Anderson, and Keith Woods
 fouled out. But the Mines coach
 allowed Klug to return to the con-
 test, enabling MSTC to floor a
 quintet.

DRAGON SCORING: against

Gogebic JC—Bagne 10, Johnson 15,
 McCamy 26, Klug 5, Gotta 0,
 Anderson 3, Enger 0, Woods 3, Kel-
 lett 2; against College of Mines—
 Bagne 14, Johnson 12, McCamy 14,
 Gotta 8, Anderson 5, Woods 5,
 Enger 0, Kellett 1.

PTA Organization Now at Campus School

A parent-teacher organization has
 been organized at the MSTC campus
 school, with Glenn Johnson as the
 group's first president.

Others elected to prepare by-laws
 and recommend a permanent form
 of organization are Glenn Smith,
 vice president; Mrs. Harold Berg-
 ford, secretary; Miss Dorothy Dodds
 (campus school instructor), treasur-
 er; and Glaydon D. Robbins, direc-
 tor of professional divisions at
 MSTC) Mrs. Walter Gill, and Rev.
 E. E. Hansen, executive committee
 members.

DISHWASHER INSTALLED

A new electric dishwasher has been
 installed in the MSTC kitchen, locat-
 ed in the basement between Com-
 stock and Wheeler halls.

The new dishwasher, which can
 wash 4,200 dishes an hour, is one of
 the last installations in a project
 which began last summer.

BOXING MATCHES SLATED

A boxing meet between the Devils
 Lake, N. D., Golden Glovers and the
 MSTC team has been tentatively
 scheduled for next Friday, Jan. 6.

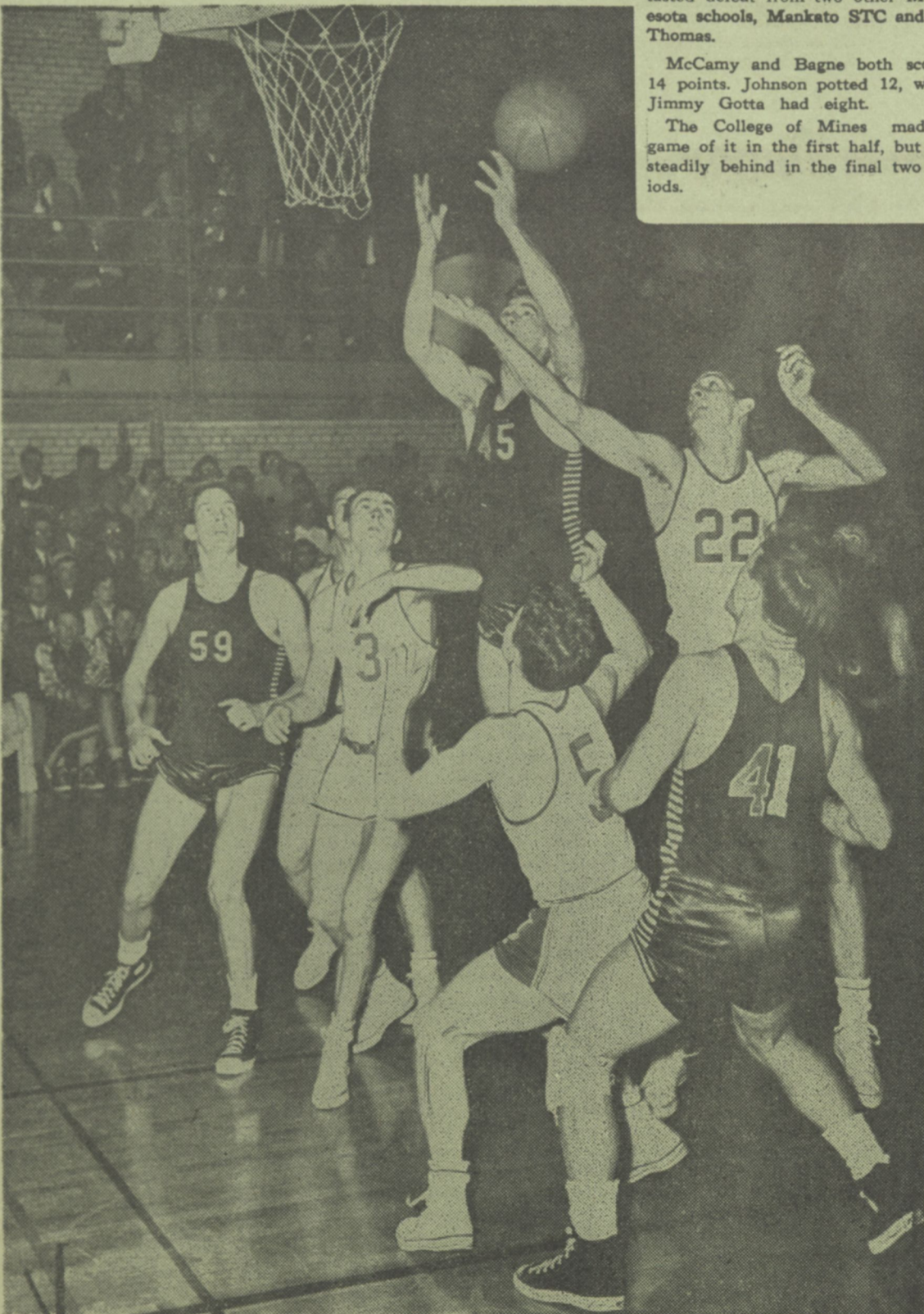
The Scoreboard

Here's How Dragons Won

MSTC (61)	fg	ft	fm	pf	tp	MSTC (60)	fg	ft	fm	pf	tp
Bagne, f	4	5	2	5	13	Bagne, f	3	12	4	3	18
Johnson, f	4	3	2	5	11	Johnson, f	4	1	1	2	9
McCamy, c	3	3	0	5	9	McCamy, c	11	4	0	2	26
Klug, g	0	4	1	5	4	Gotta, g	2	1	0	4	5
Gotta, g	6	2	2	3	14	Klug, g	0	0	0	2	0
Gran, g	0	0	0	1	0	Anderson, g	0	0	0	1	0
Hedstrom, c	1	0	0	0	2	Hedstrom, g	1	0	2	2	2
Enger, g	1	0	0	5	2	Jevning, f	0	0	0	2	0
Anderson, f	0	1	1	2	1	Woods, g	0	0	0	0	0
Jevning, f	0	4	3	1	4	TOTALS	21	18	7	18	60
Kellett, g	0	1	1	0	1						
Totals	19	23	12	32	61	CONCORDIA (51)	fg	ft	fm	pf	tp
NDAC (58),	ft	ft	fm	pf	tp	Fedje, f	2	3	0	0	7
Schafer, f	1	1	1	4	3	Skogerboe, f	7	2	5	3	16
Turner, f	2	4	3	3	8	Severud, c	5	3	0	3	13
Garrett, c	3	4	3	5	10	Zander, g	3	2	2	4	8
Torson, g	3	2	2	3	8	Peterson, g	2	0	1	2	4
Geston, g	3	3	1	4	9	Basch, g	0	1	0	5	1
Sondag, c	0	0	0	0	0	Alberts, c	0	0	0	1	0
Grant, f	2	2	1	6	6	Groven, f	0	1	1	0	1
Bredahl, f	1	1	0	3	3	Strand, g	0	0	0	0	0
Hilden, c	2	3	3	2	7	Norness, f	0	0	1	0	0
Evans, g	0	1	0	2	1	Davidson, f	0	0	0	0	0
Kavanaugh, g	1	1	1	1	3	Olsvig, g	0	1	1	1	1
TOTALS	18	22	16	28	58	TOTALS	19	13	11	19	51

Running score by periods:
 MSTC 13 31 46 61
 NDAC 11 22 40 58
 Officials: Bridgeford and McCain.

Running score by periods:
 MSTC 15 21 39 60
 Concordia 10 25 33 51
 Officials: McCain and E. Anderson



CARL ZANDER (45), Concordia captain and guard, and Curt McCamy (22), MSTC center, go up in the air for a rebound at the west basket during last week's holiday tournament championship

game. Waiting below, left to right, are Cobber Duane Alberts (59), Dragons Ken Johnson (3) and Roger Bagne (5), and Cobber Charlie Busch (41). —Moorhead Daily News photo.