

Schmidt's 51 Breaks Goedde's 29-Year-Old Scoring Record as Conti Hits 130 Points

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Mike Schmidt and the Continental Pirates nearly rewrote the record book Saturday night when the Pirates clobbered Perry for their eighth straight victory and their ninth in the ten starts.

Conti scored 130 points, far eclipsing the two-week old record for the most points scored in a game by a Putnam county League team held by Miller City against the same Perry club.

Schmidt broke a 29-year-old record held by Sylvester 'Stretch' Goedde of Vaughnsville. He scored 51 points, despite sitting out about five minutes of the game, breaking Goedde's record by two.

Goedde, who is now superintendent of Van Wert City Schools, scored 49 points against Convoy in the 1941-42 season, and that mark was equaled by Jack Callahan of Columbus Grove on January 24, 1957, against Bluffton.

Goedde, who stands 6-8, and was probably one of the most fabulous players to come out of Putnam County, still holds the county scoring record for most points and the highest season average, although he played in an era when 49 points was by far enough for an entire team to win a game.

Schmidt, a 5-10½ senior guard, is not far behind. In 10 games, this year he has scored 277 points for a 27.7 average, about four under Goedde's senior year average.

CONTINENTAL, which has scored 100 points in two games and 99 in another already this season, broke over the century mark early in the fourth quarter against Perry, a team which has won just two out of eight for the year.

Their 130-point total is 14 more than the old record which was set by Miller City against Perry on December 19. Perry scored 91 points and the total of 221 also is a new one game total for the county. Kalida and Bluffton scored 209 points on January 27, 1968.

Schmidt set his individual record, despite suffering a knee injury during the game. The hard-driving guard rammed into a wall late in the third quarter and had to sit out a couple of minutes, and Coach Roger Renz set him on the bench again with about half the fourth quarter still left to be played.

He hit 18 field goals and 15 free throws for his total, going 18 for 29 from the field and 15 of 19 at the line. His field goal total was three short of the county record held by Dennis Haselman of Leipsic who made 21 in a 47-point effort on February 3, 1962.

Schmidt scored 13 points in the first quarter, nine in the second, 16 in the third and 13 in the fourth.

THE VICTORY for the Pirates was a costly one, however, as 6-3 Ron Winkle suffered a broken foot in the first two minutes and may be lost for the rest of the season now that league play is starting.

Continental took an uncanny 113 shots from the field against Perry and hit 55 of them for a 49 per cent shooting average. They made 20 of 33 at the foul line. Perry got off 97 shots in the defenseless game, making 37 for 36 per cent and converted 17 of 25 at the charity stripe.

Continental led from the start, although the margin was only 29-22 at the first quarter break. Conti added 31 more in the next round for a 60-39 halftime margin and seemed to get stronger as the game progressed, scoring 36 in the third quarter for a 96-60 lead starting the final stanza.

Two other boys were in double figures for the winners. Steve VanDemark had 18 and Frank Tegenkamp 14. Keith Harrod hit 21 for the Commodores and Walt Maroney contributed 20.

Continental dominated the rebounding 70-35 with 6-5 senior Dan Britsch taking off 17 for the Pirates.

Continental reserves won their seventh against one loss by a score of 58-49.

PERRY	22	17	21	31	91
CONTI	29	31	36	34	130

PERRY 37-17-91

Harrod 7-7-21. Tavino 2-0-4. Ford 8-2-18. Harrison 2-0-4. Hitchen 2-0-4. West 2-4-8. Monroe 3-0-6. Maroney 9-2-20. Kohlhorst 2-2-6.

CONTINENTAL 55-20-130

Schmidt 18-15-51. VanDemark 9-0-18. Britsch 4-2-10. Tegenkamp 6-2-14. Wagner 8-0-16. Brown 2-0-4. Jones 4-0-8. Bragg 1-0-2. Spitnale 3-1-7.