

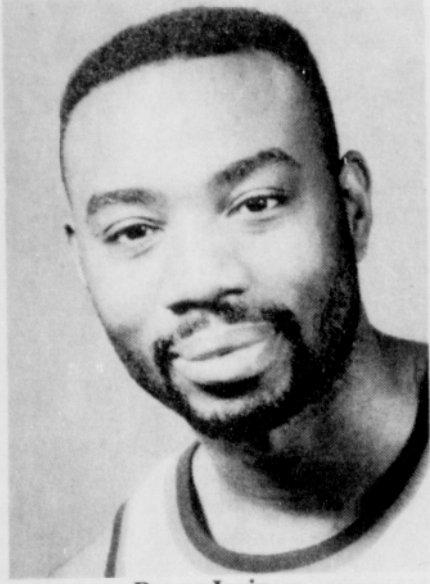
The Locker Room

by Ulysses Tucker, Jr.

Byron Irvin is a competitor, always has been, always will be. It goes back to his backyard in Chicago.

Irvin grew up laying against some of the best players in the city. Players like Maurice Cheeks, Terry Cummings (Spurs), Mark Aguirre (Pistons), Isiah Thomas (Pistons), and cousin Glen "Doc" Rivers of the Atlanta Hawks to name a few. Whether it was "rat ball" at one of the local gyms, summer leagues, or in the backyard with his brother Lance, a senior at Colorado State University.

Drafted by the Trailblazers (22nd pick) in the first round to fill a need at big guard, Irvin, admits that though many of the names have changed now that he is in the NBA, the competition is still the same. Tough,



Byron Irvin

"I've always been a highly competitive person," he said "my father always told me to play hard and give it all you have got. He encouraged me to get the most out of my ability. Growing up, I always dreamed about playing on this level because I competed against guys who were already in the NBA. Some of the guys in this league and I have been competitors for years." An All-American at Chicago's Julian High School, Irvin scored at school record 1,143 points. He also set a school mark with 50 in one game and averaged 32.0 points per game. He was also All-City.

After graduation, Irvin enrolled at the University of Arkansas under then coach Eddie Sutton as a freshman and later for Nolan Richardson his sophomore year. He eventually transferred to the University of Missouri and blossomed to one of the finest shooters in college basketball.

As a senior at Missouri, Irvin averaged 19.7 points per game and was selected as his team's MVP. He was named Honorable Mention All-American by Associated Press, United Press International, and the Sporting News Magazine. He was also named to the All-Big Eight team and led Missouri to the "Sweet 16" in the NCAA Tournament.

Going from playing thirty-five to forty minutes per game in college to not barely playing at all, sometimes, has been the biggest adjustment for the rookie guard. He suffered an early season wrist injury and

slipped down the department chart a few notches. Still, his attitude is positive and he is working hard in practice.

"It's been a little confusing," he said, "especially after I came back from the injury. I know now that my role is going to be coming off the bench and helping to spark the team as much as possible. I have to play good defense and play as hard as possible. I just want to stay healthy and be ready when the coach calls me."

Not knowing when he is going to be inserted into a game, Irvin, says that he has to keep his mind focused on contributing and not sulking about playing time. Over the years, he has learned to walk tall and make the best of the hand life deals out. No player likes to sit.

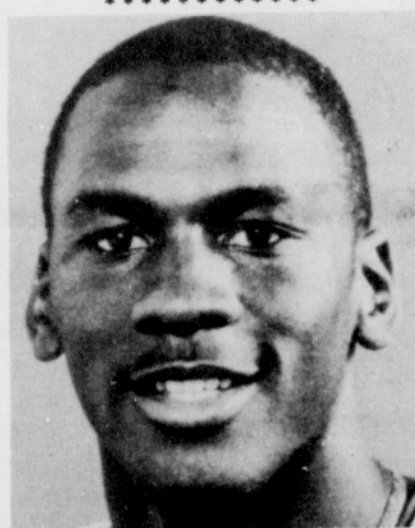
"My minutes have definitely been cut down in the pros," he said. "Whether I like it or not, it's something that I'm going to have to get use to."

Irvin is also going to have to get use to playing against the likes of Byron Scott, your Jeff Malone's and Dale Ellis Type on regular basis. These are the players who play the off guard spot in the NBA, not to mention Chris Mullins, Reggie Miller, or Michael Jordan. Players nightmares are made of.

"As far as college is concerned, it's a big difference because night in and night out, you're playing someone tough in the two spot," he said. "Playing on this level is tough every night and I must be prepared to deal with it on a regular basis. I'm a competitor and I look forward to the challenge."

Speaking of challenge, Irvin is being pressed younger brothers McGlother, Michael, and Nicholas for "basketball bragging" rights in the family. All are talented and considered to be great prospects in the future. Sports Illustrated Michael the best six grade talent in the United States two years ago. Watch your back Byron, they are gunning for you.

"It's great to have younger brothers to look up to you. I'm a role model for them," he said. "I think that it adds a little more credibility to my words of advice by being in the N.B.A. If I can help my brothers or any other kid by being a role model or positive influence on their life, then I will. We all need somebody to look up to..."



Michael Jordan

Football Highlights

by Dan Bell

Vikings Win Play-Off Shoot-Out

The 1:00 P.M. PSU, Westchester, Pa. NCAA Division II Play-Off game Saturday was a roller coaster of excitement. The Viks rated 14th came up against number 8 ranked Westchester University, Pa. Golden Rams.

Both teams offense were impressive and neither defense seem to hold the others offense.

The Vikings jumped out to a 9 to zip lead in the first quarter only to see Westchester climb back in the game 23 to 16 PSU at the half. In the second half Westchester's Ed Brown connected with Scott Asman with 6:51 left in regulation putting Westchester ahead 30-36 for the second time in the game. The Vikings then went into a newly unveiled no huddle attack offense. In a 1 minute 23 second blitzkrieg the Viks march 70 yards down the field.

Tying the score on a 19 yard pass from Del Andrae to Finkbonner. However Westchester defensive end Lee Woodall blocked the extra point.

When Westchester missed a 51 yard field goal attempt the game lapsed into overtime.

The overtime format used was the Kansas Plan. This format gives each opponent an equal amount of possessions at their adversar's 25 yard line. The team ahead at the end of the rotation wins.

The Westchester Golden Rams took first possession and scored. PSU answer with a score of their own. PSU took the first possession of the next possession and score on a 20 yard pass from Del Andrae to Greg Evers. The Rams were penalized for interference and took the ball on the 40. The game looked over when Brown on fourth and 5 on the 35 found Asman for 35 yd T.D.

However on their next possession the Vikings defense denied Westchester a T.D. and their attempted field goal was mishandled. So it was up to Del Andrae a company to score. On 3rd and 10 from the 25 Del Andrae hit Miller for the first down, and Don Finkbonner who ran for 112 yard for the game carried the ball 3 time, culminating with a 1 yard dive for the win.

Portland State will host Indiana of Pennsylvania this Saturday at 1:00 p.m. at the Civic Stadium.

Next Week: (A Tease)

A closer look at Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls. Locker Room Columnist Ulysses Tucker, Jr., will spend some time with "Air," in Portland and at Golden State this weekend... Stay Tune!

Peninsula Houses Martial Arts Program

by Dan Bell

Even though the Park Bureau has seen difficult times in recent times. Peninsula Park has still been able to institute a Martial Arts Program under the tutelage of 1 real Campbell a long time Portland resident.

Mr. Campbell instructs young people in the Korean martial art of Tae Kwon Do.

Tae Kwon Do is the Korean form of karate. Peninsula Park introduced the classes in October and by November students under Mr. Campbell's guidance had begun winning tournaments.

Mr. Campbell expresses that Tae Kwon Do takes into consideration more than just self-defense. It also encompasses constructive character building, an attitude of peace of mind, and a focus on community peace and love toward one's fellow man.

Mr. Campbell is a first degree brown belt, who is assisted by Carl Granville, with a yellow belt, who also serves in the army reserve.

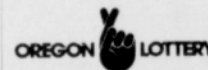


G.J. Metzger, Ian Campbell, Jabari Campbell, Bobbie Taylor, Eric Scoggins, Lee Taylor, John Frolo, and Maurice West (left to right). Mr. Izeal Campbell, instructor and Carl Granville, assistant (back row, l to r.)

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too. "According to Bill, "The baking and freezing's all back in the kitchen."



Linda Magill, Pacific Power



According to Bill Code, Linda Magill and the folks at Pacific are a real winning team. Maybe not gridiron heroes, but certainly the kind who work together to make things happen. Her story, on the left, is a good example of how we can help solve a wide range of problems with innovative, energy-related solutions. Today, we can help you discover new ways to expand opportunity, reduce costs and improve efficiency with a growing number of energy products and services. How can we help you?

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