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Apparently, the cold blooded owners of America's professional basketball teams are hell bent on killing the goose

that laid their golden egg. Their utter disdain for the well being of college basketball was further demonstrated when the New York Nets signed Marquette's top star, and thereby greatly reduced the team's chance for a NCAA crown

Added to this sorry turn of events was the revelation that Jim McDaniels affixed his signature to a pro contract last season while leading Western



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Kentucky to a winning campaign.

Taking away Western Kentucky's many victories at this late date is as pointless as grabbing a swatter after a fly has already perched himself on the custard pie.

No opposing ball club will gain satisfaction from a game awarded to it by forfeit. Inevitably, fans throughout the nation are wondering how many other college athletes are presently signed by pro outfits.

Professional basketball's shabby way of raiding collegiate ranks not only brands the owners of pro ball clubs as cruddy characters, but is casting a cloud of suspicion over every campus in the country.

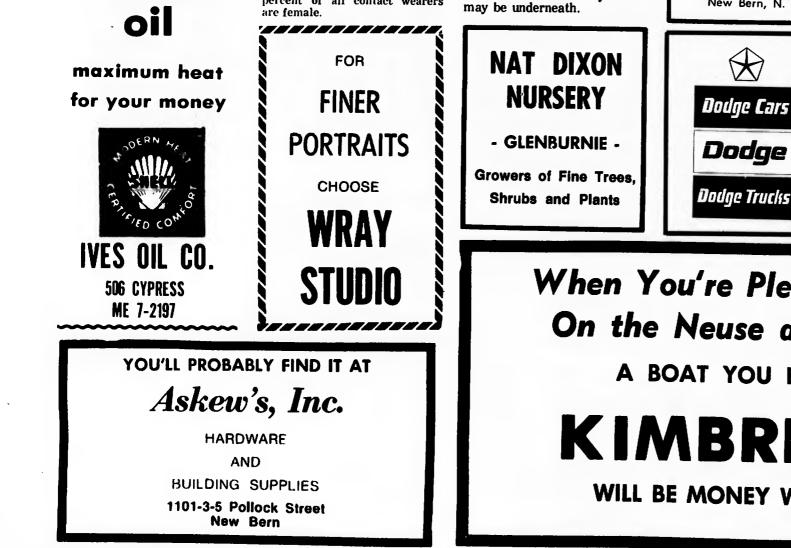
Here in the Old North State we don't have to be told what can happen when enticing money is waved in front of a college athlete. The greatest of all collegiate tournaments, our Dixie Classic, was destroyed by

Defending the signing of Jim Chones, as Marquette's team headed for the home stretch, the Nets front office spoke piously about its announcement that the deed had been done.

The contention was made that several other ABA and NBA teams were also trying to land the Marquette giant. And all college basketball was smeared by Net speculation that a number of college players have signed pro contracts.

Obviously, the Net management figures that nothing can be wrong, if the other fellow is doing it to. Such reasoning is convenient, but completely devoid of decency and logic.

For a short period between the 13th and 17th centuries - when spectacles were first being used women were forbidden to wear eyeglasses for fear they would become vain. Oddly enough, vanity is one of the major reasons why many women wear contact lens today. Approximately 78 percent of all contact wearers



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They way of truth is like a great road. It is not difficult to know it. The evil is only that men will not seek it .- Mencius.

Trust God for great things; with your five loaves and two fishes. He will show you a way to feed thousands.-Horace Bushnell.

We often says things because we can say them well, rather than because they are sound and reasonable .- Landor.

Never one thing and seldom one person can make for a success. It takes a number of them merging into one perfect whole.--Marie Dressler.

If a man really has an idea, he can communicate it; and if he has a clear one, he will communicate it clearly.-Emmons.

If **Buying** Pears Be Sure to Pick Those Ripening

Since fresh winter pears are in especially good supply right now, be sure to include them on your grocery list. And when you shop for pears, keep in mind these tips from the U.S. Consumer and Marketing Service:

The color of the pear depends on the variety. Anjou or Comice pears should be light green to yellowish green, Winter Nellis should be medium to light green, and Bosc should be greenish yellow to brownish yellow. The brown cast of the Bosc pear is caused by it's characteristic skin russeting.

No matter what variety you buy, the pears should be firm. Pears which are hard when you find them in the food store will probably ripen if kept at room temperature, but it's wise to select pears that have already begun to soften-to be reasonably sure that they will ripen satisfactorily.

Avoid wilted or shriveled pears with dull-appearing skin and slight weakening of the flesh near the skin-which indicates immaturity. These pears will not ripen.

Also avoid spots on the sides or blossom end of the pear, which means that corky tissue

No story is the same to us after the lapse of time; or rather we who read it are no longer the same interpreters .--George Eliot.

In a free country there is much clamor with little suffering; in a despotic state there is little complaint but much suffering.-Caruot.

The besetting evil of our age is the temptation to squander and dilute thought on a thousand different lines of inquiry.-Sir John Herschel.

We come to learn that it does not pay to grieve too much over our errors. Ordinarily we try to do the best we can.-T. L. Masson.

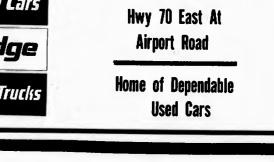
Wherever souls are being tried and ripened, in whatever commonplace and homely way, there God is hewing out the pillars for His temple.-Phillips Brooks.

Those bings only are fit for solitude who like nobody, and are liked by nobody.-Zimmerman.





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