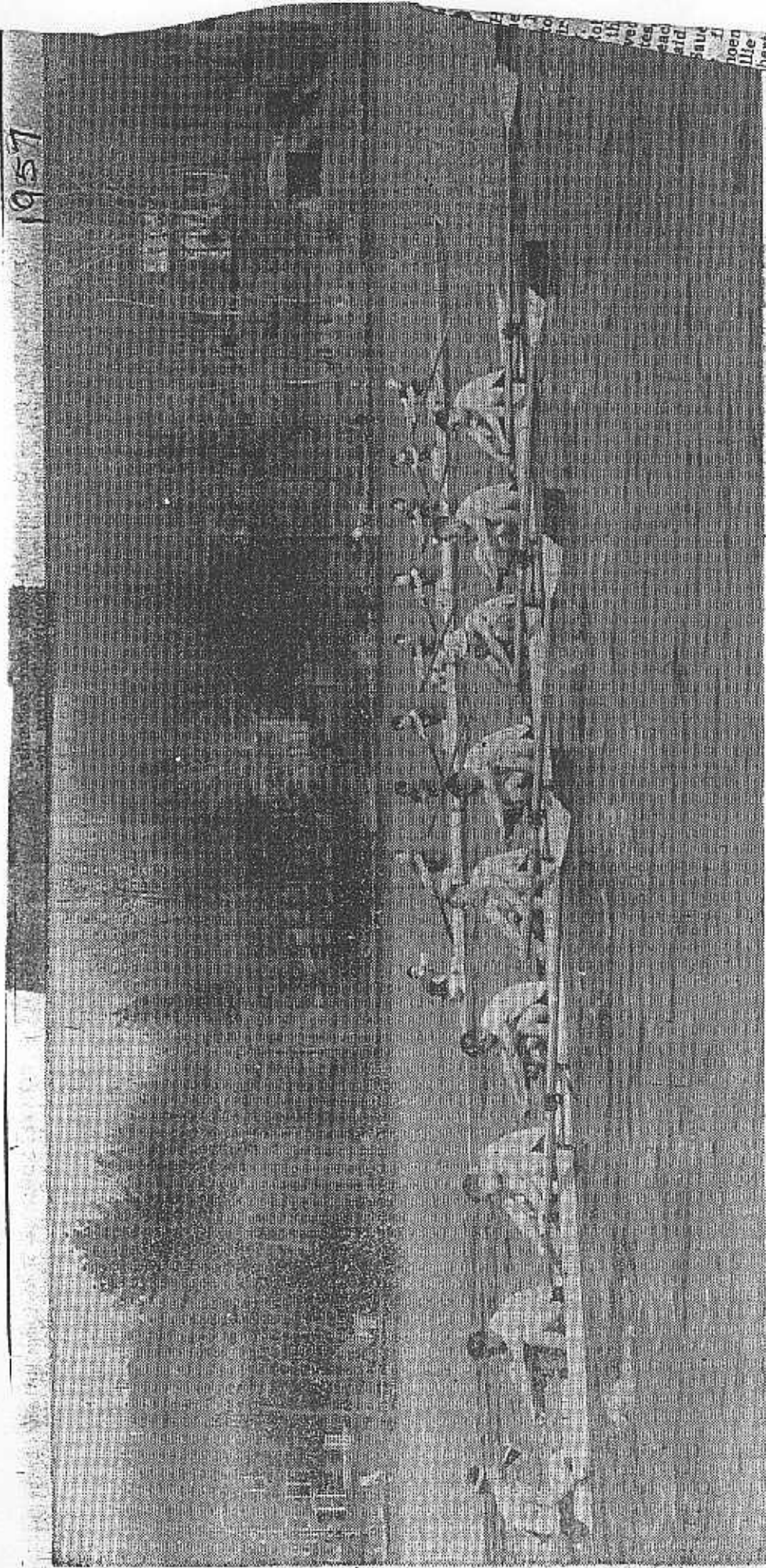


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CLARK UNIVERSITY CREW (BACKGROUND) BEATING FORDHAM FOR FIRST VICTORY IN TWO YEARS

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Clark, Shrewsbury Crews Win at Lake

By FRANK BERGSTROM

The Clark University eight oared crew soundly whipped Fordham University and the Shrewsbury High varsity and junior varsity eights scored a pair of victories over Blessed Sacrament High of New Rochelle, New York, on Lake Quinsigamond's choppy waters yesterday.

The Scarlets, off to an excellent start, were in front at the quarter by a boat length, held it until the three quarter mark when they pulled away to win with ease by 2½ lengths. Clark's time for one mile was 5:48 while Fordham was caught in 5:56.

It was Clark's first victory in two years. The Scarlet oarsmen's last triumph was on the same waters against AIC of Springfield in 1955.

No Denial of Clark

But yesterday the Clark eight couldn't be denied.

However, Shrewsbury's varsity shell and Blessed Sacrament shared the spotlight in one of the closest races seen on the Lake in many years.

Not more than a half length separated the two eights over the mile distance with the Colonials hitting the wire a deck length in front. It was Shrewsbury's third win without a defeat.

Blessed Sacrament got off to a real fast start to take over at the beginning, but the Colonials pulled up even at the quarter-mile mark. At the half, Shrewsbury dug in to gain a half length margin and held it until the crews were in the final quarter when the New York eight rallied slightly.

But Shrewsbury held on gamely to fight off the spurt and win in the excellent time of 5 minutes, 11 seconds flat.

Blessed Sacrament was timed in 5:11.3.

Ken Burns, who coaches both the Clark and Shrewsbury crews, made it a triple when his Shrewsbury High junior varsity boat defeated Blessed Sacrament's junior varsity. Shrewsbury won in 5:55 flat.

Motorboats, outdoor racing crafts, canoes and fishermen in rowboats hampered the program but once the three one-mile events got under way not an incident turned up to mar the racing.

McCuster U. S. Champion

Rowing number 5 in the Blessed Sacrament eight was Pete McCuster, national junior singles champion. In the same boat was Ed Rupp, who teamed with McCuster to win the Canadian senior doubles crown last summer.

Boatings:

Clark—Bow, Ed Kinell; 2, Joe Behrman; 3, Angy Scola; 4, Carl Erickson; 5, Al Wabrek; 6, Neil Barton; 7, Arthur Lee; 8, George Collins, and coxwain, Stu Miller.

Fordham—Bow, Bruce Nicolayson; 2, John Burke; 3, Garry Arozomanian; 4, Ed Mellett; 5, Jerry Lanning; 6, Tom Shea; Ed Hughes; 8, Jim Lynch, and coxwain, Ted Farfaglia.

Shrewsbury Varsity — Bow, John Trinder; 2, Joe Fitzpatrick; 3, Ray Sideckas; 4, John Louisseau; 5, Dick Kjerting; 6, Lou Johnson; 7, James Hayes; 8, Pete Perreault and coxwain, Billy Louiseau.

Blessed Sacrament — Bow, John Sonberg; 2, Joe Caminti; 3, Dan Larkin; 4, Guy Ripatronzone; 5, Pete McCuster; 6, Ron Martyn; 7, William Houston; 8, Ed Rupp, and coxwain, Jack Carroll.