

Spots

LEADERS DEFEAT MONTPELIER FIVE

Locals Play Good Basketball And Win Interest- in Game, 36-18

With their offense working smoothly and their defense holding firm, the Decatur Leaders had little difficulty in defeating the fast Montpelier K. of P. quintet at the high schools gymnasium here last night, the final score being 36 to 18. The first half ended 22-9. The game was fast and interesting throughout.

The Leaders showed much better team work last night than they have exhibited for several games. They passed the ball in great fashion and worked it through the strong defense of the visitors for many short shots. Montpelier had a bunch of caging stars in their lineup last night, including the best that Bluffton and Hartford City has to offer. Gullion, former Purdue star and a member of the Huntington Legion and Hartford City Phi Delt teams this year, played floor guard for Montpelier last night. Bob Cummins, veteran center on the Bluffton Phi Delt team and a member of the Huntington Legion team, played center. Meyers, and Landis, also members of the Bluffton quintet, played with Montpelier. Sills and McGeath completed the visitors lineup.

Murray Mendenhall, with four field goals and three free throws, Tabby Andrews, with five field goals, were high point men of the game. Claude Clark and Oliver played strong on the offensive and Kennedy did fine work at back guard. Mark Bills refereed the game and he did a fine job. His work pleased the fans and players.

The Leaders will go to Auburn tonight to play a return game with the Auburn Y. M. C. A. team. The Leaders defeated the Auburn quintet here a few weeks ago by a score of 38-19. Lineups and summary:

Leaders (36) Montpelier (18)
Andrews F Meyers
Clark F Sills
Oliver C Cummins
Mendenhall G Gullion
Kennedy G L. McGeath

Substitutions: Montpelier—Landis for Meyers; R. McGeath for Cummins.

Field goals: Andrews, 5; Clark, 2; Mendenhall, 4; Oliver, 3; Kennedy, 1; Sills, 2; Cummins, 2; Gullion, 2; Landis, 1.

Free throws: Oliver, 1; Mendenhall, 2; Cummins, 2; Gullion, 2.

Referee: Bills, Fort Wayne.

Field Goals

By
Mark M. Upp

So far this season we haven't heard of any columnist pulling that old line about the linotype operators matching coins to see which one gets to set his dope.

Marks Bills, who refereed the Leaders-Montpelier game last night, proved to be as popular as an official as a player. Mark prevented all rough stuff and kept the game moving. He is mighty popular with Decatur fans and all deeply regret that his injured knee is keeping him out of the game.

Just Courting, of Wabash, is beginning to act as though these many consecutive defeats are getting under his hide. The Wabash Thom-Cats last night when Fairmount beat them 47-20. Here's some extracts from Just Courting's column on Monday. "The bunch doesn't know basketball, it can't keep the ball, knows no tactics, and when the basketball does touch their hands they don't know what to do with it." "Our throat's raw from singing the Wabash Blues." "Why on earth is it that Wabash can sweep other teams off their feet on the gridiron and act like a bunch of clowns in a basketball game?" "This losing business is getting to be a folly, the biggest farce in Indiana basketball circles. IT MUST BE STOPPED."

The above is only part of Just Courting's carryings on. If he doesn't restrain himself soon, they'll be call-

ing him "Just Snorting."

The game between Kendallville and Columbia City last Saturday night must have been exciting. Twelve minutes elapsed before either team scored. Then Columbia City broke Kessler G Moore
Field Goals—Fee, 3; Carpenter, 2; Willennar, 1; Kessler, 1; Taylor, 1; Coppe, 2; Everhart, 2; Meyers. Free throws—Taylor, 1; Willennar, 4; Kessler, 1; Moore, 4. Utility—Gnagy, 1; Poutz, 1; Taylor. Referee—Carnes, Hamilton.

Liberty Center sure "tuk" some of the wind out of Bluffton's sails Saturday night. Score Liberty Center, 40; Bluffton, 25.

The major battle of the coming weekend will be waged at Vincennes Saturday night, when the Frankfort Fighting Five takes a crack at the fast stepping Alices. If any team in the state can take the measure of Coach Adams' outfit, we believe it is the Frankfort quintet. Anyway we'd be willing to sacrifice a lot to see the game.

FANNY FANETTE SAYS EVERYBODY WAS SO DOWN HEARTED AT MARION THE OTHER NIGHT AFTER ANDERSON HAD SPOILED THE MARION WINNING STREAK THAT YOU COULD HEAR THE BASKET-BAWL.

The basketball schedule for this week provides for fewer games in this city. The game last night and the Catholic high school game with St. Marys high of Huntington, Friday night, are the only ones to be played here this week. There has been too much basketball lately as a little rest will do the fans and game good. Kirkland will play Berne at Berne Friday night.

The title, "The Five Horsemen" is crowding the overworked moniker, "Wonder Five" into the background. Wonder what will be next.

Portland High School Grid Card Announced

Portland, Jan. 14.—The high school football schedule for 1925 has been completed by Professor D. S. Weller, principal of the high school, with the exception of one game. Superintendent J. C. Webb announces that Rufus Scales, former DePauw football star, has been employed as football coach and teacher in the high school to succeed Coach George Cady, who has resigned and will leave at the end of the first school semester on January 26 for Chicago, where he will enter Chicago University to receive his master's degree. Mr. Scales played with the DePauw College football team for four years and at the present time is engaged in college work at Greencastle. He will report here on January 26 and will be assigned to the teaching of history and English subject to the remainder of the term.

The schedule of football games as compiled is as follows:

September 26—Anderson, there.

October 3—Richmond, there.

October 10—Decatur, here.

October 17—Buffton, here.

October 24—Fort Wayne (Central) here.

October 31—Hartford City, there.

November 7—Open.

November 14—Muncie, there.

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Kirkland To Play Berne Quintet Next Friday

The Kirkland high school basketball team will go to Berne next Friday night to play the Berne quintet. Fans of the two schools are anxiously awaiting the contest, as the two teams have been traveling at a fast pace this season. The result of this game will give an indication as to the probable winner of the county tournament to be held here January 24.

Last Friday night the Kirkland team defeated Monmouth in the old gymnasium here by a score of 21 to 8. The game was closer than the score would indicate, especially during the first half, which ended 6-2 in favor of Monmouth.

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Berne A. C. Quintet Loses At Portland

Berne, Jan. 14.—The Berne A. C. basketball team lost an interesting game to the Portland Independents here Saturday night by a score of 32-28. Oliver, with five field goals and three free throws, starred for the losers. Eddie and Pyle led the attack for the visitors.

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Monroe All-Stars Lose To Hamilton Triangles

The Hamilton Triangles won their first home game of the season last night when they defeated the Monroe All-Stars 22 to 15. The Triangles have a few open dates on their schedule and any team desiring games should

write the manager of the Triangles, Hamilton, Ind. Lineup and summary:

Hamilton (22) Monroe (15)
Fee F Copper
Carpenter F Everhart
Willennar C Rayl
Kessler G Moore
Field Goals—Fee, 3; Carpenter, 2; Willennar, 1; Kessler, 1; Taylor, 1; Coppe, 2; Everhart, 2; Meyers. Free throws—Taylor, 1; Willennar, 4; Kessler, 1; Moore, 4. Utility—Gnagy, 1; Poutz, 1; Taylor. Referee—Carnes, Hamilton.

DAILY DEMOCRAT—Thirty hours of the love and affection of the members of the lodge for Dr. Coverdale and Dr. Sholty. It was a very impressive scene when those two veterans responded with brief talks. Following the presentation of the gifts to Dr. Coverdale and Dr. Sholty, refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served in the lodge dining room. The large ball room was thrown open and many spent the remainder of the evening in dancing, while others enjoyed social chats. There were about 250 people present and the evening was a highly enjoyable one.

The officers of the Chapter installed last night were L. C. Helm, high priest; C. E. Peterson, king; A. D. Suttles, scribe; William Shrock, captain of the hosts; R. D. Myers, principal sojourner; Roy Archbold, secretary; C. A. Dugan, treasurer; Earl Adams, first vale; Thomas Vail, second vale; Charles Burdg, third vale, and Harry Fritzinger, fourth vale.

The officers of the Blue lodge installed last night were John Dickerson, worshipful master; Wilson Lee, senior warden; Fred Elzey, junior warden; W. Guy Brown, senior deacon; Vernon Aurand, junior deacon; Ralph Tyndall, steward; Dan Tyndall, tyler; Earl Adams, secretary; A. D. Suttles, treasurer.

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IMPORTANT BILLS ARE INTRODUCED IN LEGISLATURE

(Continued from Page One) motor vehicles operating their cars under the influence of liquor is provided in a bill introduced by Senator English, of Indianapolis. Second offense under the bill would call for from one to five years imprisonment.

Senator Holmes introduced a bill to permit persons to enter the state feeble minded or epileptic institutions on their own application.

A bill was introduced in the house by representative Thiel to permit the state highway commission to exercise the right of eminent domain in condemning land for public highways.

Representative Frank Wright, of Lynn, introduced a bill for the complete codification of Indiana liquor laws and the reenactment of certain provisions in the 1923 law which were stricken out by the state supreme court. The proposed measure seeks to make the purchaser of liquor equally guilty with the seller.

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PASTOR SPEAKS ON PROHIBITION

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full of drunks. How many should the parents of growing boys and girls be, when now they are not compelled to bring up their families with such temptations. You say the law is broken! Not by those without the appetite or those who honestly are trying to overcome it or those who love their country enough to be loyal to its laws. The Women's Christian Temperance Union has no police power, but their mission is to educate against all evil, trying to create a public sentiment for the enforcement of all good laws and we rejoice when our officers live up to their pledge.

They will always have the support of the W. C. T. U. composed of the Christian women from most of the Protestant churches of the community.

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MASON'S HOLD FINE MEETING

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from the lodge. Mr. Vance stated that the gifts, although beautiful as they were, were only a slight token

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represents an increase of 2,425 per cent in fifteen months.

The following tabulation shows how the number of stockholders has increased:

October 13, 1923 . . . 394
January 14, 1924 . . . 1,406
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October 14, 1924 . . . 8,677
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