

# SPORTS

## Picks Teams To Fight It Out For Net Crown

### Writer Names Four Teams To Meet In State Final Meet

Indianapolis, Feb. 12.—(UP)—When state tournament day rolls around, and three strenuous weeks of elimination rounds have pruned 700-odd teams from the chase, the "big four" fighting it out for the state crown will be Anderson, Horace Mann, Fort Wayne Central and Washington.

That, obviously, is a prediction. It is made with knowledge that (1) those four will not even be in the running, probably (2) that some little gang of wild-eyed gangly kids from Birdseye or Rolling Prairie will go hog-wild and dump a leader or two, and (3) nobody can dope Hoosier high school basketball.

But upsets notwithstanding, dark horses discounted, bad nights and hot streaks ruled out—these four will be the only survivors of three gruelling weeks of sectional, regional and semi-final play.

They represent, if not the best teams in the state, the best from their own locales. All victims of a system, they break down so that many of the better teams in the state will be knocked out in early rounds.

Other teams, perhaps greatly inferior, may move to late rounds because of the varying standard of competition in different parts of the state.

By the same token, the following 16 teams will emerge from the regional tournaments:

Bedford Logansport  
Fort Wayne Central Marion  
Evansville Central Bloomington  
Crawfordsville Richmond  
Horace Mann Connersville  
Huntington Columbus  
Anderson South Bend Central  
Lafayette Washington

Following the "big four" through: Anderson should win its own sectional with comparative ease, if its late form is any indication. Principal opposition probably will come from Elwood, Lapp or Alexandria. The Indians get a break in the regional at Indianapolis, where they meet the poor competition that will come from the Indianapolis, Plainfield and Greenfield sectionals.

Back on its home floor for the semi-final, Anderson again gets a comparatively light card. Connersville is hoped to be there from a weak Rushville regional. Columbus should show from the Shelbyville stack and Crawfordsville from Greencastle's tourney. The Indians should take it.

Horace Mann gets the break in sectionals. Gary teams will have been moved to the Gary tourney against weak Porter county outfits. Mann already has beaten everything in Gary. In the Hammond regional, Mann probably will meet Hammond Tech, also a former victim. In the Hammond semi-final, the going is tougher. Here Mann must down Lafayette, South Bend Central and Logansport, doped to reach the Hammond playoff. If Mann falls here, the Lafayette Broncos should emerge.

As for Fort Wayne Central, its chief sectional competition will come from the other Fort Wayne teams—mainly South Side. In the regional, Kendallville and Auburn

## Play Final Home Game Friday



First row, left to right—Briede, Holthouse, DesJean, Terveer, Keller, Kuhnle, Lengerich. Rear row, left to right—Coach T. C. Zayner, Klepper, Wolpert, Colchin, Baker, student manager; Rev. Alvin Jasinski, athletic director.

The Decatur Commodores will play their final home game of the season Friday night, meeting the Pleasant Mills Spartans at the Yellow Jackets gymnasium. Net proceeds from the game will be donated to the Naismith memorial.

should be easy, with the Warsaw Bengals looming toughest here. Then at Muncie's semi-final, Central must face Richmond, Marion and Huntington. Marion is second choice here.

And the Washington Hatchets? Well, they'll breeze through a sectional of eight Davises and three Martin county teams; host Sullivan, Jasper and Vincennes in the regional with no worries, except possibly Jasper; and in the Vincennes semi-final, they'll meet their former nemesis, Evansville Central, plus Bedford and Bloomington. On the basis of the Hatchets' showing against Central's Bears this season, they should clean them at this next meeting.

The 64 teams to win sectionals, with ample allowance for the persistent upset bug which strikes hardest in the sectional tourney, should be:

Anderson, Attica, Auburn, Batesville, Bloomington, Bluffton, Booneville, Brazil, Clinton, Connersville, Crawfordsville, Decatur, Delphi, Hammond Tech, Elkhart, Evansville Central, Fort Wayne Central, Frankfort, Franklin, Horace Mann, Greencastle, Greenfield, Greensburg, Hartford City, Huntington,

Decatur Central, Jasper, New Albany, Kendallville, Kokomo, Lafayette, Aurora, Lebanon, Linton, Logansport, Madison and Marion.

Michigan City, Bedford, Monticello, Rensselaer, Muncie Burris, New Castle, Fowler, Paoli, Peru, Pittsboro, Culver, Fort Branch, Richmond, Rushville, Seymour, Columbus, Tipton, South Bend Central, Sullivan, Tell City, Terre Haute Wiley, Vincennes, Wabash, Warsaw, Washington, Rochester and Winchester.

(Exit across the border until this thing blows over).

## DUTCH FORCES

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ported to be "much quieter."

The apparent Japanese strategy was to close a pincers first on Thaton, a key railroad center 25 miles northwest of Martaban, and then drive directly for the Rangoon-Mandalay railroad portion of the Burma road only 70 miles from Thaton.

The loss of Martaban was acknowledged yesterday. It was the first Japanese break-through in force west of the Salween. Imperial defenders smashed

heavily on land at the invaders and ranged far to strike by air.

Bombers attacked the Japanese positions in the Martaban sector and for the first time attacked Chiengmai, Thailand, where enemy forces are concentrating 200 miles to the north.

Japanese planes were machine-gunning and dive-bombing the imperial troops.

The first hints of a general counter-offensive came from the extreme north of Burma where Chinese troops for the first time were reported in contact with the enemy.

A communique said the Chinese had forced Thai troops to withdraw "to the Indo-China frontier." The area of action was not given, but the general description indicated that the Thai had penetrated northward into a portion of Burma jutting to Indo-China.

Such action would be north of Myitkyina, 215 miles south of the China border.

The communique mentioned only "advance units" of the Chinese forces as being in action and it was believed that no large-scale offensive in the area was planned at the moment.

## Geneva Cardinals Defeat Jefferson

### Score 54-49 Win Wednesday Night

The Geneva Cardinals defeated the Jefferson Warriors, 54 to 49, in a wild scoring tilt at the Berne auditorium. Geneva led at the half, 34 to 18 and at the third quarter, 41 to 33. Jefferson rallied in the final period, taking the lead at 44 to 42, but Geneva came back in the closing minutes to win.

Windmiller led the Cardinals with 18 points. Butcher and Morningstar paced the Warriors with 17 and 16 points, respectively.

Geneva	FG	FT	TP
Bixler, f	3	5	11
Agler, f	0	0	0
Burly, c	3	1	7
Miller, g	1	2	4
Windmiller, g	7	4	18
Habegger, f	2	0	4
Neunenschwander, f	0	2	2
Hanni, c	2	0	4
Schlagenhauf, g	2	0	4
Stucky, g	0	0	0
Coit, g	0	0	0
Totals	20	14	54

Jefferson	FG	FT	TP
Butcher, f	8	1	17
Morningstar, f	7	2	16
Baumgartner, c	1	9	11
Myers, g	0	0	0
Haines, g	1	1	3
Hamrick, g	0	2	2
Totals	17	15	49

Referee, Lehman.  
Umpire, Agenbroad.  
Preliminary  
Geneva 42, Jefferson 15.

## Maple Rumbings

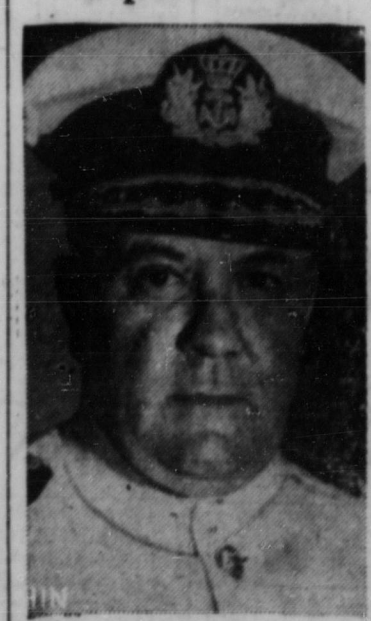


Three keglers posted 600 series in the classic league at Mies Recreation last night. Appelmann posted a 614 on games of 179, 192 and 243. . . . Zelt snagged his 631 on games of 191, 257 and 183. . . . D. Prisinger posted a 614 on games of 195, 225 and 194.

The double century counts were: Hoagland, 233; Ahr, 204 and 230; Ladd, 204; Gailmeyer, 215; Stump, 207; Burke, 219; Lankenau, 201; R. Woodhall, 214; H. Reidenbach, 224; Kistler, 210 and 201; Mies, 223; DeBolt, 222; A. Burke, 200 and Eley, 211.

Mutschers won two from Nu-Art, West End two from CV Beer, Burke's two from Central Sugar and Cloverleaf two from Kamm's.

## Replaces Hart



Vice-Admiral C. E. L. Helfrich

United States navy department has announced that Admiral Thomas C. Hart has been relieved of command of the naval forces of the United Nations in the southwest Pacific because of ill-health and is being succeeded by Vice-Admiral C. E. L. Helfrich of the Royal Netherlands navy.

## QUALITY WORTH CROWING ABOUT



## Week's Schedule For Adams County Basketball Teams

**Friday**  
Commodores vs Pleasant Mills at Yellow Jackets gym.  
Yellow Jackets at Kendallville.  
Jefferson at Monmouth.  
Hartford at Petroleum.  
Winchester at Berne.  
Monroe at Gray.  
Kirkland at Lancaster.

### Saturday

Monroe vs Bryant at Berne.

Beer	W	L
CV Beer	13	5
West End	13	5
Cloverleaf	13	5
Kamm's Beer	10	8
Mutschler's	10	8
Central Sugar	5	13
Burke's	5	13
Nu-Art	3	15

## Rockcreek Downs Kirkland Quintet

### Kangaroos Beaten By 47 To 23 Score

The Kirkland Kangaroos dropped a 47 to 23 decision to Rockcreek of Wells county Wednesday night on the Rockcreek floor. The winners led at the half, 22 to 11.

McAfee led the winners with 14 points. Arnold was high for the Kangaroos with 10 points.

Rockcreek FG FT TP  
Kinney, f 1 0 2  
Redding, f 0 1 1  
Lesh, c 4 0 8  
Kimmer, g 1 0 2  
Graham, g 5 0 10  
McAfee, f 5 4 14  
Gilbert, f 1 3 5  
Inskeep, g 1 0 2  
Freds, g 1 1 3

Totals 19 9 47

Kirkland FG FT TP

Cable, f	0	1	1
Arnold, f	4	2	10
Baumgartner, c	0	0	0
Beineke, g	1	0	2
Troxel, g	3	2	8
Hirsch, f	0	0	0
Moser, g	1	0	2
Kipfer, g	0	0	0
Totals	9	5	23

Preliminary  
Rockcreek 36, Kirkland 9.



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## Award Two Trophies To City Industrial Net League Team

Trophies for the winning second place teams in the industrial net league will be awarded following next Tuesday's games, which complete three rounds of play. Winners will be placed on a page of games won and lost. These trophies arrived this morning and are on display at the person clothing store.

R. O. Wynn, who has had charge of the league, today expressed appreciation of the splendid attendance during season and to the players for cooperation.

## Death Expresses Miser

Philadelphia.—(UP)—When landlady asked Thomas Major, year-old razor blade peddler, to \$4 for overdue rent on his old man pleaded that he didn't have that much money. A few days later, Major died of a heart attack on the street. Pinned inside pocket police found \$1,900 in cash and a bank book showing deposits of \$12,000.

## TODAY'S AWARD

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## READY FOR YANK TEST - - By Jack Sords



DO I HEAR THE MAJORS BIDDING?

THE YANKEES PICKED HIM OFF OF THE FORDHAM CAMPUS WHERE HE WAS A SENSATION. AMONG HIS COLLEGIATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS WAS A NO-HIT, NO-RUN GAME AGAINST RUTGERS

KEEP IT UP, HANK!

HANK BOROWY  
A FULL-FLEDGED NEW YORK YANKEE AFTER THREE SEASONS WITH THE NEWARK BEARS

BOROWY HAS SHOWN STEADY PROGRESS SINCE THE YANKS PLANTED HIM IN NEWARK. IN 1933 HE WON NINE GAMES, IN 1940 HE WON 12 AND LAST YEAR HIS WINS REACHED 17

## ADAMS THEATRE

**TODAY—**  
Continuous from 1 P. M.  
"H. M. PULHAM ESQ."  
Robert Young, Hedy Lamarr  
ALSO—Shorts 9c-30c Inc. Tax  
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Walter Catlett  
Catharine Doucet  
Charles Coleman

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## CORT

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Jeffrey Lynn, Jane Wyman  
ALSO—Last Chapt. "Jungle Girl" 9c-25c Inc. Tax

**FRI. & SAT.**  
3 MESQUITEERS  
"GANGS OF SONORA"

Coming Sun.—"CADET GIRL" & "BURMA CONVOY."

## ODDITIES of NEWS



BABY BRYNER OF SPARTAN TENN. WAS UNHURT WHEN A TRAIN AND SEVEN CARS PASSED OVER HER BODY

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