

Bluffton Wins Holiday Tourney At Portland; Jackets Place Third

Bluffton's often-tough Tigers handily won the Portland basketball tourney Saturday in a long, long day for area basketball fans.

The Tigers bettered an earlier performance against Decatur's Yellow Jackets in the tourney opener, winning 60-30, and did almost as well in the title game, whumping a little Hartford City squad, 71-45.

Jackets Take Third

The Jackets took the consolation contest, edging host Portland, which failed to win anything in the lopsided tourney. Decatur won 60-54 as John Cowan, Denny Bollenbacher, Jim Reidenbach, and Tom Grubill came up with good performances. Portland dropped its first game earlier in the day to Hartford City's Alredales, 52-42.

Press row observers gave plaudits to Decatur's Cowan and Portland's lean McAbbe in the consolation, while mulling away time in the title contest to see how long Coach Kirkpatrick of Bluffton would keep his starters in the ball game. He stayed with his big starting team well near the end of the game, even after the outcome had long been established.

Playing before a smaller-than-expected crowd of about 1,300, in the new Portland gym, the teams produced little in the way of outstanding basketball. Of course, none was expected, what with the records of the participants, even Bluffton owned only a 54 mark.

As expected Bluffton led after the first quarter of each contest, but even at that managed to put away the game with relative ease. Mike Milholland, who is reportedly being sought by I.U.'s Branch McCracken, scored all but one shot on 3 or 4 feet out, in rolling up high tourney honors in that department. The other shot he took "away" from the basket was a good 6 or 8 footer.

Getting back to strictly basketball, the Jackets performed quite well in the evening tilt, working together in good fashion behind the floor game of Reidenbach and the offensive work of Cowan and Bollenbacher. Denny scored the first 10 Decatur points against Portland, before Reidenbach added his two-points per quarter bid with a set shot.

Cowan Tabbed "Best"

Cowan then took up the slack in the next three periods, getting 20 points for game high honors. Sport writers from Hartford City and Portland tabbed the young athlete as "the best Decatur has" in the same category.

In the opener against Bluffton, the Jackets stayed with the lopping talent from nearby for the first quarter. But when a team hits only 17.2 per cent, which Decatur had on 10 of 57 shots, nothing much is going to help. Bluffton did a little better, getting 21 of 54, mostly from underneath.

At one point, they had nine straight tips at the bucket in the first quarter. From 1:17 to 1:10 on the clock, the tall Tigers took turns battling the ball up off the backboard. A foul finally ended the run.

Decatur came back with a good 40.7 per cent in the nightcap with 22 of 54, and even Portland had a respectable .377 on 23 of 61.

Good Spirit Noted

Decatur's Paul Bevelhimer remarked how well the pep boosters added to the overall cause in the tourney play, and thanked the cheerleaders for organizing the traveling effort. Mrs. Kathryn Mayclin and Mrs. Kathryn Strickler, the cheerleaders, also received plaudits from the jacket mentor.

The local lads travel to New Haven to meet the tough Bulldogs Friday night. The season record is now 3-4.

Bluffton	FG	FT	TP
Wason	2	11	15
Collins	1	1	5
Flowers	3	0	6
Milholland	8	0	16
Abeher	2	6	10
Purkisher	2	0	4
Hart	1	0	2
Beatty	1	0	2
TOTALS	21	18	60

ADAMS THEATRE

Last Time Tonight

First Feature at 7 P. M.
Hitchock's Color Thriller!
"NORTH BY NORTHWEST"

With CARY GRANT
Eva Marie Saint, James Mason
ALSO - Shorts - 5c - 60c

Pre. & Sel. - SPENCER TRACY
"Old Man and the Sea" &
"West Bound." Randolph Scott

Coming Sun - THREE STOOGES
in "Have Rocket, Will Travel"
& "Bandit of Zorro" Color.

Week's Schedule For Adams County Basketball Teams

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Geneva at Adams Central.	Willshire at Pleasant Mills.	Hartford vs Gray at Redkey.	Commodores at Hartford.	Yellow Jackets at New Haven.
Monmouth at Geneva.	Bryant at Adams Central.	Ohio City at Pleasant Mills.	Berne at Auburn.	

Jackets	FG	FT	TP
Rudy Kleinknight	0	0	0
Bollenbacher	3	3	9
Cowan	2	1	5
Grubill	3	2	8
Reidenbach	2	0	4
Ron Kleinknight	0	1	1
Frauhiger	0	1	1
Eichenauer	0	0	0
Nelson	0	0	0
Rambo	0	2	2
Clark	0	0	0
TOTALS	10	10	30

Score by quarters: 1 2 3 4
Bluffton 12 25 40 60
Decatur 10 15 19 30
Officials: Carnes, Habegger

Portland	FG	FT	TP
Engle	3	0	6
Hanlin	2	0	4
Freiburgher	0	2	2
MsAbbe	2	7	11
Weesner	3	3	9
John Freeman	1	4	6
McConochy	1	2	4
TOTALS	12	18	42

Hartford City	FG	FT	TP
Wagner	7	5	19
C. Clamme	0	0	0
Rench	6	5	17
Jenkins	4	2	10
Malott	1	2	4
Wimmer	1	0	2
TOTALS	19	14	52

Score by quarters: 1 2 3 4
Portland 9 23 30 42
Hartford City 14 30 38 52
Officials: Carnes, Habegger

Consolation Game	FG	FT	TP
Portland	4	1	9
Coldren	2	1	5
Hanlin	3	0	6
Weesner	2	0	4
MsAbbe	4	2	10
Joe Freeman	0	1	1
John Freeman	3	2	8
Blankenbaker	1	0	2
Freiburgher	3	0	6
McConochy	1	3	5
TOTALS	23	10	36

Jackets	FG	FT	TP
Rudy Kleinknight	0	0	0
Reidenbach	3	2	8
Bollenbacher	7	4	18
Cowan	7	6	20
Grubill	4	1	9
Frauhiger	1	2	4
Ron Kleinknight	0	0	0
Eichenauer	0	1	1
Knodel	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	16	60

Score by quarters: 1 2 3 4
Portland 14 29 39 54
Decatur 12 35 45 60
Officials: Braden, Davis

Title Game	FG	FT	TP
Hartford City	1	2	4
Wagner	2	0	4
C. Clamme	2	0	4
Rench	3	1	7
Jenkins	3	4	10
Malott	3	2	8
Wimmer	3	2	8
Needler	2	0	4
Wade	0	0	0
TOTALS	17	11	45

Bluffton	FG	FT	TP
Absher	2	0	4
Wason	3	4	10
Milholland	7	9	23
Collins	8	0	16
Flowers	3	4	10
S. Heller	1	0	2
Durr	2	1	5
Beatty	0	0	0
Hart	0	0	0
TOTALS	26	19	71

Score by quarters: 1 2 3 4
Hartford City 11 24 33 45
Bluffton 22 36 53 71
Officials: Braden, Davis

Capital Restaurant Robbed Of \$5,310

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The Hawthorn Room, an Indianapolis restaurant, was robbed of \$5,310 by two armed bandits Saturday night.

The restaurant had closed for the night when a man knocked on the door and told night manager Robert Buskirk, 30, that his wife had left her white gloves in the dining room.

St. Joseph Winner Of Tourney Sunday

St. Joseph of Decatur won the championship in its own invitational tourney Sunday, scoring a pair of easy victories in the meet played in the Decatur Catholic school gym.

The Pirates whipped Sacred Heart of Fort Wayne, 51-14, in the final game Sunday night, after defeating St. Louis of Besancon, 40-29, in the tourney opener Sunday afternoon.

Sacred Heart advanced to the finals by edging St. Hyacinth of Fort Wayne, 22-22, in the second afternoon tilt.

St. Hyacinth won third place honors, defeating St. Louis, 38-27, in the consolation game last night. St. Joe piled up a 16-3 lead in the first quarter of the tourney opener, held a 26-11 advantage at the half, and 36-18 at the end of the period to oust St. Louis, 40-29. Kohne paced the Decatur lads with 19 points, while S. Reville tallied 11 for the losers.

The first quarter of the championship game was fairly close. St. Joe leading by only 13-7, but the Pirates broke loose for 16 points in the second period while holding Sacred Heart scoreless for a 29-7 lead. The third quarter ended with Decatur in front, 36-11. Kohne was again the leading scorer with 20 points. No Sacred Heart player scored more than four points.

The championship trophy was presented to the St. Joseph team, with the runnerup trophy to Sacred Heart and third place to St. Hyacinth.

Decatur	FG	FT	TP
Hess	0	0	0
Kohne	9	1	19
Peterson	0	0	0
Omlor	4	1	9
Gase	3	0	6
Harshman	1	0	2
Mies	0	0	0
Schultz	1	0	2
Blythe	1	0	2
McGill	0	0	0
Jackson	0	0	0
Lose	0	0	0
Myers	0	0	0
Girardot	0	0	0
Reynolds	0	0	0
TOTALS	19	2	40

St. Louis	FG	FT	TP
S. Reville	4	3	11
Gerardot	1	7	9
Berick	1	1	3
R. Reville	2	1	5
Lomont	0	0	0
G. Sarrazine	0	0	0
Linder	0	0	0
Van Horn	0	1	1
Weisman	0	0	0
Lortie	0	0	0
O. Sarrazine	0	0	0
TOTALS	8	13	29

Officials: Nash, Lord.

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Hess	2	0	4
Kohne	9	2	20
Peterson	2	2	6
Omlor	0	0	0
Gase	4	1	9
Reynolds	0	0	0
Harshman	3	0	6
Mies	0	0	0
Schultz	1	1	3
Blythe	0	0	0
Jackson	0	0	0
McGill	1	1	3
Lose	0	0	0
Myers	0	0	0
Girardot	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	7	51

Sacred Heart	FG	FT	TP
Krouse	1	0	2
Reed	1	2	4
R. Burgette	0	0	0
Tone	0	1	1
Burns	0	0	0
Sorg	0	0	0
Burgette	0	0	0
Glass	0	0	0
Toppel	2	0	4
J. Rauch	0	0	0
B. Rauch	0	0	0
Alter	0	0	0
Elzey	0	0	0
Christman	0	0	0
McCarron	0	0	0
TOTALS	5	4	14

Officials: Lord, Nash.

Northwestern Coach Signs New Contract

EVANSTON, Ill. (UPI) — Ara Parseghian, who coached Northwestern to one of its most successful football seasons in years, Sunday signed a contract as the Wildcats head coach for five more years.

The signing spiked days of speculation that the youthful Parseghian would leave the Evanston campus to take over as athletic director-coach at the University of Florida.



Team	W	L	Pct.
Geneva	7	1	.875
Adams Central	7	3	.700
Berne	6	3	.667
Hartford	4	5	.444
Commodores	4	6	.400
Yellow Jackets	3	7	.300
Monmouth	1	8	.111
Pleasant Mills	1	11	.083

Adams county basketball teams will embark on the second half of their regular schedule this week following the holiday vacation. Nine games are on the schedule, with three games Tuesday night, four Friday and two Saturday.

Only team to see action during the vacation was Decatur, as the Yellow Jackets competed in the four-team tourney at Portland Saturday. The Bluffton Tigers, expected, won the tourney crown with little difficulty, while the Jackets broke even by defeating Portland in the consolation tilt after losing to Bluffton in the tourney opener.

A battle of the leaders in the county standings will feature the three-game Tuesday card, with the second place Adams Central Greyhounds hosting the leading Geneva Cardinals at the Adams Central gym. The Willshire Bears will meet the Spartans at Pleasant Mills, and Hartford tangles with Gray at the Redkey gym.

Only four games are scheduled on the usually heavy Friday night. Both Decatur teams will see action, both away from home. The Yellow Jackets journey to New Haven for a Northeastern Indiana conference game, while the Commodores travel to Hartford to meet the Gorillas. Also on Friday night, the Monmouth Eagles play at Geneva, and Adams Central will entertain the Bryant Owls.

Two tilts are on tap Saturday, with Pleasant Mills at home to Ohio City, and Berne traveling to Auburn.

Despite the interesting contests scheduled this week, most attention is focused on the annual county tourney, which will be held at Adams Central Jan. 14, 15, and 16. Pairings for the tourney will be made Thursday night at a meeting of principals and coaches at Adams Central. The draw will also be made for the second team tourney, which will open next Monday.

Scoring 27 points in the Portland tourney, Denny Bollenbacher, of the Yellow Jackets, upped his season total to 142 points and moved into seventh spot in the scoring leaders. John Cowan, with 25 points, brought his total to 115, and 10th place among the leaders. The top 10 scorers, with games played, total points scored, and average points per game, follow:

GP	TP	Ave.
Foreman, Ad. Cen.	10	18.7
Baker, Commodores	10	18.3
Brunner, Pleas. Mills	12	17.8
Long, Geneva	8	15.6
Hoover, Hartford	9	14.6
Spranger, Berne	9	14.6
Bollenbacher, Y. Jack.	10	14.2
Butler, Pleasant Mills	12	13.1
Bultemeier, Monmouth	9	12.7
Cowan, Yellow Jackets	10	11.5

Results one year ago this week: Yellow Jackets 59, New Haven 58.
Hartford 51, Commodores 48.
Albany 72, Berne 54.
Geneva 47, Monmouth 32.
Pleasant Mills 67, Willshire 63.
Ohio City 68, Pleasant Mills 45.
Montpelier 68, Adams Central 61.

Hockey Results

Saturday's Scores	National League
Montreal 6, Boston 5.	
Chicago 4, Toronto 2.	
International League	
Fort Wayne 4, Indianapolis 2.	
Toledo 6, Louisville 3.	
Milwaukee 3, Omaha 0.	
Sunday's Scores	National League
New York 8, Montreal 3.	
Detroit 4, Boston 3.	
Toronto 4, Chicago 0.	
International League	
Fort Wayne 2, Indianapolis 0.	
Milwaukee 8, Toledo 3.	
Louisville 5, St. Paul 3.	
Minneapolis 8, Omaha 2.	

Purdue Upsets I. U. To Open Big Ten Card

CHICAGO (UPI)—Indiana, Saturday nights victim of Purdue's "Block Bellamy" defense, will seek to justify its role as Big Ten basketball favorite when it meets Northwestern in one of three conference games tonight.

In other games on the league's second conference date of the season, Illinois is at Ohio State and Iowa goes to Wisconsin.

The Hoosiers lost 79-76 while the Boiler-makers bottled up Big Walt Bellamy, holding the 6-10½ center to only eight points.

Credits Zone Defense

Purdue Coach Ray Eddy credited the zone defense and a "couple of other factors" for Saturday night's upset.

"I don't know whether concentrating against Bellamy would work every time, but it certainly worked Saturday night," Eddy said.

He said a second factor in the Boiler-makers' favor was the Hoosiers' cold shooting from the floor, a skimpy 34 per cent, and the third was his players' will to win.

"We had five boys on the floor determined to win," Eddy said. "I'm extremely happy to win that one, although it is only one up and 13 to go in the long conference season."

In tonight's activity, Illinois, 7-1 in pre-conference tests, and Ohio State (7-2) will be making their first league starts of the season.

Bowling Scores

Rural League	W	L	Pts.
Scroek Builders	35½	15½	50½
McConnell	32	19	41
Stucky & Company	30½	20½	39½
Community Oil Ser.	29	22	39
Blackstone Bar	26	25	36
Steckleys	24	27	34
Sheets Furniture	26½	24½	33½
Klenks	24	27	31
Shaffer's Restaurant	15½	35½	22½
Pioneer Drive-In	12	39	13
200 games—A. Schrock 225; C. Blum 215; D. Graber 229; P. Inniger 228.			

200 series—H. Miller 510; A. Schrock 575; R. Baxter 504; M. Weisman 569; J. Meyers 526; C. Snyder 527; C. Blum 517; D. Graber 520; P. Inniger 569; L. Christman 513.

Notes—Dick Moses picked up the 4-6-7-10 split. This is the final standing of the first half.

Bantam League			
	W	L	Pins
Falcons	10	7	936
Chiefs	10	7	867
Ravens	10	8	520
Conrad's "66"	9	7	431
Hope	7	7	743
Hawks	6	10	316
High game: Custer 167.			
High 2 game series: Custer 277.			