

Decatur Commodores, Berne Bears Winners As County Meet Opens

By Pete Reynolds

The Decatur Commodores and Berne Bears qualified for semi-finals of the annual Adams county tourney by turning in one-sided victories in the opening tourney games Thursday night at the Adams Central gym.

The Commodores were well in front all the way to eliminate the Pleasant Mills Spartans, 62-36, in Thursday's opener, and the Bears, after being slowed almost to a walk by the Monmouth Eagles' control game in the first half, ran away in the second half of the nightcap for a 43-23 triumph.

By their victories, the Commodores and Bears will tangle in the first semi-final clash at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Tonight's opening game at 7 o'clock will send the Berne and Geneva reserve teams against each other for the county second team tourney championship.

First round action in the varsity tourney will end tonight, with the Geneva Cardinals meeting the Adams Central Greyhounds at 8:15 p.m.

The Hartford Gorillas, defending champions, drew the first round bye, and will play in the second semi-final at 2:15 p.m. Saturday, meeting the winner of tonight's Geneva-Adams Central tilt.

The championship game will be played at 8:15 p.m. Saturday. All three Saturday games will be broadcast over radio station WGL, Fort Wayne, with Len Davis at the mike.

Commodores Win

The Decatur Catholic Commodores had little trouble with the Spartans in the opener. After Don Baker hit his first shot for the winners, the Commodores scored five points before Jack Butler broke the scoring ice for Pleasant Mills. The Decatur lads then rang up the next seven points to hold a big 12-2 margin at the end of the first quarter.

The Commodores increased their advantage to 12 points, 26-14, at the half, and outscored the Spartans, 20-10, in the third period by a commanding 46-24 bulge at the third period.

Baker was the offensive show for the winners as the big guard, last year's county scoring leader, banged in 26 points, the only Commodore in double figures. However, nine of the 10 players used by Coach Al Lindahl broke into the scoring column.

The Spartans' veteran guards did the bulk of their scoring, Dwight Brunner tallying 13 points and Jack Butler 12.

Slow Down Game

Coach Don Elder chose to play a control type of game with his Eagles in the nightcap against the Bears. The strategy worked pretty well throughout the entire first half, too, as the Eagles, while unable to take the lead at any time, left the floor at the main intermission trailing by only three points.

Nearly two minutes of the game had elapsed before Phil Springer put Berne in front with

a field goal. There was no more scoring until, with 2:20 to go, Dick Bulmahn dropped in a pair of free throws for a 2-2 tie. The game moved slowly along, with two-pointers by Rod Schwartz and Jim Hill giving Berne a six-point first quarter, and Loren Bieberich and Dick Bulmahn each added a free throw for four points for the Eagles.

Monmouth stayed with its control game in the second period, and Berne could add only one point to its advantage, taking a 14-11 lead to the dressing room with 20 points, 42-23.

Hill topped all the scorers with 15 points, and Schwartz added 13. No Eagle scored more than one field goal, with Dick Bulmahn and Loren Bieberich leading their scoring with five points each.

Commodores

	FG	FT	TP
S. Omor	2	2-2	6
Kohne	2	3-3	6
Jerry Helman	0	1-1	1
Lose	1	0-1	1
Baker	11	4-6	26
Jim Helman	3	0-0	6
Reed	1	0-0	2
Gross	2	2-2	6
J. Omor	3	1-2	7
Kitson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	25	12-17	62

Pleasant Mills

	FG	FT	TP
Oliver	2	1-2	5
Smith	9	1-3	1
Death	0	1-5	1
Brunner	5	3-5	13
Butler	5	2-4	12
Jackson	1	0-0	2
Daniels	0	0-0	0
McGill	0	1-2	1
Snyder	0	1-1	1
TOTALS	13	10-22	36

Score by quarters:
Commodores 12 26 46 62
Pleasant Mills 2 14 24 36

Officials: Baldwin, Yohler.

Berne

	FG	FT	TP
Smith	2	1-2	5
Schwartz	6	1-2	13
Sprunger	2	2-6	6
Graber	1	0-1	2
Hill	6	3-4	15
Liechty	0	0-0	0
Blum	0	0-0	0
Ziegler	0	0-0	0
Von Gunten	0	0-0	0
Augsburger	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	18	7-15	43

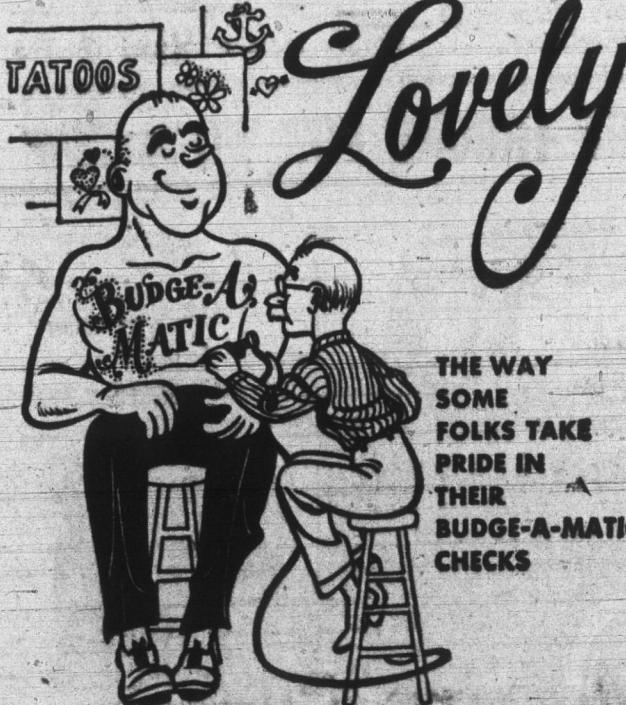
Monmouth

	FG	FT	TP
Bulmahn	1	2-3	4
Brown	1	2-2	4
L. Bieberich	1	3-3	5
D. Bulmahn	1	3-4	5
Spencer	1	0-2	0
Carr	0	0-0	0
Miller	1	0-0	2
E. Bulmahn	0	0-0	0
D. Bieberich	0	0-0	1
Singleton	0	1-2	1
TOTALS	6	11-16	23

Score by quarters:
Berne 6 14 22 43
Monmouth 4 11 15 23

Officials: Yohler, Baldwin.

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McCovey Gains Pay Increase From Giants

By MILTON RICHMAN
United Press International

Willie McCovey picked up a "World Series share" today, which is quite a trick considering the San Francisco Giants never got into the runs-away, the winners, DCHS and Berne, were hard pressed at certain points in the game, a credit to the coaching ability of Don Elder of Monmouth and Bob Davis of Pleasant Mills, who just don't have the horses this season.

The Giants were very kind to me," said the 22-year-old first baseman. "They gave me a good deal."

McCovey, who almost led the Giants into the World Series with his sensational slugging, certainly season.

Called Up From Phoenix

Called up from Phoenix of the Pacific Coast League on July 30, McCovey broke in with four hits in his first game against the Phillies. Two triples were included. He finished the season with a .356 average in 52 games, hitting 13 homers and driving in 38 runs to win the National League's Rookie of the Year Award hands down.

Along with McCovey, who is ticketed to play first base again next season, the Giants also announced the signing of 21-year-old southpaw Mike McCormick.

The Milwaukee Braves announced the signing of three of their players, making a total of six under contract so far. Latest news were first baseman Frank Torre and rookie pitchers Tony Diaz and Dennis Overby.

Cubs Add Eight

The Chicago Cubs added eight signed players within a 24-hour period and now have a total of 30 under contract.

Infelders Jerry Kindal and Sam Drake, outfielders Billy Williams and Lou Johnson and catcher Moe Thacker all agreed to terms with the Cubs shortly after they had also satisfied catcher Earl Averill Jr., and pitchers Seth Morehead and Ben Johnson.

The new members of the Cleveland Indians — Bubba Phillips and John (Honey) Romano — want more money than they have been offered and General Manager Frank Lane said they'll get it.

"I'm in sympathy with them," Lane said. "I offered both a boost the first time but have added a little more now. I don't anticipate any trouble."

Pro Basketball

Syracuse 119, St. Louis 112.
New York 131, Minneapolis 126.

Hockey Results

National League
Montreal 3, Toronto 1.
Boston 6, New York 0.
International League
St. Paul 5, Minneapolis 3.

High School Basketball

Indianapolis Shortridge 58, Indianapolis Attucks 57.
Indianapolis Cathedral 55, Indianapolis Ripple 54.
South Bend Adams 63, South Bend Central 56.
Vincennes 80, Vincennes Catholic 53.

Wells Co. Tourny, Rock Creek 55, Lancaster Central 47.

Ossian 71, Petroleum 53.

Huntington Co. Tourny, Andrews 76, Huntington Twp. 66.

Warren 47, Roanoke 42.

Noble Co. Tourny, Cromwell 64, Ligonier 56.

LaGrange 82, Brighton 69.

Shipshewana-Scott 71, Lima 56.

Kosciusko Co. Tourny, Montezuma 66, Milford 50.

Beaver Dam 59, Pierceton 57.

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Tourney Notes

By Bob Wall

With the ceremonial playing of "The Star Spangled Banner," by Dick Johnson, Pleasant Mills bugler, the 1960 Adams county basketball tourney got under way Thursday night at the Adams Central gym, before a wet, but nearly packed house.

Steady rains failed to dampen spirits as both the Decatur Catholic and Pleasant Mills pep bands pounded out cheery songs for inspiration and fight.

While both contests developed into run-aways, the winners, DCHS and Berne, were hard pressed at certain points in the game, a credit to the coaching ability of Don Elder of Monmouth and Bob Davis of Pleasant Mills, who just don't have the horses this season.

The Commodores also led in committing mistakes as they had 12, but also stole the ball the most, five times, converting these steals into five immediate points. Two of the steals resulting in quick drive-in baskets, and another resulted in a foul shot. The others were either miscued or a shot failed to connect. Monmouth followed with seven errors and one stolen ball. Pleasant Mills committed seven errors and stole the ball twice, without converting either into a score.

Decatur led the total team rebounding with 33 rebounds and Pleasant Mills had 23, led by Dwight Brunner with six and Jack Butler with five. Berne had only 14 rebounds in its ball game but the Eagles only took three more off the boards.

On the home front, 2,130 calls were recorded on the Decatur Daily Democrat - Citizens Telephone Co. news service Thursday night. The number to call for quarter by quarter scores during the tourney is 3-2171. Miss Diane Rhodes, a Decatur high school senior, is the pleasant voice that records the tallies as they are called in by Pete Reynolds, veteran sports editor, from the Adams Central gym.

California (12-1) takes on Washington State (7-8) tonight and Washington Saturday night in what shapes up as a routine week end for the Darrall Imhoffed Bears. It could even be a week end in which the Bears seize the national leadership because the only two remaining unbeaten teams are definitely in jeopardy.

Cincinnati, the nation's No. 1 team with a string of 13 straight wins and the national scoring leader in Oscar Robertson, plays Bradley, ranked No. 5 and 11-1 for the season, at Peoria, Ill., where the Braves are practically invincible. Villanova, 12th-ranked and 10-0 for the season, risks its perfect record against West Virginia, No. 3 and 14-1, at Charles town, W. Va., with the Mountaineers favored by about 10 points.

Ohio State, ranked No. 4 and 10-2, meets Northwestern while St. Louis, No. 10 and 10-4, opposes Drake in other top Saturday night games.

Ninth-ranked Utah, only team of the top 10 to play Thursday night, scored its 12th victory in 14 games when it beat New Mexico, 112-81, at Albuquerque, N.M. The Utes ran up a 58-32 halftime lead with a blazing fast break that sent in close-in shooters who converted for a 60 per cent field goal percentage and never were seriously threatened.

Clemson edged Furman, 87-85, Westminster (Pa.) beat Waynesburg, 92-51, Seton Hall ripped Yeshiva, 75-60, Eastern Kentucky whipped Middle Tennessee, 88-