

# Geneva Cardinals Defeat Commodores, 65-62, In Close Tilt Tuesday Night

The Geneva Cardinals registered their ninth victory in 16 starts in the season Tuesday night, edging the Decatur Commodores, 65-62, in a battle which was nip and tuck all the way at the Decatur gym.

The game left the two teams tied in season records with 9-7 records.

It was a see-saw battle all the way. Longest lead of the game was a nine-point advantage enjoyed by the Commodores early in the second quarter, while Geneva's biggest advantage was five points early in the ball game and again late in the battle.

The Cardinals led throughout the game going until Steve Blythe's third and fourth fielders of the period put the Commodores on top at 17-14 with 45 seconds to play. Jim Baumer and Gomer Villagomez traded two-pointers for a 19-16 Decatur lead at the end of the period.

The Commodores boosted their bulge to 27-18 midway through the second quarter, but the Cardinals, paced by Larry Moser and Mert Sprunger, cut the Decatur lead to only one point, 33-32, at the half.

Geneva took the lead early in the third period at 36-35, but the Commodores recaptured the advantage at 41-40 and took a 49-46 margin into the final eight minutes of play. Glen Lehman's two-pointer and Baumer's free throw knotted the count at 49-49 after the first minute of the final period. Decatur took its last lead of the game at 52-51 with 5:40 to go, but Larry Moser hit two quickies for a 55-52 advantage, and the Commodores could not move back ahead.

Moser topped the Cardinals with 23 points and Baumer added 16. Blythe and Don Kitson paced the Commodores with 19 points each, and Jerry Heimann added 10. Neither team was very effective at the foul line, the Commodores converting 16 of 29 free throw attempts, the Cardinals only seven of 20.

Both teams see action Friday, the Commodores hosting the Hartford Gorillas, and the Cardinals traveling to Huntington Catholic.

## Commodores

	FG	FT	TP
Kitson	8	3	19
Villagomez	2	2	6
Heimann	2	6	10
Blythe	7	5	19
J. Kohne	4	0	8
E. Kohne	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Geneva</b>			
Yoder	2	0	4
Newcomer	2	0	4
Baumer	6	4	16
Sprunger	4	0	8
Moser	11	1	23
Hoffman	0	1	1
Lehman	4	0	8
Norr	0	1	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>65</b>

Officials: Turner, Parkerson. Preliminary Geneva, 56-29.

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## SPORTS

### Jim Meyer Bowls First 700 Series Of Season

Jim Meyer, bowling with the Decatur Blue Flame team in the Major League at Mies Recreation Tuesday night, rolled 715 series, the first 700 actual series of the

Meyer, whose average is 181, rolled games of 233, 247, and 235, for his 715 total. The 700 was the first since January 8 of last year, when Mervel Andrews rolled a 737 series.

### East Chicago Washington Is League Leader

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — East Chicago Washington's Senators, defending Indiana high school basketball champs, were virtually "in" today with another West NIHSC title, but the Southern Conference crown remained up.

While coach Johnny Baratto's Senators won their eighth consecutive loop game at the expense of up-and-coming Hammond, 83-61, fast-skidding Evansville Central, the erstwhile leader, dropped its third in a row in the SIAC to city neighbor North, 82-75, giving the winners the Pocket City championship.

The East Chicagoans, now 13-4 for the season, led only 34-32 at the half on their home court before pulling away to clip Hammond's 8-game winning streak. Rudy Laman led the winners with 18 markers.

Gary Froebel, beaten only by East Chicago's champs in the West NIHSC, stayed in the running with a 79-62 conquest of Hammond Tech.

North, beaten only by Huntington and Evansville Reitz in SIAC competition, finished its league schedule with a 10-2 record and a chance to at least tie for the crown. Dave Schelhause with 26 points and Mike Volkman with 23 led the Huskies.

Also in the SIAC, Evansville Bosse beat Reitz, 71-51, and Bedford rolled over hapless Bloomington, 72-40. It was the 11th consecutive loss for the Panthers, who have won only twice all season, and last year's southern representative in the state tournament.

Gabe Paul, vice president and general manager of the Houston entry into the National League, commented the vote "convinces me that the people are solidly behind our efforts, and we are going to work day and night to justify the faith of the public in us."

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Also upstate, Boone Grove outlasted Kouts, 54-50, in a game halted Saturday night by a power failure. The final 7 minutes 46 seconds were played Tuesday night, giving Boone Grove the rubber game of their 3-game series.

### College Basketball

Wabash 77, North Central 62. Anderson 110, Wilberforce 68. Earham 69, Wilmington 68. Grace 68, Concordia 46. Lawrence Tech 98, Indiana Tech 87.

Franklin 81, Ball State 74. Hanover 74, Marian 72 (overtime). Vincennes 80, Lindsey Wilson 76. Cincinnati 73, Bradley 72.

DePaul 92, Christian Brothers 71. Detroit 81, Western Michigan 68. Arkansas 74, Baylor 58. West Virginia 102, VMI 91. St. Bonaventure 92, Marquette 63. Florida State 68, Alabama 57. North Carolina 77, Clemson 46. Duke 107, South Carolina 94. North Carolina State 91, Virginia 58. Western Kentucky 73, LaSalle 69.

### Houston Votes Bond Issue To Build Stadium

HOUSTON (UPI) — A recent vote shoved the Houston Sports Association today over the last major hurdle toward fielding a team in the National League in 1962 and it was "full speed ahead" in construction of the world's first all-weather domed major league baseball stadium.

Harris County voters went to the polls Tuesday and approved, by a narrower than expected margin, a \$22 million bond issue to build the stadium and access roads to it.

Ron Hofheinz, chairman of the HSA and former Houston mayor, said construction on the new stadium would begin within the next two weeks.

#### Full Speed Ahead

"Dirt will fly on South Main Street immediately, and our motto from now is going to be 'full speed ahead,'" Hofheinz said. "My sincere thanks to all those who supported our cause."

Hofheinz said detailed plans for excavation of the stadium, which will have the playing field surface some 35 feet below ground level, will be ready before the week is out.

"Then we will call for bids," he said. "We are jumping right into this thing."

However, there appeared to be one more stumbling block in the making.

Gail Reeves, former city councilman and a spokesman for one of the property owners groups which opposed the bond issue, indicated his organization might go into court and ask for an injunction to prevent selling the bonds on grounds they are unconstitutional.

He said a decision on the possible law suit would be made within the next few days.

#### Exciting Days Ahead

Latest returns in the bond election showed that the first proposal, an \$18 million issue for the stadium construction itself, passed by a vote of 59,511 to 52,387. The second proposal, a \$4 million issue for construction of access roads, carried by a more than 15,000 vote margin.

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### H. S. Basketball

Indianapolis Shortridge 57, Ben Davis 51. Bedford 72, Bloomington 40. Evansville North 82, Evansville Central 75. Evansville Bosse 71, Evansville Reitz 51. Jeffersonville 101, Clarksville 50. Brazil 70, Terre Haute State 66. Sullivan 53, Terre Haute Garfield 38. Gary Frobol 79, Hammond Tech 62. Gary Tolleson 66, Gary Wallace 60 (overtime).

East Chicago Washington 83, Hammond 61. Whiting 55, East Chicago Roosevelt 53. Hammond Clark, 72, Gary Mann 59. Valparaiso 68, Gary Emerson 61. Mitchell 75, Scottsburg 51.

### Hockey Results

International League  
St. Paul 3, Toledo 0.  
TOTALS 23 12 58  
Officials: Baldwin, Campbell. Preliminary Berne, 47-44.

### Bradley Edged By Cincinnati Tuesday Night

By United Press International

Oscar Robertson is gone — but even so the Cincinnati Bearcats have no intention of giving up the Missouri Valley Conference title to the Bradley Braves.

Cincinnati, whose three-year reign in the league was supposed to have ended when the Big O left, showed it isn't dead yet in edging second-ranked Bradley, 73-72, Tuesday night. The victory was the 10th straight for the Bearcats, who, in turn, handed Bradley its first conference defeat.

Bonnie Trounce Marquette Meanwhile, St. Bonaventure, ranked No. 3, tuned up for Thursday night's clash with Bradley at Madison Square Garden by trouncing Marquette, 92-63, behind All-America Tom Stith's 41 points; and Duke and North Carolina, ranked fourth and fifth, respectively, remained unbeaten in Atlantic Coast Conference action. The Blue Devils downed South Carolina, 107-94, and the Tar Heels upended Clemson, 77-46.

Tom Thacker, the sophomore who was supposed to replace Robertson, turned in his best performance of the season in pacing Cincinnati to its 55th win in a row at home. Thacker tallied 22 points, including the deciding basket, with seven seconds remaining. Paul Hogue chipped in 17 points for the winners and was the difference on the boards.

Walker Leads Losers

Chet Walker, with 17 points, led the losers, who now stand 5-1 in conference play compared to Cincinnati's 6-2 mark.

In other games, Chris Smith's 29 points led Virginia Tech over The Citadel, 116-93; sophomore Jim McCormick scored 26 points in leading Southern Conference leader, West Virginia, over VMI, 102-91; North Carolina State dropped Virginia State, 91-58; St. Joseph's (Pa.), nipped Wake Forest, 72-70; De Paul routed Christian Brothers, 92-71; Arkansas defeated Baylor, 74-58; Houston tripped the University of the Pacific, 101-66; Princeton beat Colgate, 75-58; Providence belted Brown, 80-64; Detroit dumped Western Michigan 81-68; Florida State defeated Alabama, 68-57, and Pitt romped over Bucknell, 79-67.

#### Bluffton Hands Berne Second Loss, 60-58

The Berne Bears suffered their second loss in a row after 15 consecutive victories Tuesday night, dropping a 60-58 thriller to the Bluffton Tigers before a jam-packed Berne gym.

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### Mies Classic Entry List Closes Friday

Entries for the 25th annual five-man classic at the Mies Recreation lanes will close Friday, Dick Mies announced today.

Any teams wishing to enter the 1,000 scratch, 75 per cent handicap tournament sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress, is

requested to mail entries to Dick Mies, 269½ N. Second street, or phone 3-2942.

First place winners will receive \$300 and there is a special squad prize of \$25 for the high team on full 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. squads on Saturday.

A few of the tournament rules include: Not more than three players on the same team can place more than once in the prize money; bowlers must originate from sanctioned leagues only and any five men bowling for individ-

ual sponsors must show individual cards; a fee of \$1.50 must be paid if an individual is not an A.B.C. member which will entitle the person to a sanction card; composite averages of Decatur 1 will be used, or the nearest date; team captains will draw for starting alley and each team will skip one pair after each game.

The tournament is being run in accordance with the rules and bylaws of the American Bowling Congress.

### Week's Schedule For Adams County Basketball Teams

Friday  
Hartford at Commodores. Yellow Jackets at Portland. Monroeville at Adams Central. Woodlan at Monmouth. Willshire at Pleasant Mills. Montpelier at Berne. Geneva at Huntington Catholic. Saturday  
Elmhurst at Yellow Jackets. Monmouth at Hartford.

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