

Monmouth And Berne Win Easy Victories Thursday; Name Champion Saturday

By Pete Reynolds

The Monmouth Eagles and Berne Bears joined the two Decatur teams in the semi-finals of the Adams Central sectional tourney Thursday night by scoring victories in the final round of play.

Monmouth advanced by ousting the Hartford Gorillas, 65-52, in Thursday's opener, and Berne eliminated the Pleasant Mills Spartans, 71-54, in the nightcap.

The Decatur Commodores and the Yellow Jackets will clash in the first semi-final tilt at 12:30 p. m. Saturday, followed by Monmouth and Berne, champion for the past two years.

The championship game will get underway at 8:15 p. m. Saturday.

No Games Today

There are no games today in the sectional, with the day devoted to sale of tickets to fans of the four schools still in the running. These tickets, priced at \$1, are for both Saturday sessions.

The Saturday tickets were distributed to the four principals Thursday night by Philip Souder, Adams Central principal and tourney manager, after conclusion of the Thursday games.

Under the distribution plan, 25 tickets go to each of the four schools which have been eliminated. Ninety-six tickets go to players, coaches and principals, and 15 for press and other complimentary. This leaves a total of 2,069 for the four schools, as follows:

Decatur Catholic, 380; Decatur, 816; Monmouth, 361; Berne, 532.

Eagles Advance
Thursday's opener was a close struggle until midway in the third quarter, when the Eagles began to pull away and held fairly comfortable leads the rest of the way as they eliminated the Gorillas, 65-52.

The score was tied four different times in the first period, the last time at 14-14, but Don Brown's two-pointer in the closing seconds gave Monmouth a 16-14 advantage and a lead which they kept the rest of the ball game.

By half-time, the Eagles had boosted their lead to eight points, 30-22, with the B-boys pacing the attack. Don Brown with 11 points in the half and Dennis Braun with nine. Monmouth boosted its advantage to 12 points, 49-37, at the end of the third period, and increased its margin to 20 at 60-40 at the midway point of the final stanza.

Don Brown turned in the tourney's top individual performance with 27 points. Dennis Braun tallied 13 and Clarence Scheumann 10. Three players did the bulk of Hartford's scoring, Bob Fields with 14, Dave Runkel with 13 and Ronnie Habegger with 12.

Champions Move On
The Spartans traded point for point with the defending champion Bears for the first nine minutes of the second contest, but Berne then pulled away and had little difficulty in staying safely in front.

The score was knotted three times in the closely-fought first quarter, with Berne squeaking to a 18-18 tie at the end of the period. Erv Inniger flipped in 12 points during the quarter but also picked up three fouls and sat out the second period.

Gary Clouse's two-pointer in the first 20 seconds of the second quarter edged the Spartans into a 20-19 lead, but Jerry Fosnaugh hit his first bucket and the Bears never trailed after that, moving to a 43-30 advantage at the main intermission.

Berne had its lead up to 20 points, 57-37, as the teams entered the final eight minutes of play. Erv Inniger topped the Bears with 20 points, Gary Habegger counted 14, Dennis Baumgartner 11 and Dick Smith 10. Marv Luginbill turned in a fine performance in a losing cause, counting 20 points for the Spartans who had no other player in double figures.

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| Monmouth | | | |
|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| | FG | FT | TP |
| Braun | 6 | 12 | 13 |
| Scheumann | 4 | 2-3 | 10 |
| Schieferstein | 1 | 0-0 | 2 |
| Brown | 10 | 7-8 | 27 |
| Singleton | 4 | 1-2 | 9 |
| Gehres | 1 | 0-0 | 2 |
| Boerger | 0 | 0-1 | 0 |
| Kolter | 1 | 0-1 | 2 |
| Witte | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Spencer | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 27 | 11-17 | 65 |

| Hartford | | | |
|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| | FG | FT | TP |
| R. Fields | 4 | 6-8 | 14 |
| Wanner | 1 | 5-6 | 7 |
| Runkel | 5 | 3-6 | 13 |
| Byrum | 0 | 0-1 | 0 |
| Habegger | 6 | 0-1 | 12 |
| Fox | 0 | 1-3 | 1 |
| Huser | 0 | 1-2 | 1 |
| D. Fields | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Stauffer | 0 | 0-2 | 0 |
| Alberson | 2 | 0-1 | 4 |
| TOTALS | 18 | 16-30 | 52 |

| Berne | | | |
|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| | FG | FT | TP |
| Smith | 3 | 4-7 | 10 |
| E. Inniger | 10 | 0-1 | 20 |
| Fosnaugh | 1 | 1-1 | 3 |
| F. Inniger | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| G. Habegger | 7 | 0-0 | 14 |
| Renner | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Baumgartner | 4 | 3-5 | 11 |
| Scherling | 1 | 4-5 | 6 |
| Ringer | 2 | 3-6 | 7 |
| K. Habegger | 0 | 0-3 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 28 | 15-28 | 71 |

| Pleasant Mills | | | |
|----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| | FG | FT | TP |
| Beer | 2 | 2-3 | 6 |
| Clouse | 3 | 3-4 | 9 |
| M. Luginbill | 7 | 6-9 | 20 |
| Ohler | 3 | 3-3 | 9 |
| McMillen | 1 | 2-3 | 4 |
| R. Luginbill | 1 | 0-0 | 2 |
| Burkhart | 1 | 0-0 | 2 |
| Speckman | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Daniels | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Currie | 0 | 2-2 | 2 |
| TOTALS | 18 | 18-24 | 54 |

| Score by quarters: | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|----|----|
| Berne | 19 | 43 | 57 |
| Pleasant Mills | 18 | 30 | 37 |
| Officials: | Kilby, Lillie. | | |

Joey Jay Holdout For Salary Boost

By FRED DOWNS

United Press International
It's a fr piece from Tampa, Fla., to Spencer, W. Va., and the Cincinnati Reds and 21-game winner Joey Jay are even "fr" apart than that.

Jay, who scored the Red's only victory in last year's World Series in addition to being their first 20-game winner since 1947, officially became a holdout Thursday when the National League champions' pitchers and catchers began working out at Tampa.

Jay, who is a partner in an oil drilling company, was tending to business in Spencer and, according to friends, "not even considering signing because he and the club are far apart."

A prolonged holdout by Jay would be considered quite serious because the 6-foot, 4-inch, 225-pound right-hander must train carefully and work regularly in order to remain at his pitching weight. Inactivity was the chief cause of his failure to develop into a consistent winner with the Milwaukee Braves, from whom the Reds obtained him after the 1960 season.

It wasn't a fruitless day for general manager Bill DeWitt, however, because he did sign Vada Pinson, whose .343 average made him the league's second leading hitter in 1961.

The Braves and the Detroit Tigers, meanwhile, each landed one of their key players when pitcher Lew Burdette and outfielder Al Kaline agreed to terms. Burdette, who had an 18-11 record in 1961 and has averaged 17 victories a season since 1952, signed for an estimated \$40,000. Usually one of the last Braves to sign, he yielded only 33 walks in 272 innings last season.

Kaline, who added 324 along with 19 home runs and 82 runs batted in last season, is understood to have received a \$12,000 raise to \$50,000. Outfielder Rocky Colavito, first baseman Norm Cash and pitcher Paul Foytack are the Tiger stars still unsigned.

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Memphis State To Compete In NCAA Tourney

By TIM MORIARTY

United Press International
Memphis State wound up with the final "at-large" berth in the NCAA basketball tournament and Holy Cross clinched a bid to the National Invitation Tournament with a losing effort!

Officials of the NCAA championship announced early Thursday night that Memphis State had accepted an invitation to meet Creighton in the first round of the Midwest regionals, thus completing the commitments for their tournament.

Memphis State was the ninth independent team named to the NCAA jamboree. The other 16 berths in the 25-team field will be filled by conference champions.

Holy Cross dropped an 84-80 verdict to New York University at Madison Square Garden Thursday night but showed enough class in losing to the NCAA-bound Violets to rate a return engagement in the NIT. The Crusaders bowed to Providence, the eventual champion, in the semifinals of last year's NIT.

Leads Crusaders
Jack (The Shot) Foley, the nation's second-leading scorer, tossed in 39 points and sparked a Holy Cross rally that carried the Crusaders from a nine-point deficit to within 82-80 of NYU with 40 seconds remaining.

However, Bill Canavan of the over-anxious Crusaders then fouled NYU's Don Blaha, who converted two free throws to wrap it up for the Violets.

Bill (The Hill) McGill, who is fighting to maintain his lead over Foley in the national scoring race, tallied 35 points as Utah downed Utah State, 78-76, and took over sole possession of first place in the Skyline Conference race.

Utah is ineligible for the NCAA tournament, so the bid will go either to Utah State or Colorado State, now tied for second place.

Win In Overtime

In other major games on Thursday night's thin schedule, Dave De Busschere scored seven of Detroit's 11 points in overtime to give the NCAA-bound Titans a 63-59 victory over Iowa; Providence scored a 96-85 victory over Scranton, LSU whipped Tulane, 70-57, and Miami (Fla.) beat Tulsa, 83-66.

Eight teams were selected as "at large" entries in the NCAA small college tournament. They are Southern Illinois, sixth in the UPI small college ratings; Arkansas State, Evansville, Lamar Tech, Valparaiso, Youngstown (Ohio), Nebraska Wesleyan and Lincoln.

Open Bowling Hours Listed For Alleys

Hours for open bowling at Villa Lanes for Saturday and Sunday were announced today. The doubles and singles events of the annual women's city tourney will be rolled Saturday and Sunday at Villa Lanes. Open bowling, however, will be available all day Saturday with the exception of 7 to 9 p.m.

Sunday, all alleys will be busy in the afternoon with full tourney shifts at 1 and 3:30 p.m., and from 7 to 9 p.m. with the mixed doubles league. Alleys will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 9 a.m. until closings. Mies Recreation alleys will be available for open bowling all day both days.

Give Pairings For College Playoffs

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) —

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics district basketball playoffs March 1 at Indiana Central College will match the host team against Indiana State and Taylor against Anderson.

Tourney Notes

By Bob Shuluka

Two dull games Thursday night set the stage for what could be one of the finest Saturday sessions in a long while in Adams county — Yellow Jackets and Commodores at 12:30 p.m., Monmouth and Berne at 1:45 p.m.

Both Hartford and Pleasant Mills but were simply outgunned by gave it all they had last night, their stronger opponents. Saturday's games, however, promise to be three, real terrific games of basketball.

Berne's Bears, defending sectional and regional titleholders, led the shooters of the second night, hitting 438 of their shots, 28 of 64. Monmouth shot at a 409 clip, 27 fielders in 66 shots. Hartford took 50 shots for their 18 buckets, a mark of 360, while Pleasant Mills had the worst shooting night of the four games played thus far. The Spartans took 61 shots, hit only 18 of them, for a .295 figure.

Free-throw wise, however, the Spartans topped the four teams in last night's session. The P.M. boys hit on 18 of 24 free chances, for a fine 750. Monmouth hit at .647 hitting 1 of 17. Berne connected on 15 of 28 chances, a mark of .536, while Hartford shot at .533, hitting 16 of 30 chances.

Tall and talented Erv Inniger, Berne's outstanding junior forward, led all individual shooters last night, and his .909 percentage probably won't be topped by anyone in this year's tourney, unless by Erv himself. Content to feed, rebound, and play defense, Inniger took only 11 shots and hit on all but one of them. He scored 20 points and played only half the ball game.

Another pair of juniors, Monmouth's B squad, also did some outstanding shooting. Dennis Braun hit on six of 11 shots, a .505 figure and Don Brown connected 10 times on 21 shots for a .476 rating. Gary Habegger of Berne hit 7 of 15, .467, and Dave Runkel of Hartford canned 5 of 11, for a .455 figure.

Other better than average shooters last night were: Marv Luginbill, 7 of 16; Mel Ohler, 3 of 8; Dennis Baumgartner, 4 of 10; Bob Fields 4 of 7; Clarence Scheumann, 4 of 6.

In the rebounding department, those rugged Bears hauled down 40 caroms against Pleasant Mills, 25 off the defensive board. Monmouth grabbed 35 rebounds, 23 defensively, while Pleasant Mills pulled down 33 rebounds and Hartford 32. Both Pleasant Mills and Hartford had 23 defensive rebounds each in their losing causes.

Bob Fields, senior forward for Hartford, topped the second night rebounders with 11 "grabs", eight on the defensive end. Inniger and Gray Clouse of Pleasant Mills had 10 rebounds apiece, each pulling down six from the defensive board.

Other rebounders of note: Brown 7; Braun, 7; Scheumann, 7; Runkel, 9; Wanner, 7; Habegger, 7; Ohler, 8.

That "upset" the Holthouse Drug Co. people are hoping for to make their job easier hasn't come as yet. If the Commodores or Monmouth should win Saturday, it would ease the judging of the guessing game, but who could term either an actual "upset."

Two of the boys who will still be playing Adams county basketball next year were at their very best last night. Don Brown and Erv Inniger, both only juniors, are without a doubt two of the outstanding roundball players in this area of the state. Both scored 20 points last night, Brown getting 27 but both are the unselfish-type player who would just as soon feed off to a teammate, or spend all his energy rebounding and playing defense.

The writer would like to express best wishes and best of luck to the boys who finished out their high school careers Wednesday and last night. Spartans Marv Luginbill, the county's leading scorer this season, Mel Ohler, Rich Luginbill, Ron Daniels, and Roger Beer; Gorillas, Bob Biedels, Richard Runkel, Darrell Byrum, Harry Dubach, and Steve Huser; Cardinals, Dave Biery, Bill Burke, Mike McGough and Paul Moser, and Greyhounds, Dick Habegger, Bob Hyerly, Lloyd Knickle, Roger Dick and Ron Owens.

Think the people in Adams county aren't interested in basketball? The Daily Democrat-Citizens' Telephone news service handled better than 3,000 calls against last night, 3,596 to be exact. Thus, in two nights, the news service has handled 7,397 calls, with the biggest games yet to come.

The latest report on junior guard Bob Stahly of Berne is that he is definitely finished for the season and will have an operation on his bad knee as soon as the Bears are eliminated.

Top Favorites Win Thursday In Sectionals

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) —

Two days and 256 games after the start of Indiana's 52nd annual high school basketball tourney, they were still looking for a giant-killer today.

None of the eight ranking quintets in action Wednesday and Thursday was extended, and those seeing action in today's 148-game schedule also were not expected to run into trouble.

But today is "Black Friday," frequently a troublesome torment in the Hoosier Madness and some hectic battles were expected as the field jockeyed for sectional semi-final positions.

However, three of last year's state finalists, headed by defending champion Kokomo, advanced to the semis Thursday night in for a fine 750. Monmouth hit at .647 hitting 1 of 17. Berne connected on 15 of 28 chances, a mark of .536, while Hartford shot at .533, hitting 16 of 30 chances.

Top-rated Kokomo, beaten only once during the season, outclassed little Windfall, 74-31, for its 20th victory. The Wildcats led 33-18 at the half. Jim (Goose) Ligon, as usual, led the champs with 22 points to their 17th consecutive victory.

Tell City Wins
Tell City, No. 9, also brought its record to 20-1 and its winning streak to 18 by snowing under Chrisney, 90-41. Gunner Wyman's boys piled up a big score despite the fact the subs played the second half.

Logansport, the third 1961 finalist sitting pretty at least until Saturday, dusted off Kewanna, 69-41.

Fourth-ranked Lafayette and 10th-ranked Evansville Rex Mundi are the last members of the United Press International coaches' board "Big 10" to hit the tourney trail. Lafayette goes against Montmorenci tonight, Rex Mundi against city foe Central.

Unbeaten Madison, No. 3, made it 19 in a row by smothering Dupont, 83-35, behind Larry Humes' 26 points. The Cubs are also idle until Saturday.

Other games involving ranking teams included Attucks - Broad Ripple at Indianapolis this afternoon and tonight, Boss meets Reitz at Evansville, Boss tangles with Mann at Gary, and host Southport with New Palestine.

Only four defending sectional champs were ousted Thursday, making a total of seven eliminated in two days. Fort Wayne South, also a two-time state champ, couldn't make it two in a row this season over Elmhurst and lost, 51-42. Haubstadt was beaten by Fort Branch at Princeton, 59-47; Cambridge City by Centerville at Richmond, 63-45, and North Vermilion by Ellettsburg, 63-45.

SIDE LIGHTS — Both Monmouth and Hartford came out on the floor at the same time last night, in sharp contrast to Hartford's "late" arrival last year against the same Eagles . . . coach Don Elder was prepared for "anything" this year . . . Dennis Braun had his specs on last night, which he wore for the last five games of the season, and it didn't hamper his shooting, and it didn't hamper his shooting, and it didn't hamper his shooting . . . Monmouth missed six of 11 shots, Dave Singleton connecting on a jumper with 3:53 left in the first quarter . . . Pleasant Mills grabbed a 20-19 lead at 7:43 of the second quarter, but was behind 41-27 with 1:07 left in the same stanza . . . the Spartans had trouble getting the ball over the 10-second line as the Bears were pushing them downcourt . . . Don Daniels, who severely injured his knee early in the season, got into last night's action, but had to be taken out as the heavily-encased knee couldn't stand the work . . . little Shelly Everett led a Spartan yell all by her young self . . . a future Spartan cheerleader . . . at 5:04 of the final quarter, Keith Habegger of Berne shot a free throw that didn't come down . . . that's right, the ball stuck between the rim and backboard . . . don't miss Saturday's games as they should be three good ones . . . and here is hoping the officials decide to let the boys play ball Saturday instead of calling them as closely as they have the first two nights.

non by Jackson at Greensburg, 72-61.
New Castle was the only other ex-champ to get dumped, but the Trojans' 48-46 loss to Spiceland on their home floor and Hammond's 57-46 loss to Whiting at East Chicago were upsets of regional proportion.

Hammond had beaten Whiting in the West NIHS, 78-59, but this time the Oilers led at all stops and held high-scoring John Serbin to 18 points.

Gary Froebel's West NIHS champs, No. 6, clouted neighbor Edison, 91-49, to complete Thursday's sweep of anking teams.

Little Tunnell ran its perfect string to 22 by blasting Orleans at Bedford, 103-80, for the biggest score since the tourney opened. Sophomore Terry Hollars exploded for 40 points for the winners.

Orleans finished with a sad 1-20 record.

Seeks 22nd Win
North Caston, the other perfect team, can match Tunnell's record by beating Beaver Dam at Peru tonight.

In another game at Kokomo, Eastern was upended by Western, 62-58. Eastern had a 17-2 record.

Rockcreek, which lost 19 in a row in a winless season, scored a 65-52 victory over Jackson at Bluffton, but Akron, without a victory all season, absorbed its 20th loss in a row at Peru from Bunker Hill, 54-51.

There were several spine-tingling finishes. At Elkhart, Middlebury upset Nappanee, 60-59, on Keith Mullet's bucket with four seconds left. Fowler edged Otterbein in double overtime, 66-64, on Dave Tully's fielder. Shelbyville found surprisingly tough opposition from Hauser at Columbus, and won barely, 57-55, on Dave Spanbauer's bucket with eight seconds left.

Jeffersonville avenged a six-point regular season loss to New Albany by edging the Bulldogs in overtime, 62-61. Joe Beatty hit the winning fielder with a minute to go.

At Clay City, Arland Boyd's pair of free throws won for Bowling Green over Cory in overtime, 58-56.

Several other players hit 30 points or better, among them Tom Smith, whose 37 were just enough to give Gary Mann a 63-61 edge over Merrillville.

SATURDAY TICKETS

Tickets for the Saturday sessions of the Adams Central sectional tourney, priced at \$1 and good for both sessions, are on sale today at the two Decatur high schools, who will battle in the first semi-final clash at 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

Students at both schools were purchasing their tickets during school hours today. Both schools will have their offices open tonight for adult purchasers. The Decatur high school office will be open from 7 to 8 o'clock tonight, and the Decatur Catholic high school office will be open from 7 to 8 o'clock. Season ticket holders will be issued the tickets first, and if any remain after these are taken care of, those available will be sold to other adults.

Sectional Scores

At Adams Central
Monmouth 65, Hartford Center 52
Berne 71, Pleasant Mills 54.

At Angola
Garrett 51, Hamilton 32.
Butler 67, Fremont 65.

At Chubbuck
Ashley 57, Waterloo 54.
Angola 57, Auburn 58.

At Fort Wayne
Elmhurst 51, Fort Wayne South 42.
Fort Wayne North 44, Huntertown 27.

At Kendallville
Kendallville 84, Wawaka 42.
Rome City 66, Cromwell 58.
Albion 78, LaGrange 62.

At Bluffton
Rockcreek 65, Jackson 52.
Bluffton 72, Chester Center 60.

At Columbia City
Syracuse 83, Millford 64.
Claypool 61, Atwood 50.
Columbia City 76, Larwill 58.

At Huntington
Huntington 75, Lancaster Twp. 58.
Union Twp. 55, Lafayette Central 46.

At Portland
Redkey 64, Gray 51.
Portland 87, Bryant 57.

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| | W | L | Pts. |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| St. Luke E & R 15 | 18 1/2 | 5 1/2 | 25 1/2 |
| Pleasant Dale | 17 | 7 | 24 |
| Decatur Methodist | 16 1/2 | 7 1/2 | 22 1/2 |
| St. Luke E & R 12 | 16 | 8 | 21 |
| Berne Cross E & R 15 | 9 | 20 | |
| Mennonite 16 | 15 | 9 | 20 |
| Monroe Methodist 14 | 11 1/2 | 12 1/2 | 16 1/2 |
| Decatur Christian 9 | 13 1/2 | 10 1/2 | 15 1/2 |
| Monroe Methodist 7 | 11 | 13 | 15 |
| St. Paul Missionary | 11 | 13 | 14 |
| Mennonite 16 | 10 | 14 | 14 |
| Pl. Mills Methodist | 8 1/2 | 15 1/2 | 12 1/2 |
| Geneva E.U.B. | 8 1/2 | 15 1/2 | 10 1/2 |
| Church of Christ | 6 1/2 | 17 1/2 | 8 1/2 |
| Decatur Christian 10 | 6 1/2 | 17 1/2 | 8 1/2 |