

1935 Class A Tournament...

LITTLE GIANTS LISTED AGAINST SHELBY CAGERS

Same Lineup Will Play
for Ross; St. Joe Fans
Ready

Games Tonight

Mansfield vs. Port Clinton, 7
p. m.

Fremont Ross vs. Shelby, 8 p.
m.

Tiffin Columbian vs. Willard,
9 p. m.

Hardly knowing what to expect, but intent on victory, Coach Bob Oldfather and his band of Little Giant basketball shooters will take to the highways Thursday night leading to Sandusky where they are scheduled to clash with the Whippets of Shelby high in the annual district Class A basketball tournament.

Quite a delegation of fans will accompany the Ross cagers to the Erie county seat, for although the purple and white squad has had a rather mediocre season, basketball enthusiasts always like their tournaments with its red fire and hubbub.

Coach Oldfather said Wednesday he will make no great change in his lineup. This means, probably, that Klinck and Baker will be at forwards, McCord at center, and Bliss and Gomoll at guards.

This lineup can play basketball. It proved the point with a win over the undefeated Sandusky team two weeks ago. But it has the fatal failing of neglecting to cash in on easy shots.

If the Little Giants can hit the basket with any degree of consistency, they will prove the dark horse of the tournament. If they fall in their many scoring attempts, however, this will be their final game of the season.

Little is known about Shelby as a foe, except that just a few days ago they whipped a strong Marion Harding quintet which had just captured the Central Ohio league title without much apparent effort. Shelby is an offensive team, scouts report, and will tax the guards of the Ross entry to the limit.

Despite the outcome of the Fremont-Shelby game, Fremont fans will have a lot of fun and entertainment at Sandusky Thursday night. Two other games are on tap, the Port Clinton quintet clashing with Mansfield, and Tiffin Columbian meeting Willard, an old foe of Little Big Seven league days.

Other Sandusky county fans will trek to Norwalk Thursday night for the Class B frays there. Two teams from this vicinity will play.

Jackson township which defeated Townsend in the county tournament here two weeks ago, will fight Tiffin Calvert, and Clyde's in and out team will play against Butler. Many will be interested in the Genoa-Ontario game, too.

The real delegation of Fremont fans to Norwalk will take to the road Friday night to see their favorites, St. Joe, in action against New London, which whipped Milan Wednesday night.

St. Joe, with a record of 12 straight wins and 15 out of 16 for the season, is one of the tournament favorites. Coach Beans Hoffman is guarding against over-confidence, however, and expects his hopefuls to play some of their best basketball of the season.

LITTLE GIANTS
ELIMINATED IN
HECTIC BATTLE

Fate Against Baker When
Foul Shot Misses as
Gun Cracks

Games Tonight
At Sandusky

Bellevue vs. Junior Order
Home, 8 p. m.
Port Clinton vs. Shelby, 7 p. m.
Tiffin Columbian vs. Sandusky,
8 p. m.
Ashland vs. Norwalk, 9 p. m.

A foul shot which rimmed the basket, hesitated, then fell out prevented a tie score and enabled Shelby high school's Whippets to eliminate Fremont Ross high school from the annual Class A basketball tournament at Sandusky Thursday night, 25 to 24.

Young Baker, playing forward for the Little Giants, made the gallant attempt to knot the score and send the game into an overtime period, in which case the team scoring the first point would have won, but fate was against the diminutive player. The ball had no sooner fallen to the floor than the gun cracked.

The Little Giants had made a sensational bid for victory in the closing minutes of the contest. With the score reading 21 to 14 against them as the last quarter started, Coach Bob Oldfather's team started to hit the basket.

Klinck, who played his best game of the season, dropped in a fielder. Betts scored a free throw from the charity line, then McCord and Baker tallied a basket each and Shelby was ahead by two points, 22 to 20.

After two free throws by Shelby, Klinck added a foul shot, and McCord and Baker ran in three more points, but Irey gave the Whippets the lead with a one pointer, and there the game ended.

As a result of its win, Shelby will play again Friday night in the semi-finals against Port Clinton, which upset Mansfield by a two point margin, 27 to 25.

Gomoll, Baker and Presgrave played their final games for the purple and white Thursday night, but Coach Oldfather will have Hetrick, Klinck, McCord and Bliss back again next winter to form the nucleus of his team.

Port Clinton's win over Mansfield was a hard fought triumph for the Ottawa countians. Mansfield galloped to a 10 to 6 lead in the first eight minutes of the fray, and was still ahead, 16 to 11, as the half ended.

Port Clinton, led by Johnson, at forward, rallied in the third stanza, to take a 22 to 20 lead at the end of the period. The two teams played on equal terms in the last quarter, scoring five points each.

Port Clinton almost lost the ball game when the score was tied at 25 all. Payne fouled Distl, the Mansfield guard, and it looked bad for the Ottawa countians. But Distl missed his chance, and Payne redeemed himself by dribbling under his basket for a field goal that put Port Clinton in the lead as the game ended.

In another game Thursday in the Class A classic, Tiffin Columbian put the skids under Willard, 19 to 12. The game was unusual in that Willard failed to score a point in the last half of the contest, so tight was Columbian's defense.

Tiffin scored only three field goals, but added 13 points on fouls to win. Greek, right guard, dropped in eight points from free throws alone. Willard scored five field goals, but cashed in on but two free tosses.

The summaries of games:

Fremont Ross, 34	G.	F.	Pt.
Hetrick, rf	0	0	0
Klinck, lf	3	5	11
McCord, c	1	1	3
Bliss, rg	1	0	2
Gomoll, lg	0	0	0
Baker, rf	2	0	4
Presgrave, rg	2	0	4

Totals	9	6	24
Shelby, 25	G.	F.	Pt.
Wilcox, rf	0	5	5
Finher, lf	4	2	10
Irey, c	1	1	3
Betts, rg	2	1	5
Armstrong, lg	0	2	2

Total 7 11 25

Port Clinton, 27	G.	F.	Pt.
Johnson, rf	4	2	10
Nissen, lf	1	0	2
Englebach, c	3	0	6
Kolesar, rg	0	0	0
Drushacky, lg	2	0	4
Payne, lf	1	0	2
Rasmussen, rg	1	1	3

Totals	12	3	27
Mansfield, 25	G.	F.	Pt.
Weber, rf	3	0	6
Burns, lf	1	2	4
Boianitz, c	3	0	6
Distl, rg	1	3	5
Morgan, lg	2	0	4
Spewak, lf	0	0	0
Hoff, lf	0	0	0

Totals 10 5 25

