

# Ross Tennis Team Depends On One Senior, Four Junior Lettermen

A talented quartet of juniors plus one senior letterman head the Ross high tennis team this spring.

Prospects for the season are listed as good by Tennis Coach Jack Decker.

## Veterans Counted On

Decker is banking on senior letterman Charles Montgomery who is the squad's honorary captain and junior letter winners Terry Collins, John Schaaf, Bill Miller and Kit Grimshaw.

Other candidates include juniors Chris Young and Ernie Hetrick; sophomores Skip Huber, Bob Vogel,

Dick Fuller, Gary Beatty, Jeff First, Dick Sale, Larry Beck, Joe Smith, Tom Rikken, Steve Biehler and Bill Whittaker; and freshmen Bob McCallister, Jim Ohms, Dave Baylis, Jerry Brooks, Bob Hawk and John Freeman.

There are 24 Senior high candidates and 26 Junior high.

## Play Bellevue Monday

First match of the season will be against Bellevue on Monday, April 14 on the Rodger Young Park courts. Remainder of the schedule:

April 17, at Sandusky; April 22, at Elyria; April 25, Findlay here; April 28, Bellevue here; April 29, at Marion.

May 2, Toledo Scott here; May 5, Lorain here; May 6, Sandusky here; May 13, Toledo DeVilbiss here.

The Findlay and Marion matches are Buckeye Conference affairs.

Buckeye League tournament will be held at Elyria on May 9. There'll be one singles player from each conference school and one doubles team.

District tournament is scheduled May 16 and 17 at Bowling Green. State tourney will be on May 23 and 24 at Columbus.

Buckeye Conference is divided into two divisions, East with Lorain, Sandusky and Elyria entered and West including Fremont Ross, Findlay and Marion Harding. Winners in each division will meet for the league crown.

Outstanding teams to be faced by the Ross netters include Findlay and Elyria of the conference and Toledo DeVilbiss. Elyria is defending champion in the Buckeye Conference and also of the Cleveland Lake Erie circuit. DeVilbiss won the Toledo City tennis crown in 1957.

Individual aces to be met include Paul Walker of Elyria and John Weaver of Findlay.

## Ross Netters Blank Bellevue 7-0

Blanking Bellevue 7-0 on the Rodger Young Park courts Monday, Fremont Ross high's tennis squad opened the 1958 season on a successful note.

Coach Jack Decker's netters tackle Sandusky at Sandusky Thursday in a second match.

Ross won five singles matches and swept two doubles sets in yesterday's battles.

Singles: Charles Montgomery, senior and captain, scored a 6-4, 6-4 win over Paul Yoder, Bellevue senior; Terry Collins, junior,

won 6-0, 6-3 over Douglas Meyer, freshman; John Schaaf, junior, tripped Larry Frost, senior, 6-3, 6-4; Bill Miller, junior, bested Jim Reinecker, freshman, 6-4, 6-3; and Ross sophomore Skip Huber topped Eric Zehner, senior, 7-5, 6-4.

Montgomery and Collins paired to romp over Yoder and Frost in doubles 6-2, 6-2 and Miller and Schaaf combined for a 6-2, 6-4 success over Meyer and Reinecker.

In the seven matches, the Ross tennis squad did not lose a set to the Bellevue netters.

# Ross Tennis Team Drops 6-1 Match To Sandusky High

SANDUSKY — The Fremont Ross tennis team had its record evened at one win, one loss when the Little Giant netters fell before Sandusky's Blue Streaks 6-1 here Thursday.

Coach Jack Decker's netters won only in doubles, the combination of Bill Miller and John Schaaf topping Fred Bonsak and Norm Deckman of Sandusky 7-5 and 6-0.

The other doubles match was a real thriller with Terry Collins and Charles Montgomery losing to Phil Prye and Dan Holmes of Sandusky, 6-8, 6-4 and 5-7.

In singles, Prye topped Collins 6-4, 6-4; Holmes beat Montgomery 6-4, 6-2; Bonsak topped Miller 6-2, 6-1; Deckman defeated Schaaf 6-4, 6-2; and Tom Ziemke, Sandusky whipped Chris Young, Ross 6-0, 6-1.

Ross plays at Elyria next on April 22.

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Jack Decker will be paid \$5,700, including \$200 for tennis coaching.

# Bellevue Blanked

## By Ross Netters

Ross tennis team repeated an earlier whitewash of Bellevue by scoring a 7-0 decision at Bellevue Monday.

Coach Jack Decker's netters are now 2-3 with two shutout victories over Bellevue and losses to Sandusky 6-1, Elyria 7-0 and Findlay 5-2. Ross is at Marion this afternoon in a Buckeye Conference match.

Results against Bellevue:

Singles: Charles Montgomery (R) over Doug Meyer (B) 6-0, 6-0.

Terry Collins (R) over Paul Yoder (B) 6-8, 7-5, 6-2.

Bill Miller (R) over Larry Frost (B) 6-1, 6-1.

John Schaaf (R) over Eric Zehner (B) 6-0, 6-3.

Kit Grimshaw (R) over Jim Reinecker (B) 6-0, 6-3.

In doubles, Montgomery-Collins whipped Yoder-Frost 6-0, 6-0. Miller-Schaaf won 63, 64.

# Ross Netters

## Trim Marion

Ross high's tennis team evened its record at 3-3 for the season with a 5-2 triumph over Marion there Tuesday in a Buckeye Conference match.

**Coach Jack Decker's Little Giant netters face powerful Toledo Scott at Fremont Friday afternoon on the Rodger Young Park courts.**

Results against Marion:

Singles: Charles Montgomery (R) over Fred Shaffstall (M) 6-1, 7-9, 6-4.

Terry Collins (R) over Jeff Wise (M) 2-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Tom Clark (M) over Bill Miller (R) 9-7, 6-2.

John Schaaf (R) over Keith Kirts (M) 6-4, 8-6.

Kit Grimshaw (R) over Roger Addlesberger (M) 6-3, 6-1.

Doubles: Montgomery-Collins (R) over Shaffstall-Wise (M) 3-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Clark-Kirts (M) over Miller-Grimshaw (R) 6-1, 6-0.

## **ROSS NETTERS LOSE**

Toledo Scott edged Fremont Ross in tennis at Rodger Young Park Friday 4 to 3. Ross is now 3-4 and Scott 4-2 for the season. Charles Montgomery, Terry Collins and John Schaaf of Fremont won singles matches for the 3 Ross points.

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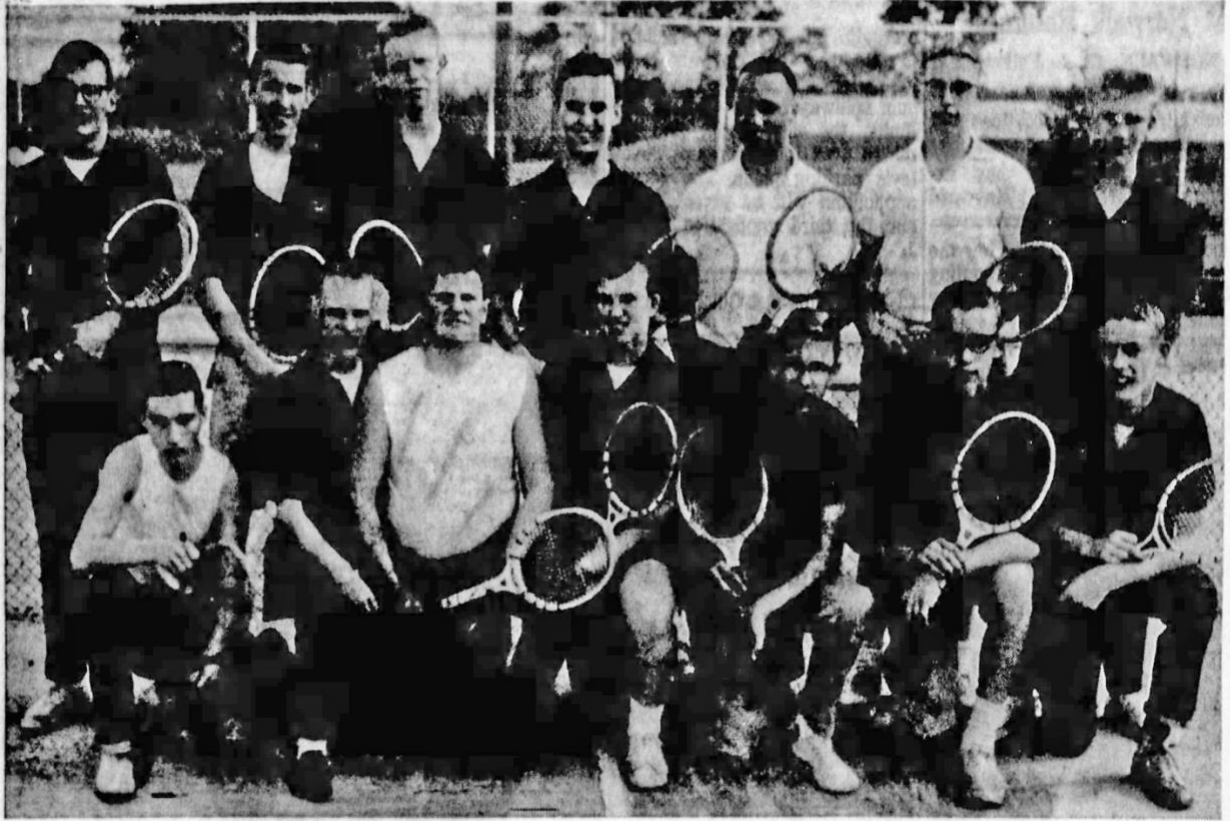
## *Elyria Host On Loop Sports Day*

Annual Buckeye Conference Sports Day is scheduled Friday at Elyria.

Coach John Ihnat's Ross track team will compete against other B. C. foes as will Coach Don Kepler's golf squad.

Coach Jack Decker, Ross tennis coach, will take Charles Montgomery and Terry Collins to Elyria to compete in doubles competition and Bill Miller to battle in singles.

## *Fremont Ross High Tennis Squad*



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ONLY CHARLES MONTGOMERY will graduate this year of the 14 members of the Fremont Ross high tennis squad. Coach Jack Decker's young netters turned in a 4-6 dual meet record in 1958. Terry Collins and Montgomery, in singles in the District tournament at Bowling Green State university, both reached the semifinals. Montgomery lost to Jim Tinney, Ottawa Hills, defending District champion who won again this year. Collins bowed out to Jim Monk, Mansfield, runnerup to Tinney in 1958. Ross netters, first row, from left, Bob McCollister, Jeff First, Skip Huber, Dick Fuller, Tom Rikken, Bob Vogel, Bob Hawk. Second row, from left, John Schaff, Bill Miller, Kit Grimshaw, Charles Montgomery, Terry Collins, Ernie Hetrick, Chris Young.