

1938 State Tournament...

FREMONT ROSS WILL PLAY IN FIRST BATTLE

Faces Norwalk at 7 P. M.
In Class A Tourney
At Sandusky

SANDUSKY, March 4.—The annual Class A high school basketball tournament, having an entry list of 11 teams, gets under way here Friday night at the junior high gym, with an opening session of three contests.

Eliminations start at 7 o'clock, with Norwalk and Fremont Ross battling. An hour later the Willard and Tiffin Junior Order cagers take to the court. Final game tonight is between Mansfield and Tiffin Columbian, Buckeye league champion, at 9.

Second round play Saturday night follows:

6—Shelby vs. Ashland.

7—Sandusky vs. Norwalk-Fremont.

8—Willard-Junior Order vs. Tiffin Columbian-Mansfield.

9—Port Clinton vs. Bellevue.

Semi-finals are to be held next week Friday, and the following night, March 12, finals are scheduled, the winner to represent this section at Columbus in the state classic.

Fremont is Favored

On paper, Fremont Ross is picked over Norwalk, Willard to take Junior Home and Tiffin Columbian to beat Mansfield.

Ashland high, defending champion for two years, is not counted upon to survive its first skirmish with Shelby Saturday night. Followers at Ashland have been watching their team establish its worst cage record in 26 years.

Although Sandusky high's Blue Streaks are not listed for play until tomorrow night, local fans are expected to join in with the throng attending tonight attractions. Special interest is centered around the first game, inasmuch as Sandusky tackles the winner of the Norwalk-Fremont Ross combat.

A new high for single session attendance is anticipated for Saturday night. Sandusky should prove a slight drawing card locally, and either opponent surviving tonight's round—Norwalk or Fremont—is sure to attract a good sized delegation of rooters.

"No Chance"

Coach Ed Gabel of the Fremont five announced his lineup would be unchanged for the tourney opener, with Bud Beeker and Charley Wolfe, at forward; Bob Shaw, at center, and Fred Rice and Mernie White, guards.

The Ross quintet went through an easy drill and were in top shape for the clash. However, Coach Gabel radiated no particular good cheer shortly before the game, asserting "It's a cinch we'll never get past the first round."

Little Giants Will Meet Sandusky In Second Round

Coach Ed Gabel's Cagers Hand Maple Leafs Wallowing as Class A District Meet Gets Under Way at Sandusky; Mernie White Leads Attack

Fremont Ross high's dangerous Little Giant five became the dark horse of the class A district tournament at Sandusky Friday night, following their impressive 52 to 34, first round victory over Norwalk high.

On their victory the Little Giants rode into the second round to encounter a doubtful Sandusky Blue streak five at 7 p. m. Saturday. It will be the first game of the meet for the Sandusky quint.

Second Round

Although Sandusky's season record has been extremely poor, the Blue Streaks showed marked improvement in the latter part of the campaign, and several weeks ago held Ross to a 29-26 victory.

Shelby and Ashland, also upper bracket teams along with Ross and Sandusky, will clash at 6 p. m.

In the lower bracket, Tiffin Junior Order, a surprise victor over Willard by a 31 to 17 score Friday night, will tangle with Mansfield, which upset Tiffin Columbian, 29 to 27, in the initial round at 8 p. m. And Port Clinton and Bellevue, rated as the two strongest teams in this part of the state, will come to grips in a death struggle at 9 p. m. The two teams broke even in a pair of Little Big Four loop games during the regular season, and last week Bellevue defeated Fremont, 26 to 16.

White Paces

Mernie White, playing an alert, fast game, paced the Little Giant triumph over Norwalk as he caged 14 points on six field goals and two free throws. Burdette Becker and Charley Wolfe pressed White for top honors, with Becker hooping four field goals and five free tosses for 13 points, and Wolfe getting 12 points on five baskets and two free throws.

Fremont started a little shakily, with Norwalk taking a three-point lead and controlling the ball for the first four minutes. Then the Little Giants swept into action and rolled up nine points in about a minute, with Becker the fulcrum of the attack. In the second quarter, the Little Giants swelled their total to 27 points, while holding Norwalk to a 14-point aggregate.

Ross tallied 11 points in the third quarter, while Norwalk was limited to five. In the final period, after the Ross varsity had boosted the score beyond the 45 mark, Coach Ed Gabel sent in his reserves. Norwalk at once began to find range and accounted for 15 points during the period.

Fouls Slow Up Game

Numerous fouls slowed up action, especially during the second half. A total of 31 was called, 16 against Norwalk. Out of 19 attempted, the Maple Leafs connected for 12, while the Fremonters cashed in on 16 out of 26.

Norwalk was first to score, O'Donnell flipping a foul shot. Shaw had the first scoring opportunity from the gift line, but failed on one attempt. Colvin then followed in for a field goal and Cal Pfeiffer's cagers led, 3-0. Fremont got busy, White made good the second of a pair of free throws and Becker rang up an under basket goal to tie the score.

In lightning-like precision the Purple registered four times—Becker, White and Wolfe contributing fielders, Norwalk called for time out, and resumed with its scoring ace, Norm Call, who recently set a new school record for regular season point-getting, caging a beautiful one-handed hook from over his head. The two-point cut Fremont's lead to 9-5. Berner added a foul toe and the score stood at 9-6 favoring Fremont.

There wasn't much interest as the game continued. White with three buckets, and Becker with a pair of charity tosses and a goal, paced the Little Giants the second period to establish the 27-14 half time decision. Call annexed two fielders and the same number of free throws.

Fremont Holds Lead

Fremont held an 11-3 third period scoring advantage. White led the attack again with five points. Brandy and Berner, with six and five points, respectively, and Becker with five, led their respective teams during the final quarter.

Summary

Fremont Ross 52	G. F. P.
Wolfe, f	5 2 12
Becker, f	4 5 13
Shaw, c	1 2 4
White, g	6 3 14
Riles, g	0 1 1
Brunover, f	1 3 3
Rollins, c	0 3 3
Ruland, g	0 0 0
Koehy, g	0 0 0
Demmer, g	0 2 2
Totals	11 18 52
Norwalk 34	G. F. P.
Call, f	4 2 10
Halter, f	0 1 1
Colvin, c	1 0 2
Berner, g	2 3 7
O'Donnell, g	1 3 3
Brady, g	2 2 6
Starn, g	1 3 5
Totals	11 13 34
Score by quarters	
Ross	9 27 38 52
Norwalk	6 14 10 34

Officials: A. N. Smith (Ohio Northern), and Jay Winters, (Ohio Wesleyan).

EAGON'S MARK IS SHATTERED

OBERLIN, O., March 5.—P.

Oberlin and Kenyon each had 11 qualifiers for the finals today in the Ohio Conference swimming championships, with the splashing lords from Gambler ranked as top-heavy favorites for the conference title, defended by Case.

Case and Wooster each had seven qualifiers and Kent State five.

Five conference records were broken in yesterday's preliminaries, four of them by two Kenyon swimmers, Henry Sebach and Bill Griffin.

Sebach set a new mark of 24.5 seconds for the 50-yard free style and of 57.6 seconds for the 100-yard free style. He set both old records last year at 24.8 and 58 seconds.

Griffin swam the 150-yard backstroke in 1:43.3 to lower the old record of 1:50.9 held by Fenzel of Case, and padded the 440-yard free style in 5:36 to better the old mark of 5:44.9 set by George Eagon of Kenyon, former Fremont Ross star. Carl Swanbeck of Oberlin broke Eagon's old record of 2:32.2 for the 220-yard free style, swimming the distance in 2:31.

BARLUND BEATS YOUNGER BAER

NEW YORK, March 5.—P.

"In the confusion," Dazzy Vance once remarked, "I found myself in the world series."

In the confusion at the Garden last night, Buddy Baer fought himself out of the heavyweight picture, Gunnar Barlund, the enduring Finn, fought himself in, and Al Ramo, Barlund's trainer, was the only casualty of the evening.

Ramo's mishap gave the battle an authentic light-comedy touch. As Referee Billy Cavanagh pushed the beaten Baer to his corner in the seventh round, Ramo leaped into the ring to greet Barlund, tripped on one of the ropes and fell flat and out, with a sprained ankle.

To hardened ringfighters, Gunnar's technical knockout victory in 1:36 of the seventh was as astounding as the sight of a trainer being carried out of the arena. A short-ender in the wagering, Barlund carried the fight to the massive younger brother of Max and took every round but the first, which he lost on Baer's stinging punching and his own low blows.

Training Camp Jottings

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—It seems likely Lefty Gomez will be the opening game pitcher for the New York Yankees. Arriving yesterday, Lefty revealed he finally had signed for \$20,000, the same salary he got in 1936. He took a \$6,500 cut last year but won his old salary back by pitching for it.

CLEARWATER, Fla.—George Jeffcoat, Brooklyn rookie, looks like a lot more of a pitcher than when he was viewed last spring. After having his appendix removed last summer he gained 30 pounds, he says, and reported to camp with 187 pounds to put behind his fast one.

NEW ORLEANS.—Oscar Vitt, Cleveland manager, today posted a standing reward of \$5 for players scoring runs on trick plays which he signals during training season games, to be split between the batter and runner. "Five dollars would be a cheap price for a run in a tight ball game," Vitt declared.

TAMPA, Fla.—Cincinnati's players are finding that their new manager, Bill McKeechnie, and Coach Hank Gowdy won't stand for any loafing. Despite hot sun, the Reds went through a drill yesterday that was described as the most strenuous in eight years the club has trained here.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—Frankie Frisch, St. Louis Cardinal's manager who has learned from experience that playing second base requires fairly good weight, strength and durability, was disappointed when Stu Martin reported weighing only 153 pounds and still weak from a winter illness.

Messenger Bowling Contest

Little Giants Fall Victim, 32-24; Drop From Tourney

Blue Streaks Have "Hot" Night in Scoring Upset; Little Giants Hold Lead in Third Quarter; Four Seniors Play Final Game

The Sandusky jinx, unheard from since last Thanksgiving Day, arose from its latency Saturday night to ride Fremont Ross high's strong Purple five right out of the class A tournament at Sandusky.

The Blue Streaks, "hotter" than a forest fire, played superb ball to defeat the Little Giants, 32 to 24, in their quarter-final struggle.

Got Lead

Unable to show the scoring spark that provided a 52 to 34 victory over Norwalk the previous evening, the Little Giants trailed most of the game, except in the third quarter, in which standard Ross defensive play held Sandusky scoreless, while the Purple captured eight points to go ahead, 19 to 17.

The lead was short-lived, however, as Sandusky again waxed warm and piled up 14 points in the final canto, against only five made by Fremont.

Not a man in the Sandusky regular lineup failed to tally less than four points while three—Balconi, Thomas and Freynese—each logged seven.

Becker Stars

But Becker, star Ross forward, was the game's high scorer as he dropped in two field goals and five free throws for nine counters. Mernie White, veteran guard, got five points.

Apparently tired by their fast-moving game with Norwalk, the Little Giants never completely hit the stride that gave Ross 10 victories in 15 starts during the regular season, including a pair of wins over the Blue Streaks, who themselves had a miserable campaign.

Becker, Fred Rice, Mernie White and Charley Wolfe, all senior regulars, played their final tilt for Ross high, each concluding with the hard-driving game that characterized his play during the season.

Ross trailed 8 to 7 at the quarter, and 17 to 11 at halftime.

Tables Turned

Just a year ago, the tables were turned, with Sandusky being eliminated by the Fremont five, last coached by Bob Oldfather. The Streaks then had defeated Mansfield, while the Little Giants had drawn a bye.

Saturday night's game had the stamp of a typical Fremont-Sandusky clash and the outcome really was not apparent until the closing minutes. But in those closing minutes the Blue Streaks made certain of victory in a determined manner.

Thomas stepped into the picture as the fourth period got under way to pocket a goal that traveled from mid-floor. The score was tied 19-all. Fleming quickly recovered the ball seconds later and registered putting Sandusky to the front, 21-19. Wolfe's goal tied the count at 21-all.

Fleming was charged with a foul and Wolfe missed. Balconi next was called for a personal and Brunner made it to crack the deadlock. The Thomas-to-Freynese pass combination clicked and a defender was the result, swinging the Streaks ahead, 23-22. Freynese fouled Becker and the latter made it good to knot the count.

Thomas Gets Long Shot

Probably the longest field attempt of the night left Thomas' hands and it arched into the basket. Sandusky led, 25-23. Bryant fouled White but he failed to convert. Fleming was called and after Sandusky took "time out," Rice contributed the point to dwindle the lead to 25-24. Three and one-half minutes remained.

Bryant flipped a goal. Then after White fouled him, Bryant missed a free throw but Barnett tucked the ball in to put Sandusky still further in the lead, 29-24. Approximately one minute, 30 seconds remained.

Rice was called for plowing into Balconi under the basket and the Sandusky made both shots. The score stood 31-24. Balconi fouled Shaw with 29 seconds to go and was banished with four personals. Shaw missed Becker fouled Thomas and he made good the throw, putting the final score 32-24.

Sandusky made good 12 of 49 shots from the field for a 24 percentage, while Fremont gained 21 per cent. The Little Giants, however, did not attempt as many shots as their opponents, especially during the last half.

Sandusky made good eight of 11 free throws, and the invaders cashed in on eight of 18.

To Pick Captain

Coach Ed Gabel of Ross, announced his cagers would meet either Monday or Tuesday to select an honorary captain, at which time winners for the year would be announced.

By merit of its victory, Sandusky now advances to the semi-final round in which the Blue Streaks face Ashland next Friday night.

The summary:

Sandusky 32	G. F. P.
Bryant, f.	2 0 4
Balconi, f.	2 3 7
Barnett, c.	2 1 3
Freynese, g.	3 1 7
Thomas, g.	2 3 7
Fleming, c.	1 0 2
Totals	12 8 32

Fremont Ross 24	G. F. P.
Becker, f.	2 2 3
Wolfe, f.	1 0 2
Shaw, c.	2 0 4
Rice, g.	3 1 1
White, g.	2 1 3
Brunner, f.	0 1 1
Totals	8 8 24

Score by quarters:

Sandusky	8 17 11 32
Fremont	7 11 19 24

Officials: Jay Winters (Ohio Wesleyan) and E. N. Smith (Ohio Northern).

VISITORS HERE IN K. C. MEET

Standings Change After Kegling By Akron, Alliance Entrants

Several changes were listed in standings of the annual Knights of Columbus state bowling tournament currently being held at Recreation Bowling Alleys here, following last week-end's activities.

Teams from Akron and Alliance formed the bulk of the contingent that competed here Saturday and Sunday.

Best effort of the newcomers was in the two-man event, where H. Haag and E. Brennan, of Akron, rolled a 1249 to achieve second place behind M. Vellotta and E. Wintersteller, of Cleveland, whose 1250 still holds top spot. A. Engle and L. Suter, of Akron took eighth with 1146, and Dr. A. Mayer and D. Kintz of Alliance, got 10th with 1143.

In the 5-man event, Bachman, of Akron, took over fifth place, with a 2762, while Alliance No. 1 became posted in tenth position with 2726.

Four new names crashed the upper ten in the individual standings is F. McCambridge, of Akron, turned in a 640, for sixth place; T. Woods, of Alliance, hit a 638 for seventh place; Kintz, of Alliance, finished in ninth place with 634 and A. Wiseman, Akron, rolled 633 to gain 10th place.

Kintz, with 1854, was third in the 11-events, while McCambridge, posting 1043, gained fourth place.

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Perfection spring, Akron

A. Sponen	133 137 140-410
E. Lohbe	133 137 140-410
A. Scholte	126 134 139-399
B. LaCroix	127 134 135-396
R. Riley	126 135 135-396
Totals	631 687 731-2049

Fremer-Schmucker, Akron

F. McCambridge	129 224 262-615
S. Wolfe	122 162 146-430
S. Kramer	148 116 135-429
A. Garbus	144 172 144-460
Humphrey	145 151 126-422
Totals	627 638 565-2022

Unmisham's, Akron

E. Finley	143 147 211-501
J. Devlin	133 143 175-451
W. Wolstead	122 149 138-409
R. Roedel	140 147 172-459
E. Kruse	216 132 178-526
Totals	644 777 832-2413

Union Clark, Akron

D. Dutt	154 139 156-449
E. Burns	119 124 175-418
J. Smith	147 147 172-466
L. Kall	144 147 172-463
E. Gorf	119 136 167-422
Totals	639 612 726-2077

Beckham's, Akron

G. Conway	170 175 148-523
H. Horning	179 184 186-549
J. Beckmann	151 153 185-490
A. Wiseman	153 191 172-516
J. Johnson	207 195 281-623
Totals	860 877 993-2732

Crinner's Catholic Shop, Akron

H. Hux	175 148 152-475
Wagner	174 148 146-468
F. Hohl	121 146 171-438
Stanger	150 201 185-536
Totals	620 615 814-2049

FREMONT KEGLERS WIN IN BIG MEET

Fremont bowlers rolled their way into the prize winning list and cut themselves a slice of the \$1,000 in prizes for the fourth week of the record-breaking \$34,000 Red Crown sweepstakes, according to an announcement of high-scoring winners made today at Chicago headquarters of the nationwide event.

The Office Team, rolling at Macy's Recreation, scored 2689 to the 5th place in Class E Division, each team member receives a minitallie.

oderick (Canton Lebanon); third, Goodford (Akron East); fourth, Immelein (Sandusky); fifth, Layton (Sandusky). Time—2:21.1. 100-yard backstroke—Won by Irich (Canton Lebanon); second, utz (Akron Garfield); third, Irshch (Canton McKinley); fourth, remer (Columbus Aquinas); fifth, ooper (Fremont Ross). Time—:05 (Beats old state record of 1:06.1 set by Woodling of Akron, Oct. 1935).

100-yard free style—Won by Horst (Sandusky); second, Rosen, ul (Cincinnati Hughes); third, omo (Akron Buchtel); fourth, oolhan (Lima Central); fifth, utts (Hamilton). Time—5:47. Fancy diving (1 meter)—Won by (Vehi (Canton McKinley) 70-79; second, Chasty (Fremont Ross); ul, Seravinski (Fremont Ross); uth, Dempsey (Cleveland Heights); fifth, Williams (Lakeood).

150-yard medley relay—Won by remont Ross (Sickel, Hayes and reetham); second, Canton McKinley; third, Cleveland Shaw; fourth, Cleveland Heights; fifth, Cleveland Tech. Time—1:53.7 (Beats record of 1:26.3 set by Fremont, Oct. 1935).

200-yard free style relay—Won by Sandusky (Werner, Himmelstein, bers, and Hobart); second, Fremont Ross; third, Canton McKinley; fourth, Cleveland Heights; fifth, Columbus North. Time—42.6.

