

1961 Class AA Sectional Tournament



ROSS TOURNEY TEAM—Fremont Ross faces Lakota at 9 tonight in the Senior high gym in a Sectional tournament assignment. The Ross 12-man tourney squad includes, first row from left, Jim Ohms, Willy Schwenzfeier, Chuck Hufford, Dave Fleming; second

row from left, John Prosser, Guy Nuhfer, Larry Ripple, Jim Davis; top row from left, Frank Moore, Dick Schepflin, Dave Pankratz, Denny Stine.

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Buckeyes Can Cinch At Least Conference Tie

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ohio State, striving to become the first Big Ten basketball team to win the crown with an unbeaten record since Illinois' Whiz Kids of 1943, can cinch at least a share of the title by defeating Wisconsin Saturday night.

The Buckeyes, No. 1 in the AP poll, return home after close victories at Iowa and Indiana that boosted their consecutive road streak to 17. They have won 21 games in a row this season, 26 straight over - all, including 11

Michigan State March 4 and away at Illinois March 11.

Only teams with but two defeats and therefore still in contention are Purdue (8-2) and Iowa (7-2).

Purdue is host to Michigan State (2-9) Saturday night while Iowa is at Minnesota (6-5) and Michigan (1-8) at Northwestern (4-6).

Illinois (4-5) invades Indiana (4-5) for a 4:30 p.m. EST regionally televised engagement Saturday.

The Illini will display their new-

Sports

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Fremont J.H. Eighth Wins; Ninth Defeated

Fremont Junior high Eighth grade basketball team defeated Tiffin West Eighth 27-12 Thursday at Fremont J.H. but the Fremont J.H. Ninth graders bowed to Tiffin West Ninth 49-31.

Ross-Lakota Game, County Final Tonight

Friday night schoolboy basketball includes tournament activity in both the Class AA (larger schools) and Class A (smaller schools) divisions.

Fremont Ross collides with Lakota at 9 tonight in the Ross Senior high gym after Tiffin Calvert and Genoa meet at 7:30 in the Fremont Class AA sub-Sectional.

Winner of Ross-Lakota meets Fostoria Saturday at 9 and the Calvert-Genoa winner clashes at 7:30 p.m. with Oak Harbor.

Raiders Oust Ross 35-32

SJ, Mohawks In Non-County Final Tonight

Fremont St. Joseph and Fostoria St. Wendelin battle at 8 o'clock in the Boys' gym, Fremont Junior high school, for the Class A Non-County tournament championship and also a berth in next week's Fremont Class A Sectional.

St. Joe, record 12-6, advanced to the finals with a 62-56 win over Sandusky St. Mary Thursday and the Mohawks moved into tonight's decider via a 67-46 win over Gibsonburg.

St. Wendelin owns a 15-4 mark including a regular season 48-40 decision over St. Joe.

St. Joe lineup: Forwards, Dave Nafz, 5-11 senior and Ron Eberly, 5-10 junior or Al Binsack, 6-4 senior; Center, Joe Overmyer, 6-3, senior; Guards, Ron Rodenhauer, 6-6 senior and Fred Beier, 5-10 senior with Dan St. John, 5-8 senior, in line for a substitute role. St. Wendelin lineup: Forwards, Dick Alge, 6-3 junior and Fred VanArsdale, 6-3 junior; Center, Charles Wolph, 6-4 senior; Guards, Rodney Dell, 5-11 junior and Chuck Potteiger, 6-0 senior with Mike Faber, 5-10 sophomore, the sixth player.

The five-team Fremont Class A Sectional scheduled March 3-4 in the Ross Senior high gym will include the winner of tonight's St. Joe-St. Wendelin game, plus York, Sandusky County winner, both North Baltimore and Westwood, Wood county finalists and Lakeside, winner over Elmore 89-50 in the Ottawa County Class A finals last night at Lakeside.

OHIO COLLEGE SLATE

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Xavier at Miami
Findlay at Bowling Green
Youngstown at DePaul
Thiel at Penn



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GRAB FOR LOOSE BALL—Tom Ritter, center of photo, of Lakota and another unidentified Lakota player grab for a loose ball in the Ross-Lakota Sectional tournament game in the Senior high gym Friday along with Dick Schefflin, No. 55, and Willy Schwenzfeiter, No. 21, of Ross. Awaiting the outcome are Roger Harris, No. 30 and Joe Krotzer, No. 42, of Lakota, surprise 35-32 winner over Ross.

Calvert Beats Genoa; Lakota Takes On Fostoria 5 Tonight

By HAL SHANAHAN

Lakota's Raiders made their first basketball tournament game a successful one, surprising Fremont Ross in a low scoring 35-32 game Friday in the Fremont Class AA Sectional in the Senior high gym.

Other winner last night was Tiffin Calvert by a 61-44 margin over Genoa.

Lakota school district, made up of one unit this season composed of the Jackson - Burgoon, Jackson - Liberty and Rising-sun segments, will get its second tournament test tonight at 8 against top-seeded Fostoria, 14-3 record. Lakota is now 9-10.

Winner will advance to the Rossford Sectional finals next Saturday at 8 against either Toledo Libbey, Toledo Waite or Toledo Scott.

Calvert, now 13-5, plays Oak Harbor, 3-13 in the initial game in the Ross gym tonight at 7:30. Winner will take on either Toledo Central, Lake or Rogers next Friday, 8 p.m. at Rossford.

Ross bowed out with a 3-16 mark and Genoa with 4-11.

The Little Giants, under Coach Cot Marquette, made too few field goals too few free throws and too many mistakes against Lakota.

Free Throws Decide

Coach Max Chapman's Raiders also played an unsteady game with numerous turnovers but used free throw accuracy to grab the verdict.

Biggest drawback in the Raiders' performance was their inability to get off many shots. Opportunities were presented to crack the Ross inner defense but not capitalized on. Consequently, Lakota took only 35 field attempts, making 10.

But the Raiders, especially 5-11 Roger Harris, cashed in from the charity stripe with 15 of 25 for 60 per cent.

Ross just plain missed, both from the field and the line. The

Giants got off 54 shots but connected only 10 times for 18.5 per cent and could sink only 12 of 29 free tosses for 41.4 per cent.

Harris made only one field goal but hit on 10 of 15 foul tries for 12 points, only player on either team in double figures. Carl Cessna, 6-2 Lakota center, was the only cager on either team to sink more than two field goals. He made three, the most important one coming with 1:38 to play in the final quarter. It put the Raiders in command 33-29. Thirty-four seconds later, Jerry Coleman tallied a layup following a teammate's pass to clinch the decision for Lakota.

Ross never engineered a consistent drive, fouls, floor mistakes or missed field goals causing a halt. The Giants were ahead three times and tied twice in the first period which ended with Lakota on top 10-8 and trailed throughout the second period although closing the gap to two points, 19-17, at intermission as junior Chuck Hufford zeroed in a long fielder and senior Denny Stine flipped in two free tosses.

Last Fremont Lead

Two charities by 6-4½ senior center Dick Schefflin, who missed six straight from the line the second quarter, knotted the clubs 19-19 early in the third period. Free toss by Lakota's 5-7 guard Dale Thaxton put his team in the lead, 20-19. But Stine connected on a turn around effort with 4:44 to play in the third stanza to give Ross the margin, 21-20 last advantage for the Purple and White. Joe Krotzer's goal regained the lead for Lakota.

Fremont knotted the Raiders 28-28 and, with 2:58 remaining, tied 29-29 on a free throw by Guy Nuhfer which matched Harris' free toss.

In The Clutch

Thaxton dropped in a pair of free throws with 2:08 to play and Coleman came through in the clutch with their late baskets.

Field goal by Ross high's Jim Davis and charity toss by Jim Ohms closed out the scoring.

Stine had nine points and Nuhfer seven to pace the Ross point making while Cessna chipped in with seven points for Lakota.

Stine, Schefflin, Larry Ripple and Ohms played in their finale for Ross. Another senior, Dave Fankratz, did not see action.

Calvert and Genoa played a tight first half, neither shooting well. Then the Senecas tore the lid off the basket the third quarter, sinking 11 of 17 field tries, to move from a halftime edge of 16-15 to a lead of 42-29 going into the final chapter. Ted Rombach, 6-5 junior center, tallied 14 of his final leading Calvert total of 21 points the fourth period. Fred Farley added 17 markers and Tony Reed 13 to the Calvert total.

Bob Brinkman and Dick Hesselbart paced Genoa with 12 each.

Calvert wound up with a 41.4 shooting percentage via 24 of 58 shots succeeding to Genoa's 16 of 61 for 26.2.

Crowd of approximately 1,200 was on hand for the opening round.

Al Ziemke, tourney manager, said tickets will be available at the window in the Ross gym for tonight's contests. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

	FG	FA	FM	PF	TP
Ross (32)	10	54	15	1	29
Stine	7	15	1	0	12
Schwenzfeiter	2	10	1	0	6
Schefflin	0	9	0	1	2
Davis	1	0	0	0	2
Hufford	2	2	1	4	5
Nuhfer	1	4	2	4	7
Ohms	1	5	1	2	2
Ripple	6	0	1	2	12
Fleming	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	59	12	18	32

	FG	FA	FM	PF	TP
Lakota (35)	10	24	15	1	29
Ritter	1	1	1	0	2
Krotzer	1	1	1	0	2
Cessna	3	5	1	0	9
Harris	1	15	10	2	17
Thaxton	1	3	2	4	7
Stoudinger	1	1	0	1	2
Griffin	1	0	0	0	2
Stewart	0	0	0	0	0
Coleman	1	0	0	0	2

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By BERT MITTL

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The Panthers were i tourney champs last y York was outgated 2 was master from the sinking 25 of 36 f to only 10 of 13 for W

All-County Tou Quintet Selected

News-Messenger sp announces the follow player All-Sandusky Tournament team jud opening round and ship and consolation the Fremont St. Joe gym.

Forwards—Otis Fra senior, York and T meyer, 6-0 senior, W Center—Mike Hayv senior, York.

Guards — Tom Hln sophomore, Woodville Martin, 5-9 senior Springs.

Old Fort G Final Round Seneca Tou

Old Fort's Stockader well-Loudon advancet finals of the Seneca C A tourney at Tiffin las both also qualified for Class A. Sectional nex

Old Fort and H-L col night in the Heidelb gym for the Seneca ch

The Stockaders whip lic in the semifinals H-L won over Attica

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CAREY ADVAN

Carey's Blue Devil to the Tiffin Class / next week via an 81-over Nevada in the county tourney last n Arlington and Ron ' netted 25 points to p

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