

1962 Class AA District Tournament

Locals At Slight Height Disadvantage In 7:30 Tilt; Central And Libbey Meet

"We'll have to fight hard on the boards," coach Dick Norman expressed as he viewed the overall picture for Ross' big district tourney battle Friday night with Toledo Macomber.

The game is scheduled to start at 7:30 o'clock in the Toledo university fieldhouse. Following the Giants' bid to get into the finals will be a game between Toledo Libbey and Toledo Central, a club that brings the top record into the tournament.

Continuing on, Norman said, "Against Macomber we will have to play our best brand of basketball. We will need good shooting, top defense and strong rebounding."

Macomber, 16-3 overall, carries a slight height advantage over Ross with four starters topping the 6-0 mark and the fifth going at 5-10.

Norman's scouting report shows center Ed Russell at 6-3 and carrying plenty of muscle, forwards Don Schrader, 6-3, and Claude Smith, 6-2, and guard Bob Williams, 6-1. The other guard is Dick Masney at 5-10. Russell is an all-state tackle for Macomber's grid squad and Williams, regarded as the Craftsmen's best player, made second team all-Toledo this year on the maples. A Toledo spokesman who has seen all city clubs in action this year stated that Williams is, in his opinion, the third best boy in the city.

Williams can do it all on the court—shoot, pass, dribble, drive and play defense. He is a 20-point man.

ROSS Season Record

R	Team	Op.
41	Port Clinton	38
52	Libbey	51
53	Woodard	48
44	Fostoria	33
42	Tiffin Columbian	43
56	Local Senior	41
56	Elyria	59
56	Marion Harding	81
56	Findlay	43
44	Sandusky	47
56	Local Senior	49
56	W. Res. Academy	49
68	Bellevue	56
56	Elyria	45
54	Marion Harding	71
34	Findlay	38
56	DevVilbiss	61
60	Woodard	58
	Sectional	
51	Oak Harbor	42
62	Genoa	48
67	Eastwood	55

MACOMBER Season Record

M	Team	Op.
47	Tiffin Columbian	52
47	Central	54
63	Woodard	41
81	Defiance	48
81	Olyny	36
55	Libbey	49
55	Clay	37
68	Wolfe	41
55	Scott	35
67	Woodard	40
61	DevVilbiss	56
55	River Rouge	48
55	Libbey	43
72	Wolfe	48
72	Scott	48
	Sectional	
49	Wolfe	34
61	Rogers	45
68	DevVilbiss	55

Russell, though not a great scorer, is a bull on the boards as Macomber boasts an outstanding rebound squad. Shrade has a deadly outside shot and is considered Macomber's second best performer. Smith did not have a good night against DevVilbiss when Macomber pounded out a 68-52 decision in the finals of the Toledo sectional. Smith is about an eight-point man. Masney, a southpaw who seldom shoots, is regarded as the fifth man on the club.

Norman indicated he will go with the same starting unit that carried Ross to all three tourney victories and a four-game win streak thus far. At Forwards will be Jim Davis and Willy Schwenzer, guards will be Guy Nuhfer and Dick Hufford and center Frank Moore. Moore pulled in 14 rebounds against Eastwood last week when the Giants took the

first half of the Bowling Green sectional.

Ross was far ahead of the smaller Eastwood club in rebounding last week, pulling in 48 to the Eagles' 31. But Norman is sure of one thing: "They are going to come a lot harder this week."

Tickets for the tournament are going fast. John Titworth of Ross said, but there still will be some for sale tonight at Tremper's, Junior high and Senior high. Tickets for Toledo students already have been sold out.

Ross enters the contest seeking the .500 level for the first time since mid-season. Currently the Giants stand 10-11.

The two foes have met three common opponents—Tiffin Columbian, Libbey and Woodward. Ross lost to the Tiffin five 43-42 after holding a 10-point early in third quarter. The Giants hold narrow decisions over Libbey, 52-51, and Woodward, 60-58. Macomber, meanwhile, also was beaten by one point, 52-51, by Columbian, but holds easy victories over Woodward, 63-41 and 67-40. Macomber downed Libbey twice, 55-49 and 55-43. The Craftsmen have lost only once since the second week of the campaign, that coming to Central.

The Toledoans hold a slight scoring edge over Ross on offense by about three points per game and there is about the same difference on defense.

Toledo Central brings a 20-1 record into the tournament, having lost only to strong Dayton Roosevelt, 58-57, in an early season game. Libbey, 10-10, lost by 11 points once and 10 points a second time to Central. Libbey is led by all-Ohio Chet Trail while Central relies on steady scoring up and down its lineup.

Ashland Eagles In NAIA Play

ASHLAND, Ohio (AP) — Ashland College's basketballers will be packing this weekend for the trip to Kansas City as Ohio's representative in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics tournament.

The Eagles won the NAIA District 22 playoff final Wednesday night, defeating Defiance 67-61 at Bluffton for Ashland's 21st victory in 24 games.

The national tourney opens Monday and runs through the week.

A balanced attack — double-figure scoring by all five starters — carried Ashland past the Yellow Jackets (16-7). The Eagles, Mid-Ohio League kingpins, trailed 43-37 early in the second half but roared back behind Boze Johnson's hot shooting to grab a 59-51 lead and coast in.

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