

1942 Class A Tournament.

JENKINS NETS 18 POINTS IN EASY VICTORY

Will Meet Mansfield
Friday Night As Play
Follows Old Pattern

Ross high's Little Giants, once more in quest of the elusive district title, opened their tournament play in Sandusky Saturday night with a crushing 48 to 14 victory over Willard, tying Mansfield for scoring honors during the first week of play.

The Rossmen had little trouble—as the score indicates—with the Little Big Four champions, and the balance of the second round games came out pretty much as expected.

Tiffin Columbian copped a 33 to 27 victory over their city rivals, Junior Home; Ashland downed a fighting Shelby quintet, 34 to 31, and Mansfield topped Bellevue, 39 to 22.

Familiar Picture

With only a slight variation, the tournament picture is a replica of the 1941 canvass. Fremont and Mansfield will clash in the semi-finals Friday night, the same as last year, and the winner will meet the upper bracket finalist the following night. It was the same last year.

Ashland and Columbian will tangle for the same prize while last year it was Ashland and Willard. Therein is the slight variation. Ashland took the district title last year because it met a weak Willard team in the semi-final round and was fresh for the championship game with a tired Fremont quintet that had been forced into two overtime sessions before eking out a win over Mansfield.

This year Ashland may also be pushed to the utmost and may be just as fagged as the winner of the Fremont-Mansfield setto.

Rossmen Breeze

The Little Giants' opening game was strictly a breeze and Coach Eddie Gabel sent his regulars to the showers after two minutes of the final period had elapsed.

Dick Myers opened the scoring against the Railroaders and the score was 9 to 0 before Goodsite scored a free throw for Willard's only first period point. The quarter ended, 13 to 1.

Again it was Myers who opened the scoring in the second chapter with Bob Hall and Snooks Jenkins taking up from there, each scoring six points. This time Willard's only score was a free throw by Popa and the half ended, 26 to 2.

Jenkins Gets 18

Willard rallied a bit in the third period to score six points, but Jenkins accounted for one more than that by himself while Myers once more opened the stanza with an action shot and Hall added a free throw.

The second stringers took over in the final canto and outscored Willard, 11 to six, as four of the second quintet had a hand in the point-getting.

It was a sparkling performance that the Little Giants presented in their tournament debut with Snooks Jenkins netting 18 points and Bob Hall collecting 12 for scoring honors.

	G.	F.	P.
Hall, f.	5	2	12
Jenkins, f.	8	2	18
Overmyer, f.	1	0	2
Roehmiser, f.	0	2	2
Myers, c.	2	2	6
Forczak, c.	1	0	2
Brueckle, g.	1	1	3
Bingman, g.	0	1	1
Whisler, g.	0	0	0
Michaels, g.	1	0	2
Totals	19	10	48
Willard 14	G. F. P.		
Denham, f.	0	0	0
Goodsite, f.	1	2	4
Popa, f.	1	1	3
Whisler, c.	3	0	6
Cox, g.	0	0	0
Jackson, g.	0	1	1
Totals	5	4	14
Fremont	13	13	11
Willard	1	1	6
Officials: Bannick and Smith			
—GIVE TO RED CROSS—			

Lead Until Late In Third Period And Then Tire Badly

Jenkins Electrifies Crowd With First Half Performance But Receives Little Offensive Aid; Mansfield Height Is Deciding Factor

A Fremont team that started out plenty hot, kept the heat on for more than two periods and then started to chill, finally reaching the point where frost was plainly visible, wound up its basketball season last night by absorbing a 45 to 35 defeat at the hands of Mansfield.

The defeat also marked their exodus from the district tournament at Sandusky and undoubtedly paved the way for a new champion. Mansfield should have little difficulty in downing Ashland, defending titlist, in the championship round tonight.

In and Out Game

There were things wrong with the Little Giants Friday night, especially so in the final stages of the game, but they lost to a fine team, one that can easily be ranked with the top few in the state. At least, they could have been in the encounter in question.

The Little Giants played spotty ball most of the way, and not their usual steady brand. They forged into a 6 to 3 lead, dropped a point behind and then again went to the fore to lead at the quarter, 14 to 11. The early part of the second stanza saw them run their advantage to seven points, 18 to 11, and then falter to the extent that they had to come from behind to lead at the half, 24 to 22.

They played steadier in the third period, but the first two quarters had taken their toll. They slowed down and with the slack went their chances.

Jenkins Tires

The defeat wasn't as bad as the score might indicate as the Tygers accounted for five of their points in the last minute and a half when all was already lost.

Snooks Jenkins was a ball of fire the first half, scoring an even dozen points, but he received hardly any offensive help in the second quarter and he was a tired boy after the intermission. With his clock run down, none of his teammates stepped in to take up the scoring burden.

A jinx seemed to hover over the Fremont bucket the second half and it was as if a lid had been clamped down upon it. Shots that should have gone for points dashed in and dashed out or missed by inches with Bob Hall having especially bad luck.

Height Tells

The superior height of the Mansfield players, the play of Center Paul Dietzel and the entire team's ability to score from back of the foul circles were the deciding factors.

Dave Brocksieker and Glenn Bingman played excellent defensive games, especially under the bankboards, but Dick Myers had a bad evening. He was unable to hold down Dietzel, at least four times allowing himself to be faked out of position, letting the big Tyger unguarded under the basket for easy shots.

The way the game started, it looked like the Little Giants' night. After Jenkins had opened the scoring Brocksieker sank a long one and then Bingman worked his way under the basket for a score. After Mansfield had taken a one point lead, Jenkins again rallied the forces and Hall came through with a pair of two pointers.

Start Fast

Two rapid fire shots by Jenkins as the second period opened widened the margin to 18 to 11 and then he scored again after the Tygers had netted a pair of baskets, both by Hahn from back of the foul circle. Mansfield again forged into the lead and it took Myers' lone field goal of the first half, plus Jenkins' shot from the

side, to put Fremont ahead at the intermission. Jenkins' shot was still in mid-air as the gun sounded.

The third period was as hectic an affair as the tournament will probably see. The two quintets took turns scoring until it was 28 to 28 at which point Mansfield pulled away to a five point lead with Dietzel getting four of them.

Hall scored near the end of the frame to make it 35 to 30 and at the start of the stretch drive Myers dropped in a free toss to cut the lead to four points, and later in the period baskets by Myers and Hall trimmed it to three, but the team didn't have the extra something that was needed.

Benefit From Fouls

Fouls by Hahn and Dietzel and a basket by the latter, sewed up the contest.

Jenkins was definitely tired the second half and after dropping in six action shots the first two quarters failed to score from the court the rest of the game. He was bumped around pretty handily most of the way and it took plenty out of him.

Mansfield used a zone defense except that Joe Romano dogged Jenkins all the time, and it worked.

The Tygers reaped plenty of benefit from the foul line, getting 18 chances and converting 11 of them while Fremont had but 11 charity shots the entire game. Only two personals were called on Mansfield the entire first half although they are generally conceded to play a rough and bruising game.

Ashland Wins

Both Dick Myers and Glenn Bingman were banished in the final canto with four personals while Brocksieker had three when it was all over. Only one Mansfield had more than two on him.

In the other semi-final game a non-descript Ashland team easily defeated an unrecognizable Tiffin Columbian outfit, 46 to 24, and about the only feature of the game was the officiating. Ashland couldn't have lost that ball game if it had tried as four of the starting Columbians were waved off the floor and 43 fouls were called, most of them on Coach Burkett's little fellows.

Mansfield	G. F. P.
Winnigler, f.	4 4 12
Hahn, f.	5 1 11
Dietzel, c.	5 5 15
Altamonte, g.	2 1 5
Romano, g.	1 0 2
Totals	17 11 45
Fremont	35
Jenkins, f.	6 2 14
Hall, f.	3 2 8
Overmyer, f.	0 0 0
Myers, c.	2 1 5
Wishon, c.	0 0 0
Brocksieker, g.	1 0 2
Bingman, g.	3 0 6
Totals	15 5 35
Mansfield	11 11 13 10-45
Fremont	14 10 6 5-35

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The smallest American mammal, the smoky shrew, has a life span of less than a year.

