

Ross Net Squad Eyes Top District Honors

McConnell Paints A Rosy Picture

Ross high has the makings of one of the best tennis teams in northwestern Ohio.

That's the optimistic opinion of Coach W. J. McConnell, who is hoping for a good break in the weather to get his squad in shape for the opening match with Toledo DeVilbiss April 19.

McConnell's team has three lettermen, Bud Anderson, Dick Garcia and Lonny Price. A freshman, Jack Baron, rated the equal of any of the vets, is almost certain to take over the No. 2 spot in singles.

Last season's team won 10 matches and lost two. The district title was won by DeVilbiss, but one Ross player, Ralph Engle, qualified for the state finals and advanced to the quarter-finals before losing.

Working In Gym

The squad is now practicing in the school gymnasium and will move outside as soon as weather permits. McConnell is hoping that the city recreation department will have the new courts at Rodger W. Young Park laid out before long.

In addition to Anderson, Garcia, Price and Baron, McConnell will work with the following candidates: Louis Lorenzen, Bud Cross, Tom Kirsch, Ted Houghtaling, Ken Winkle, and Dick Houghtaling. Lorenzen and Winkle are not working out because of spring football practice.

The schedule:

April 19, at Toledo DeVilbiss
April 20, Lima Central, home
April 23, at Mansfield
April 26, at Sandusky
April 27, Toledo Scott, home
May 2, at Lima Central
May 4, Mansfield, home
May 7, Sandusky, home
May 9, DeVilbiss, home
May 18-19, District meet

DeVilbiss Beats Ross Netmen

Ross high school's tennis squad was nosed out in its opener yesterday at Toledo DeVilbiss, but Coach W. J. McConnell was not discouraged.

The score was 4-3 and McConnell says that with a few games under their belt, his boys will reverse that when DeVilbiss appears here May 9.

Dick Baron and Lonny Price won singles matches, and Baron and Dick Garcia teamed to give the Giants a victory in the doubles.

DeVilbiss has a veteran aggregation, while the Ross participants yesterday were one senior, two freshmen, one junior and one sophomore.

Lima Here Today

This afternoon, starting at 3:30, the Ross netmen play Lima Central at Rodger W. Young Park. The team will be directed by Harold Schahet while McConnell attends a state athletic board meeting in Columbus.

Next Monday, Ross goes to Mansfield. Summary of yesterday's match:

Singles

Walt Milbourne (D) defeated Bud Anderson (Ross) 6-0, 6-1.

Jack Baron (Ross) defeated Bill Leake (D) 3-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Larry Resnick (D) defeated Dick Garcia (Ross) 6-4, 6-3.

Lonny Price (Ross) defeated John Ruehlin 6-2, 6-1.

Charles Freed (D) defeated Ted Houghtaling (Ross) 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

Ross Netmen Defeat Lima

Ross high school bounced back from its defeat at the hands of Toledo DeVilbiss by trouncing Lima Central here yesterday afternoon, 4-1.

The match was scheduled for 3:30, but the Lima school did not arrive until 4:45. The final doubles match was not completed. Dick Houghtaling and Lonny Price of Ross were trailing Ed Conkle and George Stephan when the match was called because of darkness.

Bud Anderson, Dick Garcia and Lonny Price won singles matches, while Anderson and Garcia copped a doubles match. Jack Baron did not compete because of illness.

Monday, the netmen journey to Mansfield.

Summary of Friday's match:
Singles

Bud Anderson (Ross) defeated Carl Aspinall (L) 6-0, 6-3.

Dick Garcia (Ross) defeated Phil Beach (L) 6-0, 6-1.

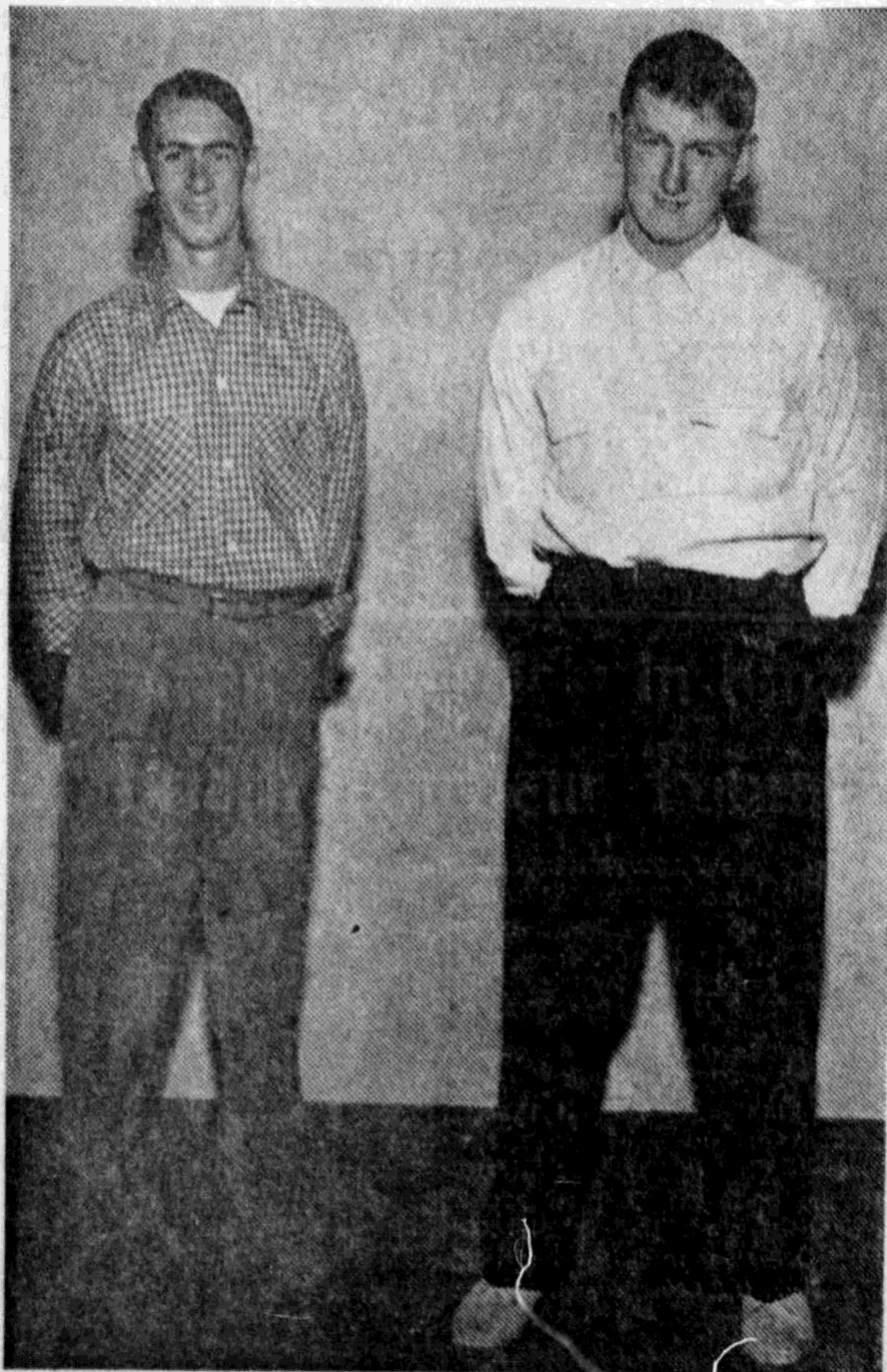
Lonny Price (Ross) defeated Bill Blunden (L) 6-1, 6-4.

Ed Conkle (L) defeated Ted Houghtaling (Ross) 6-1, 6-2.

Doubles

Anderson and Garcia defeated Aspinall and Beach, 6-1, 6-2.

Ross Eligibles For State Finals



The two boys pictured above were the only Fremont Ross qualifiers in the state finals of athletic events, but only one will participate. Bud Anderson

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left(was district runner-up in the singles division of the tennis tournament. John Allen, right, won the shot put in the district and will compete today in the state finals.

Ross Netmen Whitewashed

Mansfield handed Ross high's tennis team a crushing defeat at Mansfield yesterday. The score was 7-0 as the Tygers won five singles and two doubles matches.

The Giants used Bud Anderson, Dick Garcia, Lonny Price, Ted Houghtaling and Dick Houghtaling in singles.

Thursday, the netters go to Sandusky, Friday, they meet Toledo Scott here.

Summary:

Singles

Bill Reale defeated Bud Anderson, 6-1, 6-3.

Fritz Haring defeated Dick Garcia, 6-3, 6-2.

Bud Sorensen defeated Lonny Price, 6-3, 6-2.

Malcolm Erich defeated Ted Houghtaling, 6-0, 6-0.

Roger Fenneman defeated Dick Houghtaling, 6-2, 11-9.

Doubles

Reale and Haring defeated Anderson and Price, 7-5, 6-2.

Sorensen and Erich defeated Garcia and T. Houghtaling, 6-2, 6-4.

Netters Trim Sandusky, 5-2

Ross high school's netters evened their record for the season with a 5-2 victory at Sandusky yesterday.

Bud Anderson, Jack Baron, Dick Garcia and Lonny Price won singles matches and Baron and Garcia teamed for a doubles victory.

Garcia dropped only one game, winning from Jim Hildebrand 6-1, 6-0.

Toledo Scott and Ross will vie on the courts at Rodger W. Young Park today, starting at 3:30.

Summary:

Singles

Bud Anderson (R) Def. Jack Lauro 6-2, 7-5.

Jack Baron (R) Def. Jack Kuldane 6-0, 6-3.

Dick Garcia (R) Def. Jim Hildebrand 6-1, 6-0.

Lonny Price (R) Def. Don Yontz 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Walter Herzog (S) Def. Ted Houghtaling 6-2, 6-2.

Doubles

Baron and Garcia (R) defeated Lauro and Kuldane, 6-2, 6-1.

Hildebrand and Herzog (S) defeated Anderson and Price, 11-9, 6-4.

Mansfield Beats Ross Hi Netmen

Mansfield's tough tennis team was too rough for Ross Friday afternoon at Roger W. Young park as the Tygers took home a 6-1 decision.

Sophomore Dick Garcia was the only Ross player to win his match. He whipped Malcolm Erich 6-2 and 7-5.

Bud Anderson and Lonny Price carried their foes to three sets before losing. Ross now has won four matches and lost three.

The Giants won No. 4 at Lima Central Thursday, shutting out the Dragons 7-0. Summaries:

Mansfield Match

Singles

Bill Reale (M) defeated Dick Baron, 6-4, 6-1.

Fritz Harring (M) defeated Bud Anderson, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

Dick Garcia (Ross) defeated Malcolm Erich, 6-3, 6-3.

Bud Sorensen (M) defeated Lonny Price, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

Courtney Brown defeated Ted Houghtaling, 6-2, 7-5.

Doubles

Real and Harring defeated Garcia and Baron, 6-3, 6-3.

Erich and Sorensen defeated Price and Anderson, 9-7, 6-4.

Lima Central Match

Singles

Baron (R) defeated Carl Aspinall, 6-3, 6-2.

Garcia (R) defeated Phil Beach, 6-1, 6-1.

Price (R) defeated Ed Conkle, 6-4, 6-2.

Ted Houghtaling (Ross) defeated Bill Blunden, 6-2, 6-1.

Dick Houghtaling defeated Dale Leppla, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

Doubles

Baron and Garcia defeated Aspinall and Beach, 6-0, 6-0.

Price and Ted Houghtaling defeated Conkle and George Stephen, 6-3, 7-5.

Ross Nelmen Spank Sandusky

Ross high school's tennis team won its fifth match in eight tries this season by blasting out a 5-2 victory over Sandusky here Monday afternoon.

The Giants try to make it six wins this evening when undefeated Toledo DeVilbiss invades.

Jack Baron, back in action after being ill, Bud Anderson, Dick Garcia and Lonny Price won singles matches and Garcia and Baron collaborated for a doubles victory.

Summary:

Singles

Dick Baron defeated Jack Lauro (S) 6-0, 6-1.

Bud Anderson defeated Jack Kuldane (S) 6-0, 6-0.

Dick Garcia defeated Jim Hildebrand (S) 6-3, 6-2.

Lonny Price defeated Walt Herzog (S) 6-2, 6-8, 6-4.

Don Yontz (S) defeated Ted Houghtaling, 6-3, 6-1.

Doubles

Baron and Garcia defeated Laupro and Kuldane, 6-4, 6-2.

Hildebrand and Herzog defeated Anderson and Ken Winkle, 6-1, 6-3.

Ross Net Team In Final Match

Ross high school's tennis team, winner in six of nine starts, will meet Toledo Scott there this afternoon, the last match on the regular schedule.

The Giants trounced Scott in a match here early in the season. Coach W. J. McConnell's team has lost only to Mansfield (twice) and Toledo DeVilbiss this season and the latter was beaten in a return match.

The district meet is scheduled for Friday and Saturday at Bowling Green.

Win 7, Lose 3; District Slated At B.G. Friday

Ross high school's tennis team ended its regular season with its seventh victory in 10 matches Tuesday, making Toledo Scott a 5-1 victim at Toledo.

Jack Baron and Dick Garcia won their eighth doubles matches in nine tries. Both won their singles matches, along with Bud Anderson. Anderson teamed with Ted Houghtaling to win a doubles match.

Next stop on the Ross schedule is the district eliminations Friday at Bowling Green. Anderson will represent the Giants in singles, Baron and Garcia in doubles.

Mansfield defeated Ross twice this season and DeVilbiss inflicted the other loss. However, DeVilbiss was beaten in a return match.

Summary of yesterday's finale:

Singles

Bud Anderson defeated Roger Johnson (S) 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

Jack Baron defeated Donald Tom (S) 6-1, 6-3.

Dick Garcia defeated David Millstein (S) 6-4, 6-2.

Phil Oberlin (S) defeated Lonny Price, 9-7, 6-2.

Doubles

Garcia and Baron defeated Johnson and Tom, 6-0, 6-1.

Anderson and Ted Houghtaling defeated Herb Shodiss and Donald Lowe (S) 6-4, 6-2.

McConnell's Netmen Surprise DeVilbiss

Toledo DeVilbiss high school was knocked from the undefeated ranks in tennis Tuesday by a surprising Ross aggregation that had already bowed once to the Tigers this season. The match was played at Roger W. Young park.

It was the first victory over DeVilbiss for Ross since Coach W. J. McConnell revived the sport in 1944. Ross did not have a net team for 10 years prior to that time.

The Giants swept three of the five singles matches, then sewed it up when Dick Baron and Dick Garcia collaborated in doubles against Toledo's Bill Leake and Larry Resnick.

Baron, Garcia, Price Win

Baron, Garcia and Lonny Price won in the singles. DeVilbiss had won eight matches, being tied by Mansfield two weeks ago.

Last week Mansfield won a convincing decision over the Giants here.

Baron spotted Resnick the first set, then came back strong to win 6-2 and 6-0. Ross now has won six and lost three.

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Dick Garcia defeated Larry Resnick (D) 6-3, 6-2.

Lonny Price defeated John Ruehlin (D) 6-1, 6-0.

Charles Freed (D) defeated Ted Houghtaling 6-1, 6-4.

Doubles

Baron and Garcia defeated Leake and Resnick 6-0, 6-3.

Milbourne and Ruehlin defeated Anderson and Price, 6-3, 6-0.

Wins 3 Matches

Anderson fought his way to the finals of the singles division of the net tourney with three victories before falling prey to Walt Milbourne, the Toledo DeVilbiss player-coach.

Milbourne took Anderson in straight sets 6-1, 6-0. Previously, the Fremonter had downed Bill Woerner of Toledo Macomber, 6-0, 6-0; Storer of Norwalk, 6-0, 6-0, and Bud Sorensen, of Mansfield, 6-1, 6-4.

The Ross doubles team of Dick Garcia and Jack Baron were eliminated by DeVilbiss. Bill Leake and Larry Resnick hung up a 6-3, 6-4 victory.

Garcia is a sophomore, Baron a freshman.

Anderson's victory qualified him for the state tourney next week in Columbus.