

PURPLE CAGERS LOSE GAME BY NARROW MARGIN

Held Lead at Half but Bellevue Comes Back to Shoot Out Victory

Cupp Stars for Bellevue and Brokate Shoots High for F. H. S.

Bellevue 29. Fremont 24.

Two old L. B. S. rivals stepped out to show their form in another high class brand of cage society last night and Bellevue won the decision by a five point edge after a warm session in which they were leading at the half 15 to 13.

The importance of this encounter was based on the fact that the winner will appear in the finals at Findlay tonight, meeting Toledo Libbey the outfit that sent Rabbit Sterret's Junior Order cagers into the defeated class to the tune of 28 to 27, another of those hardwood features.

Bellevue and Fremont both came through into the district tourney by outpointing their rivals in the Sandusky event of last week. It was a case of Greek meeting Greek and it was the fortunes of war that Fremont had to take the tumble out of the competition and allow the crimson clad performers from Bellevue to carry the banner of the Little Big Seven into the charmed circle at Columbus, providing, of course, they climb the frames of the Libbey fellows tonight. Fostoria and Toledo Scott will tie into each other in the other class A doings tonight.

An Early Lead

Fremont jumped into a 9 to 5 lead at the quarter and they maintained their advantage at the half, 15 to 13 and the outfit was performing pretty well. In the third quarter, Cupp, Bellevue's star forward and a lad who has been doing some nifty tourney sharpshooting, got the range and ably aided by his mates, started to pour leather into the bucket.

The fellows from Eddie Poss' town outshot Fremont 9 to 4 in the three quarters round and led 22 to 19 at that point, a pretty tight game of ball, if anybody happens to ask you. In fact it was an open question regarding the outcome at this point but Bellevue managed to outscore Fremont 7 to 5 in the final round and not only maintained its three point lead but tacked two additional points onto the edge.

Cupp shot five fielders and three free tosses for a total of 13 points. The scoring ace won the ball game for the Bellevue outfit. Of course, he had aid from his buddies but his uncanny aim was the deciding factor in a perfectly good contest.

Brokate led the Fremont marksmen with four fielders and he also turned in a pretty good floor game. Lee Moore, Fremont center, gleaned seven points and worked nicely, too. Binkley, Bliss and Pettiford also rang up counters and were in the general melee and Gomoll also got into the game.

A number of Fremont fans were on hand to give the purple and whiter's encouragement. The showing of the Fremont outfit after an in and out season in league company was a pretty good exhibition. They entered the Sandusky going to face Ashland when nobody gave them a chance. Here they upset the big favorites and earned their way into the whirl at Findlay and knocked on the door of the coach that takes you to Columbus for the final review. They failed to make the raffle by a few scant points but they did their best to make a good showing and more power to Oldfather and his purple and white delegation.

The lineup and summary:

Bellevue 29	G.	F.	P.
Cupp, rf-c	5	3	13
Herner, lf	0	3	3
Mitchell, c	2	1	5
Burgess, rg	2	0	4
Crosby, lg	1	2	4
Cooper, f	0	0	0
Totals	10	9	29
Fremont 24	G.	F.	P.
Brokate, rf	4	0	3
Pettiford, lf	1	1	3
Moore, c	3	1	7
Binkley, rg	1	2	4
Bliss, lg	1	0	2
Gomoll, f	0	0	0
Totals	10	4	24

Score by quarters:

Bellevue	5	8	9	7—29
Fremont	9	6	4	5—24

Referee—Bechtel of Wittenberg.

Umpire—Wilson of Denison.

Time of quarters—8 minutes.