

# 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 dished in and dished 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. Jenkin's 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 Mansfielder 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 45	G.	F.	P.
Winbigler, 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	G.	F.	P.
Jenkins, f. ....	6	2	14
Hall, f. ....	3	2	8
Overmyer, f. ....	0	0	0
Myers, c. ....	2	1	5
Wisbon, c. ....	0	0	0
Brocksieker, g. ....	1	0	2
Bingman, g. ....	3	0	6
Totals .....	15	5	35
Mansfield .....	11	11	13
Fremont .....	14	10	6

Officials: Bannick and Smith.

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